

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #5

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

February 17, 2021

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Rucker, Seconded By: Mr. Johnsen Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

<u>Title: Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) for I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) and Route 1 Southbound</u>

Spotsylvania County

WHEREAS, on October 4, 1956, the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), designated the Interstate Highway System, including I-95, to be Limited Access Highways in accordance with then Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 33 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, and established the limited access line locations and limits as "the final locations of said routes, including all necessary grade separations, interchanges, ramps, etc."; and

WHEREAS, State Highway Project 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610 (UPC# 110914) provides for the widening of the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp, and the widening of Route 1 Southbound, including turn lanes onto Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway) and the widening of Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway) (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the widening of the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp onto Ramp 1 Southbound requires an adjustment in the limited access line in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Access Management Standards and Interstate Access Control policy as shown on the Limited Access Line Exhibit and the Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Table (attached); and

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WHEREAS, VDOT posted a Notice of Willingness for Public Comment ("Willingness") on December 15, 2020, and December 21, 2020, in *The Free Lance-Star*, and on December 17, 2020, and December 24, 2020, in the *Star Weekly* (Spotsylvania County) for the proposed LACCs for the Project, including the current and proposed locations of the limited access lines, and allowed public input to be collected concerning the request. The Willingness expired on December 29, 2020, with no comments or other input from the public; 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 Central Office has completed the Operational and Safety Analysis Report (OSAR), and VDOT's Fredericksburg District Office reviewed and approved the OSAR on January 7, 2021, and found that it adequately addresses the impacts from the Project; 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 (FHWA) and approved on December 17, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Project is located within an attainment area for all National Ambient Air Quality Standards, and the Project will not have an adverse impact on air quality; and

WHEREAS, the Project is in Spotsylvania County and the LACCs are supported by a letter from the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors dated January 13, 2021; and

WHEREAS, FHWA provided approval for State Highway Project 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610 (UPC# 110914) and the proposed LACCs on January 20, 2021; 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 §33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia* and that the requirements of 24 VAC 30-401-20 have been met; and

WHEREAS, VDOT recommends approval of the LACCs as shown on the Limited Access Line Exhibits and the Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Table (attached).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with §33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia* 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 the I-95 and Route 1 interchange 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 Limited Access Line Exhibits and the Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Table (attached).

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

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CTB Decision Brief

Proposed Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) and Route 1 Southbound

Project 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610

<u>UPC# 110914</u> Spotsylvania County

Issues: The area designated as limited access previously approved for the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp onto Route 1 Southbound requires modifications to accommodate the widening of the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp, and the widening of Route 1 Southbound, including turn lanes onto Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway) and the widening of Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway). These changes require the approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) pursuant to §33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia*, and 24 VAC 30-401-10 *et seq*.

Facts:

- Limited access control for I-95 was previously established on October 4, 1956. The State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), designated the Interstate Highway System, including I-95, to be a Limited Access Highway in accordance with then Article 3, Chapter 1, Title 33 of the *Code of Virginia* of 1950, as amended, and established the limited access line locations and limits as "the final locations of said routes, including all necessary grade separations, interchanges, ramps, etc."
- State Highway Project 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610 (UPC #110914) provides for the widening of the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp, and the widening of Route 1 Southbound, including turn lanes onto Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway) and the widening of Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway) to reduce the traffic that backs up onto the I-95 Southbound off-ramp and congestion along the Route 1 corridor. This project will add an additional right turn lane to the I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) off-ramp and continue to provide a full right turn lane on Route 1 Southbound, which will extend to Route 711 (Southpoint Parkway). These improvements will impact the existing limited access control lines in accordance with the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) Access Management Standards and Interstate Access Control policy as shown on the Limited Access Line Exhibit and the Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Table (attached).
- VDOT posted a Notice of Willingness for Public Comment ("Willingness") on December 15, 2020, and December 21, 2020, in *The Free Lance-Star*, and on December 17, 2020, and December 24, 2020, in the *Star Weekly* (Spotsylvania County) for the proposed LACC's for the Project, including the current and proposed locations of the limited access lines, and allowed public input to be collected concerning the request. The Willingness expired on December 29, 2020, with no comments or other input from the public.
- 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.

