

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #9

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

October 27, 2015

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Connors, Seconded By: Mr. Garczynski Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Approval of the I-95 Rappahannock River Crossing Project

WHEREAS, VDOT, in cooperation with the FHWA, has studied improvements to I-95 between Exit 130 (Route 3) and Exit 133 (Route 17) and evaluated multiple improvements documented in an Interchange modification Report (IMR); and

WHEREAS, the I-95 IMR documented and identified the Build Alternative studied in the I-95 Rappahannock River Crossing study; and

WHEREAS, the Build Alternative is comprised of collector-distributor lanes parallel to I-95 between Route 17 in Stafford and Route 3 in Fredericksburg including improvements to Exit 130 (Route 3) and Exit 133 (Route 17) interstate interchanges and access ramps at the Virginia Welcome Center and Safety Rest Area; and

WHEREAS, the I-95 Rappahannock River Crossing study was documented in an Environmental Assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and approved for public availability by FHWA on June 8, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the CTB, a location public hearing was held June 24, 2015 at the James Monroe High School in the City of Fredericksburg, for the purpose of considering the Build Alternative; and

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commonwealth Transportation Board does hereby approve the Build Alternative for the I-95 Rappahannock River Crossing Project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that VDOT continue to work with FHWA to finalize the study and secure federal approval of the project.

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