



## Media Advisory

Department of Public Works *Providing a clean, safe and healthy environment*

Richmond, Virginia

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### **Traffic signal visibility improvement project underway**

~ Upgrades will improve traffic signal visibility and help reduce crashes ~

**RICHMOND, Va.** – The Department of Public Works (DPW) Transportation Engineering Division operates and maintains 479 traffic signalized intersections. With the purpose to improve safety for all street users DPW will be improving the traffic signal visibility by installing new traffic signal mast arm poles at five locations:

- Cary Street at Jefferson Street
- Cary Street at Foushee Street
- Cary Street at Adams Street
- Grace Street at Monroe Street
- Monument Avenue at Thompson Street

This project will substitute outdated pedestal traffic signal poles and replace them with the installation of traffic signal mast arm poles. The project will provide the installation of overhead vehicular indications, high visibility pedestrian crosswalks, pedestrian indicators, and ADA ramps. These upgrades will allow the traffic signal approaches to be in compliance with sight distance requirements outlined in the Federal Highway Administration Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD).

With the new traffic signal indications equipped with retroreflective borders, they will be more visible in both daytime and nighttime conditions, helping to reduce crashes at the intersections. Also, the pedestrian indicators will provide a countdown to provide pedestrians with more information the amount of time (and remaining time left) to cross the street, which will help in reducing pedestrians-vehicle crashes.

Weather permitting, this project is scheduled for completion April 30, 2023.

This \$2.3 million project is funded through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT).

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