



Transportation Plan and Program Coordination Chapter 729 of the 2012 Acts of Assembly

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Background – Chapter 729

2012 Omnibus Transportation Bill Elements (HB 1248 / SB 639)

- Additional transportation funding from general fund balance
 - Change to § 2.2-1514
- **Local/State plan and program coordination**
 - **Changes to § 15.2-2223, § 33.2-208 and § 33.2-214**
- Commonwealth Transportation Board facility naming (annual fees)
 - Change to § 33.2-208 and § 33.2-214
- Revenue Sharing program changes
 - Change to § 33.2-357
- Highway construction fund allocations
 - Change to § 33.2-358
- Interstate maintenance contract approval
 - Change to § 33.2-301
- Electric/alternate fuel vehicle tax
 - Changes to § 58.1-2201 and § 58.1-2249

Before Chapter 729 - Localities

- Locality Comprehensive Plan
 - Shall indicate where existing facilities are expected to be widened or relocated
 - Must include a Transportation Plan
 - Designates transportation infrastructure needs
 - Includes roadways, bike and ped accommodations, railways, bridges, etc.
 - May include new and expanded facilities
 - Should differentiate among a hierarchy of roads
 - Technical assistance to be provided by VDOT upon request
 - Must include a Map
 - Shall show transportation improvements with cost estimates as available from VDOT
 - Take into account current and future needs of residents and planning district
 - Shall note Corridors of Statewide Significance that traverse locality
 - Must be submitted to VDOT for review if “substantially affect state-controlled highways”

Before Chapter 729 - MPOs

- Constrained Long Range Plan
 - Identifies long- and short-range transportation projects in MPO study area
 - Bicycle facilities
 - Highways
 - Passenger rail
 - Public bus service
 - Walkways
 - Based upon assessment of transportation system needs (to include construction, maintenance, and operations)
 - Coordinated with planning actions of the Commonwealth
 - May only expend federal funds on regionally significant projects if in CLRP
 - Information to assist development of VTrans

- Transportation Improvement Program
 - Identifies short-range transportation projects in MPO study area
 - Must be consistent with Constrained Long Range Plan
 - Four-year program of federal, state, and locally funded projects
 - Coordinated with Commonwealth programming actions
 - May only expend federal funds on regionally significant projects if they are in TIP

- Commonwealth Transportation Board
 - Prepares Statewide Transportation Plan (VTrans)
 - Incorporates measures and goals from approved regional plans
 - Designates Corridors of Statewide Significance
 - Establishes goals and priorities
 - Prepares and Amends Six-Year Improvement Program
 - Input from MPOs
 - Allocates state and federal transportation funds
 - VTrans goals to be considered when selecting SYIP projects
 - Adjusted throughout the year (as necessary)
 - Locates and establishes state routes
 - May require reimbursement for project expenses
 - Secondary highway projects
 - Urban projects
 - Rte 29 projects
- VDOT
 - Provides assistance to localities in preparation of transportation plan (if requested)
 - Reviews and comments on comp plans if “substantially affect state-controlled highways”
 - Policy and technical committee member of each MPO

Plan Coordination Elements of Chapter 729

- Optional locality transportation plan elements made mandatory
 - Must include designation of new and expanded facilities
 - Recognize hierarchy of roads
- Locality transportation plan must be consistent with
 - VTrans
 - Six-Year Improvement Program
 - CTB location of routes
- VDOT review of locality transportation plan required
 - Must provide comments within 90 days
- Final locality plan must be submitted to VDOT
 - VDOT to review and notify CTB of inconsistencies
- CTB duties
 - Determine if local transportation plan, MPO long range plan, or MPO TIP inconsistent with items above
 - May request locality/MPO make changes to be consistent
 - May reallocate funds to projects in plans that are not changed to be consistent
 - May require reimbursement for expended PE, R/W, construction funds
 - May require locality cost participation if project changes requested
- Locality must notify VDOT of next transportation plan update (by Jan.1)

