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## N3 VIRGINIA BYPASS SEACHBHÓTHAR AN N3 - ACHADH AN IÚIR

### PUBLIC CONSULTATION No. 2 OPTIONS SELECTION - SHORTLISTED OPTION CORRIDORS

**COMHAIRLIÚCHÁN POIBLÍ Uimh. 2  
ROGNÚ ROGHANNA - CONAIRÍ ROGHA  
GEARRLIOSTAITHE**

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An Roinn Iompair  
Department of Transport



Tionscadal Éireann  
Project Ireland  
**2040**

## Introduction

Cavan County Council, in partnership with Meath County Council and in association with Transport Infrastructure Ireland, is progressing the development of N3 Virginia Bypass scheme, which will improve the section of the existing N3 from the end of the existing N3 dual carriageway at Derver, north of Kells in Co. Meath, to the existing N3 north of Virginia Town in Co. Cavan. Cavan County Council has appointed Barry Transportation as Technical Advisor to progress the scheme through the Planning and Design phases.

## Where We Are

The project is currently at **Phase 2: Stage 2 (Options Selection)** of the TII Project Management Guidelines. Stage 1 of the options selection process commenced with the establishment of the Study Area for the scheme, initial identification of constraints within the Study Area and the development of initial options. Following Public Consultation No. 1 in March 2020, the project team has further progressed the development of the scheme. In total 29 initial options were developed following consideration of the feedback from the public consultation and the identified constraints. All of these options were assessed under three criteria, **Engineering, Environment and Economy**.

In order to develop the option design, preliminary ground level information within the study area was used to generate a preliminary 3-dimensional digital terrain model. Cost estimates were developed for each of the initial options, and preliminary assumptions were made for each option as to potential junction locations, extent of link roads to the existing road network, side road crossings and realignments, river crossings and the like. Environmental specialists were engaged to provide a preliminary assessment of the options, and provide guidance as to the preference of the options.

We have now shortlisted the number of options for the proposed scheme. These shortlisted options will be carried forward to Phase 2: Stage 2 (Project Appraisal Matrix) and assessed in greater detail in the coming months. The option corridors displayed in the maps are typically 300m wide and do not represent the actual width of the scheme, nor the lands to be acquired for the scheme. They indicate the lands within which a scheme may be built, and where we will carry out walkover surveys, studies and design work in the next phase of the project. It should be noted that the boundary of an option corridor may be subject to change as the project develops to address any

new or previously unidentified constraints emerging during the design process.

## What Happens Next

**Stage 2 (Project Appraisal Matrix)** of the Option Selection Phase will involve a detailed assessment of the options shortlisted from Stage 1 under the following criteria:

- **Economy • Environment • Safety**
- **Accessibility and Social Inclusion**
- **Integration • Physical Activity**

A further Public Consultation, communicating the preliminary findings of the Stage 2 (Project Appraisal Matrix) and presenting the Emerging Preferred Option is envisaged to take place as outlined in the project programme.

**Stage 3** of the Option Selection Phase will identify a Preferred Option which will then be put on public display; envisaged as outlined in the project programme.

## Feedback

You can provide feedback to the project team by:

- Using the online feedback form available on our project website at [www.n3virginiabypass.ie](http://www.n3virginiabypass.ie)
- Printing a feedback form from our project website and returning it to the following location:

N3 Virginia Bypass Team  
Cavan County Council  
Road Design Office  
Courthouse  
Farnham Street  
Cavan  
H12 R6V2

- Emailing us at [n3virginiabypass@jbarry.ie](mailto:n3virginiabypass@jbarry.ie);
- Visiting the project website and booking a slot for a telephone call, or online meeting with Microsoft Teams;
- Contacting the project telephone number (094) 9068950. Arrangements will be made for a member of the project team to get in touch.

All feedback should be returned to the project team by 23rd December 2020.

