### Project Information

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**Additional Project Description:**
The project will construct sidewalks, crosswalks, and connecting paved trails along Triple Seven Rd proximate to Countryside Elementary School.

**Purpose And Need:**
Provide safe route to school.

**District:**
Northern Virginia

**City/County:**
Loudoun

**Residency:**
Loudoun

The subject project meets the criteria for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion in accordance with:

- 23 CFR 771.117

**Description of PCE Category:**

c03 Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities.

**UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:**

- NO Significant environmental impacts
  
  **Determination:** No significant environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of this project, based on a review of the project scope and preliminary plans dated 08/2020.

- NO Substantial controversy on environmental grounds
  
  **Determination:** Based on a review of the project scope and location, no substantial controversy on environmental grounds is anticipated.

- NO Significant impact on properties protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
  
  **Determination:** The scope of work for the project is limited to existing right of way and no use of property protected by Section 4(f) would result. Based on the Cultural Resources Summary Report, a Stipulation (STIP) II - No Effect determination was made on 12/01/2020 in accordance with the 2016 Programmatic Agreement for Transportation Undertakings in Virginia.
NO Inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local law, requirement or administrative determination relating to the environmental aspects of the action
Determinaion: All Federal, State, and local laws, requirements, or administrative determinations will be adhered to throughout the lifespan of this project to preclude any inconsistencies.

IMPACTS:

NO Involves acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent right of way acquisition
Determinaion: Based on a review of preliminary plans no right of way is required.

NO Involves acquisitions that result in more than limited residential and non-residential displacements, based on the context and intensity of the impact
Determinaion: There will be no displacements, as all work for this project will be completed within existing right of way based on preliminary plans.

NO Results in capacity expansion of a roadway by addition of through lanes
Determinaion: The project scope does not include the addition of through lanes.

NO Involves the construction of temporary access, or the closure of an existing road, bridge, or ramps, that would result in major traffic disruptions, based on the context and intensity of the impact
Determinaion: Based on a review of preliminary plans no major traffic disruptions would occur.

NO Results in a determination of adverse effect on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. §306108)
Determinaion: Based on the Cultural Resources Summary Report, a STIP II - No Effect determination was made on 12/01/2020 in accordance with the 2016 Programmatic Agreement for Transportation Undertakings in Virginia.

NO Requires the use of properties protected by Section 4(f) (49 U.S.C. § 303/23 U.S.C. § 138) that cannot be documented with an FHWA de minimis determination, or a programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation signed by FHWA
Determinaion: The scope of work for the project is limited to existing right of way and no use of property protected by Section 4(f) would result.

NO Requires the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act of 1965 (54 U.S.C. § 200305) or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with federal public-use-money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property
Determinaion: The project is limited to existing right of way and there would be no acquisition of land protected under Section 6(f) or other unique and special lands based on the project scope.

NO Requires a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 (33 U.S.C. § 1344 permit other than a Nationwide or a General Permit)
Determinaion: The VDOT Permit Determination on file indicates no permits are required, 12/07/2020.

NO Requires a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit (33 U.S.C. § 401)
Determinaion: The project scope and preliminary plans do not include bridgework over navigable waters of the United States; therefore, a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit is not required.

NO Requires work that will cause an increase of the flood level by more than one foot within a regulatory floodway of water courses or water bodies or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to 23 CFR §650 subpart A
Determinaion: The proposed location for the scope of work is outside of the 100-year floodplain based on available Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mapping, accessed 12/15/2020. There will be no impacts to regulatory floodways or water bodies.

NO Is defined as a "Type I project" per 23 CFR §772.5 and the VDOT noise manual for purposes of a noise analysis
Determinaion: In accordance with 23 CFR §772.5 and VDOT's Updated Air and Noise Scoping Requirements for PCE Agreement guidance, this project is a Type III project; therefore, a noise analysis is not required.
NO Is likely to adversely affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat, with the exception of a "may affect, likely to adversely affect" (MALAA) determination for the Northern Long-Eared Bat or Indiana Bat when the project is within the scope of the range-wide programmatic consultation for those species
Determination: The VDOT T&E Clearance on file dated 12/01/2020 concluded that no federally listed species or designated critical habitat was identified in the project area.

NO Involves any known or potential hazardous materials issues that represent a substantial liability or require substantial regulatory negotiation to resolve. Sites representing substantial liability would not include minor issues such as low-level petroleum impacts or minimal solid waste

NO Does not meet the provisions of the "Planning Documents and NEPA Approvals" document. In accordance with 23 CFR §450 and the FHWA/VDOT/Federal Transit Administration/Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation MOA Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Procedures MOA, actions listed in 23 CFR §771.117(c) and 23 CFR §771.117(d) may be grouped
Determination: Based on a review of VDOT's Project Pool and Project Cost Estimating System (PCES) on 12/17/2020, the project is included in the STIP Grouping for "Construction: Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements" and is funded through the subsequent phase, demonstrating fiscal constraint.

NO Causes disproportionately high and adverse effects on any minority or low-income populations
Determination: Based on the project scope and preliminary plans, there are no anticipated relocations, displacements, changes in access, or disruptions of community or emergency services associated with the project; therefore, no minority or low-income populations would be adversely impacted.

NO Involves consideration of multiple NEPA alternatives
Determination: The project scope of work is limited and does not involve multiple alternatives.

NO Is an action listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a)
Determination: The project scope does not include an action listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a) and qualifies for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE) pursuant to VDOT/FHWA’s Programmatic Agreement for Categorical Exclusions, dated 10/2017.

NO Involves unusual circumstances, pursuant to 23 CFR §771.117(b)
Determination: The project does not involve unusual circumstances, pursuant to 23 CFR §771.117(b).

Muse, John C. 01/11/2021
Environmental Manager, CE Determination  Date