

Southeast High Speed Rail Project Technical Support Agreement

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Virginia High Speed Rail Priorities

- ❑ I-95 Washington, D.C. to Richmond – ARRA application submitted
- ❑ Hampton Roads – Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) near completion, ARRA application pending
- ❑ Southeast High Speed Rail (SEHSR) – Tier II EIS near completion

SEHSR Project Support to Date

- ❑ DRPT recognized that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) could provide engineering and environmental support for the project, particularly at grade crossings
- ❑ In November 2007, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) authorized the VDOT Commissioner to enter into an agreement with NCDOT to provide such support to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the segment between Richmond and Raleigh

Future Project Support

- ❑ DRPT and NCDOT are nearing completion of the Tier II EIS, and have requested additional survey, engineering and environmental support from VDOT for the Virginia section of the project
- ❑ The nature of VDOT project support will continue to include the same type of project engineering and analysis that has been provided to-date
- ❑ DRPT recommends that the CTB authorize the VDOT Commissioner to enter into a technical support agreement which provides greater flexibility to include tasks associated with the entirety of this project in Virginia, beyond the completion of the Tier II EIS

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Next Steps

- ❑ NCDOT will provide funding for the work covered in such agreement, which has been secured through a variety of sources, including grant funding from DRPT
- ❑ CTB will be presented with a formal resolution for approval



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