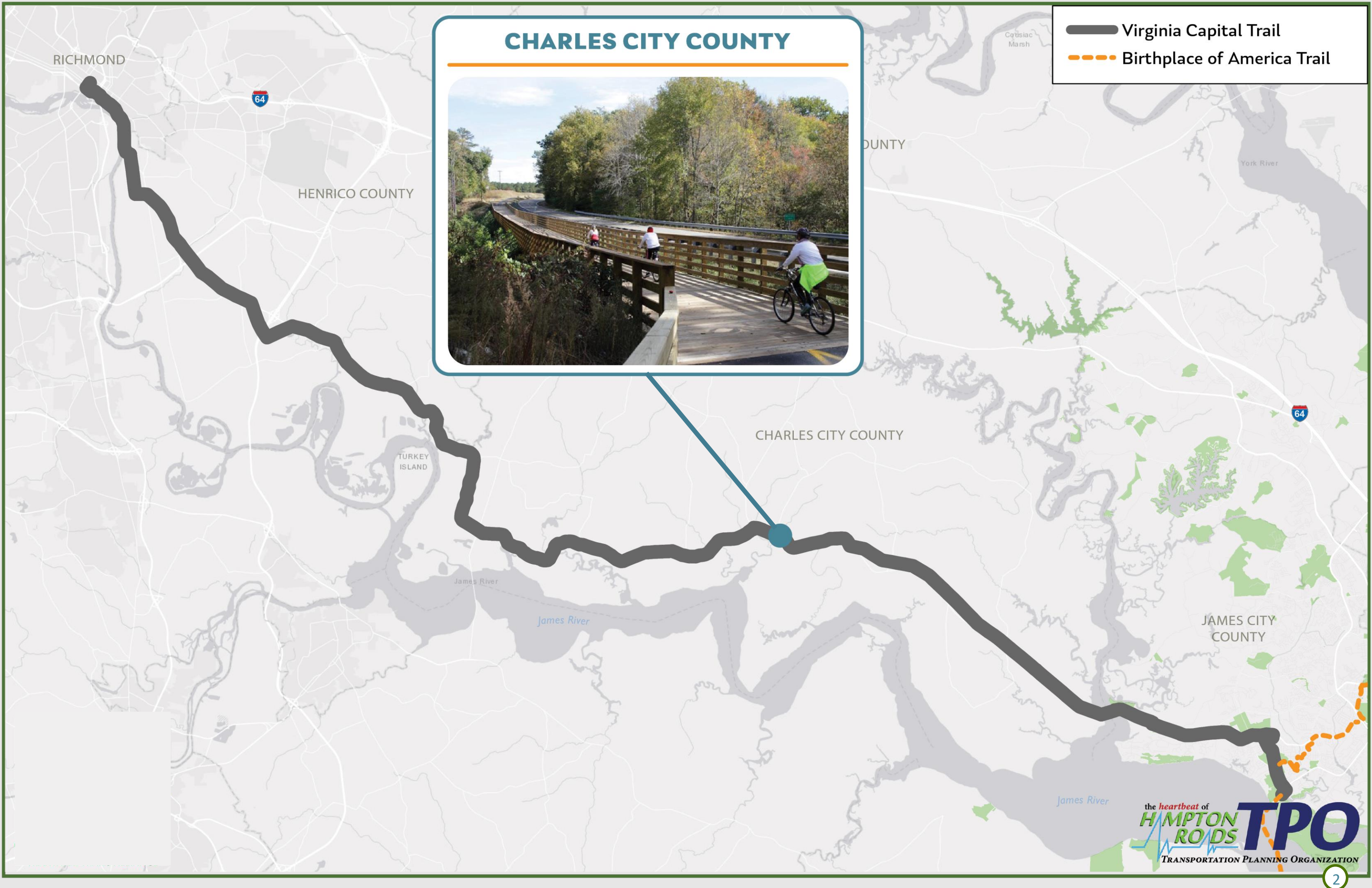


Birthplace of America Trail

**Project Overview, Opportunities
and Update**

**Community Advisory Committee
September 22, 2021**

