

MOTION:

**May 21, 2013
Regular Meeting
Res. No. 13-**

SECOND:

RE: ESTABLISH THE PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PROJECT LIST FOR THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FY2014-FY2019 SIX-YEAR PROGRAM ALLOCATION AND THE NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FY2014 PROGRAM

ACTION:

WHEREAS, the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Six-Year Interstate/Primary Roadway Improvement Program (Six-Year Improvement Plan) is the Commonwealth Transportation Board's (CTB) method to establish roadway improvement projects and allocate funds for improving roads in the interstate and primary road systems (roads with State route numbers between 1 and 599); and

WHEREAS, the CTB will hold a public hearing on May 29, 2013, to receive input on its Draft Six-Year Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, the VDOT funding levels for interstate and primary road improvement projects are determined for the Northern Virginia region based on a pre-determined formula for the entire state; and

WHEREAS, annually, the Prince William Board of County Supervisors develops a project list of interstate and primary road improvement projects for consideration by VDOT; and

WHEREAS, a different list will be developed for secondary road projects for a future VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA), through the Governor's Transportation Plan, which was approved by the General Assembly (Chapter 766), will receive approximately \$190 million in funding for FY2014; and

WHEREAS, the NVTA is developing a FY2014 project list for a public hearing to be scheduled in June 2013; and

WHEREAS, once a Draft VDOT FY2014-FY2019 Six-Year Improvement Plan is released, a testimony will be developed for the Chairman (or a designee), that will include the recommended projects for the CTB and NVTA;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William Board of County Supervisors does hereby establish the Prince William County project list for the Virginia Department of Transportation FY2014-FY2019 Six-Year Program allocation and the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority FY2014 Program:

- I-66 Widening (Rte. 29 to Rte. 15)
- I-66/Rte. 29/Linton Hall Road (Gainesville) Interchange
- I-66/Rte. 15 Interchange
- *Rte. 1 (Mary's Way to Featherstone Road)*
- Rte. 1 (Dumfries Road to Bradys Hill Road)
- Rte. 1/123 Interchange (Phase II)
- Rte. 1/123 Interchange Auxiliary Roads (Annapolis/Horner Road)
- Rte. 15 (Rte. 29 to Rte. 55, including railroad overpass near Rte. 55)
- *Rte. 28 (Linton Hall Road to Fitzwater Drive)*
- Rte. 28 (Centreville Road) Safety and Congestion Enhancements
- Rte. 215 Improvements (Kettle Run Road to Sudley Manor Drive)
- Rte. 234 North Bypass (I-66 to Loudoun County Line)
- Interchanges on Rte. 234 Bypass at Balls Ford Road, Sudley Manor Drive, University Boulevard, Brentsville Road.
- Potomac Town Center (Potomac Nationals) Garage

**NVT A Priority Projects in italics*

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

Transportation Director
Maria Sinner, VDOT

ATTEST: _____
Clerk to the Board



Melissa S. Peacor
County Executive

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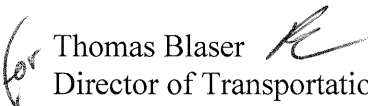
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May 5, 2013

TO: Board of County Supervisors

FROM:  Thomas Blaser
for Director of Transportation

THRU: Melissa S. Peacor
County Executive

RE: Establish the Prince William County Project List for the Virginia Department of Transportation FY14-FY19 Six-Year Program Allocation and the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority FY2014 Program

I. Background in chronological order is as follows:

- A. Six-Year Plan – The Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Six-Year Interstate/Primary Roadway Improvement Program (Six-Year Improvement Plan) is the Commonwealth Transportation Board's (CTB) method to establish roadway improvement priorities and allocate funds for improving roads in the interstate and primary road systems (roads with State route numbers between 1 and 599).
- B. CTB Public Hearing – Every year the CTB conducts public hearings throughout the State to solicit input on the Draft Six-Year Improvement Plan. This year, the Northern Virginia public hearing will be held on May 29, 2013 at the VDOT Northern Virginia District Office.
- C. Funding Levels – Funding levels for interstate and primary road improvement projects are determined for the Northern Virginia region based on a pre-determined formula for the entire State. Prince William County projects compete with all jurisdictions in Northern Virginia for this funding.