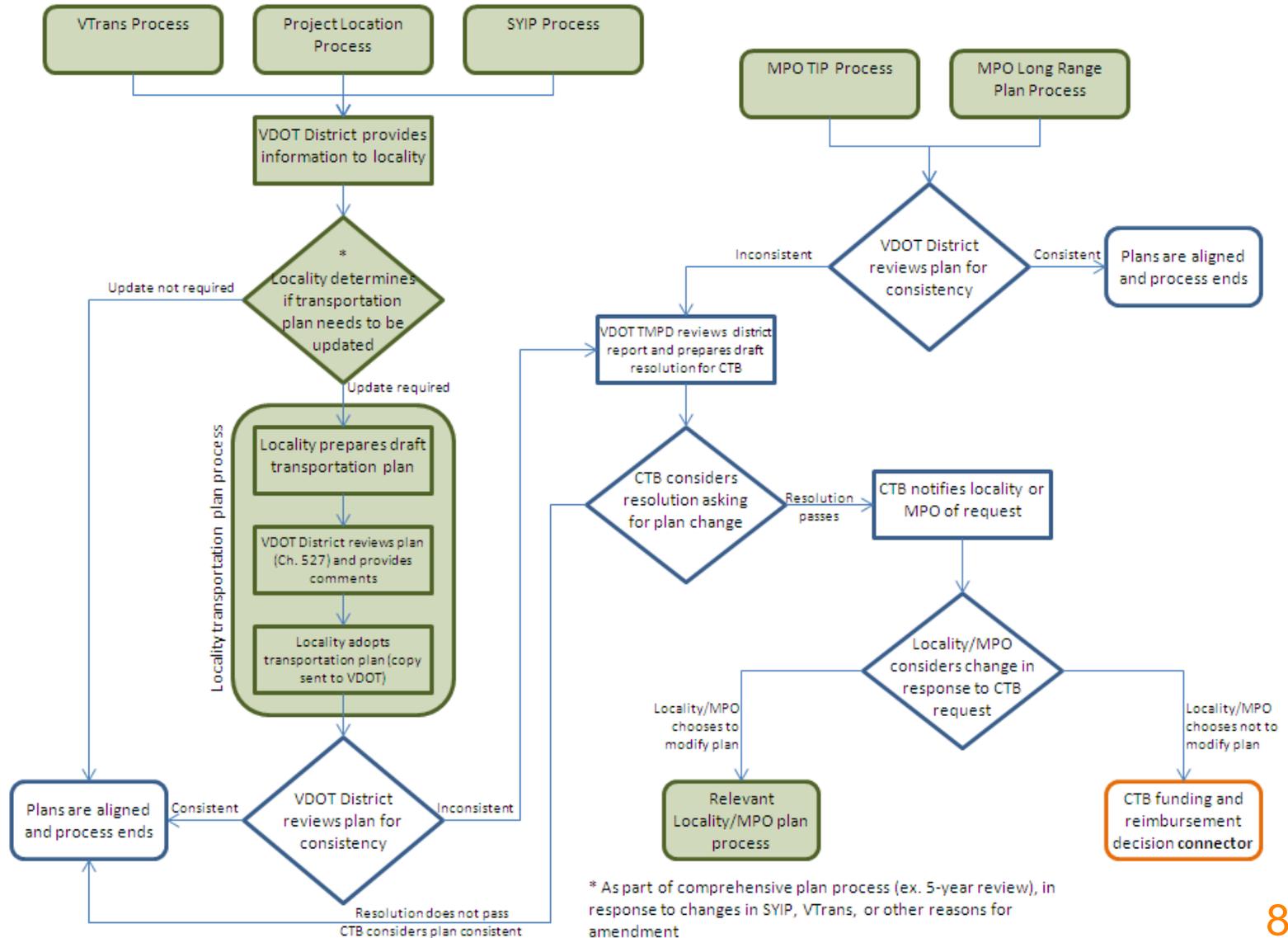
Chapter 729 – Definitions

- Consistency
 - Does not mean only VTrans/SYIP/location of routes can be included in locality transportation plan/CLRP/TIP
 - Does mean that VTrans recommendations must be shown
 - Does mean that “significant new, expanded, or relocated” highway projects in SYIP must be shown in locality plan
 - Does mean that CTB route locations must be shown

