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Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 5

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 21, 2021

MOTION

Made By: Dr. Smoot, Seconded By: Mr. Miller
Action: Motion carried, unanimously

Title: Bridge Naming: “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”

WHEREAS, in accordance with § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the Floyd County Board of Supervisors has requested, by resolution dated May 11, 2021, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), to honor and memorialize the life, service and ultimate sacrifice to his country of James Michael Cox, name the intersection of Route 619, Horse Ridge Road and Route 631, Sumpter Road, Floyd County as the “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”; and

WHEREAS, Floyd County, by its May 11, 2021 resolution, has agreed to pay the cost of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming; and

WHEREAS, § 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located or by the private entity whose name is attached to the transportation facility so named.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to § 33.2-213 of the *Code of Virginia*, the CTB hereby names the intersection of Route 619, Horse Ridge Road and Route 631, Sumpter Road, Floyd County as the “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT is directed to produce, place, and maintain the signs calling attention to this naming, and secure payment from Floyd County for these costs as required by law.

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CTB Decision Brief

Bridge Naming: “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”

Issue: Commemorative naming of the intersection of Route 619, Horse Ridge Road and Route 631, Sumpter Road, Floyd County as the “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”.

Facts: Floyd County enacted a resolution on May 11, 2021 to honor the life, service and ultimate sacrifice of James Michael Cox to his country and fellow soldiers. Mr. Cox grew up on Horse Ridge Road near the intersection of Sumpter Road and his family still resides there.

James Michael Cox served with distinction in the United States Army and paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving his country during the Vietnam War.

Recommendations: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recommends this request be approved.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* requires a majority of the CTB members to approve a resolution naming a highway or bridge, as appropriate. A resolution will be provided for the Board’s consideration.

Result if Approved: The intersection of Route 619, Horse Ridge Road and Route 631, Sumpter Road, Floyd County will be known as the “James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection”. In accordance with law and by resolution, Floyd County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: VDOT is not aware of any opposition to this proposal.

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF FLOYD COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021, AT 8:30 A.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, THEREOF:

PRESENT: Joe D. Turman, Chairman; Jerry W. Boothe, Vice Chairman; W. Justin Coleman, Linda D. Kuchenbuch, and Lauren D. Yoder, Board Members; Linda S. Millsaps, County Administrator; Cynthia B. Ryan, Assistant County Administrator.

The following action was taken:

On a motion of Supervisor Coleman, seconded by Supervisor Yoder, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adopt the following resolution:

Highway Intersection Naming of Route 619 Horse Ridge Road and Route 631 Sumpter Road in Floyd County as the "James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection"

WHEREAS, James Michael Cox grew up on Horse Ridge Road near the intersection of Sumpter Road in Floyd County Virginia;

WHEREAS, James Michael Cox's family still reside on Horse Ridge Road near the intersection of Sumpter Road;

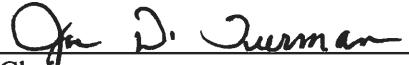
WHEREAS, James Michael Cox served with distinction in the US Army and paid the ultimate sacrifice in the Vietnam War;

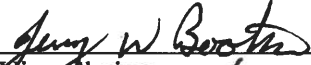
WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to give suitable names to state highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities and change the names of any highways, bridges, interchanges, or other transportation facilities forming a part of the systems of state highways;

WHEREAS, Section 33.2-213 provides that the Virginia Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs indicating the names of highways, bridges, interchanges, and other transportation facilities named by the CTB and requires that the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining such signs shall be paid by the localities in which they are located.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Floyd County, in accordance with Section 33.2-213 of the Code of Virginia, does hereby request that the CTB name the intersection of highways Horse Ridge Road and Sumpter Road on Routes 619 and 631, the James Michael Cox Vietnam Memorial Intersection on Route 619 from 0.05 mile north of Route 631 to 0.05 mile south of Route 631 and on Route 631 from 0.05 mile east of Route 631 to 0.05 mile west of Route 631 in Floyd County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Floyd County agrees to pay the costs of producing, placing, and maintaining the signs calling attention to this naming.

