



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

W. Sheppard Miller, III
Chairperson

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Agenda item # 9

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

May 21, 2025

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Gribbin, **Seconded By:** Mr. Kasprowicz
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

**Title: Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) for
Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) Safety Improvements
Arlington County**

WHEREAS, on July 28, 1953, the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), designated Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) from Arlington Ridge Road to the Fairfax Traffic Circle as a limited access highway in accordance with then Va. Code § 33-37 et seq., as amended; and

WHEREAS, it appears that no subsequent resolutions have shifted limited access along this segment of highway; and

WHEREAS, State Highway Project 0050-000-923, P101, R201, C501 (UPC #119086) in Arlington County provides improvements in safety and traffic operations by constructing a raised median along Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) from 0.04 miles east of Glebe Road (Route 120) to 0.11 miles west of Washington Boulevard (Route 27) which will limit turns to the signalized intersections (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the segment of Arlington Boulevard and its service roads subject to this Project do not currently function as a limited access facility due to the direct access of intersections and driveways; and

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WHEREAS, as a result of ongoing design refinements to the Project, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has identified certain segments of Arlington Boulevard within the Project that should no longer be designated as limited access and VDOT is formally requesting the termination of access controls as depicted in the attached Limited Access Line Exhibit 1 and Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Exhibit 2 (attached); and

WHEREAS, VDOT held a Design Public Hearing (“Hearing”) for the Project on October 30, 2024, between 6:30 pm and 9:00 pm at Alice West Fleet Elementary School, 115 South Old Glebe Road, Arlington, Virginia 22204. Plans and exhibits showing the current and proposed locations of the limited access lines were made available, and attendees were given the opportunity to submit comments (oral or written) concerning the Project and the proposed limited access control changes (LACCs); and

WHEREAS, proper notice of the Hearing was given in advance, and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the Project as presented, their statements being duly recorded; and

WHEREAS, the economic, social, and environmental effects of the Project have been duly examined and given proper consideration and this evidence, along with all other relevant evidence, has been carefully reviewed; and

WHEREAS, VDOT’s Northern Virginia District Office has reviewed and approved the traffic analysis report completed in December 2024 and found that it adequately addressed the impacts from the Project and the proposed LACCs; and

WHEREAS, the Project is in compliance with National Environmental Policy Act requirements, and a programmatic categorical exclusion was prepared under an agreement between VDOT and the Federal Highway Administration and approved on February 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, VDOT has determined that the Project is in a non-attainment area, but the Project is not considered to be regionally significant for air quality purposes, is compliant with all National Environmental Policy Act and transportation conformity requirements, and will not have an adverse impact on air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Project is in Arlington County, and the proposed LACCs are supported by a letter from the Director of Transportation of Arlington County dated March 13, 2025, (attached); and

WHEREAS, VDOT’s Chief Engineer has determined that the proposed LACCs will not adversely affect the safety or operation of the highways; and

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WHEREAS, VDOT has reviewed the requested LACCs and determined that all are in compliance with Va. Code § 33.2-401 and that the requirements of 24 VAC 30-401-20 have been met; and

WHEREAS, VDOT recommends approval of the proposed LACCs as shown on the Limited Access Line Exhibits (attached); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with Va. Code § 33.2-401 and 24 VAC 30-401-10 et seq., that the CTB hereby finds and concurs in the determinations and recommendations of VDOT made herein and directs that Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) continue to be designated as a limited access control area, with the boundaries of limited access control being modified from the current locations as shown on the attached exhibits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the location of the shared use path and sidewalk within the area designated as limited access and its construction and maintenance is approved as proposed and presented at the Hearing by Arlington County, as the same may be modified during ongoing design review; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pedestrians and bicyclists are authorized to use the proposed shared use path along Arlington Boulevard (Route 50), within the areas designated as limited access; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commissioner of Highways is authorized to take all actions and execute any and all documents necessary to implement the LACCs described herein.

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Proposed Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs)
Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) Safety Improvements
Project 0050-000-923, P101, R201, C501 (UPC# 119086)
Arlington County

Issues: The area designated as limited access for Arlington Boulevard needs to be modified to reflect existing driveways and intersections that have direct access to the road. These changes require the approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) pursuant to Va. Code § 33.2-401 and 24 VAC 30-401-10 et seq.

Facts:

- On July 28, 1953, the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the CTB, designated Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) from Arlington Ridge Road to the Fairfax Traffic Circle as a limited access highway in accordance with then Va. Code § 33-37 et seq., as amended.
- It appears that no subsequent resolutions have shifted limited access along this segment of highway. However, the segment of Arlington Boulevard and its service roads subject to this Project do not currently function as a limited access facility due to the direct access of intersections and driveways.
- State Highway Project 0050-000-923, P101, R201, C501 (UPC #119086) in Arlington County provides improvements in safety and traffic operations by constructing a raised median along Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) from 0.04 miles east of Glebe Road (Route 120) to 0.11 miles west of Washington Boulevard (Route 27) which will limit turns to the signalized intersections (the “Project”).
- As a result of ongoing design refinements to the Project, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has identified certain segments of Arlington Boulevard within the Project that should no longer be designated as limited access and VDOT is formally requesting the termination of access controls as depicted in the attached Access Line Exhibit 1 and Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Exhibit 2 (attached).
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- Proper notice of the Hearing was given in advance, and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the Project as presented, their statements being duly recorded.

