

Transform66: Inside the Beltway Compromise

Governor Terry McAuliffe and members from both parties and both chambers of the Virginia General Assembly announced today a bipartisan agreement to move forward on a plan to reduce congestion on I-66 inside the beltway by widening a four mile stretch from the Dulles Connector Road to Ballston, improving transit, and adding new options for single drivers.

The project will improve I-66 inside the Beltway by cutting commute times and providing new travel choices. Commuters will see improvements during rush hours and other times of the day through the improvements provided in this project. In 2020 the entire I-66 corridor will be transformed benefitting the region's economic competitiveness and quality of life.

The plan will be implemented jointly by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and the Department of Transportation. The Transform66: Inside the Beltway project includes the following components—

- Widening of I-66 eastbound from the Dulles Connector Road to Ballston with lanes opening in late 2019;
- Converting of I-66 during rush hours in the peak directions to dynamic tolling where HOV vehicles and buses travel free while others must pay a toll;
- Increasing transit service benefitting the users of I-66 inside the Beltway; and
- Enhancing carpool and other TDM strategies throughout the corridor.

Expected Benefits of Transform66: Inside the Beltway

Reduce Person Hours of Delay	Reliability	Person Throughput
Eliminates 26,000 person hours a day	45mph+ compared to 20mph to 60mph	40,000+ additional people per day

Toll revenue can **only** be used for components selected by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission that—

- Benefit the toll paying users of I-66 inside the Beltway
- Move more people through the corridor
- Are submitted by a jurisdiction in Planning District 8
- Will be implemented within 5 years

Eligible components include the following—

- Enhanced bus service
- Vanpool and carpool improvements
- WMATA improvements
- Roadway improvements on parallel routes
- Park-n-ride lots
- Widening I-66
- Roadway operational improvements
- Transportation systems management