Route 460 Corridor Improvement Project Independent Review Panel (IRP)

Recommendations to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)

> Alan S. Witt, Chairman June 20, 2007

Project Description

- Located between I-295 (Petersburg) and Route 58 Suffolk), South of Existing Route 460
- 55 miles long, four-lane divided, limited access hwy. with nine interchanges
- Part of the National Highway System & Strategic Highway Network
- Existing Route 460 was widened to four lanes in the 1950's and has no medians or shoulders
- New roadway needed to address safety, freight traffic, military connectivity, hurricane evacuation capability, and meet legislative mandates

Background

- -Fourteen Member Panel Selected by the Secretary of Transportation
- -Received Input from Impacted Jurisdictions
- -Panel Held Four Meetings to Include One
- Dedicated to Receiving Public Comments
- -Meetings Were Open to the Public and
- Held at Various Locations Along the Corridor

Purpose of the IRP

- Review and Evaluate the Three
 Conceptual Proposals (Cintra, Itinere, VCP)
- Recommend Proposals to Advance to the Detailed Review Phase
- Provide Recommendations to Support Successful Project Development and Implementation

IRP Considerations

- Qualified and Capable Proposal Team
- Technically Feasible Proposal
- Viable Proposal Financial Plan
- Input from Affected Jurisdictions
- Input from the Public

- All Three Proposals Advance to the Detailed Proposal Phase
- Study the Innovative Option for
 Improvements to the I-64 Corridor
 (Richmond to Hampton Roads)
 Independent from the Route 460 Project

- VDOT Should Identify Innovative or Acceptable Project Scope Changes to Improve Project or Reduce Costs
- Detailed Proposals Should Consider Impacts of the Proposed Project Upon:
 - Adjacent Secondary Roads
 - Access to Impacted Properties
 - Wetlands, Agricultural, historical and Residential Properties

- Corridor Interchanges
 - Conduct Operational Analysis of Eastern and Western Termini to Define a More Effective Location and Design
 - Determine Minimum Number and Location of Corridor Interchanges to Facilitate Traffic and Emergency Evacuation
 - Develop a Methodology to Determine Phased Development of any Additional Future Interchanges

- Determine Project Requirements related to the VDOT Policy for Integrating Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations
- Detailed Proposals Should Include
 Specifics on Improvements to Existing Route
 460 and Associated Costs
- Detailed Proposals Should Include Incentive Options to Encourage Freight and through Traffic to use the new Route 460

- Detailed Proposals Should Identify Activities the Proposer is Able to Perform to Keep Project on Schedule and Defer Responsibilities and Costs from the Commonwealth
- Detailed Proposals Should Include Technical Requirements, such as Hydraulic Analysis and Flood Plain Design Parameters, for Baseline Design

- Detailed Proposals Should Include a Strong Public Outreach Program
- Detailed Proposals Should Include Specific
 Toll Rates and Timing/basis for Escalations
 over the Life of the Concession
- Detailed Proposals Should Include Planned Start and Completion Dates, Actions to Accelerate these Dates, and Impacts of these actions

- VDOT Should not Issue a Request for Detailed Proposal until the Project is Included in the Appropriate Constrained Long Range Plans (CLRP)
- VDOT Should Establish a Relationship with the Hampton Roads Transportation Authority

 VDOT Shall Perform a Comparative Financial Analysis of the Various
 Financing Methods to Determine a
 Feasible Mix of Sources to Support the
 Completion of this Project

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Any Questions?

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