Interstate 81 Corridor
Interim Agreement

Major Business Points
I-81 Truck Climbing Lanes

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Project Background

- September 2002 – VDOT solicited proposals
- January 2003 – VDOT received two conceptual proposals:
  - Fluor Virginia Inc.
  - STAR Solutions (led by KBR)
- March 2004 – Commissioner’s decision to negotiate with Star Solutions
- October 2006 - CTB Resolution
  - An immediate need for safety and operational improvements
  - VDOT to develop dedicated truck climbing lanes
  - Truck climbing lane projects are funded with SAFETEA-LU earmarks
  - FHWA signed Tier 1 Record of Decision June 6, 2007
- Code of Virginia § 56-573.1.1.C – VDOT presents major business points to CTB
Major Business Points

• Interim Agreement (IA) with Kellogg, Brown and Root, Inc. (KBR), the principal contractual entity for STAR Solutions

• IA is contractual framework to issue task orders for improvements to I-81

• KBR may submit lump sum, fixed date, design-build proposals for VDOT’s review and acceptance

• VDOT has no obligation to:
  – Request a proposal
  – Accept KBR’s qualifications, price or schedule
Finding of Public Interest

• The IA task orders will address needs identified by the environmental document
  – improve operations and safety
  – reduce congestion

• The public needs may not be wholly satisfied by existing plans and procurement methods

• The IA task orders deliver transportation facilities in a timelier or more efficient fashion
Next Steps

- Execution of the Interim Agreement – August 2007

- Staunton Truck Climbing Lane, Rockbridge County
  - Issue Task Order – August 2007
  - CTB & FHWA Approval – January 2008
  - Notice To Proceed – February 2008
  - Estimated Completion – 2011

- Salem Truck Climbing Lane, Montgomery County
  - Issue Task Order – Spring 2008
  - CTB & FHWA Approval – Fall 2008
  - Notice To Proceed – Fall 2008
  - Estimated Completion – 2012
Truck Climbing Lane Project Locations

Salem District
MP 128 to MP 119.4 SB
Montgomery County

Staunton District
MP 196.1 to MP 202.5 NB
Rockbridge County

Salem District
MP 128 to MP 119.4 SB
Montgomery County
Staunton District, Rockbridge County
- mp 196.1 (Rte 716) to mp 202.5 (Rte 710)
- I-81 northbound direction
- project length 6.4 miles
- 1 passing lane, 1 travel lane, 1 truck climbing lane
- 3 new bridges
- 664 ft in elevation change
- upgraded paved shoulders
Salem District, Montgomery County
- mp 128 (Ironto) to mp 119.4 (near Christiansburg)
- project length 8.6 miles
- I-81 southbound direction
- 1 passing lane, 1 travel lane, 1 truck climbing lane
- 2 new bridges, 1 bridge widening
- 754 ft in elevation change
- upgraded paved shoulders
Truck Climbing Lane Project Locations

Salem District
MP 128 to MP 119.4 SB
Montgomery County