

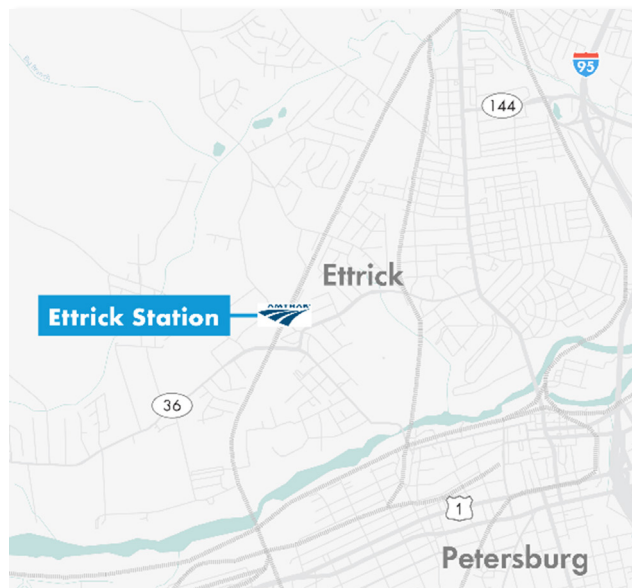


The Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA) is leading a series of station improvement projects throughout the Commonwealth, including a project in Chesterfield County. As part of this initiative, VPRA is renovating Amtrak's Ettrick Station (also known as the Petersburg Station) to ensure it remains in a state of good repair and meets American with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards and requirements.

Project timeline: *Construction is expected to begin Summer 2026*

The Ettrick Station Improvements Project calls for:

- **ADA Accessibility:** Planned sidewalk and ramp upgrades will improve pedestrian access from the parking lot to the station and platform
- **New Platform and Canopy:** An 850-foot platform, built 8-inches above the rails with safety tactile strips and a wheelchair lift enclosure will make boarding and exiting the train safer and assist visually impaired passengers. The reconstructed canopy will provide passengers cover from the elements
- **Updated Station Building:** A new ticket window and restroom access will be updated to ADA standards, along with new interior and exterior signage for improved wayfinding
- **Covered Walkways and Equipment:** A new covered walkway will enhance mobility and provide shelter from the elements
- **Parking Lot and Drainage:** The existing parking lot will be reconstructed with site improvements including lighting, landscaping, stormwater drainage and new signage and markings



ETTRICK PLANNING STUDY

To further enhance the Ettrick Stations Improvements Project, VPRA is engaging local stakeholders, including Chesterfield County and Virginia State University, in a study to establish a Transit Oriented Development for the half-mile area surrounding the station. The Ettrick (Petersburg) Planning Study is looking at strategies that could stimulate commercial and business growth, fostering a strong connection between the station and the downtown Petersburg area. The goal is to create a more walkable hub that blends housing, retail, and public spaces. The result would be an enhanced neighborhood near public transit that boosts the local economy and creates communities where people can live, work, and play.

In addition, the VPRA study would look at conceptual design alternatives to accommodate additional track infrastructure proposed as part of the Richmond to Raleigh (R2R) corridor project. The community will be made aware of opportunities to participate in the study as it gets underway.

RICHMOND TO RALEIGH (R2R) HIGH-SPEED PASSENGER RAIL CORRIDOR

In November 2022, VPRA acquired 75 miles of the abandoned S-Line corridor between Dinwiddie County, VA and Ridgeway, NC from CSX in what is known as the Richmond-to-Raleigh (R2R) corridor. Today, efforts are underway by VPRA and the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to return the S-Line to a functioning passenger rail corridor between the two state capitals. The R2R corridor will connect Virginia Amtrak services with expanding services from North Carolina, reducing travel time between Richmond and Raleigh by over an hour.

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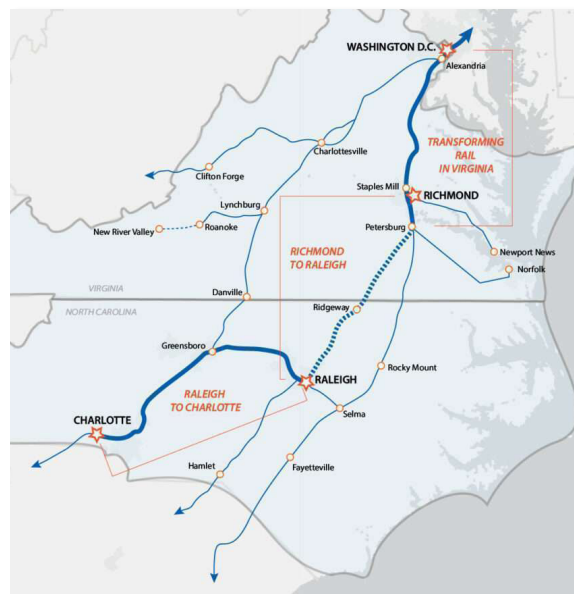
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