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Mr. Gregory A. Whirley Sr., Commissioner
Virginia Department of Transportation
1401 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Subject: Virginia Byway Designation for Route 24 in Campbell and Bedford Counties

Dear Commissioner Whirley:

At the request of the Campbell and Bedford County Boards of Supervisors, staff from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) evaluated Route 24 in those counties for possible Virginia Byway designation. Both counties have long-standing policies to preserve and protect scenic resources, as presented in their comprehensive plans.

After evaluating the candidate segment of Route 24, VDOT and DCR staff determined that it meets adopted criteria for inclusion in the Virginia Byway system. DCR recommends designation of the road as supported by both county Boards of Supervisors. It is anticipated that resolutions of support will be forthcoming before the end of September.

The recommended route segment, as identified on the attached map and endorsed by the Campbell and Bedford County Boards of Supervisors, meets the adopted criteria for designation. Therefore, under the provisions of §33.1-62 of the *Code of Virginia*, I recommend that you present the road in Campbell and Bedford Counties described below to the Commonwealth Transportation Board for consideration as a candidate for addition to the Virginia Byway system.

- Route 24 – from its intersection with Route 29 at Yellow Branch in Campbell County to its intersection with Route 43 at Gillespie in Bedford County, which is a designated Virginia Byway.

This road will add about 16.2 miles to the Virginia Byway network.

Please contact us if additional information is needed regarding this proposed designation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David A. Johnson".

David A. Johnson

Attachment

cc: R. David Laurell, Campbell County Administrator
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