**Robert Crum
Executive Director
HRPDC/HRTPO**



CHARLES CITY COUNTY

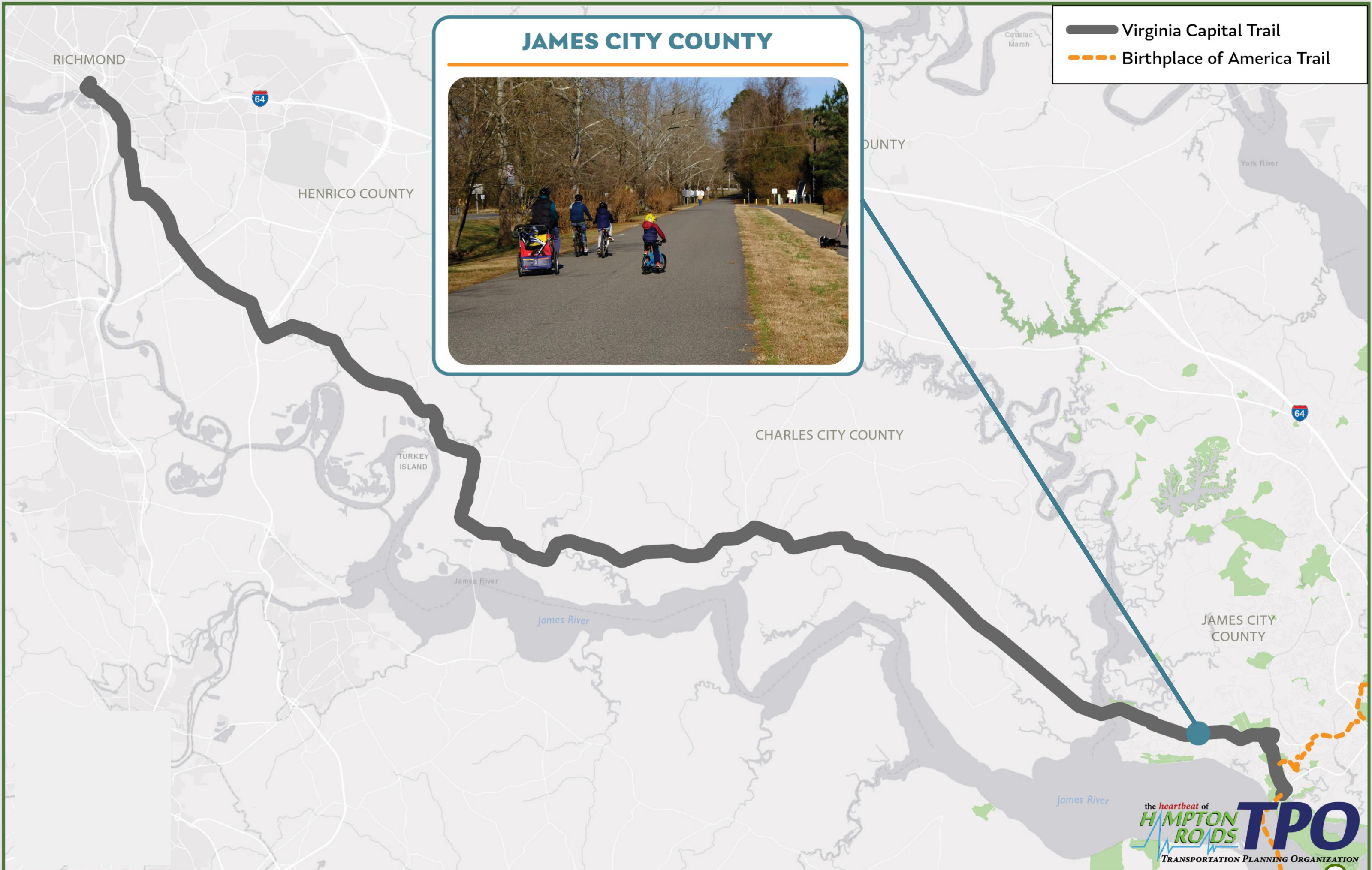


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