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- VDOT's Central Office has completed the Operational and Safety Analysis Report (OSAR), and VDOT's Fredericksburg District Office reviewed and approved the OSAR on January 7, 2021, and found that it adequately addresses the impacts from the Project.
- 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 (FHWA) and approved on December 17, 2018.
- The Project is located within an attainment area for all National Ambient Air Quality Standards, and the Project will not have an adverse impact on air quality.
- The Project is in Spotsylvania County and the LACCs are supported by a letter from the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors dated January 13, 2021.
- FHWA provided the approval for State Highway Project 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610 (UPC# 110914) and the proposed LACCs on January 20, 2021.
- VDOT's Chief Engineer has determined that the proposed LACCs will not adversely affect the safety or operation of the highways.
- The proposed LACCs are in compliance with §33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia* and with the policies and requirements of the CTB contained in 24 VAC 30-401-10 *et seq*.

Recommendations: It is recommended, pursuant to §33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia*, and 24 VAC 30-401-10 *et seq.*, that the I-95 corridor in Spotsylvania County continue to be designated as a Limited Access Highway with the LACCs modified and/or established as shown on the Limited Access Line Exhibit and the Limited Access Control Point Stations and Offsets Table (attached). This action will modify the limited access line and right of way previously approved by the CTB's predecessor, the State Highway Commission, on October 4, 1956.

Action Required by CTB: The *Code of Virginia* §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 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 I-95 (Exit 126) project will move forward.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

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Public Comments/Reactions: There were no comments or other input received from the public as a result of the posting of the Willingness for the Project.



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Stephen C. Brich, P.E. Commissioner

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February 1, 2021

The Honorable Shannon Valentine

The Honorable Stephen C. Brich, P. E.

The Honorable Jennifer Mitchell

The Honorable Jerry L. Stinson

The Honorable Mary Hughes Hynes

The Honorable Allison DeTuncq

The Honorable Bert Dodson, Jr.

The Honorable W. Sheppard Miller III

The Honorable Carlos M. Brown

The Honorable Cedric Bernard Rucker

The Honorable Stephen A. Johnsen

The Honorable Mark H. Merrill

The Honorable E. Scott Kasprowicz

The Honorable Raymond D. Smoot, Jr.

The Honorable Marty Williams

The Honorable John Malbon

The Honorable Greg Yates

Subject: Approval of Limited Access Control Changes (LACCs) for I-95 Southbound (Exit 126) and Route 1 Southbound in Spotsylvania 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 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D609, D610 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, P.E. Chief Engineer

Board of Supervisors DEBORAH H. FRAZIER BARRY K. JETT KEVIN W. MARSHALL TIMOTHY J. MCLAUGHLIN **DAVID ROSS GARY F. SKINNER CHRIS YAKABOUSKI**



County Administrator **ED PETROVITCH Deputy County Administrator** MARK L. COLE P.O. BOX 99, SPOTSYLVANIA, VA 22553 Voice: (540) 507-7010

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January 13, 2021

Mrs. Marcie Parker, P.E. Virginia Department of Transportation Fredericksburg District 87 Deacon Road Fredericksburg, VA 22405

RE: Exit 126 Limited Access Change for UPC 110914

Dear Mrs. Parker:

We are writing to confirm that Spotsylvania County supports the Exit 126 limited access change along US Rte 1 SB as shown on attachment 1 to support the ongoing advancement of the UPC 110914: I-95 SB ramp improvement project.

If you need any additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Honorable Kevin W. Marshall, Chairman Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors

Cc: Mr. Byrd Holloway, VDOT Mr. Kyle Bates, VDOT

Minutes of the Meeting of the State Highway Countesion of Virginia, held in Richmond Cotober 4, 1956

The Commission met in the Central Office Brilding, Richard, Virginia, at 9:00 A.K., Thursday, October 4, 1956. The following members were presents Nessrs. E. P. Barrow, S. S. Flythe, S. D. May, Burgess E. Welson, Wa. A. Wright and J. A. Anderson.

The mesting was called to order by the Chairman.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. Howard C. Regers stating that he would not be able to attend because of illness.

On motion made and seconded, the minutes of the August 9-10 mosting were approved.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the permits issued from the August 9-10 meeting to date, inclusive, as recorded in the Anditing Division, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. May, accorded by Mr. Barrow, that the permits cancelled by the Countentoner from the August 9-10 meeting to date, inclusive, as authorized June 25, 1947, and recorded in the Auditing Division, be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Melson, seconded by Senator Wright, that the Countesion confirm sward of contract on bids received August 15 for the construction of Project 1887-15-16, Route 615, Bridge and Approaches Three Creek, Southempton County, to the low hidder, Morfolk Contracting Co., Morfolk, Va., at the bid of \$100,949.41, that 105 additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,064.54 for work by the A. & D. Railroad, making a total of approximately \$114,500,00 chargeable to this project; to be financed 50/50 State and Federal. Motion carried.

