



September 15, 2016

The September meeting of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission will be held as follows:

DATE:	Thursday, September 22, 2016
TIME:	3:00 pm
LOCATION:	Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission Office (Top Floor Conference Room), 313 Luck Ave., SW, Roanoke, VA

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Introductions *Chairman Wagner*
2. Approval of Consent Agenda Items *Chairman Wagner*
 - A. June 23, 2016 Minutes, pp. 3-7
 - B. Financial Report Ending 7/31/16, pp. 8-11
3. Chairman’s Report *Chairman Wagner*
 - Upcoming Annual Dinner of the Regional Commission, Thursday, October 27, 2016 at The Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center (6:15 pm Reception & 7:00 pm Dinner)
4. Executive Director’s Report *Wayne Strickland*
 - Introduction of New Staff
 - Update on the Partnership for Livable Roanoke Valley
 - Update on GO Virginia
 - Recognition of Outgoing Staff Member - Mark McCaskill
5. Adoption of the Proposed Change (Article V, Section 6) to the Bylaws *Eddie Wells*
of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), p. 12
6. Presentation on U.S. 220 North and Other Transportation Improvements *Ken King, PE*
District Engineer, VDOT – Salem District

Member Governments: Counties of Alleghany, Botetourt, Craig, Franklin and Roanoke, Cities of Covington, Roanoke and Salem, Towns of Clifton Forge, Rocky Mount and Vinton

7. Endorsement of SMART SCALE Grant Application Submissions *Bryan Hill*
from the Regional Commission/Adoption of Supporting Resolution, pp. 13-14
8. Executive Committee Report, pp. 15-16 and Attachment #1 *Chairman Wagner*
 - Presentation of Audit Report (for FY Ended June 30, 2016) *Corbin Stone*
Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates
 - Acceptance of the FY 2016 Audit Report *Chairman Wagner*
9. Other Business
10. Comments from Commission Members and/or Public
11. Adjournment

Public Input Policy

“At the end of each Regional Commission meeting, the Commission will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one-half hour in length and each speaker will be asked to sign up and be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak.”

ADA Compliance

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MINUTES

The June meeting of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission was held on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 3:00 pm at the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission office (Top Floor Conference Room), 313 Luck Avenue, SW, Roanoke, VA.

Voting Members Present

Jon Lanford
Erin Henderson
Clay Goodman, III
Bob Camicia
Charles Wagner, *Chair*
Chris Whitlow
Tom Gates
Dean Martin
Lee Osborne
Bill Bestpitch
Ray Ferris
Chris Morrill
Braxton Naff
Jane Johnson
Melinda Payne
Darlene Burcham
James Ervin
Mayor Brad Grose, *Vice Chair*
Barry Thompson

Representing

Alleghany County
Botetourt County
Craig County
Franklin County
Franklin County
Franklin County
Roanoke County
Roanoke County
Roanoke County
City of Roanoke
City of Roanoke
City of Roanoke
City of Roanoke
City of Salem
City of Salem
Town of Clifton Forge
Town of Rocky Mount
Town of Vinton
Town of Vinton

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Wagner called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm. A quorum was present.

2. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following Consent Agenda items were distributed earlier: (A) May 26, 2016 Minutes, and (B) Financial Report ending 5/31/16.

Regional Commission Action:

Bob Camicia moved approval of items A&B under the Consent Agenda, as distributed. The motion was seconded by Jane Johnson and carried.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Wagner reported on the upcoming changes to the Regional Commission meeting schedule for July and August.

- The July 28, 2016 meeting of the Regional Commission will be canceled due to the Statewide Conference of Virginia Planning District Commissions being held that week in Williamsburg.
- No business meeting of the Regional Commission will be held on August 25, 2016 as well. Chairman Wagner asked Commissioners to keep their calendars free for the **traditional Salem Red Sox baseball game for Commissioners, staff and their guests on Thursday, August 18, 2016**. Our group will meet in the City of Salem's Skybox at Salem Memorial Stadium. More information on the game, tickets, etc., will be sent at a later date.