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- The economic, social, and environmental effects of the Project have been duly examined and given proper consideration and this evidence, along with all other relevant evidence, has been carefully reviewed.
- VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office has reviewed and approved the traffic analysis report completed in December 2024 and found that it adequately addressed the impacts from the Project and the proposed LACCs
- The Project is in compliance with National Environmental Policy Act requirements, and a programmatic categorical exclusion was prepared under an agreement between VDOT and the Federal Highway Administration and approved on February 21, 2025.
- VDOT has determined that the Project is in a non-attainment area, but the Project is not considered to be regionally significant for air quality purposes, is compliant with all National Environmental Policy Act and transportation conformity requirements and will not have an adverse impact on air quality.
- The Project is in Arlington County, and the proposed LACCs are supported by a letter from the Director of Transportation of Arlington County dated March 13, 2025.
- VDOT's Chief Engineer has determined that the proposed changes will not adversely affect the safety or operation of the highways.
- The proposed LACCs are in compliance with Va. Code § 33.2-401 and with the polices and requirements of the CTB contained in 24 VAC 30-401-10 et seq.

Recommendations: It is recommended, pursuant to Va. Code § 33.2-401 and 24 VAC 30-401-10 et seq., that Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) continue to be designated as a limited access highway with the LACCs modified and/or established as shown on the attached exhibits. This action will modify the limited access line and right of way previously approved by the CTB on July 28, 1953.

Action Required by CTB: Va. Code § 33.2-401 and 24 VAC 30-401-10 et seq., require a majority vote of the CTB to approve the recommended LACCs. The CTB will be presented with a resolution for a formal vote to approve the LACCs for the proposed Project and to provide the Commissioner of Highways the requisite authority to execute all documents necessary to implement the LACCs.

Result, if Approved: The Commissioner of Highways will be authorized to execute any and all documents needed to comply with the resolution, and the Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) Safety Improvements project will move forward.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

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Public Comments/Reactions: There were forty (40) citizens that attended the Design Public Hearing meeting per the sign in sheets. A total of sixty-six (66) written/mailed comments and thirty-two (32) oral comments were received for the record.



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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Stephen C. Brich, P.E.
Commissioner

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May 1, 2025

The Honorable W. Sheppard Miller, III
The Honorable E. Scott Kasprowicz
The Honorable Raymond D. Smoot, Jr.
The Honorable Frederick T. Stant, III
The Honorable Tom Fowlkes
The Honorable Wayne Coleman
The Honorable H. Randolph Laird
The Honorable Thomas Moore Lawson
The Honorable Darrell R. Byers
The Honorable Laura A. Sellers
The Honorable Joel "Rex" Davis
The Honorable Linda Green
The Honorable D.J. Gribbin
The Honorable Becky Norton Dunlop
The Honorable John P. Good Jr.
The Honorable Stephen C. Brich, P. E.
The Honorable Tiffany Robinson

Subject: Approval of Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) for the Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) Safety Improvements, in Arlington County.

Dear Commonwealth Transportation Board Members:

The Department has initiated the above request for LACCs for your consideration. The proposed LACCs on State Highway Project 0050-000-923, P101, R201, C501 (UPC# 119086) have been determined as a necessary design feature and recommended for approval by the Department's staff.

I have reviewed the staff's recommendations and determined that approving these LACC's will not adversely affect the safety or operation of the affected highway network. I have determined that this request should be considered by the Board.

Sincerely,

Barton A. Thrasher

Barton A. Thrasher, P.E.
Chief Engineer



FOR INDEX OF SHEETS SEE SHEET 1B

THIS PROJECT WAS DEVELOPED UTILIZING THE DEPARTMENTS ENGINEERING DESIGN PACKAGE (OPENROADS).
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PROJECT MANAGER Katalin Mihalcsik, P.E., TEL: 0703/2522768 (MOVA)-----
SURVEYED BY, DATE 18.8.2022, SURVEYING AND MAPPING LTD., AUGUST 2022
DESIGN BY, Béla Bognár, P.E., Wimman Geoparadís Ltd., AUGUST 2022
SUBSURFACE UTILITY BY, DATE ACCURATE JOC, AUGUST 2022