## Réamhrá

Tá forbairt scéim Sheachbhóthar N3-Achadh an Iúir á cur ar aghaidh ag Comhairle Contae an Chabháin faoi láthair i gcomhpháirt le Comhairle Contae na Mí agus i gcomhar le Bonneagar Iompair Éireann. Is é an toradh a bheidh ar an scéim go gcuirfear feabhas ar an stráice de bhóthar N3 atá ann cheana ó cheann dhébhealach N3 atá ann cheana ag Derver, ó thuaidh de Cheanannas i gCo. na Mí, go bóthar N3 atá ann cheana ó thuaidh de Bhaile Achadh an Iúir i gCo. an Chabháin. Rinne Comhairle Contae an Chabháin Barry Transportation a cheapadh mar Chomhairleoir Teicniúil chun an scéim a chur ar aghaidh trí na céimeanna Pleanála agus Deartha.

## An Chéim Reatha

I láthair na huaire, tá an tionscadal ag **Cuid 2: Céim 2 (Roghnu Roghanna)** de na Treoirlínte Bainistíochta Tionscadail ó Bhonneagar Iompair Éireann. Cuireadh túis le Céim 1 de phróiseas an roghnaithe roghanna nuair a bunaíodh Limistéar an Staidéir don scéim, nuair a rinneadh sainaithint tosaigh ar shrianta laistigh de Limistéar an Staidéir agus nuair a forbraíodh na roghanna tosaigh. Ag teacht sna sílá ar Chomhairliúchán Poiblí Uimh. 1 i mí an Mhárta 2020, chuir foireann an tionscadail forbairt na scéime ar aghaidh arís eile. Forbraíodh 29 rogha tosaigh san iomlán tar éis breithniú a dhéanamh ar an aiseolas ón gcomhairliúchán poiblí agus ar na srianta sainaitheanta. Measúnaíodh gach ceann de na roghanna sin faoi thrí chritéar,

**Innealtóireacht, Timpeallacht agus Geilleagar.**

Chun an dearadh roghanna a fhorbairt, úsáideadh réamhfhaisnéis ar leibhéal na talún laistigh de limistéar an staidéir chun réamhshamhail dhigiteach thríthoiseach den téarma a ghiniúint. Forbraíodh meastacháin chostais do gach ceann de na roghanna tosaigh agus rinneadh réamhthoimhdí do gach rogha maidir le láithreacha acomhail féideartha, méid na mbóithre ceangail leis an ngréasán bóithre atá ann cheana, trasrianta agus athailínithe taobh-bhóthair, trasrianta abhann agus nithe den chineál céanna. Fostaíodh speisialtóirí timpeallachta chun réamh-mheasúnú a dhéanamh ar na roghanna agus chun treoir a thabhairt maidir leis na roghanna a chur in ord tosaíochta.

Táimid tar éis na roghanna don scéim bheartaithe a ghearriostú. Tabharfar na roghanna gearrliostaithe sin ar aghaidh go Cuid 2: Céim 2 (Maitrí Breithmheasa Tionscadail) agus déanfar measúnú níos mine orthu sna míonna atá romhainn. Tá na conairí rogha atá ar taispeáint ar na léarscáileanna 300m ar leithead, tríd is tríd, agus ní léirítear iontu leithead iarbhir na scéime ná na tailte atá le ceannach don scéim. Léirítear iontu na tailte ar laistigh díobh a d'fhéadfaí scéim a thógáil agus a dhéanfaimid réamhshuirbhéanna, staidéir agus obair deartha sa chéad chuid eile den tionscadal. Ba cheart a thabhairt faoi deara gurb amhlaidh, de réir mar a fhorbraítear an tionscadal, go mbeidh

teorainn aon chonaire rogha faoi réir athruithe chun aghaidh a thabhairt ar aon srianta nua nó ar aon srianta nár sainaithníodh roimhe sin a thiocfaidh chun cinn le linn an phróisis deartha.

## Cad a Tharlóidh Ansin?

I gCéim 2 (Maitrí Breithmheasa Tionscadail) de Chéim an Roghnaithe Roghanna, déanfar measúnú mionsonraithe, bunaithe ar na critéir seo a leanas, ar na roghanna a gearrliostaíodh i gCéim 1:

- **Geilleagar • Timpeallacht • Sábháilteacht**
- **Inrochtaineacht agus Cuimsiú Sóisialta**
- **Comhtháthú • Gníomhaíocht Fhisiciúil**

Samhlaítear go gcuirfear Comhairliúchán Poiblí eile ar siúl mar atá leagtha amach i gclár an tionscadail, ar lena linn a chuirfear in iúl na réamhfionnachtana ó Chéim 2 (Maitrí Breithmheasa Tionscadail) agus a chuirfear an Rogha Roghnaithe Éiritheach i láthair.

