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VTrans Tier I Recommendations

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Overview



- **Conduct a comprehensive review of statewide multimodal transportation and capacity needs for—**
 - **Corridors of statewide significance**
 - **Regional networks**
 - **Urban development areas**
 - **Safety**
- **Plan shall promote economic development, intermodal connectivity, environmental quality, accessibility for people and freight, and transportation safety**

Needs Assessment




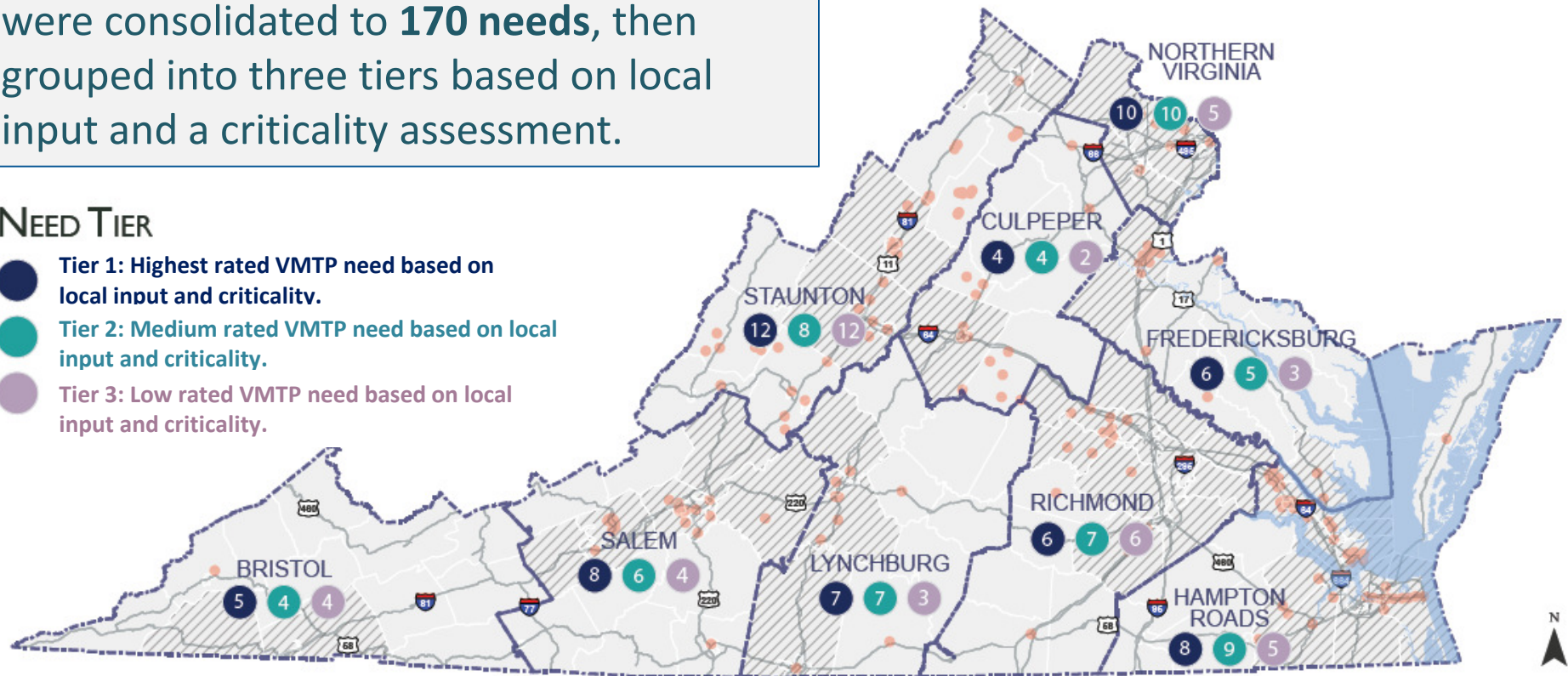
- **Adopted by the Board in December 2015**
- **Board directed Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment to—**
 - **Prioritize the needs**
 - **Develop recommendations to address 2025 prioritized needs**
 - **Set deadline of end of 2016**

Needs Assessment

Over **800 needs** in the Needs Assessment were consolidated to **170 needs**, then grouped into three tiers based on local input and a criticality assessment.

NEED TIER

-  Tier 1: Highest rated VMTP need based on local input and criticality.
-  Tier 2: Medium rated VMTP need based on local input and criticality.
-  Tier 3: Low rated VMTP need based on local input and criticality.



Recommendations



- Focus on critical needs over next 10 years with solutions based on VTrans guiding principles
 - Does not include all needed improvements over longer term
- Restricts overall investment, generally, to available resources over 10 year period (~\$5-6 billion)
 - Emphasis on common sense engineering, operations and technology
- Represents state perspective on a future pipeline of projects for consideration under SMART SCALE and other programs
- Strengthens the connection between planning, project development, and programming

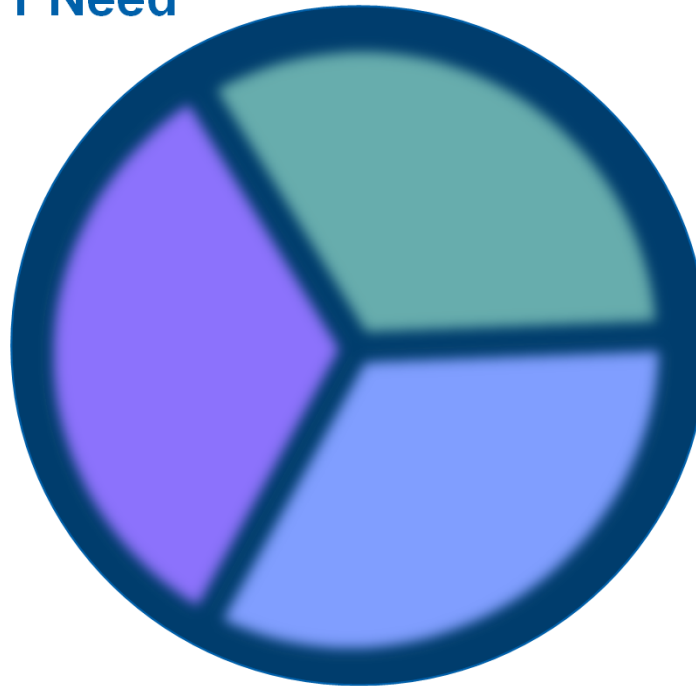
Types of Recommendations



Example 2025 Tier 1 Need

Funded Projects

Funded (SYIP, TIP, agency programs) projects that address the Need



New Ideas

Recommendations for projects, studies, or programs to meet a potential gap in addressing the Need

Pipeline Projects

Unfunded or partly funded projects from local and regional plans or studies that address the Need

Focus on VTrans2040 Guiding Principles – especially:

- Optimize Return on Investment
- Consider Operational Strategies and Demand Management First

Recommendations Next Steps



- **Address comments from Board member meetings as well as public forums**
- **Update plan, post to the web for final stakeholder and public review in August**
- **Board consideration of revised recommendations this Fall**