

**Regional Connectors Study
Working Group Meeting Minutes
August 27, 2020, 9:30 am**

Pursuant to the declared state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Virginia in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to protect the public health and safety of the members, staff, and general public, this meeting was held electronically via Webex. These electronic meetings are required to complete essential business on behalf of the region. A recording of the meeting will be available on the website.

The following voting members attended the web meeting (alphabetically by last name):

Troy Eisenberger (Chesapeake)
Cole Fisher (Va. Beach)
Brian Fowler (Norfolk)
Carl Jackson (Portsmouth)
Bryan Stilley (NN)

The following voting members were absent (alphabetically by last name):

Lynne Keenan (Hampton)
Jason Souders (Suffolk)
James Wright (Portsmouth)

The following others attended the web meeting (alphabetically by last name):

Rob Case (HRTPO)	Pamela Phillips (VDOT)
Rick Dwyer (HRMFFA)	Camelia Ravanbakht (RCS Coordinator)
Craig Eddy (Michael Baker Intl.)	Angela Rico (NN)
Vlad Gavrilovic (EPR)	Evandro Santos (Norfolk)
George Janek (US Army)	Lisa Simpson (NN)
Mike Kimbrel (HRTPO)	Naomi Stein (EBP)
Barbara Nelson (POV)	Dale Stith (HRTPO)
Keith Nichols (HRTPO)	Eric Stringfield (VDOT)
Lorna Parkins (Michael Baker Intl.)	Bill Thomas (Michael Baker Intl.)

1. Call to Order

Bryan Stilley (Chair, Newport News) called the meeting to order shortly after 9:30am. Mike Kimbrel (HRTPO) read a COVID-19 notice.

2. Welcome and Introductions

None.

3. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

4. Minutes

The Working Group approved the minutes of the August 13, 2020 Working Group meeting.

5. RCS: Modeling and Congestion Update

Bill Thomas (MBI) used slides to provide a modeling and congestion (by scenario) update. Brian Fowler (Norfolk), Troy Eisenberger (Chesapeake), and Dale Stith (HRTPO) asked questions and made comments. Mr. Thomas indicated that he intends to perform more checking of the modeling results.

6. For Your Information

The agenda document includes bullets providing the status of Phase 2 and Phase 3 deliverables. Craig Eddy (MBI) indicated that he had no changes to these bullets.

7. Next Meeting

The proposed next meeting:

- Joint Working Group and Steering Comm.: September 22, 2020 at 9:30am

8. Other Items of Interest

No other items were discussed.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned approximately at 10:40 am.