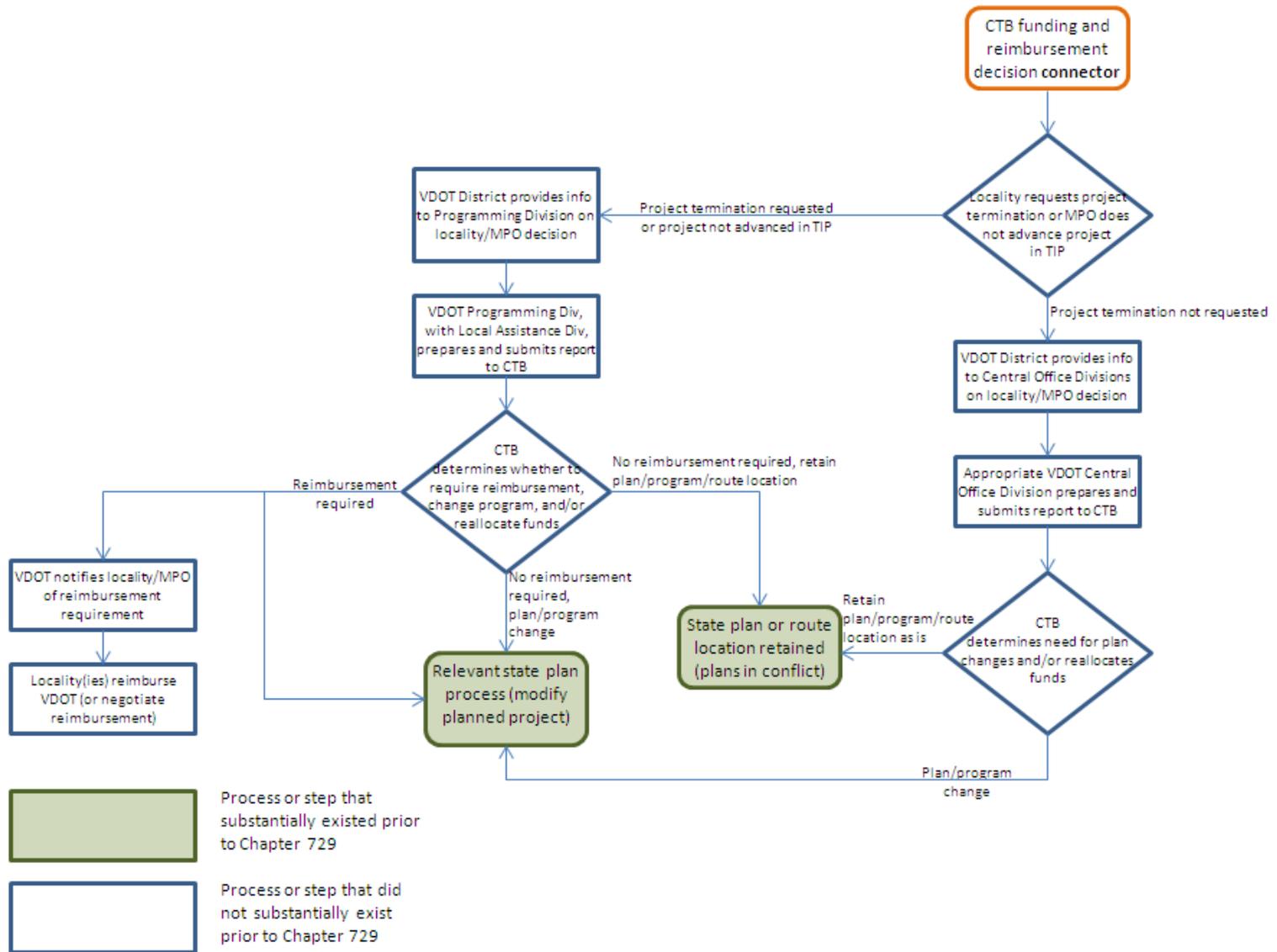
- Significant (from “significant new, expanded, or relocated roadways”)
 - Project on a Major or Urban Collector or higher functional classification roadway that:
 1. Is on new location, or
 2. Relocates a roadway, or
 3. Adds one or more through lanes or a new interchange

Conceptual Workflow

Chapter 729 Transportation Plan and Program Coordination Elements (Conceptual Process)



Conceptual Workflow (cont'd)



Locality Transportation Plan

Designate infrastructure needs and recommendations { § 15.2-2223(B.1)}

- Roadways
- Bicycle accommodations
- Pedestrian accommodations
- Railways
- Bridges
- Waterways
- Airports
- Ports
- Public transportation facilities

Recognize hierarchy of roads (expressways, arterials, collectors) { § 15.2-2223(B.1)}

Include a map showing road and transportation improvements { § 15.2-2223(B.2)}

- Include cost estimates from VDOT
- Take into account current and future needs of residents
- Take into account current and future needs of planning district

Be consistent with state plans { § 15.2-2223(B.3)}

- Statewide Transportation Plan (VTrans) { § 33.2-353}

- Six Year Improvement Program (SYIP) { § 33.2-221}

- Significant new, expanded, or relocated roadways under VDOT control

- Location of routes set and established by CTB { § 33.2-208}

- Not applicable to locally controlled routes in municipalities and Arlington and Henrico Counties

Metropolitan Planning Organization Impacts

If VDOT finds inconsistency between CLRP or TIP and VTrans, SYIP, or location of routes, Commonwealth Transportation Board notified

