



## Culpeper District FY 2020-2025 SYIP Highlights

*We are the Commonwealth's advocate for promoting transportation options to the general public, businesses, and community decision makers.*

DRPT's mission is to facilitate and improve the mobility of Virginia citizens and to promote the efficient transport of goods and people in a safe, reliable, and cost-effective manner. Our primary areas of activity are rail, public transportation, and commuter services. DRPT works with local, regional, state, and federal governments as well as private entities to provide support for projects and programs by:

- Assessing feasibility and environmental impacts of new and expanding services;
- Conducting statewide rail and public transportation studies;
- Planning and programming new services and capital improvement projects; and
- Providing leadership, advocacy, technical assistance, and funding.

### **Draft 2020-2025 Six Year Improvement Program (SYIP) highlights for the Culpeper District**

DRPT's SYIP recommends \$879.3 million in statewide allocations for the FY 2020. In the Culpeper District, this includes \$2.6 million in state and \$3.4 million in federal funds for transit and \$3.9 million in state funds for rail.

#### **Transit and Commuter Programs**

Organizations recommended to receive state funding in FY 2020 are:

- Charlottesville Area Transit
- Greene County Transit, Inc.
- JAUNT
- Rappahannock-Rapidan PDC
- Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission
- Virginia Regional Transit

#### **Amtrak**

Amtrak is DRPT's statewide operator for intercity passenger rail. DRPT funds annual capital and operating expenses for four passenger routes with a total of six daily round trips originating in Newport News, Norfolk, Richmond, and Roanoke. The Roanoke route includes stops in Lynchburg, Charlottesville, Culpeper, Manassas, and Alexandria. All state supported Amtrak regional intercity passenger rail service travels the Northeast Corridor offering a one-seat ride to destinations including Washington DC, Philadelphia, New York, and Boston. In addition to the annual operating and capital expenses, DRPT is recommending funding in FY 2020 to study state of good repair and capacity at the Charlottesville Amtrak Station.



## **Virginia Shortline Railway Preservation and Development Program**

The Rail Preservation Fund benefits the nine shortline railroads operating in Virginia, which provide the “local” network and the “last mile of service” for rail freight to reach its destination. The fund promotes the continuation of rail service by achieving Federal Railroad Administration Class 2 track safety standards, allowing freight service to operate at speeds up to 25 mph. It also promotes development of rail transportation support facilities, encouraging industrial growth and promoting truck diversion from Virginia’s highways. In the Culpeper District, DRPT recommends Buckingham Branch Railroad receive state funding in FY 2020.

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