

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 2

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

September 19, 2012

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Whitworth Seconded By: Mr. Peake Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: Recreational Access to Highland County Park</u> <u>Project RECR-045-722 N501, Highland County</u>

WHEREAS, Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia* sets forth that the General Assembly of Virginia has found and declared that it is "... in the public interest that access roads and bikeways for public recreational areas and historical sites be provided..." and sets aside highway funds for such purpose, "... when the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation has designated a public recreational area as such ... and recommends to the Commonwealth Transportation Board that an access road or bikeway be provided or maintained to that area"; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) have adopted a joint policy to govern the use of the Recreational Access Fund pursuant to Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia*; and

WHEREAS, the Highland County Board of Supervisors has, <u>by appropriate resolution</u>, requested Recreational Access funds to provide adequate public access to serve new and proposed Highland County Park facilities located off of U.S. Highway 220, within the Town of Monterey, and said access is estimated to cost \$245,000; and

WHEREAS, this request is under consideration by the Director of DCR for full compliance with the provisions of Section 33.1-223 of the *Code of Virginia*; and

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WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Director of DCR will recommend the construction of the aforementioned access road.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that from the Recreational Access Fund \$245,000 be allocated to construct the roadway project to provide adequate access to Highland Park located off U.S. Highway 220, Project RECR-045-722, N501, contingent upon:

- 1. The Director of DCR designating Highland Park as a public recreational area and recommending the use of the Recreational Access Fund for the construction of the access roadway; and
- 2. All right of way, environmental assessments and remediation, and utility adjustments being provided at no cost to the Commonwealth; and
- 3. Execution of an appropriate contractual agreement between the County of Highland (LOCALITY) and VDOT to provide for the:
 - a. design, administration, construction and maintenance of this project; and
 - b. payment of all ineligible project costs, and of any eligible project costs in excess of the \$245,000 allocation for the access road construction from sources other than those administered by VDOT.

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