Moved by Senator Wright, seconded by Mr. Barrow, that the Commission confirm sward of contract on bids received August 15 for the construction of Project 1307-24, Route 600, S. End of Bridge over Claytons Mill Creab-0.864 Mile N. Rochbridge County Line, Augusta County, to the low bidier, Echols Brothers, Inc., Staunton, Ya., at the bid of \$67,455.15 and that 10% additional be set aside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work, making a total of approximately \$74,180.00 chargeshie to this project; to be financed 50/50 State and Federal. Motion carried,

Moved by Mr. Barrow, seconded by Mr. Plythe, that the Commission confirm award of contract on bids received August 15 for the construction of Project 1881-10, Routes 681; 640, 0.01 Mile E. of W. Int. Route 661; (E. of Pissaro)-Franklin County Mine, Floyd County, to the low hidder, D. E. Worley Construction Co., Rocky Mount, Va., at the bid of \$127,866.70, that 105 additional be set eside to cover the cost of engineering and additional work and \$1,226.50 for work by State Forces (not included in contract), making a total of approximately \$141,960.00 chargeable to this project; to be financed with \$71,580.00 State and \$70,520.00 Federal Funds. Notice carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Senator Welson, that, Whereas, under authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as emergical, request is made by City of Warmick for payment at the base rate of 500 per Hile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Hile annually be made to the City of Warmick on additional streets totaling 11.20 miles, effective beginning the second quarter, Cotober 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Hoved by Mr. Flyths, seconded by Senator Helson, that, Whereas, under authority of Section 33-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as anemded, request is made by City of Vaynesboro for payment at the base rate of \$500 per Mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually be made to the City of Waynesboro on additional streets totaling 10.512 miles, effective beginning the second quarter, October 1, 1956. Notion carried.

Noved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Senator Helson, that, Whereas, under authority of Section 55-115.2 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, request is made by the Town of Wytheville for payment at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually on additional streets meeting the required standards; Now, Therefore, be it resolved, that quarterly payments at the base rate of \$500 Per Mile annually be made to the Town of Wythe-ville on additional streets totaling 0.984 Mile, affective beginning the second quarter, October 1, 1956. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Flythe, seconded by Senator Helson, that, it so be declared that, Whereas, by action of the Congress of the United States, whereby all routes on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways are to be constructed to interstate standards and whereas, one of the requirements of interstate standards is the control of access to these routes; Therefore, be it resolved that all routes on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the confines of the Commonwealth of Virginia, upon determining the final location of said routes, including all necessary grade separations, interchanges, ramps, atc., are here and now designated Limited Access Highways, pursuant to Article 5, Chapter 1, Title 35, of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, Notion carried.

On motion made by Senator Melson, seconded by Mr. Barrow, the Chairman was instructed to report to the Burean of Public Roads, at a meeting called for October 9, that the Virginia Department of Highways will undertake one-third of the cost of operation and maintenance of the proposed bridge over the Potouse River at Jones Point, with the thought that the other two-thirds shall be borne by the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia. This could be handled by written agreement looking to appropriate Federal legislation.

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SB I-95 Exit Ramp 126 and SB Rte.1 Widening

Proposed Right of Way and Limited Access

Commonwealth Transportation Board Meeting December XX, 2020

Points shown romanized are subject to Early Acquisition By VDOT Proj. 0001-088-709, P101, R201, C501, B617, D-609, D610 - UPC 110914

Corresponding Page Number on CTB Exhibits	Alignment	Station	Offset		Radius (ft)	Direction	Туре
1	RTE 1	115+69.23	57.25	LT			Proposed Limited Access and Existing Right of Way
1	RTE 1	115+99.03	57.38	LT			Proposed Limited Access and Existing Right of Way
1	RTE 1	116+15.03	57.45	LT			Proposed Limited Access and Existing Right of Way
1	RTE 1	116+67.34	57.67	LT			Proposed Limited Access and Existing Right of Way
1	RTE 1	117+28.70	92.15	LT			Proposed Limited Access and Existing Right of Way

RE: LACC UPC 110914 I-95 SOUTHBOUND (EXIT 126) and ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND

January 14, 2021 10:35 AM

Lori Snider

to Neil, me

I approve of the LACC from a Right of Way & Utilities perspective.

