



Willingness to Hold Public Hearing

McGhee Street Bridge Over Southern Railroad

TOWN OF BEDFORD, VIRGINIA

VDOT UPC #116980

Federal Project # STP-5141(110)

Learn more about the Town of Bedford's proposed plan to replace the McGhee Street Bridge over the Norfolk Southern Railroad, located just north of the intersection at Orange Street and Belltown Road.

Proposed Project:

The existing bridge, built in 1907, is a single lane structure measuring 93.5 feet in length and 14.75 feet across. Due to its poor condition, the bridge was closed to traffic in September 2018 and will remain closed until a replacement is complete. The Town of Bedford proposes replacing the bridge with a new two-lane structure, measuring 102 feet long and 24 feet across. The project work also includes regrading of the intersection of McGhee Street, Orange Street, and Belltown Road.

Review of Draft Plan:

The draft plan and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) document in the form of a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion are available for review online at: <https://www.bedfordva.gov/>. This information is also available for review in- person at the Municipal Building, 215 East Main Street, Bedford, VA, (540) 587-6083, or TTY/TDD 711. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate staff to access plans and ask questions.

Questions and concerns regarding the project can be addressed to Tom Woodard by email to twoodard@bedfordva.gov or by phone by calling (540) 587-6083, no later than **December 26, 2025**.

In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is provided in the Programmatic Categorical Exclusion.

Written Request for Public Hearing:

If concerns cannot be satisfied, the Town of Bedford is willing to hold a public hearing upon written request. To request a public hearing, send a written request postmarked by **December 26, 2025** to:

Bart Warner
Town Manager
Town of Bedford Municipal Building
215 E. Main Street
Bedford, VA 24523

If a written request for a public hearing is received, notice of date, time and place of the hearing will be posted at a future date. *Please note that comments or questions may be submitted without requesting a public hearing.*

Additional Information or Special Assistance:

The Town of Bedford ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, please contact Debra Anderson at (540) 587-6001, or TTY/TDD 711.