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RIGHT OF WAY LINE	— — — —
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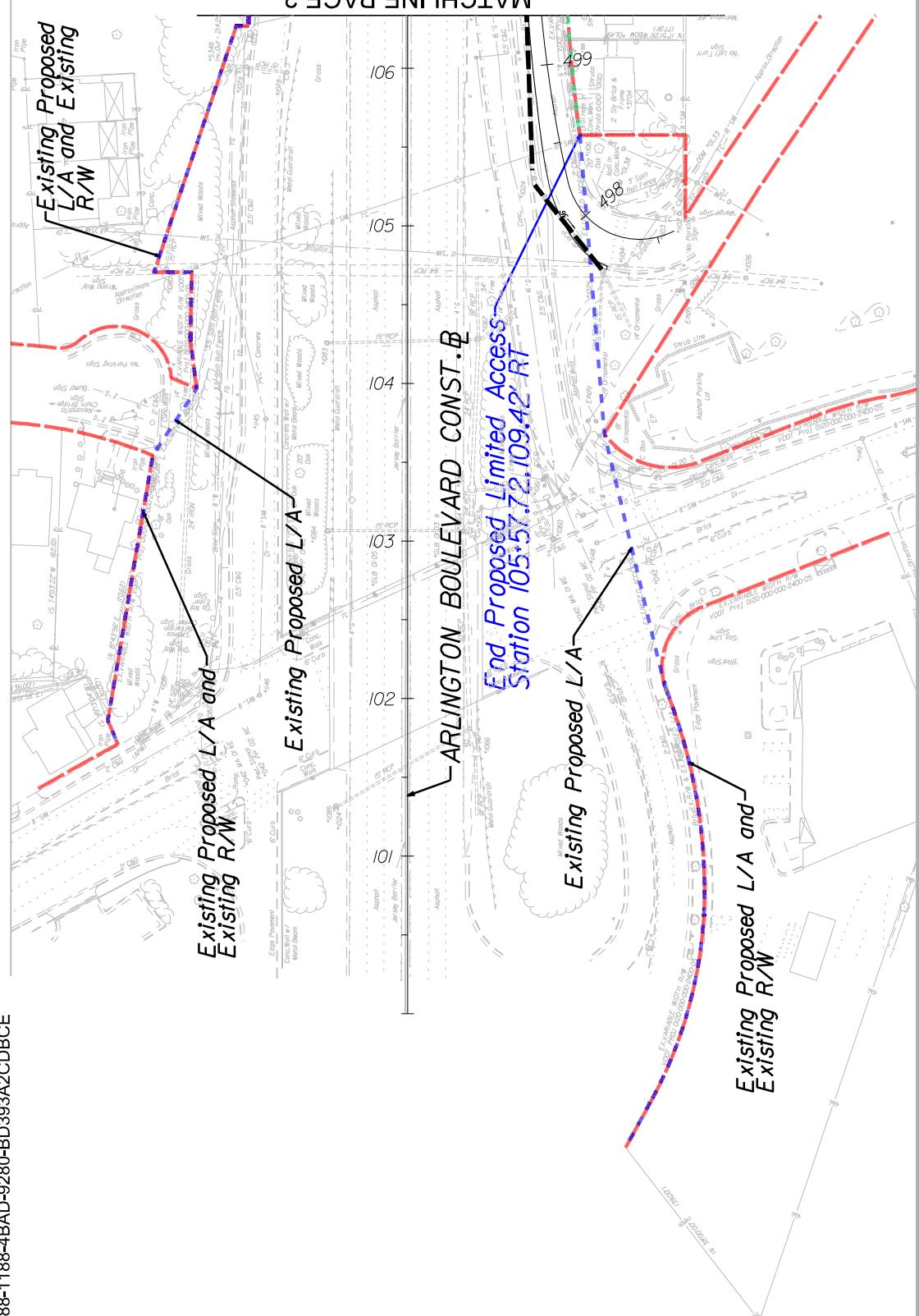
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PLAN AND PROFILE OF PROPOSED
STATE HIGHWAY

**ARLINGTON BOULEVARD (ROUTE 50)
SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**
*FROM: 004 MI. EAST OF GLEBE ROAD (ROUTE 120)
TO: 001/2 MI. WEST OF WASHINGTON BOULEVARD (ROUTE 27)*

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Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) Safety Improvements

