

## Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item # 6

## RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

**September 21, 2022** 

## **MOTION**

<u>Made By:</u> Mr. Kasprowicz <u>Seconded By:</u> Ms. Hynes <u>Action:</u> Motion carried, unanimously

**Title: Location Decision Policy (Adoption)** 

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2020, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) approved a location for a preferred alternative for the Martinsville Southern Connector Study, documented in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) developed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); and

**WHEREAS**, in its location approval action, CTB directed the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) to review and recommend to the CTB whether location decisions issued by the CTB should remain valid after a period of three years from the completion of NEPA unless full funding for construction is secured; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to CTB direction, VDOT reviewed location decisions made by the CTB and determined that the completion of NEPA is not an appropriate milestone by which project progress is assessed; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the CTB hereby adopts the Location Decision Policy to address the directive from January 15, 2020 and issues noted herein, and adopts the following policy and process to assess location decisions pursuant to Section 33.2-208 of the Code of Virginia:

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- 1. CTB shall review all CTB location decisions three years after their respective approval date.
- 2. VDOT shall present and recommend location decisions meeting the conditions under Item 1 requesting that they be affirmed, modified, or rescinded by resolution of the CTB. Recommendations shall be timed to align as close to the three years as practicable.
- 3. Should the CTB modify or affirm a location decision for a project, the location decision will be valid for another three years unless otherwise directed by the CTB.