



Commonwealth Transportation Board

March 19, 2014

Route 29 Solutions Strategy

Charge from Secretary Layne:

1. Serve as a facilitator to find a reasonable, cost-effective solution to improve mobility in the Rt. 29 Charlottesville corridor.
2. Solution must be built or substantially underway in 4 years.
3. Doing nothing is not an option.
4. Work with a 10-member Advisory Panel, VDOT and DRPT.
5. Be transparent.
6. Work within budget of funds already dedicated to Rt. 29 corridor in Charlottesville: approximately \$200 million
7. Bring recommendation to CTB no later than May 14.

Plan of Action

- Assemble the Advisory Panel
- Convene 3 Advisory Panel meetings
- Engage technical expertise for evaluation and analysis

Purpose

- Solicit and use Advisory Panel input to develop a technically sound alternative that meets the primary objective of the Secretary's charge.

The Advisory Panel

Elected Officials

- Albemarle County
- Charlottesville
- Culpeper
- Danville
- Lynchburg
- Warrenton

Organizations

- Charlottesville Chamber
- Charlottesville MPO
- Lynchburg Chamber
- Southern Environmental Law Center

Be Transparent

- All Advisory Panel meetings will be open to the public
- Accept public input throughout process via project website
- Review public input at each Advisory Panel meeting

Advisory Panel Meeting I

- Date: March 27
- Location: Charlottesville
- Purpose: Reflect
Focus
Define success factors
Suggest possible solutions
Listen

1st Technical Assignment

- Screen suggestions to 3 buckets
 1. Concepts that do not address success factors
 2. Concepts that address success factors but are not available
 3. Concepts that address success factors and are candidates
- Assess performance characteristics of Bucket 3

Advisory Panel Meeting 2

- Date: Target - April 10
- Location: In the 29 Corridor
- Purpose: Review technical assessment: performance
Reduce reasonable options to 3 - 5

2nd Technical Assignment

- Refine performance metrics and assessments
 - How well does each option improve mobility?
- Determine indicative cost of each option
 - Can we afford it?
- Determine indicative schedule to implement each option
 - How quickly can we start?

Advisory Panel Meeting 3

- Date: Target - April 24
- Location: In the 29 Corridor
- Purpose: Review technical assessments: cost & schedule
Select solution package that best meets the charge

Wrap Up

- Prepare and circulate draft report to Advisory Panel, VDOT and DRPT
- Consider comments
- Prepare final report and submit to Secretary
- Present recommendation to CTB on May 14

Schedule Recap

- March 27: Advisory Panel Meeting 1
- April 10: Advisory Panel Meeting 2
- April 16: Interim Report to CTB
- April 24: Advisory Panel Meeting 3
- May 2: Draft Report Circulated
- May 7: Comments Due from Advisory Panel
- May 9: Report to Secretary
- May 14: CTB presentation



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