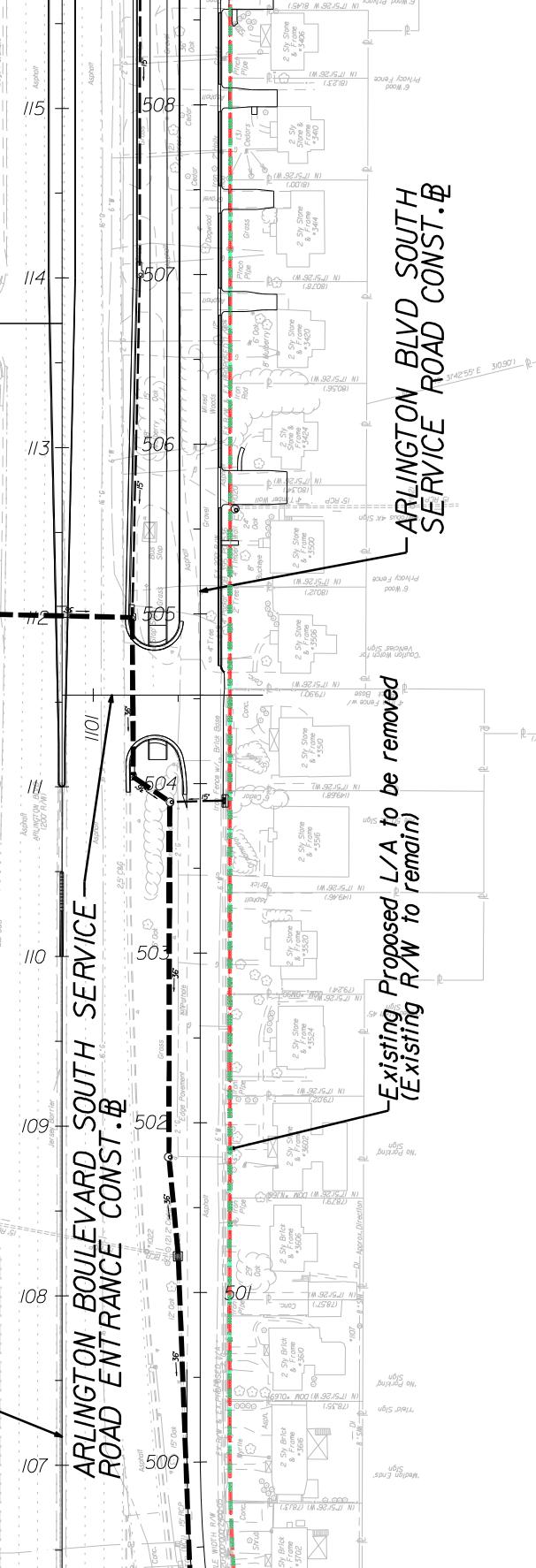
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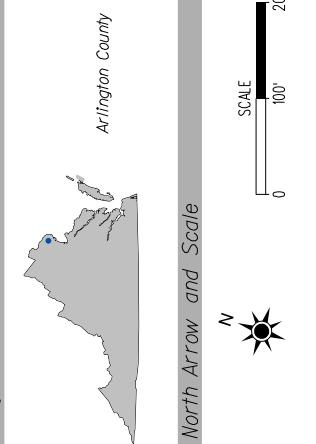
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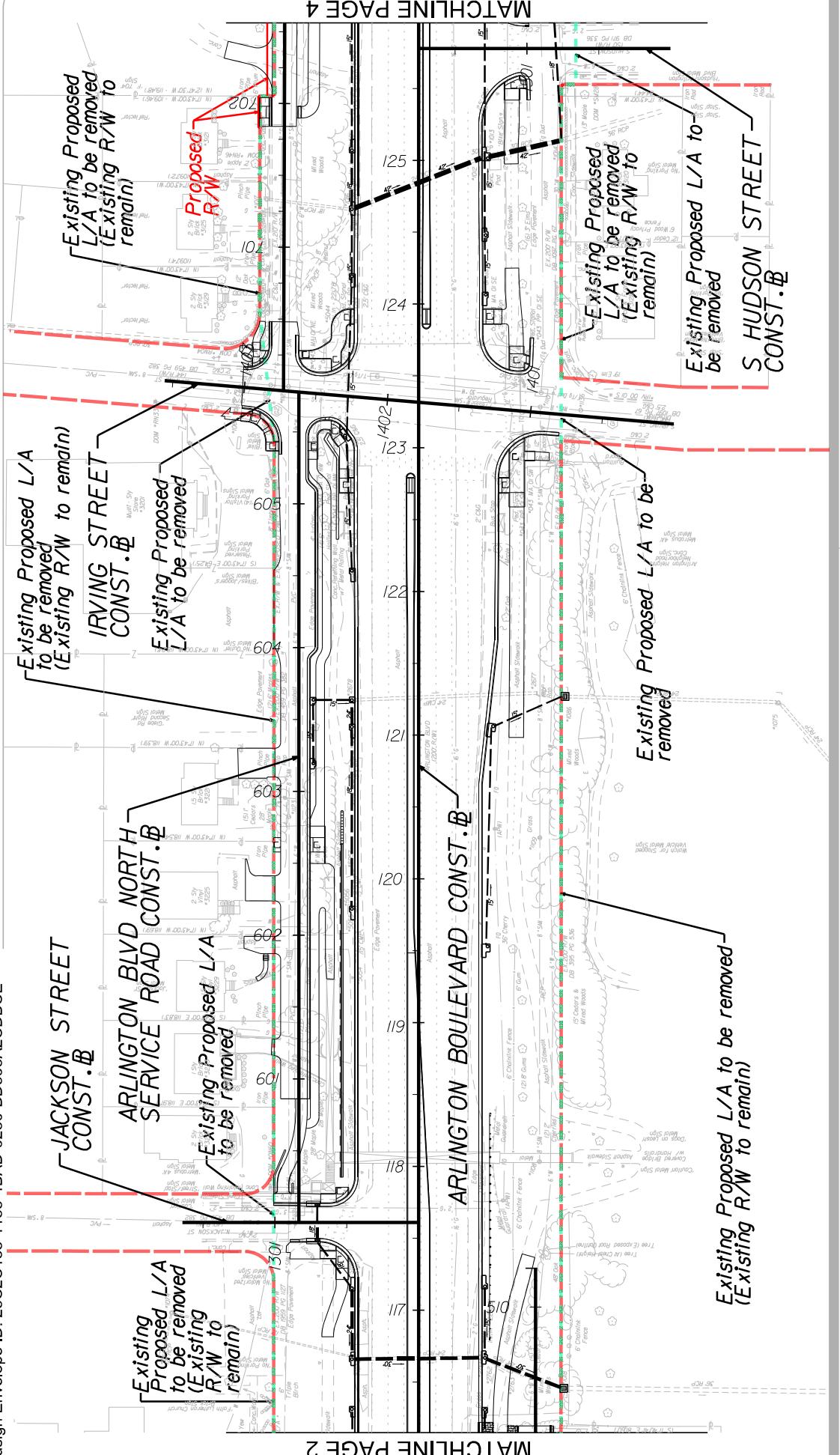
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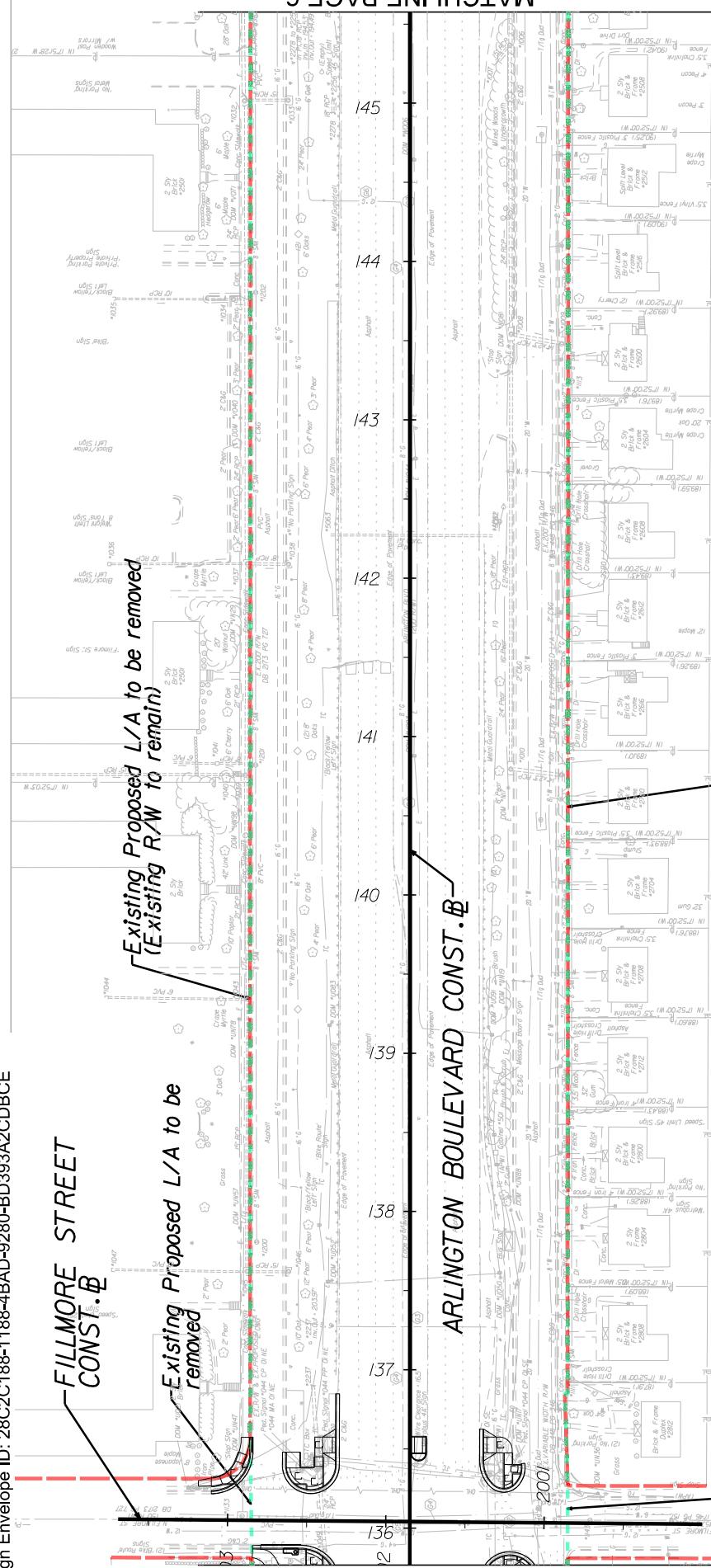
