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**VTrans2035**

**The Multimodal Long Range Plan**

*Moving the Vision Forward*

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# VTrans2025

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- **Completed December 2004**
- **A blueprint for shaping transportation's future**
- **Foundation for both Governors Warner and Kaine's transportation initiatives**
- **VTrans2035 to build on and improve**

# **VTrans2025 Recommendation – Invest More, Support Transit, Fund Rail, and Protect Revenues**

## **Results**

- **Governor Kaine proposed transportation initiatives during three regular and two special sessions of the General Assembly**
- **Governor Kaine proposed a constitutional amendment and significant statutory protections for transportation funds**
- **Transit and rail funding increased significantly**
  - **FY07-10 transit funding up \$255.2 million (47%) over FY03-06**
  - **Rail funding up \$182 million (495%) over FY03-06**

# **VTrans2025 Recommendation – Invest More, Support Transit, Fund Rail, and Protect Revenues**

## **Results cont'd**

- **Transportation Partnership Act of 2005 included \$848 million in one-time funding to eliminate all Six-year Program deficits and support a variety of innovative partnerships**
- **Dedicated Rail Fund created in 2005, earmarking approximately \$23 million/year to rail capital initiatives**

# **VTrans2025 Recommendation – Strengthen Planning, Manage Access, and Address Transportation/Land Use Conflict**

## **Results**

- **A key goal of Governor Kaine was to reduce the disconnect between and improve the coordination of land use and planning**
- **Significant progress made through new laws that:**
  - **Require traffic impact analysis of major developments**
  - **Require high growth localities to establish Urban Development Areas**
  - **Expand the number of localities that can impose road impact fees**
  - **Require the CTB to develop new requirements for secondary street acceptance**
  - **Require VDOT to develop and implement access management standards**
  - **Require regional performance measures**
  - **Allow localities to transfer development rights**
  - **Expand Conditional Zoning authority**

# **VTrans2025 Recommendation – Improve Connections, Think Multimodally, and Take the Lead**

## **Results**

- **The Heartland Rail Corridor Project will connect the Port of Virginia with the industrial heartland**
- **Planning is under way for a network of HOT/HOV lanes in Northern Virginia**
- **The Dulles Corridor Metrorail will provide seamless rail from the region's major activity centers to the region's international airport**
- **The 54-mile Virginia Capital Trail will connect Richmond to Williamsburg by bicycle**

# **VTrans2025 Recommendation – Improve Connections, Think Multimodally, and Take the Lead**

## **Results cont'd**

- **The Secretary appointed a Freight Advisory Committee**
- **Phase 1 of the freight study was completed**
- **Norfolk Light Rail is under way**
- **“Recognize alternative modes” is a core policy goal of the CTB**
- **The Secretary executed an I-81 Memorandum of Understanding with 5 states for future planning**



# ***VTrans2025* Recommendation – Use Objective Criteria and Plan Multimodally**

## **Results**

- **Prioritization systems have been developed around *VTrans2025* goals**
- **A transportation performance report developed around *Vtrans2025* goals and performance measures was developed and is being updated**

# ***VTrans2025* Recommendation – Use Objective Criteria and Plan Multimodally**

## **Results cont'd**

- **Concerted efforts are under way to integrate transit and highway plans into an integrated Surface Transportation Plan**
- **Representatives from three regional planning bodies and VAPDC were appointed to a *VTrans* technical committee to promote greater coordination of regional and state planning efforts – a key component in integrating transportation and land use**

# ***VTrans2025* Recommendation – Continue Public, Stakeholder, and Agency Involvement**

## **Results**

- ***VTrans2035* will include extensive public involvement plan**
- **Agency heads are actively engaged in planning *Vtrans2035***
- **Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment organized**
- **Website**
- **Monthly discussion topics for the Commonwealth Transportation Board**

# Context for *VTrans2035*

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- **Legislative mandate**
- **January 2008 Briefing**
- ***VTrans2025* is the base (tasks will not be repeated)**
- ***VTrans2035* is the overall policy document for prioritizing statewide transportation projects and programs for the next twenty years**
- **Constrained and unconstrained**

# Background – Legislative Requirements

- **VA Code §33.1-23.03**
  - Requires the CTB to develop a statewide multimodal long-range transportation plan
  - Plan must be updated at least every 5 years
- **VA Code §2.2-229**
  - Established the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI) in the Office of the Secretary
  - Requires OIPI to assist CTB with long-range plan

# Background - Facts

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- **2004 - VTrans2025 vision, goals and policy recommendations were adopted by CTB and other policy boards**
- **2005 - VTrans2025 methodology and estimates were validated by JLARC**
- **2005 - APA report indicated that “The Commonwealth Lacks a Coordinated Transportation Plan”**