- D. VDOT Project List – Annually, the Board of County Supervisors develops a project list of interstate and primary road improvement projects. After adoption of the project list, the Prince William Board of County Supervisors traditionally submits and presents to the CTB the County's list of road improvement projects. Failure to submit a list of projects could jeopardize the County's standing in the competition for available funding.
- E. Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) FY14 Priorities – Through the Governor's Transportation Plan, which was approved by the General Assembly (Chapter 766), the NVTA will start receiving approximately \$190 million in funding in FY14. In an effort to respond to this new funding, the NVTA is developing a FY14 program. A public hearing will be held in June 2013, which will solicit input on a list of projects the NVTA will plan on funding.

II. Current Situation – County staff has developed a recommended list of projects for submission to the CTB. The list is as follows:

- A. VDOT Projects – The Draft VDOT FY14-FY19 Six-Year Improvement Plan has not yet been released. A testimony for the Chairman (or a designee) will be developed once the Draft Six-Year Improvement Plan is released, which will include the following projects; some of which are already included in the current Six-Year Improvement Plan and some which have been included in the list for many years:

- I-66 Widening (Route 29 to Route 15)
- I-66/Route 29/Linton Hall Road (Gainesville) Interchange
- I-66/Route 15 Interchange
- Route 1 (Marys Way to Featherstone Road)
- Route 1 (Dumfries Road to Bradys Hill Road)
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- B. NVTA Projects – In order to coordinate with VDOT priorities and meet Chapter 766 requirements for FY14, the recommended projects for the NVTA project list include all the projects above, with priority to:
 - Route 1 (Marys Way to Featherstone Road)
 - Route 28 (Linton Hall Road to Fitzwater Drive)
- C. Secondary Roads – A project list of secondary roads will be developed for a future VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan public hearing.
- D. Board Action Requested – Establish the Prince William County Project List for the Virginia Department of Transportation FY14-FY19 Six-Year Program Allocation and the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority FY2014 Program

III. Issues in order of importance are:

- A. Timing – What is the deadline for submitting the County's list of interstate/primary road improvement plan allocation projects to the CTB and NVTA?
- B. Service Level/Policy Issues – How does the County's project list affect the County's Transportation Strategic Goal?
- C. Fiscal Impact – Will County funds be used to fund the project list?
- D. Legal – Are there legal requirements?

IV. Alternatives in order of feasibility are:

- A. Establish the Prince William County Project List for the Virginia Department of Transportation FY14-FY19 Six-Year Program Allocation and the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority FY14 Program.
 - 1. Timing – The CTB will hold its Northern Virginia public hearing on May 29, 2013. The Chairman of the Prince William Board of County Supervisors, or a designee, will present a statement at this meeting outlining the Board of County Supervisors' roadway project list. A public hearing for the NVTA project list will be held in June 2013.

2. Service Level/Policy Issues – The project list supports the County’s Transportation Strategic Goal of “providing a multi-modal transportation network that supports County and regional connectivity.”
3. Fiscal Impact – County funds will not be used to fund the projects. Funding for these projects will be provided through State or Regional funds.
4. Legal – Does not apply.

B. Take No Action.

1. Timing – The Chairman of the Prince William Board of County Supervisors, or a designee, will not be able to present a statement at the May 29, 2013, CTB public hearing, or the NVTA public hearing; outlining the County’s roadway project list.
2. Service Level/Policy Issues – Since funding for these projects could be jeopardized, the County’s Transportation Strategic Goal may not be pursued at the project locations.
3. Fiscal Impact – The County may jeopardize the receipt of State and Regional funding for these projects.
4. Legal – Does not apply.

V. **Recommendation** is that the Board of County Supervisors concur with Alternative A and approve the attached Resolution.

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