



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

AUTONOMOUS DRIVING WORKGROUP

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Autonomous Driving Workgroup

[2025 Va. Acts ch. 498 \(HB2627\)](#) & [2026 Va. Acts ch. 738 \(HB1124\)](#)

August 20, 2026 @ 3 pm
VIRTUAL Meeting

Agenda

3:00 – 3:05 pm	Welcome / Opening remarks <i>Office of the Secretary of Transportation</i>
3:05 – 3:35 pm	Safety data presentation and discussion <i>Noah Goodall, VTRC</i>
3:35 – 3:50 pm	Federal updates presentation and discussion <i>Noah Goodall, VTRC, and Deputy Secretary Schewel</i>

Notes:

- Will occur virtually, via Microsoft Teams Town Hall. Please see the instructions and link to join on the next page.
- Information for this meeting is posted on the [Commonwealth Calendar](#) and LIS.
- Past meeting information:
 - Past meeting pages & materials: [April 24, 2026](#), [May 22, 2026](#), and [July 24, 2026](#).
 - Past meeting video is available in the [workgroup meetings playlist](#) on [YouTube.com/@VDOTLIVE](https://www.youtube.com/@VDOTLIVE).
- Written comments may be submitted & viewed at <https://publicinput.com/autonomousdriving>
- Send administrative questions about the meeting to joshua.heslinga@vdot.virginia.gov
- The agenda table above was corrected on 8/17 to align with the 3-4 pm meeting timeframe.

Meeting and Microsoft Teams Instructions:

The Autonomous Driving Workgroup will be having a VIRTUAL, all-electronic meeting at 3 pm on Thursday, August 20th. VDOT will be using Microsoft Teams Town Hall to host the meeting. The link at the end of these instructions can be used to access the meeting.

When you log in to access the meeting, you will be asked to enter the name that will appear at the bottom of your participant window during the meeting. Please enter your organization and then your name, and try to be concise. For example: “VDOT – John Smith”

Teams background info:

- Attendees cannot enter the meeting until the meeting organizers start it.
- Attendees are initially anonymous & off screen in the meeting.
- Attendees can identify themselves by using the “Raise Hand” button/feature, at which point they are listed (in the “People” panel) by the entered name as an attendee in the meeting moving forward.
- Once an attendee raises their hand, meeting organizers can enable their ability to speak.
- There is a slight delay for attendees.
- Anyone can join and watch and listen anonymously, without being identified or having an ability to speak.

Comments and meeting procedures:

- There will be no designated public comment period during this meeting.
 - There will be a public comment period at the final, August 28th meeting.
 - The workgroup’s survey page - <https://publicinput.com/autonomousdriving> - remains available for public comment.
- Chat is disabled for attendees.
- Attendees do have access to a written “Q&A” feature, but it may not be possible to address all questions submitted. Questions/comments must be relevant to the workgroup.
- Workgroup members and staff expected to present/speak are known as presenters. Whether or not a presenter is on screen, all meeting participants will be able to hear any presenter who is speaking and not on mute.
- Attendees will not see a presenter’s window if that person does not have their camera on.

Records of the meeting:

- The organizers starting the meeting automatically starts a recording and automated transcript of the meeting.
- At the conclusion of the meeting, the recording and automated transcript of the meeting is available to attendees, and VDOT will make that publicly available too.

If there are administrative questions about the meeting, please contact Joshua Heslinga at VDOT.

Link to join the meeting:

[Public join link for Autonomous Driving Workgroup meeting, 8/20, 3 pm](#)