

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #5-B

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

December 8, 2010

MOTION

Made By:Mr. Keen Seconded By:Mr. McCarthy Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Limited Access Control Change (LACC), Route 58, Grayson County

WHEREAS, Route 58, from approximately 1.5 miles west of the City of Galax to the West Corporate Limits of the City of Galax, was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on December 19, 1968; and,

WHEREAS, in connection with a section of Route 58, State Highway Project 0058-038-101, RW-202, which is located between the aforesaid locations, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands and limited access easements from various landowners, and established certain limited access control as a design feature of the said project; and,

WHEREAS, the Matthews State Forest (Forest) located on the south side of the south proposed right of way and limited access line of the said Route 58 EBL, as shown on the plans for the said State Highway Project, has been identified by the Virginia Department of Forestry (VDF) as a facility to be utilized for promoting ecological awareness and education, research, and demonstration of forest practices requiring construction of an internal roadway, as a means of ingress and egress to serve as a public entrance to the property; and,

WHEREAS, VDF has identified and requested a limited access control change (LACC) of approximately 50 feet, more or less, along the Route 58 south proposed right of way and limited access line as shown on the said plans (approximately 25 feet, more or less, on either side of Station 635+91.17 of the Route 58 EBL original and field revised centerline), to accommodate the entrance for said roadway, being a non-signalized entrance with left/right turning movements, a median break, acceleration/deceleration taper lanes and turn lanes as required; and,

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- **WHEREAS**, the Grayson County Administrator, by letter dated December 21, 2009, indicated support on behalf of the Grayson County Board of Supervisors for the said proposed LACC to accommodate construction of the said proposed entrance; and,
- WHEREAS, VDOT has identified and determined that the said proposed LACC of approximately 50 feet, more or less, along the said Route 58 south proposed right of way and limited access line (approximately 25 feet, more or less, on either side of Station 635+91.17 of the Route 58 EBL original and field revised centerline), to accommodate the said non-signalized entrance with left/right turning movements, median break, acceleration/deceleration taper lanes and turn lanes, with safety improvements as required, for the said roadway is appropriate from a design standpoint subject to further review and approval; and,
- **WHEREAS,** VDOT has determined that based on a Global Traffic Analysis, the said LACC and proposed entrance, with safety improvements, is appropriate from a safety and traffic control standpoint subject to further review and approval; and,
- **WHEREAS**, all right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements; and,
- **WHEREAS**, VDOT staff has determined there will be no adverse environmental impacts; and,
- **WHEREAS**, all costs of engineering and construction, including all necessary safety improvements, will be borne by VDF; and,
- **WHEREAS**, VDOT has determined no compensation shall be due in consideration of the proposed LACC for public purposes; and,
- **WHEREAS,** public notices were posted in *The Gazette* newspaper of the Galax and Twin County Area, Virginia, on February 8, 9, 17, and 18, 2010, and *The Declaration* newspaper of Independence, Virginia, on February 10 and 17, 2010, and closed February 26, 2010, with no comment received; and,
- **WHEREAS,** the proposed LACC is in compliance with Title 24, Section 30, Chapter 401 of the Virginia Administrative Code; and,
- **WHEREAS**, upon completion of the proposed entrance and changes by VDF and acceptance by VDOT, all work, roadway construction, improvements and equipment within the

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Route 58 right of way and limited access lines as shown on the said plans will become the property of VDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.1-58 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby approves the said LACC for public purposes as set forth and subject to the above referred to conditions. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents needed to comply with this resolution.

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