



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## *Commonwealth Transportation Board*

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*Agenda item # 5*

### RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

April 20, 2011

#### MOTION

**Made By: Mr. Bowie Seconded By: Dr. Davis Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

**Title: Authorization for the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner to Enter into an Agreement with the Maryland State Highway Administration**

**WHEREAS**, Section 33.1-12(10) of the Code authorizes the Commonwealth Transportation Board to enter into all contracts with other states necessary for the proper coordination of the location, construction, maintenance, improvement, and operation of transportation systems, including the systems of state highways with the highways of such other states and, where necessary, to seek the approval of such contracts by the Congress of the United States; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Maryland State Highway Administration (MDSHA) and VDOT, key highway transportation stakeholders in the National Capital Region ("NCR"), are collaborating, and plan to continue to collaborate, in the NCR efforts to create a real-time regional evacuation traffic monitoring and management tool; and,

**WHEREAS**, the MDSHA and VDOT submitted a grant application for the 2nd phase of a detector deployment project for FY09 Urban Area Security Initiative ("UASI") grant funds; and,

**WHEREAS**, the MDSHA and VDOT, in collaboration, prepared a regional "Project Management Plan" for the development and implementation of a Regional Evacuation Traffic Monitoring and Management Tool for the NCR; and,

**WHEREAS**, the VDOT hereby agrees to designate MDSHA to act as the Subgrantee under the Government of the District of Columbia, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency ("HSEMA") for purposes of distributing Homeland Security Grant Program ("HSGP") Urban Area Security Initiative ("UASI") grant funds awarded in association with the development and implementation of a Regional Evacuation Traffic Monitoring and Management Tool for the NCR; and,

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**WHEREAS**, the HSEMA has awarded a Federal Fiscal Year 2009 HSGP UASI subgrant award in the amount of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000), identified as Project No. 9UASI619-01, "Evacuation Traffic Monitoring", to the Subgrantee, the MDSHA; and,

**WHEREAS**, the MDSHA accepted award of a Federal Fiscal Year 2009 HSGP UASI subgrant in the amount of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000), identified as Project No. 9UASI619-01, "Evacuation Traffic Monitoring", under the terms and conditions of a "Subgrant Award & Certification Compliance" issued by HSEMA, attached hereto as Exhibit A; and,

**WHEREAS**, VDOT's portion of the subgrant funding is One Million Eight Hundred Sixty Thousand Five Hundred and Fourteen Dollars (\$1,860,514); and,

**WHEREAS**, MDSHA has agreed to administer this HSGP UASI grant award in collaboration, partnership, and on the behalf of VDOT, for the development and implementation of a Regional Evacuation Traffic Monitoring and Management Tool for the NCR as set forth in the "Project Management Plan" (Exhibit D).

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board authorizes and directs the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner to enter into an agreement with the Maryland State Highway Administration to establish a "Real-Time Regional Evacuation Traffic Monitoring and Management Tool" which will deploy non-intrusive traffic detection sensors to aid in evacuation events at 35 locations along interstate and major primary routes in the Northern Virginia Region. The information generated will help establish a real-time regional evacuation traffic monitoring and management tool. Information from the traffic sensors will support day-to-day operations at VDOT's NOVA Transportation Operations Center (TOC) and will be shared in real-time with the Department of Homeland Security.

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