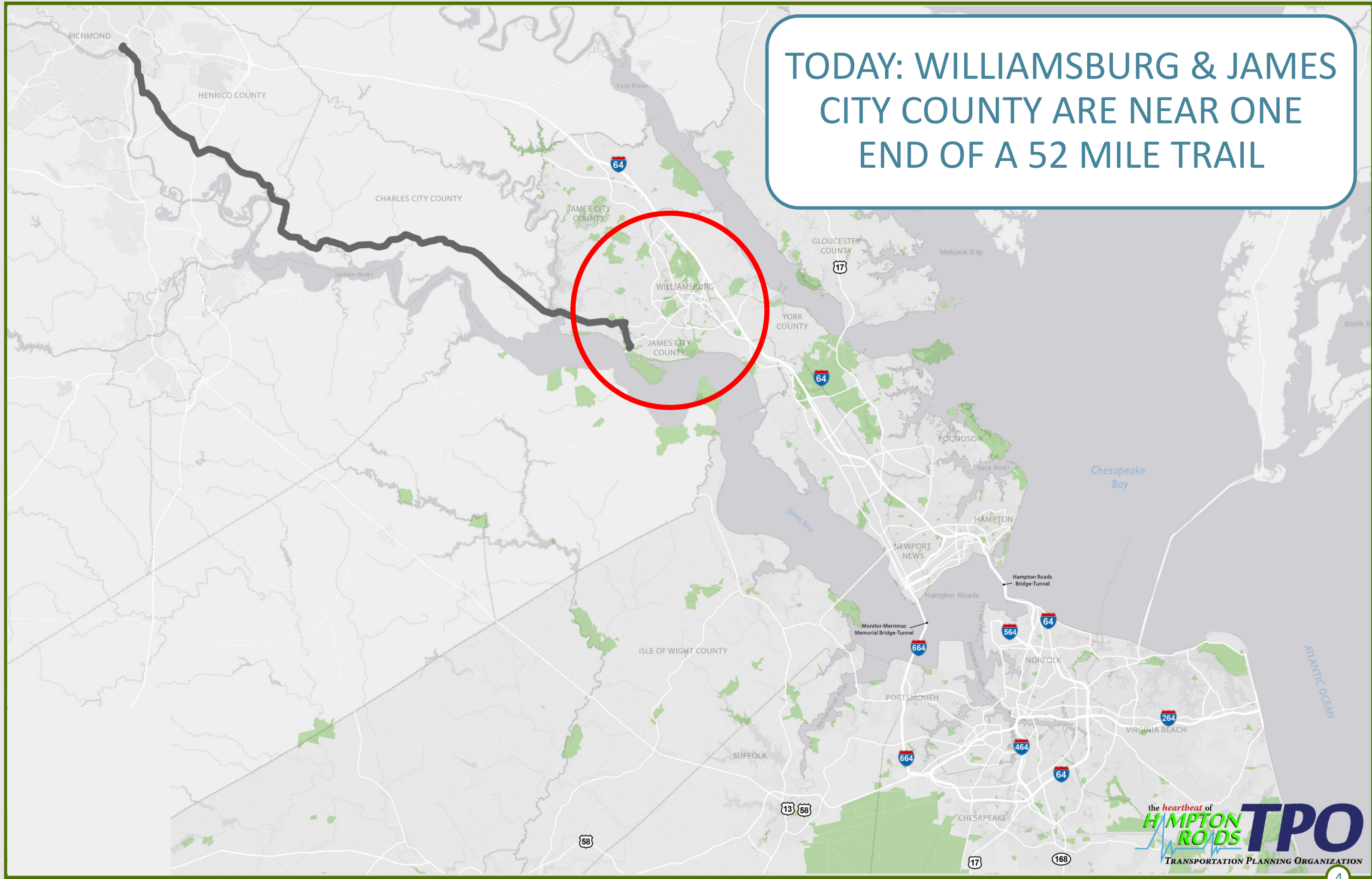
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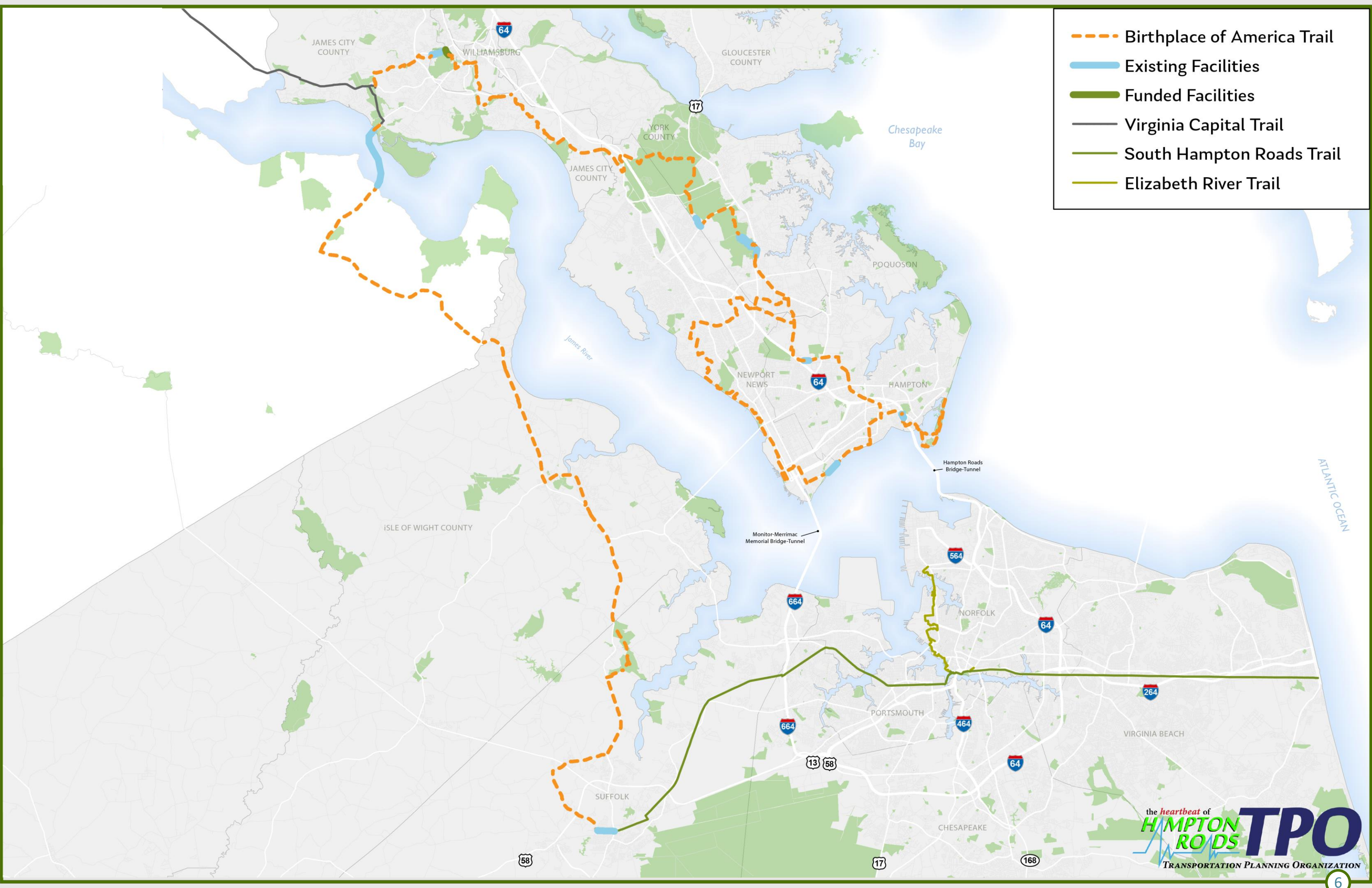