Generally critical for regional projects in SYIP

Review would usually occur at:

- MPO action on plan or program,

- In preparation for project to be advanced to next phase, or

- When dealing with critical project financing actions

Commonwealth Transportation Board considers whether plans/programs inconsistent

If CTB agrees inconsistency exists, notifies localities and MPO and requests change

If MPO does not take action to modify plan/program accordingly

CTB may reallocate funds from nonconforming project in accordance with state and federal laws

If MPO inaction prevents project from advancing and funds have been expended on project

CTB may require reimbursement for expended funds from locality or localities in MPO

If MPO requests alterations to project that exceed 10% of project costs

CTB may require reimbursement for funds in excess of original estimates from locality or localities in MPO

VTrans Website

<http://www.vtrans.org/vtrans.asp>

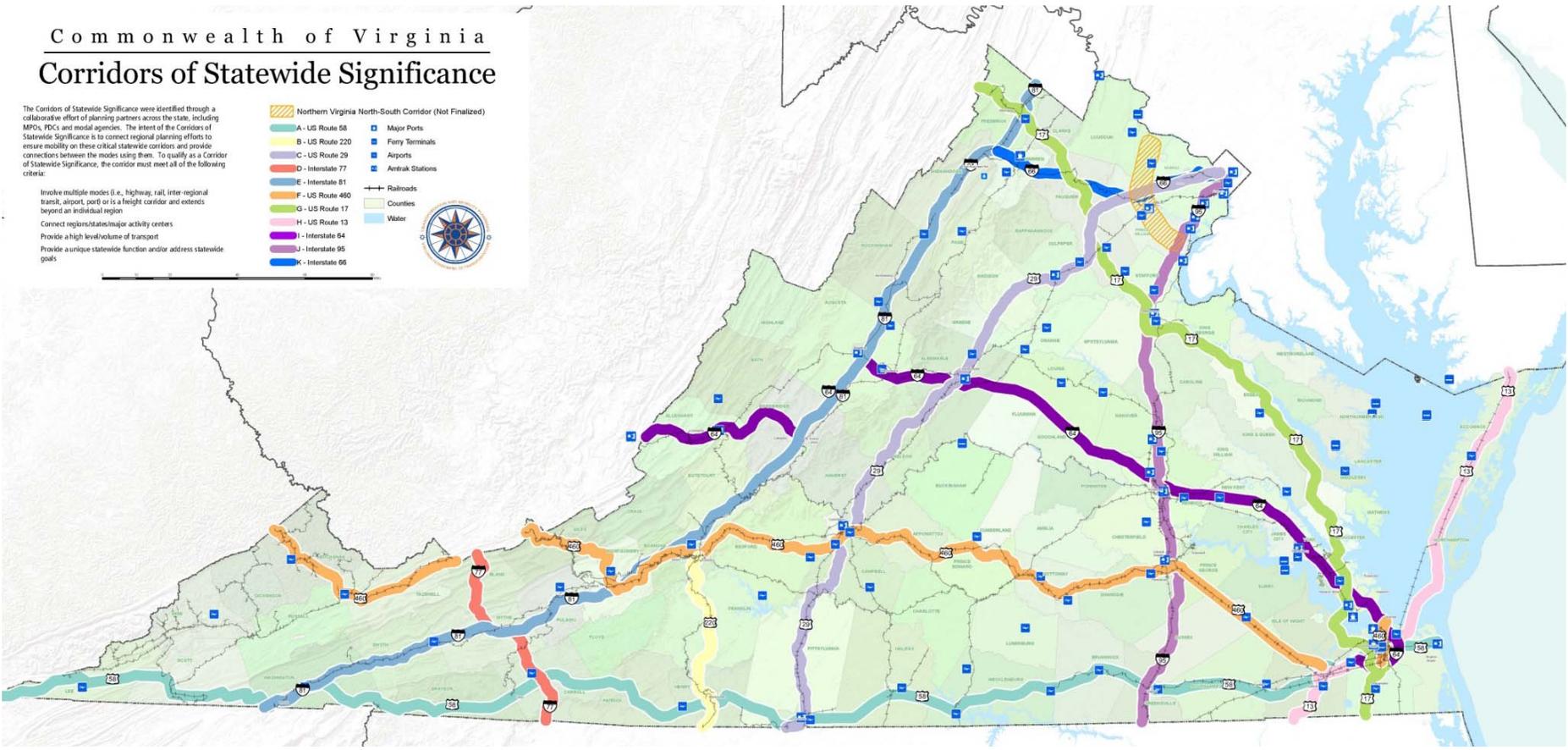
- Corridors of Statewide Significance

Commonwealth of Virginia Corridors of Statewide Significance

The Corridors of Statewide Significance were identified through a collaborative effort of planning partners across the state, including MPOs, RPOs, and modal agencies. The intent of the Corridors of Statewide Significance is to connect regional planning efforts to ensure mobility on these critical statewide corridors and provide connections between the modes using them. To qualify as a Corridor of Statewide Significance, the corridor must meet all of the following criteria:

