



**HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
BOARD RESOLUTION 2010-13**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION URGING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO ALLOCATE AN EQUITABLE SHARE OF THESE NEWFOUND FUNDS TO CRITICALLY NEEDED TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN HAMPTON ROADS.**

***WHEREAS***, on April 19, 2010, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia issued an independent performance audit of operations and maintenance practices at the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) which was conducted by Cherry, Bekaert and Holland, LLP and released on September 23, 2010;

***WHEREAS***, the overall purpose of the performance audit was to provide an independent assessment of VDOT's organizational structure, programs and operations and determine whether they are operating efficiently and effectively in carrying out the mission of VDOT;

***WHEREAS***, the audit produced more than 50 recommendations and findings that are designed to reduce duplication of effort, increase programmatic efficiencies and effect cost savings wherever possible;

***WHEREAS***, among the top findings, approximately \$1 billion of existing state and federal funds is currently available for VDOT's maintenance and construction program that has not been utilized to date and/or not currently programmed;

***WHEREAS***, the money identified in the audit is not new funding, but rather funding that would result from better leveraging and management of current resources;

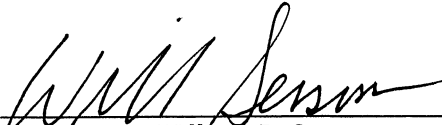
***WHEREAS***, on November 9, 2010, the Governor approved the VDOT action plan to rectify problems identified by the audit of the agency's maintenance, project development, and fiscal management practices; and

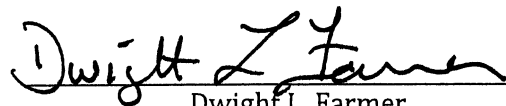
***WHEREAS***, VDOT's action plan designates a responsible entity for each category of funding and establishes a process to select projects that will utilize the unused funds identified in the audit. This includes:

- \$200 million in excess construction cash will be administered by the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB);
- \$524 million in the "federal reserve" will be allocated to specific projects by the CTB during the spring 2011 update to the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program;
- \$200 million in unspent maintenance allocations will be provided to VDOT's nine districts to meet critical maintenance needs;
- \$130 million in inactive federal project balances already allocated to projects will be re-obligated to other active projects in coordination with localities; and
- \$400 million in toll credits will be allocated to specific projects by the CTB as a state match to federal projects.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED*** that the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization urges the Secretary of Transportation and the Commonwealth Transportation Board to allocate an equitable share of these newfound funds to critically needed transportation projects in Hampton Roads.

***APPROVED and ADOPTED*** by the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization Board at its meeting on the 15th day of December, 2010.

  
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