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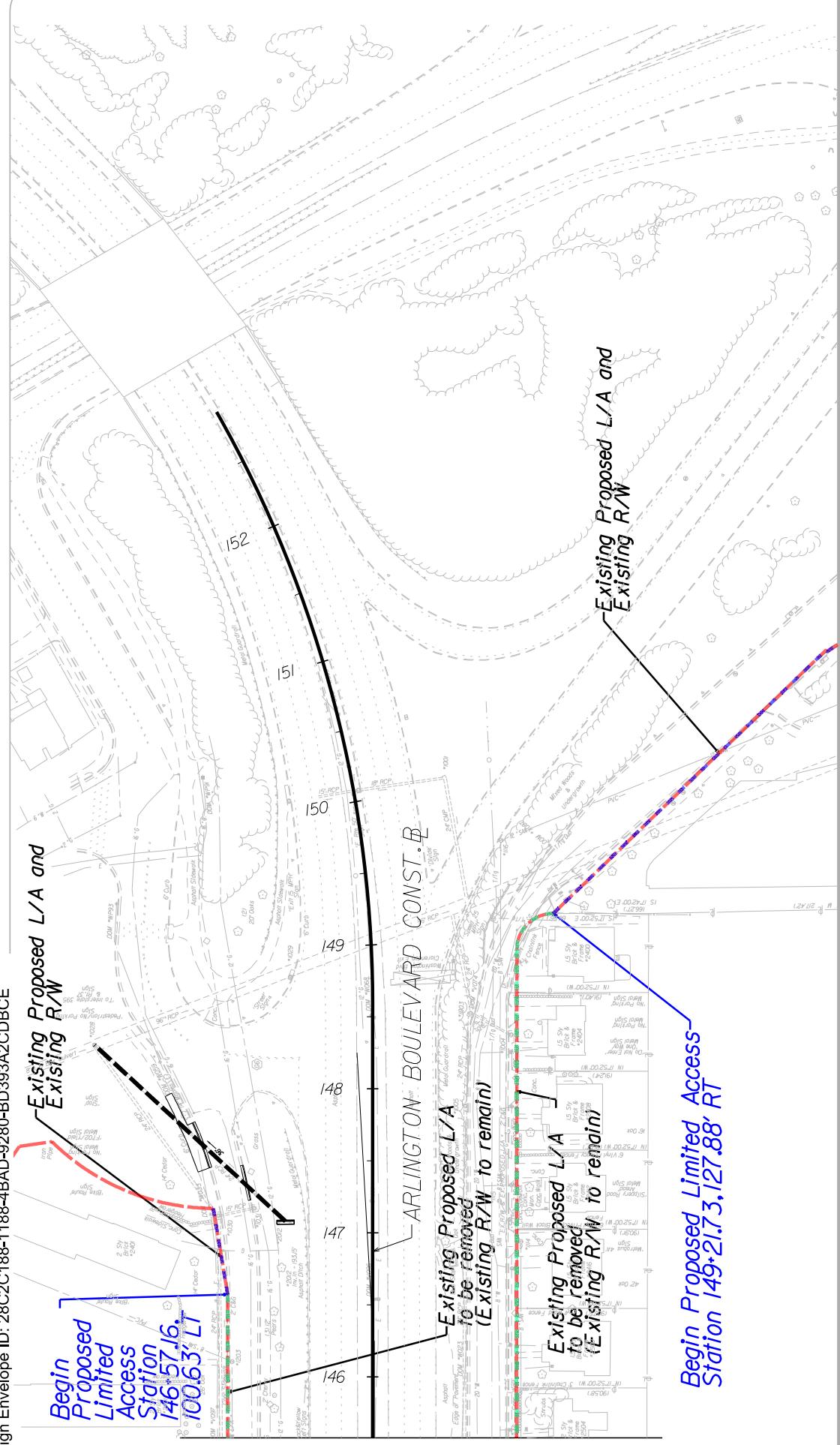
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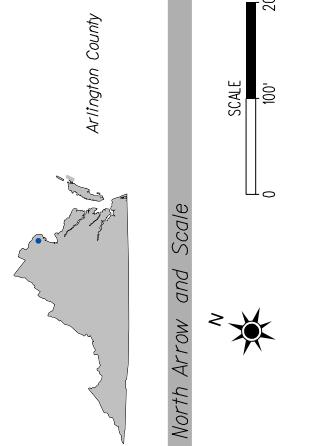
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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Division of Transportation