I gCéim 3 de Chéim an Roghnaithe Roghanna, sainaithneofar Rogha Roghnaithe a chuirfear ar thaispeáint phoiblí ansin. Samhlaítear go ndéanfar amhlaidh mar atá leagtha amach i gclár an tionscadail.

## Aiseolas

Is féidir leat aiseolas a thabhairt don foireann ar na bealaí seo a leanas:

- Úsáid a bhaint as an bhfoirm aiseolais ar líne atá ar fáil ar shuíomh Gréasáin an tionscadail ag [www.n3virginiabypass.ie](http://www.n3virginiabypass.ie)
- Foirm aiseolais a phrontáil amach ó shuíomh Gréasáin an tionscadail agus í a chur ar ais chuig an seoladh seo a leanas:

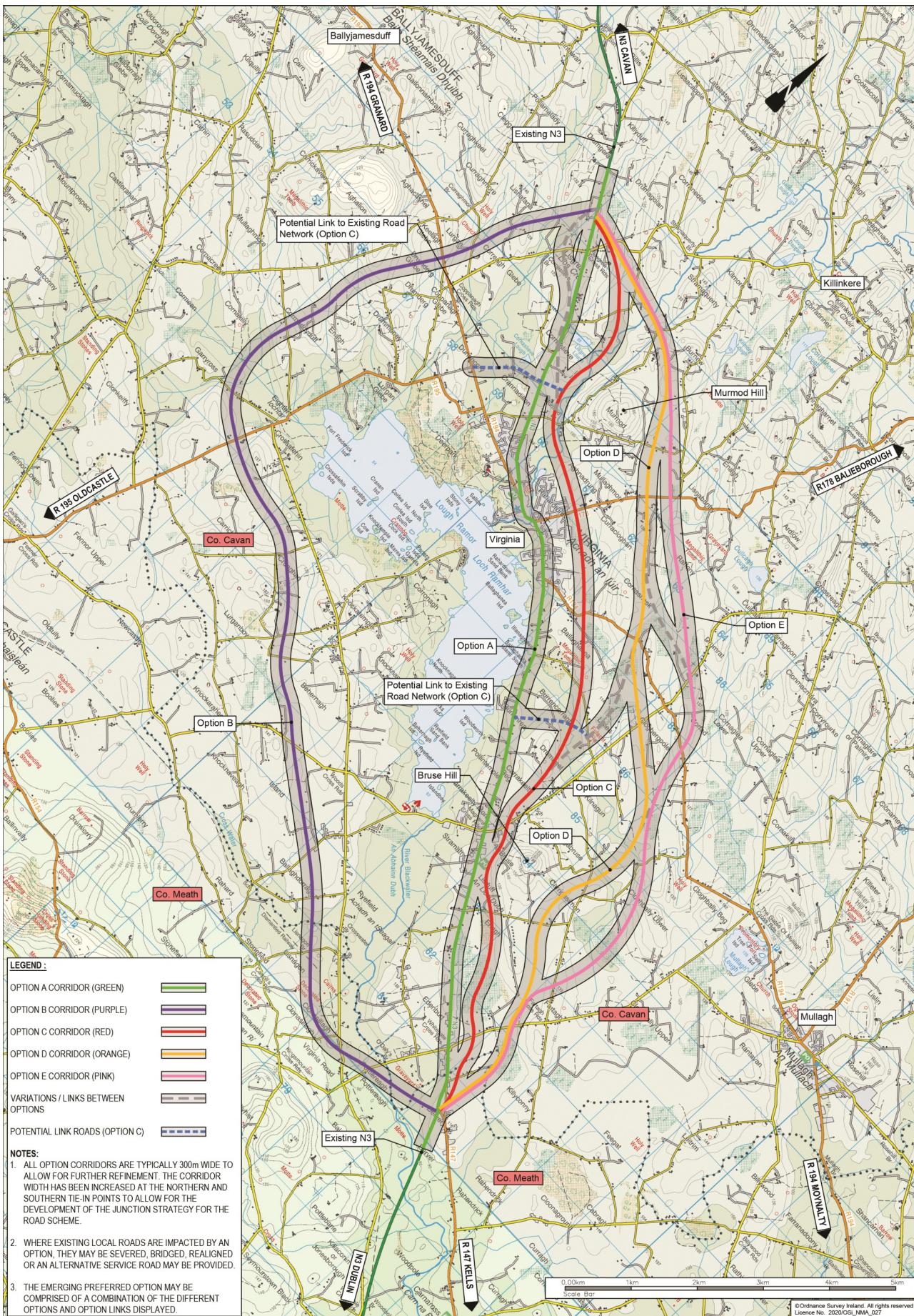
Foireann Sheachbhóthar  
N3-Achadh an Iúir  
Comhairle Contae an Chabháin,  
An Oifig um Dhearradh Bóithre,  
Teach na Cúirte,  
Sráid Fhearnáin,  
An Cabhán  
H12 R6V2.