# Secretary's Guidelines

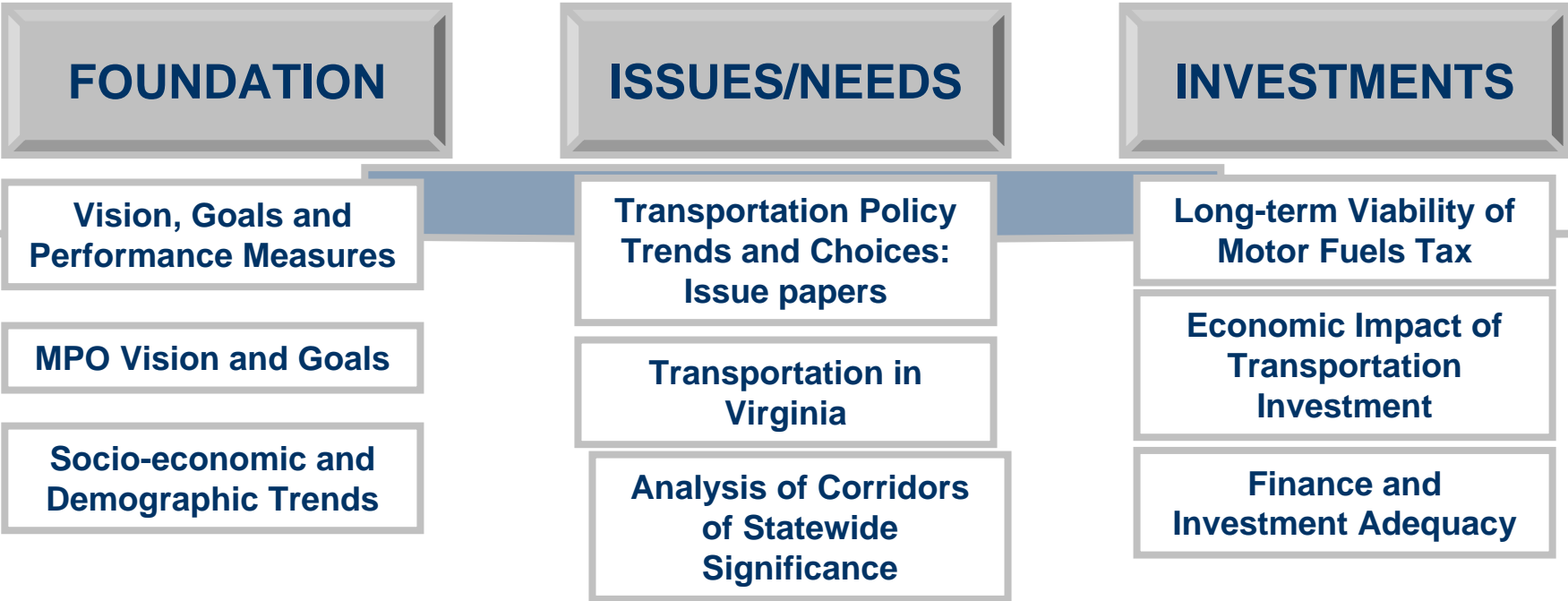
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- **Integrate modal and regional plans**
- **Priorities should be developed irrespective of funding formulas**
- **Identify 10-12 achievable transportation investment priorities**
- **Address land use, economic development, climate change, freight needs and bridges**
- **Be pragmatic**
- **Be realistic**

# VTrans2035 Framework

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## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



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# Public Participation Framework

- **Three purposes of public participation: to inform, to obtain input, to validate ideas**
- **Guide: determine what is needed, when, from whom, and how it should be obtained**
- **Outreach techniques**
  - **Public meetings**
  - **Existing presentation opportunities, eg. MPO & PDC meetings**
  - **Stakeholder meetings**
  - **Webinars**
  - **Articles**
  - **Web**
  - **Advisory groups**
  - **Summit**

# 2009 Schedule

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| <b>January</b>  | <b>Socio-Economic Trends</b>   |
| <b>February</b> | <b>Viability of the Fuel Tax &amp; Security</b>                                |
| <b>March</b>    | <b>Preservation, Maintenance and Operations &amp; European Lessons</b>         |
| <b>April</b>    | <b>Mobility Accessibility and Connectivity &amp; Environment</b>               |
| <b>May</b>      | <b>Congestion &amp; Regional and Local Roles</b>                               |
| <b>June</b>     | <b>Safety &amp; Corridors</b>  |
| <b>July</b>     | <b>Economic Development &amp; Economic Impact of Transportation Investment</b> |
| <b>August</b>   | <b>Land Use &amp; Finance</b>  |

# Next Steps

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- **Kick-off at January Six Year Meetings (inform)**
- **Presentations**
- **Issue papers posted on Web**