

# STARS Study Opportunity

Presentation to FAMPO  
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# What is the STARS Program?

## 1. STARS = Strategically Targeted Affordable Roadway Solutions

- Program supports studies and some PE work to develop comprehensive, innovative transportation solutions to relieve congestion bottlenecks and solve critical traffic and safety challenges throughout the commonwealth
- Study methodology uses some of the same data/metrics as Smart Scale
- High correlation between projects developed in STARS and successful Smart Scale applications
- Resource to help build pool of potential Smart Scale candidate projects

## 2. DOT Statewide Program with Annual budget of \$2 Million

- Funding competitive statewide
- Like Smart Scale, leveraged funding increases chances of receiving funding

## 3. FY-18 Call for Candidate Projects Deadline

- March 28th

## 4. Website: <http://www.viriniadot.org/projects/stars.asp>

# Rte 1 STARS Study Opportunity

## 1. STARS Program identified potential study corridors

- Route 1 between Route 3 in City and US 17 Business in Stafford County meets eligibility requirements
- One of the top three study corridors identified in Fredericksburg District

## 2. Existing FAMPO RSTP project to study this stretch of Rte 1

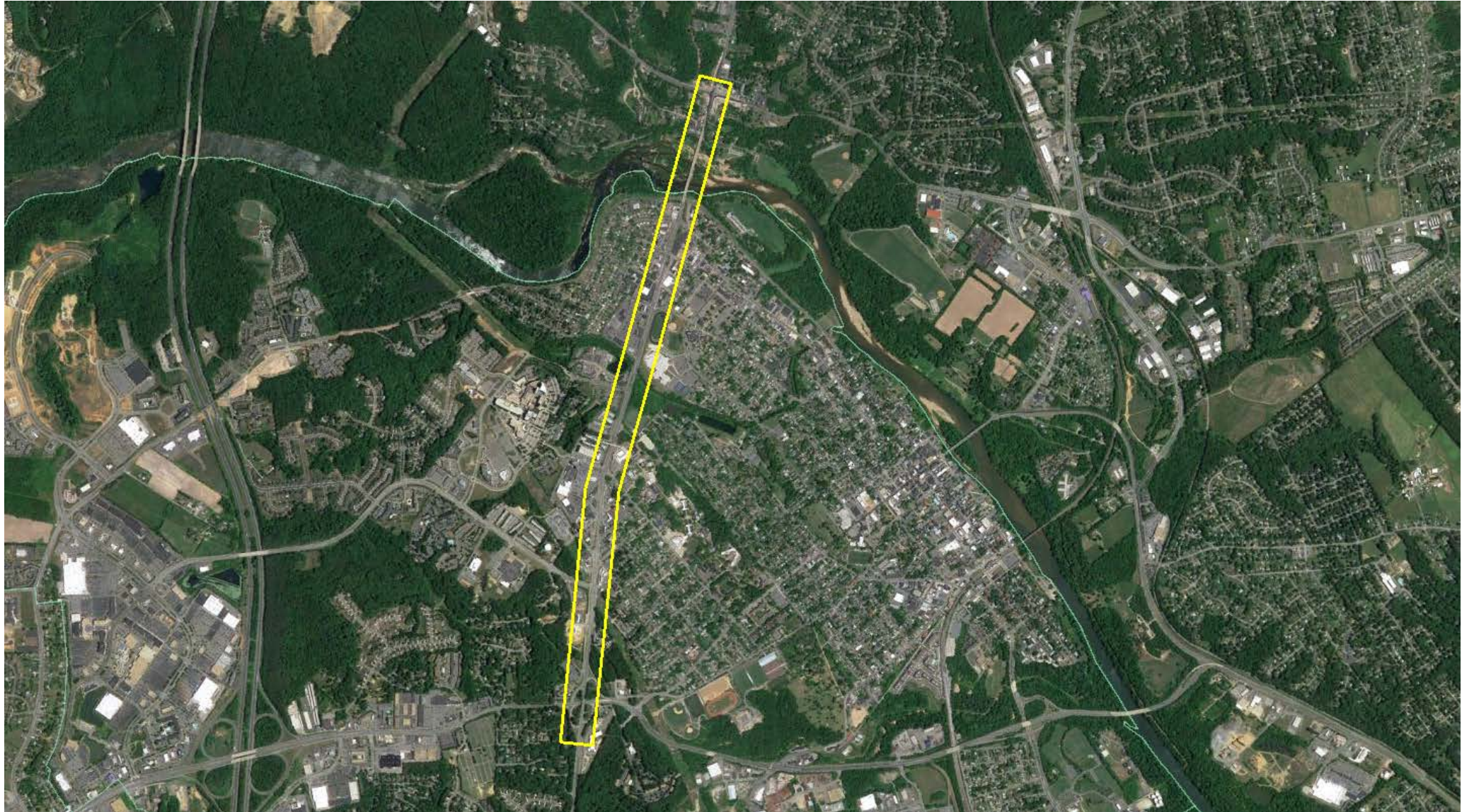
- \$250K in FY-2021/2022

## 3. STARS Funding Competitive Statewide

- No guarantee that any STARS funding goes to Fredericksburg District
- Leveraged funding helps
- \$60K viewed as necessary amount to leverage an approximately \$250K study
  - Opportunity to spend \$60K in FY-18 in order to save \$250K in FY-21 & FY-22



# Proposed STARS Study Area



# Next Steps

## Request for FAMPO approval to for \$60K RSTP Allocation Transfer for Rte 1 Candidate STARS Study

- Needed before March 28<sup>th</sup>
- Opportunity to advance City RSTP Study application from FY-2021/2022 to FY-2017/2018
- Opportunity to save FAMPO \$190K in RSTP funding over FY 18-23 SYIP period



# Questions?

## STARS Project Stakeholders