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March 13, 2025

Mr. Khalil Minhas, P.E.
Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)
4975 Alliance Drive
Fairfax, VA 22030

RE: Limited Access Control Change for UPC 119086 – Arlington Blvd Safety Improvements

Dear Mr. Minhas:

This letter is to confirm the Arlington County Division of Transportation's (DOT) full support of the Arlington Blvd Safety Improvements Project (Universal Project Code 119086). The County DOT supports the proposed Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) as illustrated in the attached exhibits (3) and requests VDOT advancement of the LACCs to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) for action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hui Wang".

Hui Wang
Director of Transportation

cc: Michelle Cowan, County Manager's Office
Rich Roisman, Regional Transportation Planning
Inumidun Obikoya, Transportation Planning & Capital Projects Management

exhibits (3)

Minutes of the Meeting
of the State Highway Commission of Virginia
Held in Richmond and at Big Meadows
July 28-30, 1955.

At 8:30 A.M., Tuesday, July 28, the Commission met in the Central Office Building, Richmond, Present - Messrs. E. P. Barrow, Geo. P. DeHardit, S. D. May, Burgess E. Nelson, S. W. Rawls, Tucker C. Watkins, Jr., J. F. Wysor and J. A. Anderson.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the minutes of the meeting of May 28, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Wysor, that the Commission approve the permits issued from May 28 to July 28, inclusive, as recorded in the Auditing Division. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Wysor, seconded by Mr. DeHardit, that the Commission approve the cancellation of permits from May 28 to July 28, inclusive, as recorded in the Auditing Division, and as authorized June 25, 1947. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. DeHardit, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received June 5 for the construction of Projects 1743-70-05 and 1943-08, Routes 250 and 55, 0.478 Mi. E. WCL Richmond-0.105 Mi. W. WCL Richmond (Broad St.) AND from WCL Richmond-0.061 Mi. N. NCL Richmond, City of Richmond and Henrico County, to the low bidder, Atlantic Bitulithic Company, Richmond, Virginia, at the bid of \$293,232.14, that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$164.00 for work by State Forces, making a total of approximately \$322,700.00 chargeable to this project. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Senator Nelson, that resolution adopted by the Commission at its meeting May 28, 1955, awarding contract to the low bidder, Garrett Contracting Co., Inc., Richmond, Virginia, for the construction of Project 2143-70, Route 60, City of Richmond; 500 Ft. S. of Danny Street-Carlisle Avenue (Government Road), be RESCINDED, the bid be REJECTED, and the work proposed be scheduled for readvertising at a convenient future date. On request of the City Manager of Richmond and recommendation of the Department's engineers after further study it was determined that an unbalanced bid was submitted by the low bidder as defined in Section 102.10, Page 13 of the Department's Road and Bridge Specifications of January 1, 1947. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that whereas, a study conducted by the Traffic and Planning Division indicates that when school is again in session the volume of traffic on Route 58 west of Danville between Church Avenue and Bromley Drive will justify sidewalk construction; now, therefore, be it resolved, that there be appropriated from the Construction Reserve of the Lynchburg District the sum of \$10,000 to construct approximately 0.77 mile of sidewalk on Route 58 from Church Avenue to Bromley Drive. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Nelson, seconded by Mr. Rawls, that the section of Route 50, Arlington Boulevard, from its junction with the Pentagon Network at Arlington Ridge Road (Sta. 0/55.7 of old Project 50L-B, new Project 1900, Arlington County) west to the Fairfax Traffic Circle (Sta. 649/55.1 old Project 50L-B2, new Project 1929, Fairfax County) be, and hereby is, designated as a Limited Access Highway, in accordance with Section 35-57 et seq. of the 1950 Code of Virginia. Motion carried.