- Involve multiple modes (i.e., highway, rail, inter-regional transit, airport, port) or is a freight corridor and extends beyond an individual region
- Connect regions/states/major activity centers
- Provide a high level/volume of transport
- Provide a unique statewide function and/or address statewide goals

	Northern Virginia North-South Corridor (Not Finalized)		Major Ports
	A - US Route 58		Ferry Terminals
	B - US Route 220		Airports
	C - US Route 29		Amtrak Stations
	D - Interstate 77		Railroads
	E - Interstate 81		Counties
	F - US Route 460		Water
	G - US Route 17		
	H - US Route 13		
	I - Interstate 64		
	J - Interstate 95		
	K - Interstate 66		





Six-Year Improvement Program

SYIP Website

<http://syip.virginiadot.org/Pages/allProjects.aspx>

VDOT Virginia Department of Transportation *Six-Year Improvement Program*

Home User's Guide About

All Projects Major Projects MPO Fund Reports

All Projects

Program: District: Jurisdictions Residencies Road System:

Only Show Projects with Programmed Allocations

Route: ZIP: UPC: Keyword:

Project Search Results (2670 Projects found)

UPC	Description	Route	District	Road System	Estimate	Previous	FY13	FY14-18	Balance
(Values in Thousands of Dollars)									
T999970	STATEWIDE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM			Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$24,194	\$117,870	\$0
T999990	STATEWIDE RAIL PROGRAM			Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$2,832	\$23,316	\$0
66404	CONSTRUCT RIVERWALK THROUGHOUT TOWN OF POUND	EN00	Bristol	Primary	\$722	\$315	\$0	\$0	\$407
66405	CONSTRUCT SIDEWALKS AND BICYCLE LANES-RURAL RETREAT	EN00	Bristol	Primary	\$2,374	\$2,526	\$0	\$0	(\$152)
66406	RENOVATION OF HISTORIC HILLMAN HOUSE AS A WELCOME CENTER	EN00	Bristol	Primary	\$175	\$197	\$0	\$0	(\$21)
69759	CITY OF BRISTOL - RESTORE TRAIN STA. FOR USE AS TRANS CENTER	EN01	Bristol	Urban	\$6,711	\$4,208	\$0	\$0	\$2,505
63546	DICKENSON COUNTY - CRANENEST RIVER TRAIL	EN02	Bristol	Primary	\$1,788	\$1,187	\$0	\$0	\$601
78214	TOWN OF FRIES - TRAIN STATION RENOVATION AND TRAIL	EN05	Bristol	Primary	\$1,610	\$1,570	\$0	\$0	\$40
91186	CONSTRUCTION OF TOURSIM CENTER & BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN FACILITY	EN08	Bristol	Enhancement	\$1,252	\$1,348	\$0	\$0	(\$97)
91188	INSTALLATION OF DECORATIVE STREETLIGHTS IN DOWNTOWN BRISTOL	EN08	Bristol	Enhancement	\$525	\$648	\$0	\$0	(\$123)

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CTB Website

<http://www.ctb.virginia.gov/default.asp>



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Agenda Item #7

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

May 16, 2012

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Bowle Seconded By: Mr. Keen Action: Motion Carried

**Title: I-81 Corridor Improvement Study Tier 2 – I-77 / I-81 Overlap
Location Study**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, a Location Public Hearing was held at the Wytheville Meeting Center in Wythe County, on September 28, 2011 for the purpose of considering the proposed location of the I-81 Corridor Improvement Study Tier 2 – I-77 / I-81 Overlap Location Study (I-77 / I-81 Overlap) in Wythe County and the City of Wytheville, State Project 0077-098-104, P100; and,

WHEREAS, the I-77 / I-81 Overlap location study was documented in a Environmental Assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and approved by the Federal Highway Administration July 26, 2011; and,

WHEREAS, proper notice was given in advance, and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social, and environmental effects of the proposed project have been examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the location of this project be approved on the Candidate Build A Alternative B as presented at the Location Public Hearing.

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