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Accessibility Improvement Project in Virginia Update *Amtrak Station in Ashland*

WASHINGTON – The construction project to improve accessibility and safety at the Amtrak stop in Ashland, VA is underway. The work has been divided into two phases.

Several milestones have been completed in Phase One, including approximately 150-feet of improvements. The historic platform brick pavers have been salvaged. Soil excavation and curb removal have been completed which allowed for the structural foundation of the platform has been installed.

In January, Railroad Construction Company will jack & bore under the tracks as part of the installation of the electrical and fiber conduit duct bank. This work will be followed by laying the pipe for the underground platform drainage system.

Construction will not impact Amtrak service and is anticipated to be completed in the fall/winter of 2020.

The Amtrak Northeast Regional provides daily service to the station located in the town's downtown at 112 N. Railroad Ave.

Amtrak and the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation partner to bring *Northeast Regional* service to Ashland and other cities in the Commonwealth.

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