The Commission was further advised concerning progress on the legislative studies now being made - Prison Labor, Washington Metropolitan Area, (Weights) Load Limits, Secondary Funds to Counties operating their own highways, Toll Roads and Outdoor Advertising.

A memorandum of July 7 written by the Commissioner on his observations on a motor trip to Mackinaw City, Michigan, and return, was read to the Commission.

Further reference was given the Commission on the prize winning essays and awards in the General Motors Better Highways contest, copy of which booklet was mailed to the Commission July 21.

Copy of a letter from the City of Martinsville of July 24 to Resident Engineer Howard was before the Commission. The City waived a charge for a summons of its fire equipment to a piece of equipment being used in connection with construction work on Route 280 near Double Branch Bridge.

A report on Deletions from the Primary System was presented to each member of the Commission.

Moved by Mr. Rawls, seconded by Mr. Watkins, that the 1953-1954 Culpeper District Allocations be changed to read -

Route 20 Orange County, Town of Orange. Supplemental Allocation for Southern Railway Underpass \$25,000.00 (Instead of \$100,000.00)

Route 15 Orange County, N. of Gordonsville-North. Supplemental Allocation for continuing construction 75,000.00

and that a new allocation be made next year for the Southern Railway Underpass on Route 20. Motion carried.

Koscinski, Jr., Joseph P., P.E. (VDOT)

From: Snider, Lori A. (VDOT)
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 9:33 AM
To: Leckner, Kimberly M. (VDOT)
Cc: Koscinski, Jr., Joseph P., P.E. (VDOT)
Subject: Re: UPC 119086 Limited Access Control Change

I approve of this limited access control change from a Right of Way & Utilities perspective.

Thank you,
Lori

Lori A. Snider

State Right of Way & Utilities Director / Right of Way & Utilities Division
Virginia Department of Transportation
804-786-5841 office / 434-907-4915 cell
Lori.Snider@VDOT.Virginia.gov



From: Leckner, Kimberly M. (VDOT) <Kimberly.Leckner@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2025 7:49 AM
To: Snider, Lori A. (VDOT) <Lori.Snider@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Cc: Koscinski, Jr., Joseph P., P.E. (VDOT) <Joseph.Koscinski@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Subject: FW: UPC 119086 Limited Access Control Change

Lori,

I have received and reviewed the attached project related LACC request from L&D. I recommend your approval from a Right of Way and Utilities perspective. If you concur, please indicate your approval with a response to Joe, who is cc'd. Thank you

Kimberly Leckner

Program Manager / Right of Way and Utilities Division
Virginia Department of Transportation
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From: Koscinski, Jr., Joseph P., P.E. (VDOT) <Joseph.Koscinski@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 20, 2025 10:52 AM
To: Garrett, Michael L. (VDOT) <Michael.Garrett@VDOT.Virginia.gov>; Leckner, Kimberly M. (VDOT) <Kimberly.Leckner@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Cc: Porter, Ellen (VDOT) <Ellen.Porter@vdot.virginia.gov>; Hankins, Lanksford E., Jr. P.E. (VDOT) <Lanksford.Hankins@VDOT.Virginia.gov>
Subject: FW: UPC 119086 Limited Access Control Change



Environmental Division
NEPA Programs
Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE)

Project Information

Project Name:	#SMART22 - Arlington Blvd Safety Improvements	Federal Project#:	NHPP-5B01(265)
Project Number:	0050-000-923, C501, P101, R201	Project Type:	Construction
UPC:	119086	Charge Number:	UPC 119086 Activity 6XX
Project Number(Assoc)(UPC):			
Route Number:	50	Route Type:	Primary
Project Limit--From:	0.04 Mi. East of Glebe Road (Route 120)	To:	0.11 Mi. West of Washington Blvd. (Route 27)
IPM Project Description:	#SMART22 - ARLINGTON BLVD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS		
Additional Project Description:	The proposed improvements include constructing a raised median with landscaping, installing a curb and gutter with drainage system, adding eastbound and westbound left-turn lanes with traffic signal upgrade at Irving Street intersection, extension of eastbound and westbound left-turn lanes with traffic signal upgrade at North Fillmore Street intersection, and reconstruction of existing shared-use paths along both sides of the roadway. The project will also extend the eastbound and westbound service roads between South Glebe Road and North Jackson Street and between North Irving Street and North Jackson Street, respectively, to reconnect existing residential driveways.		
Purpose And Need:	The purpose of this project is to improve safety and operations along Arlington Boulevard between Glebe Road and Washington Boulevard.		
District:	City/County:	Residency:	
Northern Virginia	Arlington	Fairfax	

The subject project meets the criteria for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion in accordance with:

23 CFR 771.117

Description of PCE Category:

Highway safety or traffic operations improvement projects, including the installation of ramp metering control devices and lighting, if the project meets the constraints in paragraph (e) of this section.

PCE c27



UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

1. The proposed action will not result in significant environmental impacts.

Finding: *Other; brief narrative provided in notes.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the project scope and location on 01/21/25, no significant environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of this project.*

2. The proposed action will not result in substantial controversy on environmental grounds.

Finding: *Other; brief narrative provided in notes.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the project scope and location, substantial controversy is not expected as a result of this project.*

3. The proposed action will not result in significant impact on properties protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Finding: *Other; brief narrative provided in notes.*

Notes: *Based on the Cultural Resources Summary Report, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources (VDHR) concurred with a determination of no adverse effect on historic properties on 07/31/23. Based on Arlington County Department of Parks and Recreation (ACDPR) final concurrence dated 01/14/25, FHWA approved of a de minimis impact finding on 01/21/25.*

4. The project sponsor confirms that proposed action will not result in any inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local law, requirement or administrative determination relating to the environmental aspects of the action.

