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To: Ande Banks, City Manager  
From: Thomas Hartman, PE, PMP, LEED AP, Director of Public Works  
Date: September 12, 2023  
Re: I-81 Widening Harrisonburg – Project Update

**Summary:**

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) I-81 Project Manager will provide City Council with an update on the progress of the I-81 Widening Harrisonburg Project. This update will include information related project timelines, project costs, and noise barrier (sound wall) evaluation procedures.

**Background:**

VDOT is currently in the design phase of widening I-81 through the City of Harrisonburg from mile markers 242.0 to 248.8, and this widening will include the installation of an additional travel lane in each direction. VDOT is nearing the completion of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) required noise study and will soon be conducting the noise barrier balloting to determine where noise barriers are installed on the project.

**Key Issues:**

N/A

**Environmental Impact:**

N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

**Prior Actions:**

N/A.

**Alternatives:**

N/A

**Community Engagement:**

N/A

**Recommendation:**

N/A.

**Attachments:**

1. Presentation
2. Project Update Boards

**Review:**