4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Staff Changes

- Shane Sawyer, who served as a Regional Planner III with the Commission for the past 15 years, resigned in May to take a position at the VDOT-Richmond office. The Commission has concluded the interview process and hopes to have a replacement on board in early July.
- Sherry Dean replaced Olivia Dooley, who officially stepped down as the Commission's Director of Finance on June 1, 2016.
- Interviews are still ongoing for a Transportation Planner I position. The Commission hopes to have that position filled in July or August.

Update to the Commission's Strategic Plan – Wayne Strickland stated that the Strategic Plan is an internal document developed for the staff to address the areas of concerns or interests for our member governments. The Regional Commission adopted its first Strategic Plan in 1990. Since that time the Commission has updated its Plan every three or four years. The last update was January 2013. The first process in the development of the Plan is to: (1) conduct a survey among Commission members, staff, local governments, and various stakeholders; (2) hold focus groups sessions with local government CAOs, business leaders, and the heads of non-profit organizations; and (3) present a draft report to the Commission. Wayne stated that he would like to have an updated plan by the end of June 2017. He proposed that the Commission consider using the Southeast Regional Directors Institute (SERDI) to perform the assessment. SERDI has been involved with several strategic planning assessments of PDCs/Regional Commissions in Virginia over the last three years.

Regional Commission Action:

It was the consensus of members that the Regional Commission use SERDI to assist staff with the next update of the Regional Commission's Strategic Plan.

GO Virginia Update – Commissioners asked Wayne Strickland for an update on GO Virginia. Mr. Strickland stated that there are differing opinions on the areas to be covered by the proposed Regional Councils as configured by the Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions (VAPDC). The mapping provided by VAPDC originally joined the Roanoke

Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, the New River Valley Regional Commission and Region 2000 Council of Local Governments together under the umbrella of one Regional Council. Since that time, Wayne noted that some stakeholders have raised questions about the RVARC and NRV areas being linked with the Lynchburg area. Wayne noted that the Statewide Oversight Council will most likely make the final decision on the areas to be included in the various Regional Councils in July. The Statewide Council will hold a series of public hearings about the geographic composition of Regional Councils later in the summer.

Darlene Burcham stated she thought it would make a stronger statement for our area to include both Lynchburg and the New River Valley in the proposed Regional Council to serve our area.

Regional Commission Action:

Lee Osborne moved that the Chairman and/or Executive Director be authorized to sign a resolution supporting the inclusion of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany and the New River Valley areas in a Regional Council under the Go Virginia initiative (this does not foreclose including Region 2000 from the area served by the Regional Council). The motion was seconded by Bill Bestpitch and carried.

5. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Adoption of the Proposed 2017 Budget

The Commission's proposed 2017 budget totaled \$1,413,166. The Executive Committee recommended that the Regional Commission adopt the proposed budget, as presented. Highlights of Revenues and Expenses include:

- 2017 Budget is \$99,870 less than the 2016 Budget due to the conclusion of several grant related projects.
- The carryover in transportation planning funds decreased from \$56,868 to \$1,276 in federal funds and from \$7,107 to \$160 in State funds.
- The RIDE Solutions program expanded into the West Piedmont area. The Va. Dept. of Rail and Public Transportation increased the funding for the West Piedmont area from \$40,000 to \$60,000.
- The Western Virginia Workforce Development Board (WVWDB) contracted with the Regional Commission to provide them financial, marketing and data services in the amount of \$52,400. The new Director of Finance will handle all of the accounting for the WVWDB. The WVWDB will also pay \$1,000 a month to rent the ground floor of the Commission's building.
- 3% merit raise for staff.
- The Commission will be updating their Strategic Plan and will spend approximately \$4,500 on a consultant to assist with the strategic planning process.

Regional Commission Action:

James Ervin moved to accept the Executive Committee's recommendation that the Regional Commission adopt the proposed FY 2017 Budget, as presented. The motion was seconded by Dean Martin and carried.

6. **PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2016 REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) ANNUAL UPDATE**

(Background: The Regional Commission staff and the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee developed the CEDS document in 2007. The CEDS planning process is a continuous process that enhances regional economic competitiveness and facilitates the implementation of regional priorities for investment. The CEDS establishes regional goals and objectives and includes a regional data profile, prioritized projects, performance measures, and an action plan for project implementation, which is to be updated annually.)