TODAY: WILLIAMSBURG & JAMES CITY COUNTY ARE NEAR ONE END OF A 52 MILE TRAIL



SOON: COULD BE THE
CENTER FOR BIKING IN
EASTERN VIRGINIA





- Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities
- Virginia Capital Trail
- South Hampton Roads Trail
- Elizabeth River Trail

PLACES & DESTINATIONS ALONG THE BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA TRAIL

JAMESTOWN



WILLIAMSBURG



YORKTOWN BATTLEFIELD

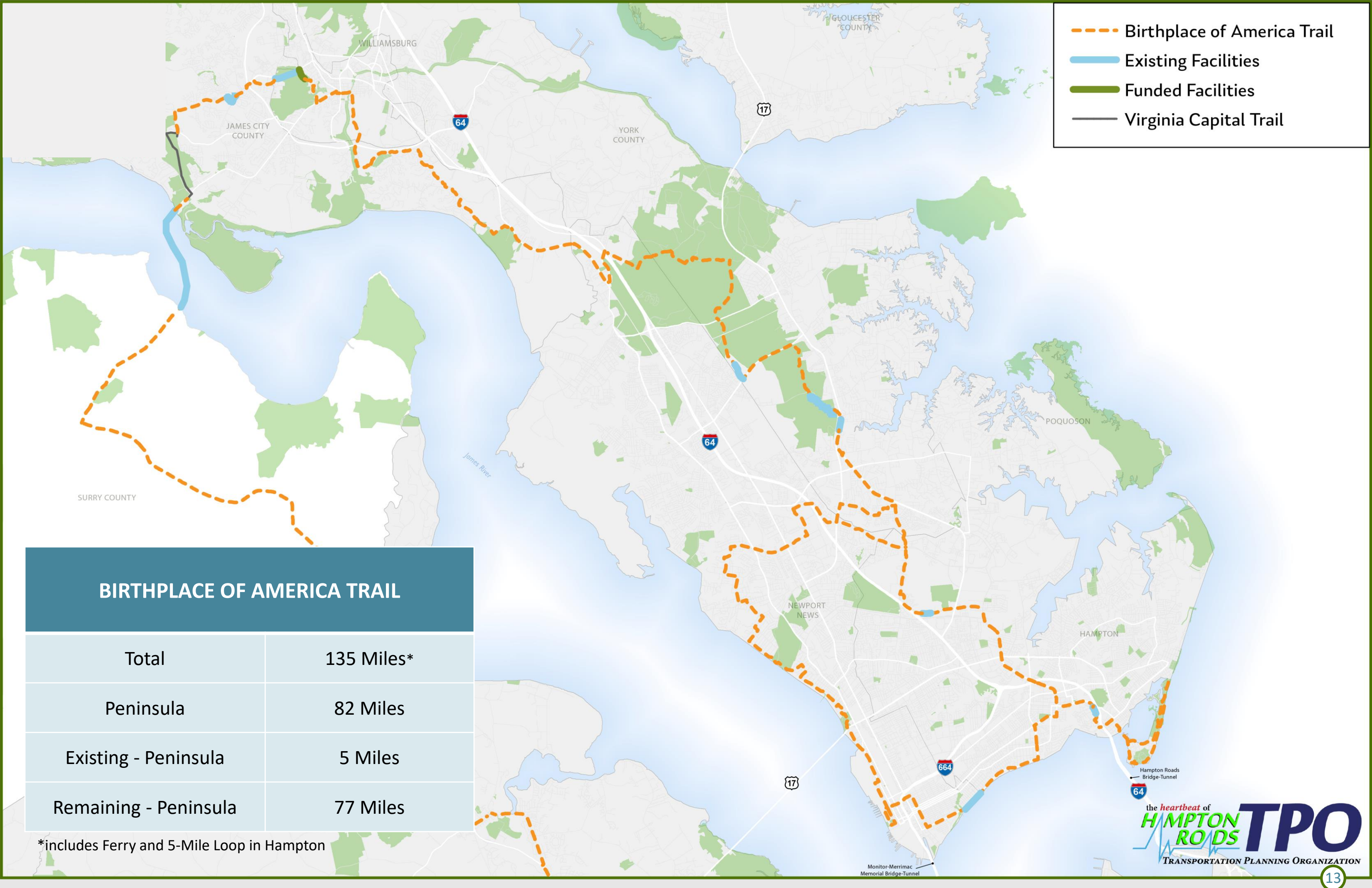


NEWPORT NEWS



HAMPTON





- Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities
- Virginia Capital Trail

BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA TRAIL

Total	135 Miles*
Peninsula	82 Miles
Existing - Peninsula	5 Miles
Remaining - Peninsula	77 Miles

*includes Ferry and 5-Mile Loop in Hampton

EXISTING FACILITIES

- Birthplace of America Trail
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JAMES CITY COUNTY - MONTICELLO AVENUE



EXISTING FACILITIES

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YORK COUNTY - MCREYNOLDS ATHLETIC COMPLEX



EXISTING FACILITIES

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NEWPORT NEWS - CHESAPEAKE BOULEVARD



POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

- Potential Next Build
- - - Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities

A. SOUTH ENGLAND STREET

Locality: **Williamsburg**

Distance: 1 mile

Strengths:

- Joins two BoAT segments:
 - Shared-use path through Frye Properties project
 - Carter's Grove Country Rd
- Connects downtown Williamsburg to Carter's Grove Country Rd
- Property owned by Colonial Williamsburg



POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

- Potential Next Build
- Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities

B. CARTER'S GROVE COUNTRY ROAD

Locality: **James City County**

Distance: 6 mile

Strengths:

- Submitted LRTP Candidate Project: 2045-723 (score 130, ranks 26th among active transportation candidate projects, 2nd in James City County)
- Already paved (needs resurfacing)
- Beautiful surroundings
- Right-of-way reportedly owned by JCC, Colonial Williamsburg, and Kings Mill



POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

- Potential Next Build
- - - Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities

D. MCREYNOLDS ATHLETIC COMPLEX-NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTOR

Locality: **York County**

Distance: 0.4 miles

Strengths:

- Connects McReynolds Athletic Complex (M.A.C.) to neighborhoods east of US 17
- Joins two *existing* BoAT segments:
 - Path through McReynolds Athletic Complex
 - Path along US 17 between Showalter Rd and Mill Rd
- Property apparently owned by government



POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

- Potential Next Build
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- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities

E. FIVE MILE LOOP

Locality: **Hampton**

Distance: 5 miles

Strengths:

- Submitted LRTP Candidate Project: 2045-724 (score 104, ranks 43rd among active transportation candidate projects, 1st in Hampton)
- Southern terminus for the BoAT
- Government-owned property
- Part of Fort Monroe Master Plan and Bike Walk Hampton Plan
- Scenic, historic area
- Intersects with low-volume roads



POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

- Potential Next Build
- - - Birthplace of America Trail
- Existing Facilities
- Funded Facilities
- - - Future Poquoson Connector
- Virginia Capital Trail

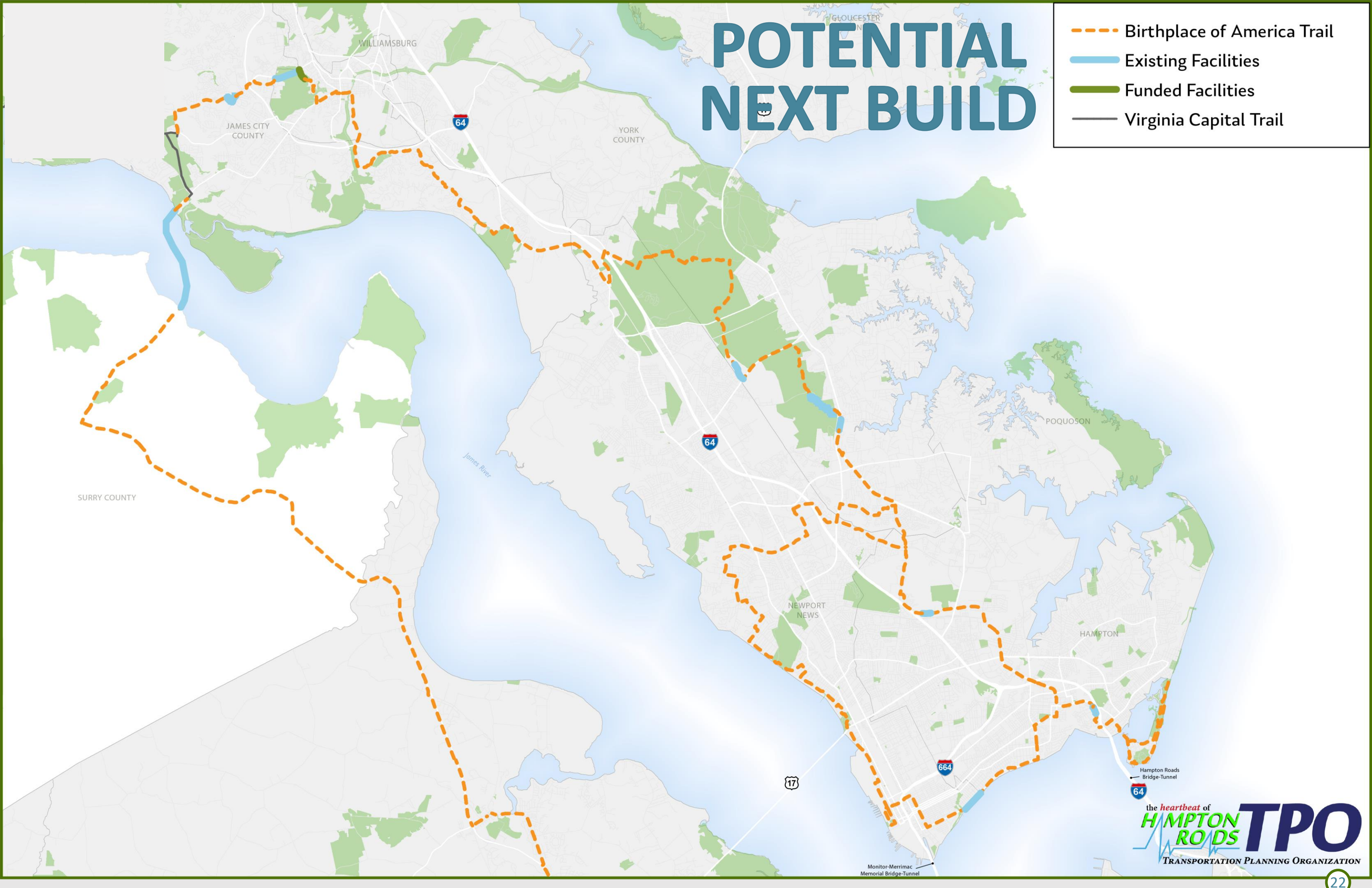
PROPOSED POQUOSON CONNECTOR- VICTORY BOULEVARD



Proposed Poquoson
Connector

POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

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POTENTIAL NEXT BUILD

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BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA TRAIL	
Total	135 Miles*
Peninsula	82 Miles
Existing - Peninsula	5 Miles
Potential Next Build Segments - Peninsula	14 Miles
Remaining Peninsula	63 Miles

