



Upcoming Construction

The Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) Contractors will begin tree removal along Ohio Drive SW near the Washington Channel on **February 14, 2025, weather permitting, with work continuing through February 21, 2025. Crews will be on-site from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** During this time, commuters, pedestrians, and cyclists can expect increased construction activity, including additional equipment, personnel, and associated noise. There will be no impact on parking or traffic.

The mitigation commitment for tree removal was determined during the Long Bridge Project planning process, and replanting will occur during the site restoration phase at the project's completion.

For more information on environmental mitigation, refer to the Combined Final Environmental Impact Statement/Record of Decision and Final Section 4(f) Evaluation, prepared by the U.S. Department of Transportation, District Department of Transportation, and Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation. Cooperating agencies include the National Park Service, Federal Transit Administration, National Capital Planning Commission, and others. You can view the [Long Bridge Project Combined Final Environmental Impact Statement/Record of Decision and Final Section 4\(f\) Evaluation](#) document online.

This work is necessary to complete the Long Bridge Project. This project will add a new two-track railroad bridge alongside the existing Long Bridge across the Potomac River, increasing rail capacity and alleviating a significant bottleneck for Amtrak and Virginia Railway Express. The 1.8-mile project includes five new rail bridges and two new pedestrian/bicycle bridges.

Posted signage will be provided to assist motorists and pedestrians as they travel through the area.



To ensure the safety of our crews, motorists and pedestrians are asked to stay clear of work zones and follow posted signage and detours.

The Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) is an independent authority established by the Virginia General Assembly in 2020 to promote, sustain, and expand passenger and commuter rail services.

Our mission is to provide integrated, affordable, and convenient rail travel options for all. As part of our commitment to improving rail infrastructure, we are completing early construction activities for the Long Bridge Project.