##  Agenda item # 5

**RESOLUTION**

**OF THE**

**COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

**February 18, 2015**

**MOTION**

**Made By:****Seconded By:**

**Action:**

**Title: Limited Access Control Changes (LACC)**

**Route 277 (Fairfax Pike) Widening,**

**County of Frederick**

 **WHEREAS,** a Design Public Hearing was held at the Robert E. Aylor Middle School, located in Frederick County on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering proposed State Highway Project 0277-034-103, PE-101, C-501, RW-201; and

 **WHEREAS,** the [proposed Project](Resolution_Agenda_Item_5_Attachment_Map.pdf) involves road improvements to Route 277 (Fairfax Pike) in Frederick County, beginning 0.091 of a mile west of Stickley Drive and ending 0.060 of a mile east of Double Church Road; and

 **WHEREAS,** the said Project improvements consist of widening Route 277 to a four lane divided roadway with pedestrian accommodations, relocating Aylor Road to the east to align with the current Stickley Road intersection, and extending the existing Interstate 81 limited access control as part of the design feature of the project; and

 **WHEREAS,** proper notice was given in advance, and all those present were given a full opportunity to express their opinions and recommendations for or against the proposed project as presented, and their statements being duly recorded; and

**WHEREAS,** this project is in compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements based on the findings set forth in the Categorical Exclusion (CE); and

 **WHEREAS,** the economic, social, and environmental effects of the proposed project have been duly examined and given proper consideration, and this evidence, along with all other, has been carefully reviewed; and

 **WHEREAS,** the County of Frederick has endorsed the project as presented at that public hearing by a [letter](Resolution_Agenda_Item_5_Attachment_BOS.pdf) from the Frederick County Administrator dated January 13, 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** the FHWA has provided the requisite approval for the proposed LACC; and

**WHEREAS,** Interstate 81 and its interchanges, including the Route 277 (Fairfax Pike) Interchange, State Highway Project 0081-034-001, RW-201 was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board, on October 4, 1956.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** in accordance with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Virginia and policies of the CTB, that the CTB hereby finds and concurs in the [determinations and recommendations of VDOT](Resolution_Agenda_Item_5_Attachment_CEL.pdf) made herein and directs that the Interstate 81 and Route 277 interchange continue to be designated as a Limited Access Highway with the Limited Access Control being modified from the current locations as follows:

Beginning along the northeast side of Interstate 81 and Route 277 intersection from a point 99.94 feet left of station 104+83.45 (Route 277 construction baseline) and continuing southerly to a point 48.58 feet left of station 104+82.98 (Route 277 construction baseline), continuing east and ending at a point 48.58 feet left of station 106+50.00 (Route 277 construction baseline).

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

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