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Updates

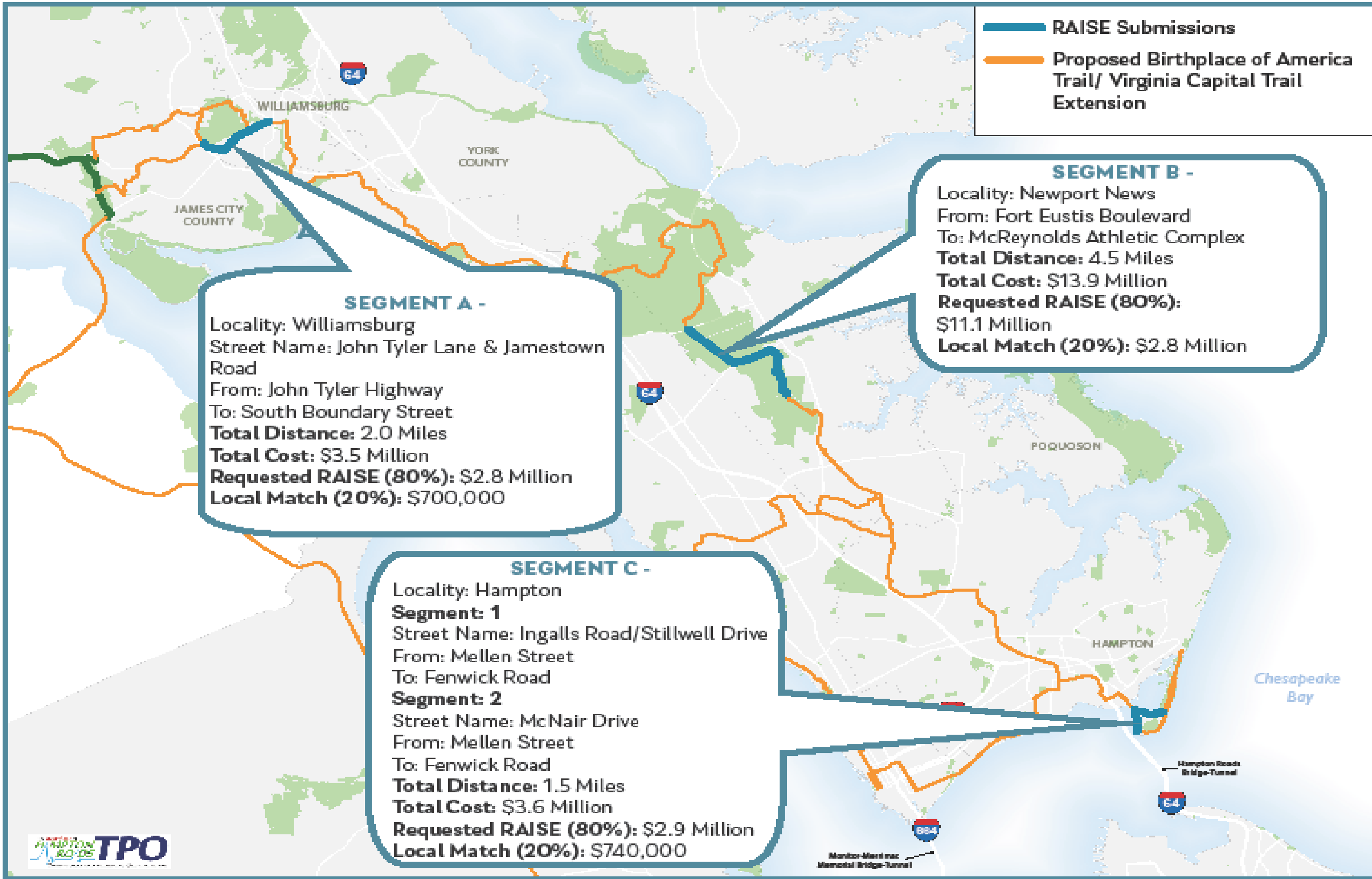
- **VDOT has agreed to provide On-Call Consultant**
- **\$200,000 of resources to support On-Call Consultant Work**
- **Project Manager – two VDOT project managers have been appointed**
- **Goal is to advance project segments to be candidates for grant applications**
- **Refinement of route locations**

