



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## *Commonwealth Transportation Board*

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*Agenda item # 6*

### RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

September 17, 2014

#### MOTION

**Made By: Mr. Matney Seconded By: Mr. Rosen**

**Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously**

**Title: Proposed Limited Access Control Changes (LACC)**  
**Route 460 Connector Phase II and Route 609 Interchange,**  
**County of Buchanan**

**WHEREAS**, a Design Public Hearing was held at the Breaks Interstate Park in Dickenson County, Virginia on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering proposed State Highway Project 0460-013-849, PE-101, RW-201, C-501; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project involves construction of the Route 460 Connector Phase II, in the County of Buchanan, from 0.833 mile east of Kentucky Stateline, to its eastern terminus at the CFX, Hawks Nest Section approximately 2.9 miles southeast of the Bull Gap Community; and

**WHEREAS**, the said proposed project consists of the design and construction of a 6.2-mile, four-lane median divided highway, including connection with Kentucky's US Route 460 construction as part of the construction of the federally designated Corridor Q (which is part of the Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS)), and an at-grade intersection with Route 609 requiring two breaks in the 460 Connector Limited Access Control as part of the design feature of the project; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the Appalachian Development Act of 1965, Congress authorized construction of the ADHS to generate economic development in previously isolated areas,

supplement the interstate system, connect Appalachia to the interstate system, and provide access to areas within the region as well as to markets in the rest of the nation; 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 a March 26, 2009 Environmental Assessment (EA) and the findings set forth in the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) determination of the applicability for a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on January 26, 2010; 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 Buchanan County Board of Supervisors has previously indicated its support of the Coal Fields Expressway by a letter from the County Administrator, dated November 6, 2012, though no response was received from the local government as part of the Route 460 Connector Phase II public participation process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Grundy has endorsed the project as presented at the Design Public Hearing by a letter from the Town Manager, dated May 29, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, Route 460 Connector Phase II was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) on November 19, 2009.

**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 made herein, and directs that Route 460 Connector Phase II and Route 609 Interchange continue to be designated as a Limited Access Highway, with the Limited Access Control being modified from the current locations as follows:

That the existing Limited Access Control Line along the north side of 460 Connector Phase II be broken between a point 513.27 feet opposite Station 313+54.61 (Route 460 Connector Phase II construction baseline) to a point 556.50 feet opposite Station 313+90.61 (Route 460 Connector Phase II construction baseline) for the proposed alignment of Route 609.

That the existing Limited Access Control Line along the south side of 460 Connector Phase II be broken between a point 277.08 feet opposite Station 313+64.25

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(Route 460 Connector Phase II construction baseline) to a point 434.61 feet opposite Station 313+25.80 (Route 460 Connector Phase II construction baseline) for the proposed alignment of Route 609.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, in the interest of public safety and in accordance with the provisions of § 46.2-808 of the *Code of Virginia* (1950), as amended, the CTB hereby prohibits the use of Route 460 Connector Phase II or any part thereof by any pedestrian, persons riding bicycles, electric power-assisted bicycles, electric personal assistive mobility devices, or mopeds, animal drawn vehicles, self-propelled machinery or equipment, or animals led, ridden or driven on the hoof.

**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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