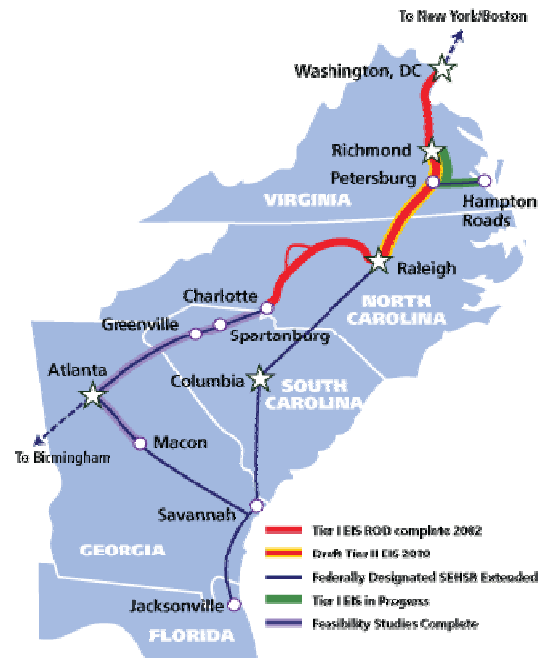


Southeast High Speed Rail Corridor (SEHSR): Richmond to Raleigh Tier 2 DEIS

VHSR and SEHSRA’s Position: We support the continued advancement of, and investment in, the Southeast High Speed Rail corridor to link our region with fast, frequent, and reliable intercity passenger trains.

Talking Points:

- Transportation congestion:
 - Avg. resident along the SEHSR corridor spends 213 hours annually in traffic or commuting to work.
 - Avg. flight into or out of destinations along SEHSR corridor is delayed 55.6 minutes.
 - Population of Southeast expected to grow 26 percent in the next 20 years.
- This study is the final step in a federally mandated process and must proceed for the expansion of high speed rail connecting the Washington to Petersburg and Raleigh to Charlotte corridors.
- The corridor alignment selected must aim for the least environmental impact and the greatest return-on-investment for the public’s money.
- Ensure city center to city center connectivity access to public transit including at the following stations:
 - Richmond’s Main Street station
 - Raleigh’s new Union station
 - The Petersburg passenger rail station must have the necessary utility for trains traveling to both Raleigh and Norfolk.
- Support the multi-use greenway trail concept where it doesn’t impact the feasibility or the cost of advancing the SEHSR corridor.



Public Hearing Dates:

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Warren County, NC
Northside Elementary School
164 Elementary Avenue
Norlina, NC 27563

Wednesday, July 21, 2010

Greater Petersburg, VA
Union Station
103 River Street
Petersburg, VA 23804

Tuesday, July 27, 2010

Vance County, NC
Aycock Elementary School
305 Carey Chapel Road
Henderson, NC 27537

Thursday July 15, 2010

Southside Virginia
Southside VA CC, Christanna Campus
109 Campus Drive
Alberta, VA 23821

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Greater Dinwiddie County
Sunnyside Elementary School
10203 Sunnyside Road
McKenney, VA 23872

Thursday, July 29, 2010

Franklin County, NC
Franklinton High School Gym
6948 N. Cheatham Street
Franklinton, NC 27525
GPS users should enter “Cheatham & Vine, Franklinton, NC”)

Tuesday, July 20, 2010

Greater Richmond, VA
Virginia DMV Cafeteria
2300 W. Broad Street, 1st floor
Richmond, VA 23269

Monday, July 26, 2010

Wake County, NC
Raleigh Convention Center
500 South Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27601

All hearings begin at 7:00 pm EST with a public viewing beginning at 5:00 pm EST.

Mail written comments at any time before August 30, 2010 to:

SEHSR Comments, NCDOT Rail Division, 1553 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1553
SEHSR Comments, VA Dept. of Rail, 600 East Main Street, Suite 2102, Richmond, VA 23219

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