Lori

From: Hord, Neil < neil.hord@vdot.virginia.gov > Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2021 9:51 AM
To: Lori Snider < Lori.Snider@vdot.virginia.gov >

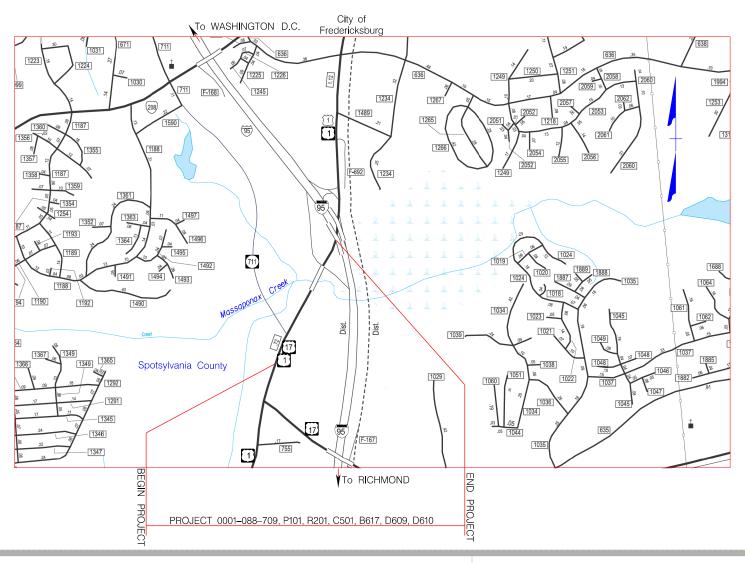
Cc: George Rogerson < george.rogerson@vdot.virginia.gov >

Subject: Fwd: LACC UPC 110914 I-95 SOUTHBOUND (EXIT 126) and ROUTE 1 SOUTHBOUND

Lori,

I have reviewed the attached proposed LACC at the request of L&D. I have spoken with George Rogerson concerning the nature of the changes and he indicated that to meet access management standards the limits needed to be extended west on Route 1, which prompted my question concerning the proposed break in the limits. George stated that the proposed break will be gated and is for the sole purpose of maintenance access for a 16' utility easement and is not for vehicular ingress/egress access to the abutting landowner. I recommend your approval from a right of way and utilities perspective. If you concur please respond to George Rogerson, who is included here.

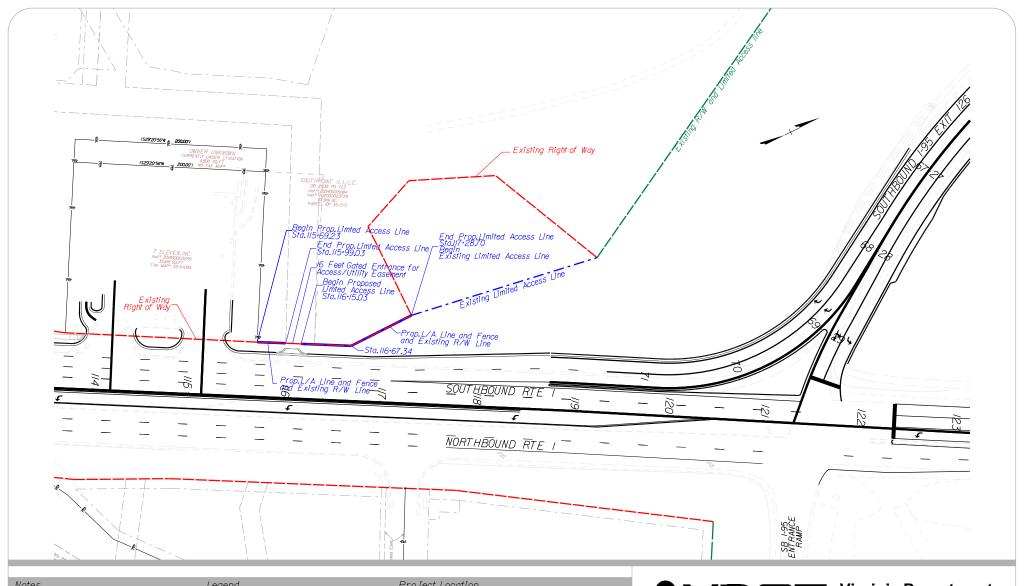
Neil







SB INTERSTATE 95 EXIT RAMP 126 AND SB RTE I WIDENING



LIMITED ACCESS CONTROL MODIFICATIONS APPROVED BY THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD BY RESOLUTION DATED October 4, 1956

Disclaimer

These plans are unfinished and unapproved and are not to be used for any type of construction or the acquisition of Right of Way. Additional Easement for Right of Way may be required beyond the proposed right-of-way there are then a large shown on these plans.

Legend

Exist.R/W & Limited Access Line Exist.Right of Way Exist.Limited Access Line

Prop.Limited Access Line Prop.R/W

Prop.Limited Access Line & Exist.R/W

Project Location



North Arrow and Scale



VDDT Virginia Department of Transportation

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