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RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 14, 2010

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Martin Seconded By: Mr. Keen
Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Limited Access Control Change (LACC)
Route 58 Bypass EBL for Construction of RTL at Route F994
Henry County

WHEREAS, the Route 58 Bypass, from the Route 220 interchange to its intersection with Route 58, in Henry County, was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on July 24, 1969; and,

WHEREAS, in connection with the said Route 58 Bypass, State Highway Projects 6058-044-103, RW-201, RW-202, which is located between the aforesaid locations, the Commonwealth acquired certain lands and limited access control easements from various landowners; and,

WHEREAS, the land on the southeast side of the Route 58 Bypass EBL southeast proposed right of way and limited access line as shown on the plans for State Highway Projects 6058-044-103, RW-201, RW-202, has been identified for a connection to Frontage Road A, being Route F994, by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), to accommodate the need for incident and traffic management at the Martinsville Speedway during race events; and,

WHEREAS, funds to accommodate the incident and traffic management at the Martinsville Speedway were identified as part of assistance being offered by the Commonwealth in exchange for a commitment to retain two NASCAR races each year at the Martinsville Speedway; and,

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WHEREAS, in order to expedite and to save costs in the construction of the improvements, it was determined by VDOT that the improvements would be constructed by state forces once further agreements were reached regarding the assistance being provided by the Commonwealth; and,

WHEREAS, the CTB, by resolution dated May 19, 2010, approved the addition of State Highway Project 0058-044-971, P-101, N-501, for the said incident and traffic management, to the Revised Six-Year Improvement Program of projects and programs for Fiscal Years 2010 through 2015, which includes this LACC along the said Route 58 Bypass; and,

WHEREAS, a proposed break in the limited access control of approximately 115 feet, on the southeast side of the Route 58 Bypass EBL southeast proposed right of way and limited access line, as shown on the plans for State Highway Projects 6058-044-103, RW-201, RW-202, from approximately 75 feet (right) opposite approximate Station 804+75 (Route 58 Bypass EBL construction centerline) to approximately 75 feet (right) opposite approximate Station 805+90 (Route 58 Bypass EBL construction centerline) for a gated connection to Frontage Road A, being Route F994, with a deceleration/right turn lane along the Route 58 Bypass EBL, and median break cross-over between the Route 58 Bypass EBL and WBL, is required; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed gated connection to Route F994 will be opened only during major race events at Martinsville Speedway, and would be controlled by law enforcement staff during its use; and,

WHEREAS, the County, by letter dated June 9, 2010, strongly supports the request for the said LACC, including the said median break cross-over, deceleration/right turn lane, and connection; and,

WHEREAS, VDOT has completed a traffic analysis in connection with the development of the aforementioned Project, and based on the intended use of the Project believes that a more direct access to Route 58 Bypass would reduce the congestion at the Route 220/58 interchange, as well as along other existing roadways, and provide for more efficient traffic operations for these specific events, and therefore the said Project does not significantly impact the daily operation of the Route 58 Bypass; and,

WHEREAS, VDOT has determined there will be no adverse environmental impacts; and,

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WHEREAS, a public notice was posted in the Martinsville Bulletin and the Roanoke Times Sunday, June 13, 2010, and Monday, June 21, 2010, and no adverse comments were received; and,

WHEREAS, VDOT has determined that the said proposed LACC including the said median break cross-over, deceleration/right turn lane, and connection are appropriate and viable from a design, safety and traffic control standpoint for event traffic, subject to further review and approval; and,

WHEREAS, all right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements for the said median break cross-over, deceleration/right turn lane, and connection shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements; and,

WHEREAS, all costs of engineering and construction, including all necessary safety improvements, will be borne by VDOT as part of the aforesaid approved incident and traffic management project; and,

WHEREAS, upon completion and acceptance of the said proposed turn lane, connection and median cross-over and changes by VDOT, all work, roadway construction, improvements and equipment will become the property of the Commonwealth; and,

WHEREAS, the VDOT project related traffic and environmental evaluations address the same concerns for a global traffic and environmental analysis, therefore the proposed change in limited access control is in compliance with Title 24, Section 30, Chapter 401 of the Virginia Administrative Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with the provisions of Section 33.1-58 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby finds and concurs with the determinations set forth herein and approves the said changes in the said right of way and limited access control for the said restricted use connection for public street purposes, as set forth and subject to the above referred to conditions. The Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents needed to comply with this resolution.

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