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Agenda item #5

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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MOTION

Made By: Mr. Bowie Seconded By: Mr. Koelemay Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Recreational Access – Alleghany County, Project 0740-003-625, M501
Douthat State Park – Whispering Pines Campground

WHEREAS, Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia* sets forth that the General Assembly of Virginia has found and declared that it is "...in the public interest that access roads and bikeways for public recreational areas and historical sites be provided..." and sets aside highway funds for such purpose, and further provides that "The Commonwealth Transportation Board, with the concurrence of the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation, is hereby authorized to make regulations to carry out the provisions of this section."; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) have adopted a joint policy to govern the use of the Recreational Access Fund pursuant to Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia*; and

WHEREAS, the Alleghany County Board of Supervisors has, by appropriate resolution, requested Recreational Access funds to construct an access road to serve new facilities for the development of Whispering Pines Campground within Douthat State Park, located off Route 629, north of the Town of Clifton Forge and said access road is estimated to cost \$414,000; and

WHEREAS, it appears that this request falls within the intent of Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia* and complies with the provisions of the Commonwealth Transportation Board's policy on recreational access; and

WHEREAS, this request has been considered by the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation and has been found to comply fully with the provisions of Section 33.1-223; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 33.1-223, the Director of DCR has designated the Whispering Pines Campground in Douthat State Park as a public recreational area and recommends that an access road be provided; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$400,000 be allocated from the Recreational Access Fund to construct the access road to planned facilities for the Whispering Pines Campground development within Douthat State Park, Project 0740-003-625, M501, contingent upon:

1. All right of way, environmental assessments and remediation, and utility adjustments being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth; and
2. Execution of an appropriate agreement between the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide for:
 - a. design, administration, construction and maintenance of this project; and
 - b. payment of all ineligible project costs, and of any eligible project costs in excess of the \$400,000 allocation for the access road construction from sources other than those administered by VDOT.

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