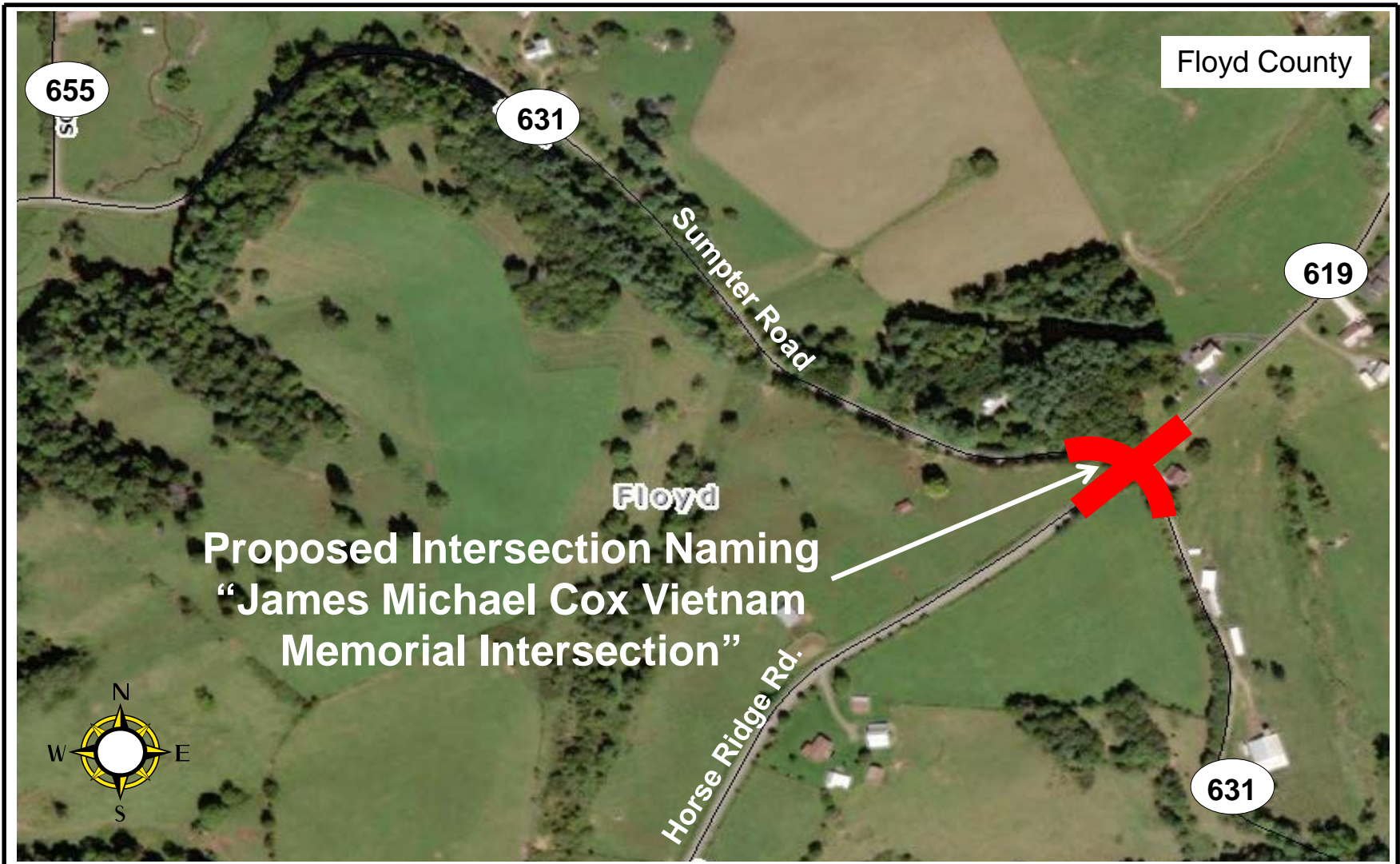

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Proposed Intersection Naming
"James Michael Cox Vietnam
Memorial Intersection"