



# L'ENFANT STATION AND FOURTH TRACK IMPROVEMENTS

## GOALS

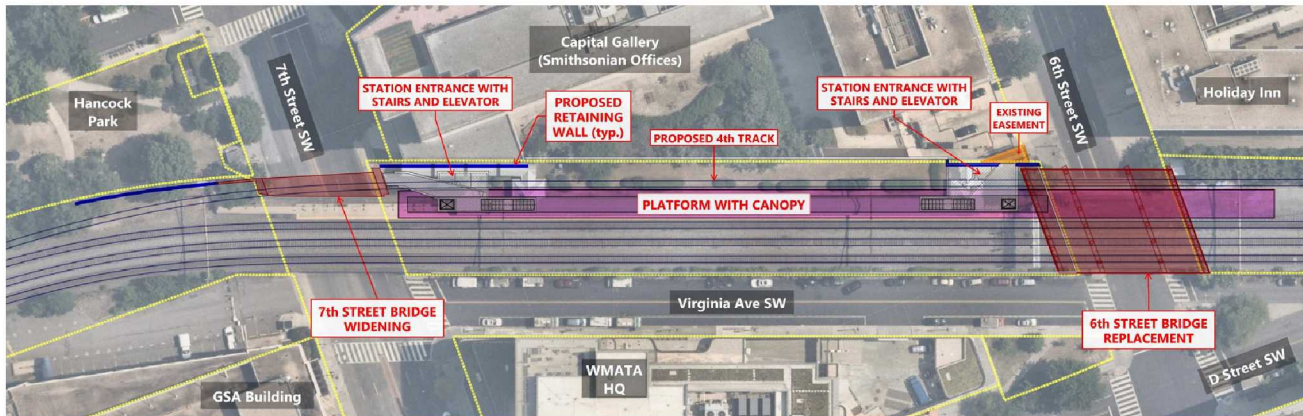
- Expand the VRE L'Enfant Station to give passengers more circulation and waiting space.
- Add a continuous fourth track between 4<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Streets SW.
- Provide a center platform able to serve two full-length trains simultaneously.
- Remain within existing railroad right-of-way wherever possible.
- Integrate the station with the surrounding community.

## PROJECT AREA



The existing VRE L'Enfant Station is located between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets SW, above street level. The current 555-foot platform, which can only serve one train at a time, is accessed via stairs at 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets SW and an ADA ramp at Hancock Park.

## CURRENT DESIGN



## BENEFITS AND FEATURES

- Adds rail capacity to address train congestion in Northern Virginia and Washington, DC.
- Relieves crowding and supports planned VRE service.
- Balances VRE operational needs, the user experience, and property impacts.
- Serves two trains at a time, from either direction.
- Provides stairs and elevators from street level to the station platform at both 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets SW.

## SCHEDULE

NEPA/Preliminary Engineering	2023-2025
Final Design	2025-2027
Construction	2028-2030

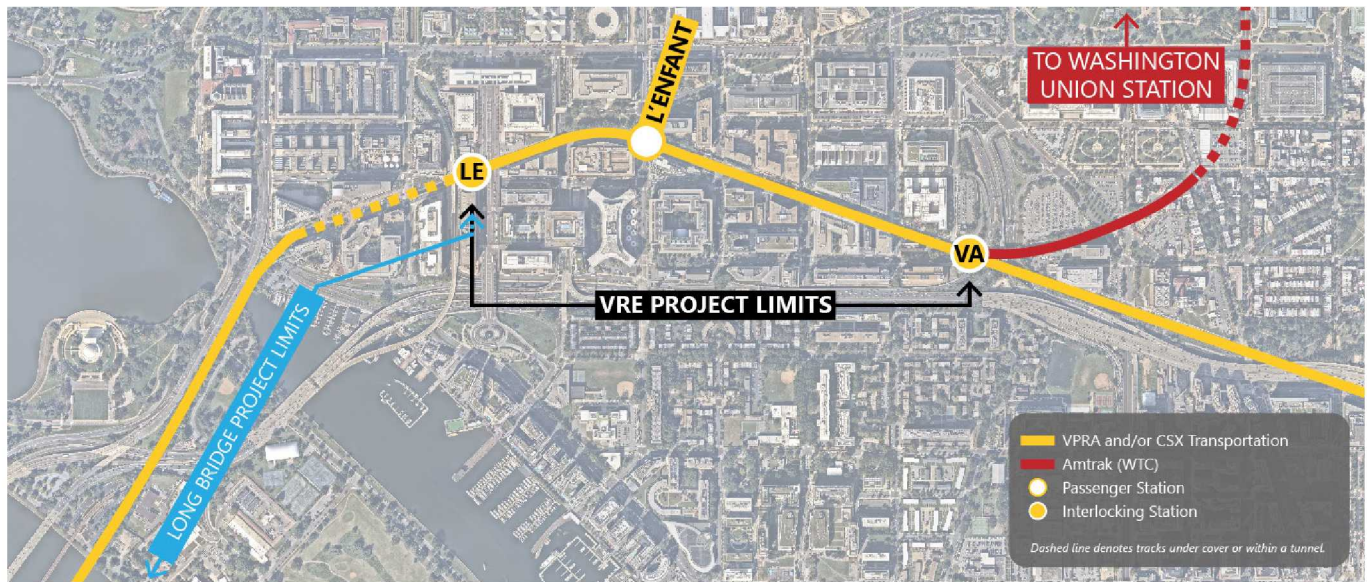


Scan for the project website to find updates and past documents, or visit [projects.vre.org](https://projects.vre.org).

## EXPANDING ACCESS BETWEEN VIRGINIA AND WASHINGTON UNION STATION



The VRE L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track Improvements Project lies between the Long Bridge Project, which provides a second rail crossing over the Potomac River, and Washington Union Station. This section of railroad operates at near capacity during rush hour and is part of a significant bottleneck on the East Coast corridor, the busiest rail network in the nation. Adding the fourth track at L'Enfant Station along with the new Long Bridge will reduce train congestion in the region, improving the on-time performance of VRE trains and enabling increases in VRE service.



### VRE SERVICE AT L'ENFANT STATION

L'Enfant is one of VRE's most active stations, located close to numerous federal agency headquarters, the National Mall, and the Southwest Waterfront, with connections to Metrorail, Metrobus, and the DC bike network. Over the next 10 years VRE service increases are planned as the Transforming Rail in Virginia (TRV) program expands railroad capacity. VRE envisions transforming from a commuter-focused service to a regional rail service between 2030 and 2050, including weekday reverse-peak, midday, late-night service, and weekend service for travelers outside of traditional weekday commuting hours.

#### VRE L'Enfant Station (current service)

About 5,800 weekday trips start or end at L'Enfant Station (2024)

30 trains stop at L'Enfant per weekday (2025)\*

\*Prior to Long Bridge construction schedule changes

#### VRE System Plan (2030 planned service)

About 8,700 weekday & 1,800 weekend trips to start or end at L'Enfant (2030)

Up to 52 weekday and 26 weekend trains serving L'Enfant Station (2030)

Introduces limited reverse peak, expanded midday, and late night service

#### VRE System Plan 2050 (Long-range Service Plan)

20-min peak, 30-min reverse peak, 60-min off-peak & weekend service

Up to 14,000 weekday and 5,000 weekend trips will start or end at L'Enfant Station (2050)

Weekday hourly express trains