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5. The proposed action will not involve acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent right of way.

Finding: *Review of project plans.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the Right of Way (RW) Data Sheet in the project plans dated 08/09/24, this project does not involve acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent right of way acquisition.*

6. The proposed action will not involve residential or non-residential displacements.

Finding: *Review of project plans.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the project plans, there are no residential or non-residential displacements.*

7. The proposed action will not result in capacity expansion of a roadway by addition of through lanes.

Finding: *Review of project scope indicates there will be no new lanes carrying traffic for 2500 feet or more.*

Notes: *The project scope does not include the addition of through lanes.*

8. The proposed action does not involve the construction of temporary access, or the closure of an existing road, bridge, or ramps that would result in major traffic disruptions based on the context and intensity of the impact.

Finding: *There will be no major traffic disruptions based on the project scope.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the project scope and location, there would be no major traffic disruptions.*

9. The proposed action does not result in a determination of adverse effect on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. §306108).

Finding: *Coordination with DHR resulted in a No Adverse Effect Determination.*

Date of

Finding: *07/31/2023*

Notes: *Based on the Cultural Resources Summary Report, VDHR concurred with a determination of no adverse effect on historic properties on 07/31/23.*

10. The proposed action does not require the use of properties protected by Section 4(f) (49 U.S.C. § 303/23 U.S.C. § 138) that cannot be documented with an FHWA de minimis determination, or a programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation signed by FHWA.

Finding: *Other; brief narrative provided in notes.*

Date of

Finding: *10/18/2024*

Notes: *Based on the Cultural Resources Summary Report, VDHR concurred with a determination of no adverse effect on historic properties on 07/31/23; DHR was informed of FHWA's intent for a de minimis impact on 06/26/23. Based on ACDPR final concurrence and VDHR's concurrence of the no adverse effect determination, FHWA approved of a de minimis impact finding on 01/21/25.*

11. The proposed action does not require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act of 1965 (54 U.S.C. § 200305) or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with federal public-use-money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property.

Finding: *Based on documented review of available mapping and databases, there will be no acquisition of lands protected by Section 6(f) or other unique areas or special lands.*

Notes: *Based on the RW Data Sheet, review of the GIS Integrator data layers, and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) The Land and Water Conservation Fund website, there will be no acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f).*

12. The proposed action does not require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 (33 U.S.C. § 1344) permit other than a Nationwide or a General Permit.

Finding: *The project will not require a water quality permit based on the documentation provided.*

Date of

Finding: *02/21/2023*

Notes: *Based on the Permit Determination dated 09/17/24, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 permit is not required.*

13. The proposed action does not require a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit (33 U.S.C. § 401).

Finding: *The project does not involve work on bridges over navigable waters necessitating a USCG permit.*

Notes: *The project scope does not involve any bridge crossing of navigable waters to require a U.S. Coast Guard Permit.*

14. The proposed action does not require work that will cause an increase of the flood level by more than one foot within a regulatory floodway of water courses or water bodies or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to 23 CFR §650 subpart A.

Finding: *Based on review of FEMA floodplain mapping, the project is not within a floodplain.*

Notes: *Based on a review of FEMA floodplain mapping, this project will not cause an increase of the flood level by more than one foot.*

15. The proposed action is not defined as a "Type I project" per 23 CFR §772.5 and the VDOT noise manual for purposes of a noise analysis.

Finding: *The project is not defined as Type I based on the Noise determination.*

Notes: *The project scope does not meet any of the criteria for a Type I project designation under 23 CFR Part 772.*

16. The proposed action is not likely to adversely affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat, with the exception of a "may affect, likely to adversely affect" (MALAA) determination for a species with a Section 7 programmatic biological opinion.

Finding: *The project will have no effect on federally listed species or designated critical habitat.*

Date of

Finding: *02/21/2025*

Notes: *Based on the Threatened and Endangered (T&E) Species Clearance Form dated 02/21/25, there is no effect on the federally endangered Northern Long-Eared Bat and no effect on the federally proposed Tri-colored Bat and Monarch butterfly.*

17. The proposed action does not involve any known or potential hazardous materials issues that represent a substantial liability or require substantial regulatory negotiation to resolve.

Finding: *(VDOT ONLY) Hazardous Materials Summary Report.*

Notes: *Based on the Hazmat Materials Summary Report dated 10/24/23, no hazardous materials issue is anticipated.*

18. The proposed action is fiscally constrained and meets the provisions of the "Planning Documents and NEPA Approvals" document in accordance with 23 CFR §450.

Finding: *This project is included in a STIP Grouping.*

Notes: *The project is included in STIP Grouping for Construction: Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements.*

19. The proposed action will not cause disproportionately high and adverse effects on any minority or low-income populations.

Finding: *The project does not involve displacements, changes in access, major traffic disruptions, more than minor amounts of right of way acquisition, community disruptions, or disruption of emergency services.*

Notes: *Based on a review of the project plans, some residential driveways will be eliminated from direct access to Route 50 and connected to the extended service roads north or south of Route 50 to reestablish access to Route 50. The project will not cause disproportionate and adverse effects on any minority or low-income EJ populations.*

20. The project sponsor confirms the project does not involve consideration of multiple NEPA alternatives and is not listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a).

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02/21/2025

Environmental Manager, CE Determination

Date