



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Office of the
SECRETARY of TRANSPORTATION

VTrans Tier I Recommendations

Nick Donohue
Deputy Secretary of Transportation
October 23, 2017



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**

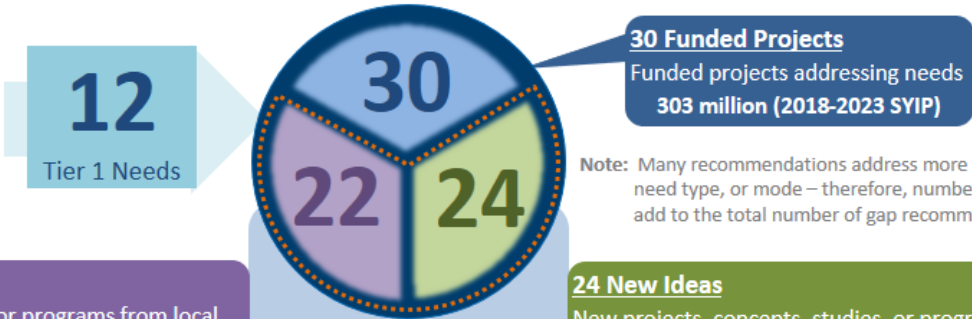
Tier I Recommendations



- 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

District Recommendations

STAUNTON DISTRICT – 2025 RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY

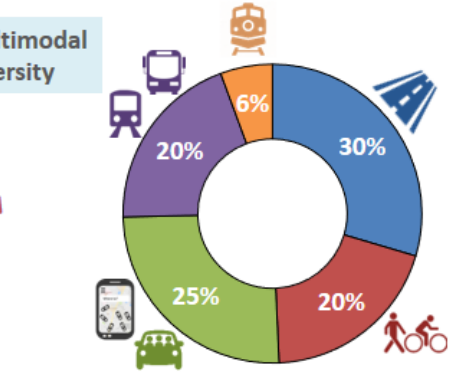
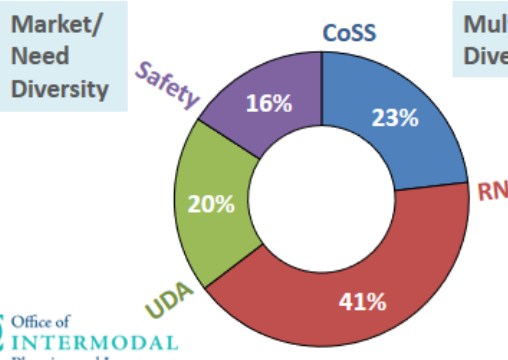


Note: Many recommendations address more than one market, need type, or mode – therefore, numbers in charts do not add to the total number of gap recommendations (46).

Pipeline Projects Highlights: Recommendations within recent Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans in Harrisonburg, Staunton and SAWMPO, the I-81/I-64 Intercity Bus Study, the I-64 Congestion and Safety Study, and the Central Shenandoah PDC Transportation Demand Management Plan provide a strong regional and local framework for bicycle and pedestrian, transit, and TDM priorities throughout the District over the next 10 years. MPO and VDOT led studies in the I-81 and US 11 corridor will continue to shape capacity and operations strategies.

Needs Gap
Focus on VTrans2040 Guiding Principles:
Optimize Return on Investment and Consider Operational Strategies and Demand Management First

New Idea Highlights: 12 of the new ideas note the need for further study and planning activities prior to implementation, including corridor specific access management and operations programs and regional TDM policy and strategy development. Other new ideas include corridor spot and safety improvements, park-and-ride lot expansion, rail crossing improvements, and enhanced system and incident management in the I-81 and US 11 corridors.



The purpose of the VMTP 2025 Recommendations:
To provide the CTB with statewide priorities for project development to create a pipeline for projects to be developed and proposed for funding within the SYIP through SMART SCALE or other sources.

- 32 SMART SCALE eligible**
(based on anticipated project scale and eligibility, pending concept development/study completion)
- 14 Other Federal and State funding sources**
(all projects are eligible for different Federal and State sources, these 14 projects are considered not eligible for SMART SCALE)

Next Steps



- **Board action on VTrans Tier I Recommendations in December**
 - Recommendations will receive priority as projects to be developed for rounds of SMART SCALE
- **Workshop on VTrans Scenario Analysis**
- **Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment will develop VTrans implementation plan**
 - Ensure guiding principles and policy are incorporated into agency plans and policies