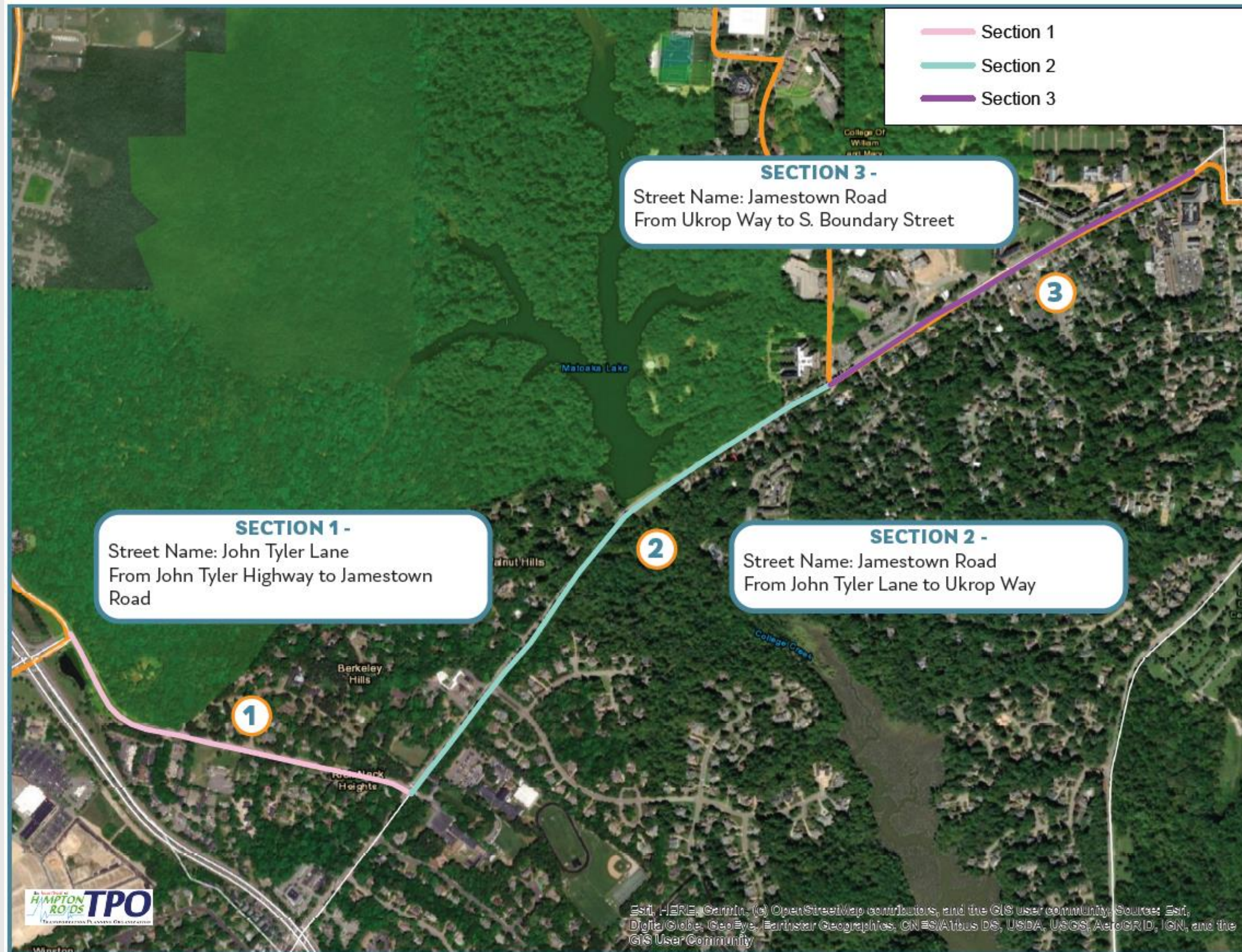
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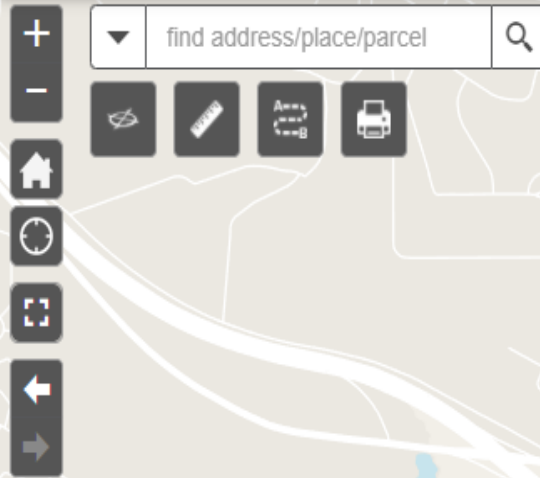
- **Newport News Section of Trail submitted for both House and Senate Earmarks**
- **Congressman Scott submitted Newport News Segment for House Appropriations (\$ 3.95 Million)**
- **Formation of a subcommittee with representation from Tidewater Trail Alliance**
- **Federal RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) program**

Williamsburg to Fort Monroe Additional Updates

- **HRPDC/HRTPO submitted application through Federal RAISE Program**
- **Application Were Due July 12th – Can Request up to \$25 Million – Requires 20% Local Match**
- **HRPDC/HRTPO worked with Peninsula CAOs to Determine Eligible Trail Segments**
- **Demonstrated benefit to Poverty Communities**
- **Megaregion Letter of Support**

