



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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*Agenda item # 2*

### RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 17, 2013

#### MOTION

Made By: Mr. Layne    Seconded By: Mr. Sterling  
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

**Title: Policy for Selection of Transportation Alternatives Projects and Process for Transportation Enhancement/Transportation Alternatives Program De-allocation, Project Transfer, and Inactive Projects**

**WHEREAS**, the federal Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21) provides for a statewide Transportation Alternatives Program, using federal transportation funds and state or local matching funds; and

**WHEREAS**, from federal funds appropriated to the Transportation Alternatives (TA) program the Commonwealth Transportation Board (Board) shall approve the selection of projects on an annual basis and in accordance with §33.1-12(5) of the *Code of Virginia* and MAP-21; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has expressed a desire to establish a selection policy in order to conform with MAP-21 required policies and to ensure timely allocation of Transportation Alternatives funds; and

**WHEREAS**, after reviewing the proposed policy changes, the Board believes the policy for selection of Transportation Alternatives project should be adopted as set forth below; and

**WHEREAS**, in association with the changes under MAP-21 relating to funding for the projects eligible under the Transportation Alternatives Program, it is necessary to adopt a replacement for the current "Enhancement Program De-allocation, Project Transfer and Inactive

Project Process” in order to ensure that funding for Transportation Alternatives Projects is utilized within certain timeframes.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Commonwealth Transportation Board hereby rescinds its previous Interim Policy for Selection of Transportation Alternatives Projects adopted on October 17, 2012 and adopts the following policy and criteria governing the selection of Transportation Alternatives Program projects:

1. As required by MAP-21 the MPOs representing urbanized areas with populations greater than 200,000 (the Transportation Management Areas) will select Transportation Alternatives projects in their areas up to the amount of funding provided them in MAP-21.
2. The Secretary and CTB At-Large members will select Transportation Alternatives projects with the funds made available for population areas less than 200,000, up to the amount provided in MAP-21 for that requirement.
3. Statewide Transportation Alternative funds (remaining 50% of allocation and available for use anywhere in the state) will be apportioned equally among the District CTB members up to total amount of \$9M. The District members will select eligible Transportation Alternatives projects with these funds.
4. If the statewide funds mentioned in item 3 above exceed \$9M, the Secretary and CTB At-Large members will collectively select projects that address statewide funding gaps or needs up to the amount of the additional funding.
5. All projects selected must be under construction within four (4) years of the project’s first allocations availability, unless that time is extended for a documented reason.
6. All projects selected by the Board shall receive not less than 50% of the amount of Transportation Alternative program funds requested in the application. In addition, all projects selected by the Board will be fully funded to the requested Transportation Alternatives Program amount, if that amount is \$200,000 or less and such amount is all that is required to complete the project.
7. Once various project selections have been made in accordance with the foregoing process, the project list will be presented to the full Board for its consideration and approval.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board approves the Transportation Enhancement/Transportation Alternatives Program De-allocation, Project Transfer, and Inactive Project Process dated June 26, 2013 and attached hereto to guide the Department’s efforts in ensuring that funds for Transportation Alternatives Projects are utilized within the established timeframes and hereby rescinds the Enhancement Program De-allocation, Project Transfer and Inactive Project Process previously approved by the Board on December 8, 2010.

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