Richmond Layover Facility

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

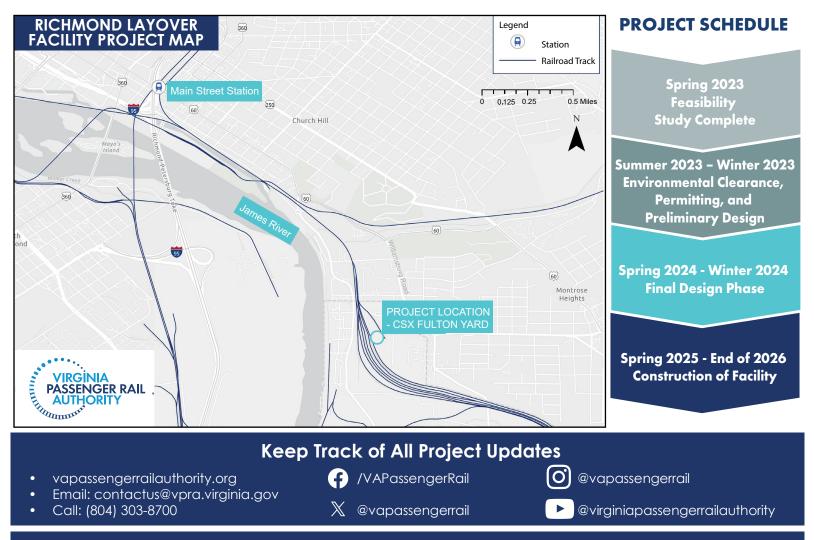
The Richmond Layover Facility project will include a new facility and tracks to provide overnight storage and servicing of Amtrak passenger trains in the Richmond Metropolitan area. The new facility will be located in the existing CSX Fulton Yard south of Williamsburg Road and east of the James River.

WHY IS THE RICHMOND LAYOVER FACILITY NEEDED?

Virginia is implementing a series of infrastructure improvements between Richmond to Washington, DC, to expand and enhance passenger rail across Virginia. This new facility is necessary to support existing and future passenger rail service in the corridor as it will eliminate non-service trips to the Staples Mill Station in Richmond, where trains are currently serviced and stored. This will help reduce rail congestion and encounters with freight operations in the area.

PROJECT STATUS

VPRA completed the Richmond Layover Facility Feasibility Study in April 2023, which reviewed six locations and led to the selection of the CSX Fulton Yard. VPRA is working with CSX, Amtrak, and others as the environmental and design work progresses. This new layover facility is expected to be completed by 2026.



Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) is an independent authority created by the Virginia General Assembly in 2020 to promote, sustain, and expand the availability of passenger and commuter rail service in the Commonwealth. Partnering with Amtrak, Virginia Railway Express (VRE), Norfolk Southern (NS), and CSX, we are working to provide passenger rail service throughout the state that is convenient and affordable. The Richmond Layover Facility Project is part of this statewide initiative, known as Transforming Rail in Virginia.