Norris Bridge Transmission Project
July 28, 2015

Lancaster side looking towards Middlesex

Middlesex side looking towards Lancaster
Norris Bridge Transmission Project Overview

- **Replace aging infrastructure** that has been in place since 1962 and has reached its “end-of-life”

- Gain increased **reliability and operational efficiencies** by upgrading and relocating the line
  - rebuilding the line to meet current standards and clearances will reduce vulnerabilities of an aging line lessening the risk of outages
  - this will help maintain reliability and reduce the restoration time in the event of an outage

- **Maintain safety** for Dominion and VDOT crews and lessen potential hazards to the public and watermen
  - relocating off the bridge will lessen the frequency that Dominion and road crews will need to coordinate for line outages or lane closures and reduce road debris from impacting the line.
  - The line will also be built to current Army Corps of Engineers clearances and codes, maintaining up-to-date safety standards for navigable waters.
Project Considerations

- Environmental considerations
  - SAV
  - Oyster beds
  - Wetlands

- Operational efficiencies

- Restoration times

- Life-span

- Use of existing right of way

- Existing overhead line

- Existing infrastructure in landscape (Norris Bridge)

- Cost
Community Outreach

- September 2014 – Briefed Lancaster Co. and Middlesex Co. staff and officials

- November 2014, Met with Private Oyster Bed Lease Holders
  - A new transmission line would not impact private oyster grounds.

- January 2015, Legislation was introduced in the General Assembly addressing Baylor Grounds in the project area – needed for VMRC permit consideration

- January 30, 2015 - Property owner outreach regarding soil testing work for project

- April 16, 2015 - Public Announcement
  - Mailed letters and fact sheets to ~70 landowners
    - Included all parcels ½ mile up and down stream and 500 feet inland from centerline
  - Project web page on dom.com, keyword “Norris Bridge”
  - Email address for on-going contact - powerline@dom.com

- May 2015 – Presented at the Lancaster and Middlesex Board of Supervisors meetings

- May 7, 12 – VMRC print advertisements regarding permit application

- May 14 – First news article coverage on project

- April - July 2015 – Direct stakeholder outreach regarding project-related questions

- On-going - Maintain open lines for communications throughout project
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Thank You

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