- Ríomhphost a sheoladh chugainn ag [n3virginiabypass@jbarry.ie](mailto:n3virginiabypass@jbarry.ie);
- Cuairt a thabhairt ar shuíomh Gréasáin an tionscadail agus coinne a chur in áirithe le haghaidh glao teileafóin nó cruinniú ar líne;
- Glao a chur ar uimhir theileafóin an tionscadail ar (094) 9068950. Déanfaidh ball d'fhoireann an tionscadail teagmháil leat ina dhiaidh sin.

Ba cheart an t-aiseolas ar fad a sheoladh chuig foireann an tionscadail faoin 23 Nollaig 2020.

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## CONAIRÍ ROGHA GEARRLIOSTAITHE



# PROGRAMME

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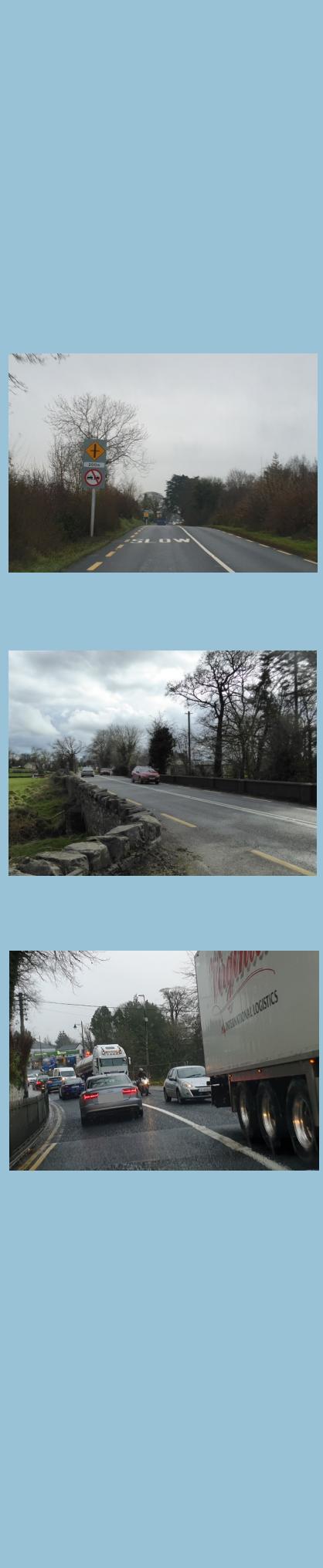
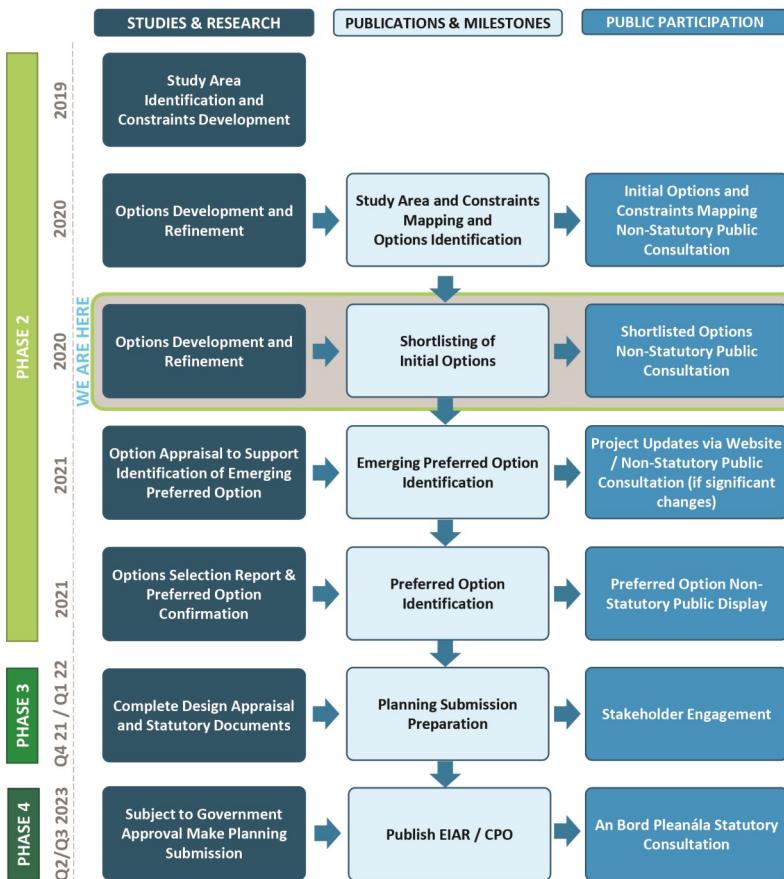
<b>Phase 0 – Scope &amp; Pre-Appraisal</b>	<b>Completed 2018</b>
<b>Phase 1 – Concept &amp; Feasibility</b>	<b>Completed December 2019</b>
<b>Phase 2 – Options Selection</b>	
<b>Constraints Identification</b>	<b>Completed Summer 2020</b>
<b>Stage 1 – Preliminary Options Assessment</b>	<b>Completed Autumn 2020</b>
<b>Stage 2 – Project Appraisal Matrix</b>	<b>We Are Here Completion Envisaged Summer 2021</b>
<b>Stage 3 – Preferred Option</b>	<b>Envisaged Autumn 2021</b>
<b>Phase 3 – Design and Environmental Evaluation</b>	<b>Commencement Envisaged Winter 2021 / Spring 2022*</b>
<b>Phase 4 – Statutory Processes</b>	<b>Publish EIAR / CPO Envisaged Spring / Summer 2023*</b>

