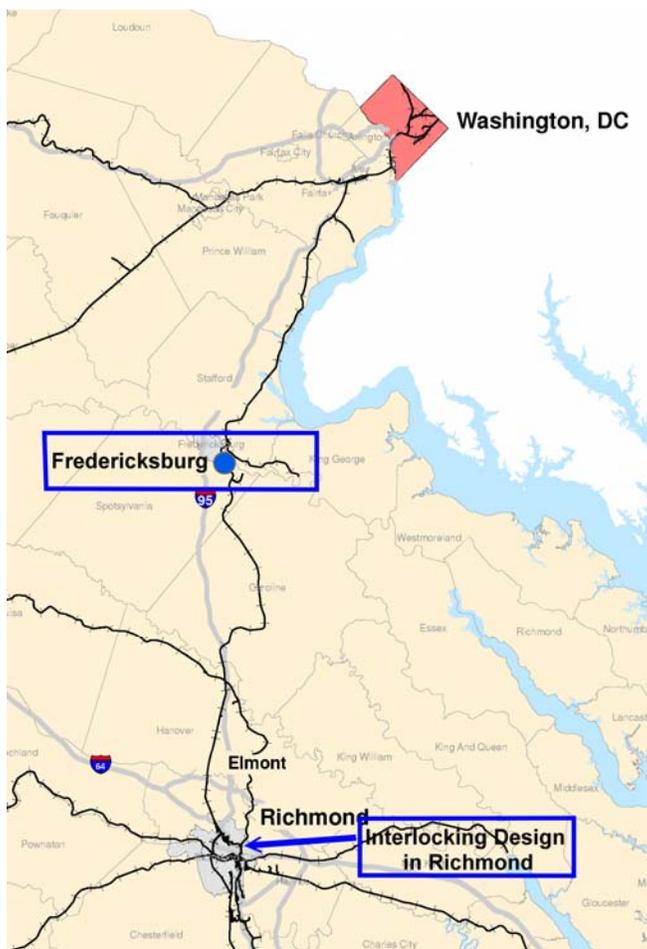




**U.S. Department of Transportation • Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
Capital Assistance to States–Intercity Passenger Rail Service Program
Project Summary for the Commonwealth of Virginia**

Project	Location in Virginia	FRA Program Share	Matching Funds from Other Sources	Total Project Cost
Third Track Construction and Interlocking Reconfiguration Preliminary Engineering	Fredericksburg, Richmond	\$2,000,000	\$11,475,276	\$13,475,276

Benefiting Intercity Passenger Train Routes: *Northeast Regional* (4 round-trips/day), *Auto Train*, *Silver Star*, *Silver Meteor*, *Palmetto*, *Carolinian* (all 1 round-trip/day)



Project Description: The Commonwealth of Virginia and CSX Transportation will undertake a track improvement project to install 3.1 miles of third track south of Fredericksburg Station in Spotsylvania County. This project includes the rehabilitation of existing track to serve as a passing track for intercity passenger, commuter and freight trains traveling on the corridor between Richmond and Washington. This grant also includes funding for the design of track and interlocking (track junction) improvements in Richmond between Main Street Station and Staples Mill Station. These tracks are used by nine intercity round trip trains daily, including: four *Northeast Regional* round trips between Washington and Richmond (of which two serve Newport News); four overnight and daylight round trips to and from the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida; and Amtrak's *Auto Train*.

Project Benefits: Completion of this project will provide for the only location for a train to pass another without opposition between Richmond and Alexandria, ultimately supporting an 80% or greater on-time performance of intercity passenger trains on this corridor. The project to design interlocking improvements in Richmond will advance the development of the corridor to accommodate the eventual relocation of all passenger service through Richmond Main Street station, extending to Newport News to the east and through Petersburg to the south.

Source(s) of Matching Funds: Commonwealth of Virginia (\$11,475,276)