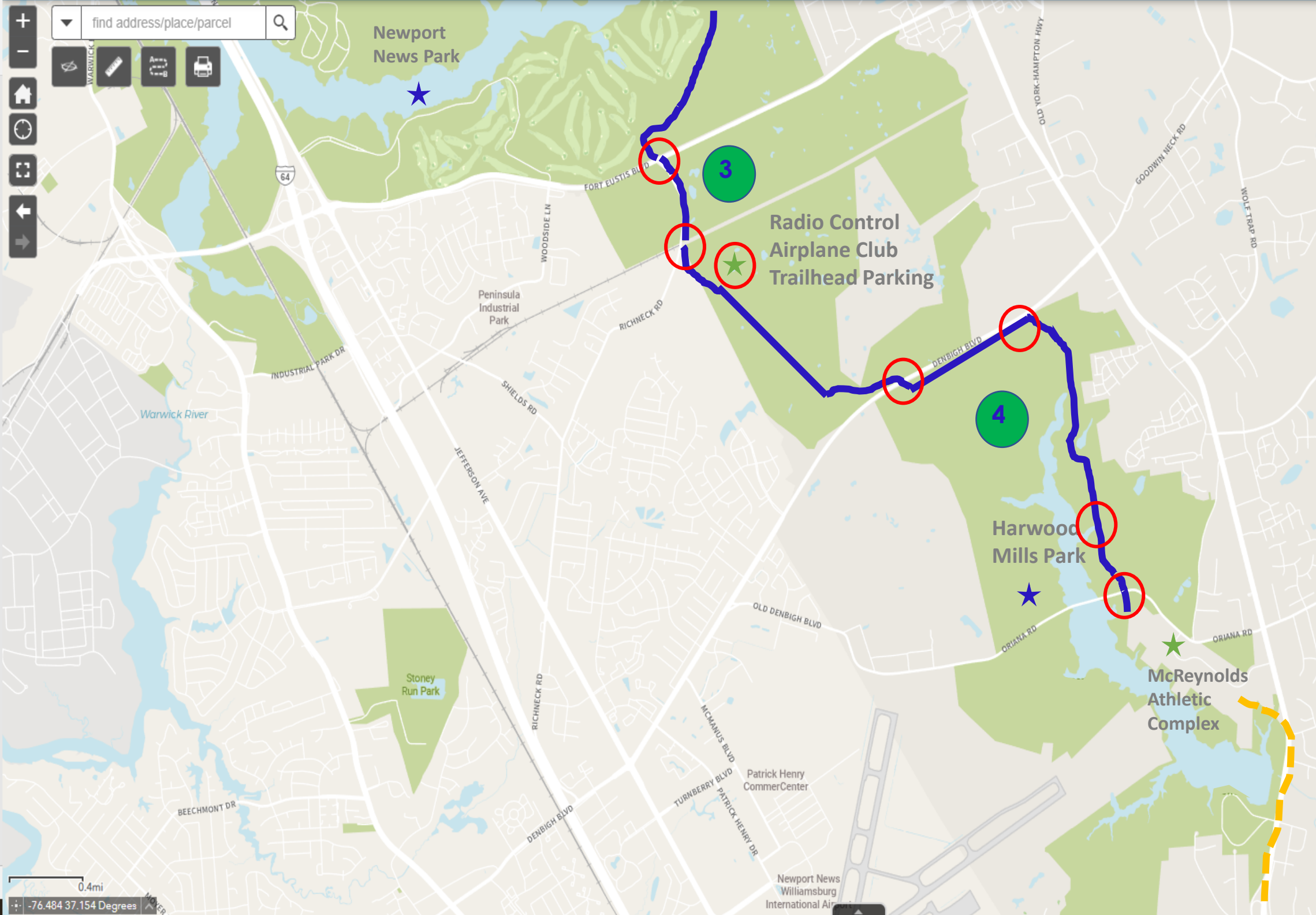






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BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA TRAIL

Newport News & York County

- Potential Next Build
- Proposed Shared-Use Path
- Existing Facilities (paved)
- Hampton Roads Protected Areas (Waterworks Property)

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- ★

Fort Eustis Blvd. to MAC

3) Ft. Eustis to Denbigh tunnel

-2 miles

-Prel. Est: \$8.3 M

4) Denbigh tunnel to MAC

-2.5 miles

-Prel. Est. \$5.6 M

Specific cost/constraints:

- Ft. Eustis & Oriana ped xings
- RCAC TH parking lot
- Poquoson & BMP bridges

Preliminary Order of Magnitude Cost Estimate

Newport News Segments

- Segment 3 - Ft. Eustis Blvd. to Denbigh Tunnel (2.0 miles)
 - Total Estimated Cost: \$8,324,000

Special Features (included in total):

- Ft. Eustis Pedestrian Crossing / Signal
- RCAC Trailhead Parking Lot
- Denbigh Tunnel Improvements

- Segment 4 – Denbigh Tunnel to Mc Reynolds Athletic Complex
 - Total Estimated Cost: \$5,622,000

Special Features (included in total):

- Poquoson River Pedestrian Bridge & Boardwalk
- BMP Outfall Pedestrian Bridge
- Oriana Pedestrian Crossing / Signal

- Potential RAISE Submissions
- Birthplace of America Trail
- Areas of Persistent Poverty
- Hampton Roads Federal Lands

SEGMENT G¹ -

Locality: Hampton
Street Name: Ingalls Road/Stilwell Drive
From: Mellen Street
To: Fenwick Road

G¹

G²

SEGMENT G² -

Locality: Hampton
Street Name: McNair Drive
From: Mellen Street
To: Fenwick Road

Potential Funding Approaches

- **Smart Scale**
- **Working with Commonwealth Transportation Board Members**
- **Federal Infrastructure Package**
- **Capital Improvement Program**
- **Coordination with Developers**
- **RSTP/CMAQ**

Questions/Discussion