\* subject to approval to proceed.

<b>Céim 0 – Scóip agus Réamh-Bhreithmheas</b>	<b>Críochnaíodh an obair seo sa bhliain 2018</b>
<b>Céim 1 – Coincheap &amp; Indéantacht</b>	<b>Críochnaíodh an obair seo i mí na Nollag 2019</b>
<b>Céim 2 – Roghnú Roghanna</b>	
<b>Srianta a Shainaithint</b>	<b>Críochnaíodh an obair seo i Samhradh na bliana 2020</b>
<b>Céim 1 – Measúnú ar Réamhroghanna</b>	<b>Críochnaíodh an obair seo i bhFómhar na bliana 2020</b>
<b>Céim 2 – Maitrí斯 Breithmheasa Tionscadail</b>	<b>Táimid Anseo Samhlaítear go gcríochnófar an obair seo i Samhradh na bliana 2021</b>
<b>Céim 3 – Rogha Roghnaithe</b>	<b>Samhlaítear go mbeidh an obair seo ar siúl i bhFómhar na bliana 2021</b>
<b>Céim 3 – Dearadh agus Measúnacht Timpeallachta</b>	<b>Samhlaítear go dtosófar an obair seo i nGeimhreadh na bliana 2021 / in Earrach na bliana 2022*</b>
<b>Céim 4 – Próisis Reachtúla</b>	<b>An Tuarascáil ar an Measúnacht Tionchair Timpeallachta a fhoilsiú / Samhlaítear go n-eiseofar orduithe ceannaigh éigeantaigh in Earrach / Samhradh na bliana 2023</b>

\* faoi réir céadú a fháil chun dul ar aghaidh.

## N3 Virginia Bypass Public Consultation Roadmap



## Seachbhóthar an N3-Achadh an Iúir Treochlár don Chomhairliúchán Poiblí

