



Agenda

Regional Connectors Study

Joint Steering (Policy) Committee and Working Group Meeting

Tuesday August 9, 2022

9:30 AM

The Regional Building, Regional Board Room, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Welcome and Introductions**
3. **Public Comment Period** (Limit 3 minutes per individual)
4. **Minutes (Action Requested)**
Summary Minutes from April 26, 2022, Joint Steering (Policy) Committee and Working Group Meeting

Attachment 4 - Summary Minutes of April 26, 2022

Recommended Action: For Approval

Motion: Approve Summary Minutes of April 26, 2022, Meeting

5. **Regional Connectors Study: Step 1: Qualitative Evaluation of Mandated Segments and Segment Bundling – Comments and Responses**

Ms. Lorna Parkins, Michael Baker International, RCS Project Co-Manager

At the April 26, 2022, Joint Steering (Policy) Committee and Working Group Meeting, Ms. Parkins, MBI, RCS Project Co-Manager, reviewed the results of Step 1: Qualitative Evaluation of Mandated Segments and Segment Bundling. Following her presentation, the members were invited to submit their questions and comments to the consultant Team. All comments have been received and distributed to the Joint Committee members on July 7, 2022.

Since that time, the Consultant Team has completed their responses to all the submitted comments. Ms. Parkins will brief the Joint Committee on this item.

Recommended Action: For Information and Discussion

6. Regional Connectors Study: Step 2 – Congestion Reduction Evaluation and Economic Impacts Analysis

Lorna Parkins and Paul Prideaux, MBI, RCS Project Co-Managers

At the last Joint Meeting of April 26, 2022, Ms. Parkins (MBI), RCS Project Co-Manager, reviewed the results of Step 1: Qualitative Evaluation of Mandated Segments and Segment Bundling. She described the assumed characteristics of the five mandated segments analyzed, and presented qualitative findings and highlights for each segment in the following categories:

- Construction Complexity
- Permitting Issues and Key Environmental Impacts
- Project Readiness

During the meeting, four Segment Bundles (A, B, C, and D) were recommended and approved by the Steering Committee and Working Group members. They are listed below and shown in Attachment 6A:

Bundle A – I-664 North of College Drive

Bundle B – I-664 North of College Drive and VA 164

Bundle C – I-664 North of College Drive, I-664 Connector, I-564 Connector

Bundle D – I-664 North of College Drive, VA 164, VA 164 Connector, I-564 Connector

Since the last Joint Meeting, the Consultant Team has used these four segment bundles to run the travel demand model for congestion benefits and economic impacts.

Ms. Parkins and Mr. Prideaux will brief the Joint Committee on the results of Step 2 congestion benefits and economic impact evaluations.

Attachments

- Attachment 6A - Maps of Four Segment Bundles
- Attachment 6B – Results of Congestion Benefits and Economic Impacts

Recommended Action: For Information and Discussion

7. Regional Connectors Study: Phase 3: Public Engagement Plan – Proposed Outreach Plan

Lorna Parkins, MBI, RCS Project Co-Manager

The scope of work and schedule for Phase 3 of the Regional Connectors was modified and approved by the Joint Committee in January 2022. The revised scope of work consists of a four-step process including public engagement throughout the study. The Engagement Plan includes website updates, two rounds of public meetings, and a Regional Connector Symposium.

The public meetings consist of in-person meetings, pop-up meetings, and an online open house on the Study website. The Consultant Team has developed an updated outreach plan and schedule for the Joint Committee's consideration reflecting the revised scope of work and incorporating the best practices for post COVID-19 engagement.

Ms. Parkins (MBI), RCS Project Co-Manager, will brief the Joint Committee on this item.

Attachment 7 – Updated Outreach Plan and Schedule

Recommended Action: For Information and Discussion

8. For Your Information

RCS Diary of Key Decision Points: 2017 to Present

The attached diary includes a summary of key decision points from 2017 to the present time. The purpose of this document is to provide a quick reference for members and the public. This is a living document and will be updated with future approved key action items.

Attachment 8 – RCS Diary

9. RCS Next Meeting: September 27, 2022 – 9:30 AM, Regional Building, Chesapeake

10. Other Items of Interest

11. Adjournment