The 2016 Annual Update of the Roanoke Valley – Alleghany Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) was reviewed by the CEDS Committee at their May 19, 2016 meeting. The Committee recommended forwarding the document to the Regional Commission for action at their June 23, 2016 meeting. After adoption by the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, the update will be submitted to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) for their approval. An EDA-approved CEDS is required in order to: (1) assure that local governments can apply for EDA grants, and (2) assist the Commission in attaining designation as an Economic Development District, which the Regional Commission is in the process of pursuing.

The CEDS process is designed to be a collaborative process involving traditional public sector economic development agencies, local governments, higher education, nonprofits, chambers of commerce, and groups representing labor and minority concerns, and private sector businesses and individuals. The 2016 Annual Update can be accessed at <http://rvarc.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/2016-RVAR-CEDS-Annual-Report-draft-051916.pdf>. Staff contact is Eddie Wells (ewells@rvarc.org).

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED

Chairman Wagner opened the public hearing on the 2016 Annual Update of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy and asked for comment(s) by the public. No one signed up to comment on the CEDS document. Chairman Wagner declared the public hearing closed.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

7. **CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORTING RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FY 2016 ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE ROANOKE VALLEY-ALLEGHANY REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

Staff presented a supporting resolution for consideration by the Commission to adopt the 2016 Annual Update of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Eddie Wells noted that he would be including a copy of the Minutes of the May CEDS Meeting in the final document, as well as the additional RVARC Skills Gap Analysis Study priority project. Mr. Wells stated that after adoption by the Commission, the updated CEDS will be forwarded to the Economic Development Administration in July 2016.

Regional Commission Action:

Bill Bestpitch moved for adoption of the supporting resolution approving the 2016 Annual Update of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Comprehensive Economic Strategy (CEDS), with the above changes addressed by Mr. Wells. The motion was seconded by Jane Johnson and carried. Commission members from Franklin County and the Town of Rocky Mount abstained from the vote since Franklin County and the Town of Rocky Mount are covered in the West Piedmont PDC CEDS.

8. OTHER BUSINESS/COMMENTS

- The grand opening dates for Clifton Forge’s newly renovated Masonic Theatre are July 1-3, 2016. The 150-year old theatre recently underwent a \$6.5 million facelift.
- The signing of the Amended Intergovernmental agreement to include Botetourt County in the Roanoke Valley Greenway Commission will take place on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 4:00 pm at the Greenfield Education and Training Center (57 S. Center Drive, Daleville. VA 24083).

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Submitted by:

Wayne Strickland
Secretary to the Regional Commission

Balance Sheet

Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission

Period From : 07/01/16 to 07/31/16

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Assets:

10000	CASH IN BANK BB&T	268,611.45
10100	INVESTMENT CUSTODY ACCT BB&T	223,562.71
10101	BBT&T WIOA ACCOUNT	1,500.00
10110	CAPITAL ONE CD	125,148.19
10111	WELLS FARGO	100,082.74
10300	PETTY CASH	150.00
10400	A/R REGIONAL BROADBAND AUTHORITY	5,000.00
10401	A/R Western Virginia Workforce Development Board	10,000.00
10600	A/R MISC	-384.17
10700	A/R GRANTORS	166,603.92
10800	A/R CONTRACTS	19,473.02
10900	PREPAID EXPENSES	630.00
11000	PREPAID INSURANCE	3,677.67
11600	PREPAID PHYSICAL ASSETS	568,877.89
11700	PHYSICAL ASSETS, ACCUM DEP	-305,112.28
12200	PREPAID COMPUTER EQUIPT	4,340.00
12300	COMPUTER EQUIPT, ACC DEP	-3,616.50
12500	PREPAID TELEPHONE EQUIPT	1,591.00
12600	TELEPHONE EQUIPT, ACC DEP	-1,591.00
12800	PREPAID DUES	1,187.44
Total Assets:		\$1,189,732.08

Liabilities:

20000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	5,871.51
20300	ACCRUED ANNUAL LEAVE	37,697.24
20800	DEFERRED REVENUE	5,040.47
20900	UNITED WAY	317.46
21200	BUILDING FUND	15,000.00
21500	HEALTH INSURANCE	-4.34
Total Liabilities:		\$63,922.34

Projects

30100	REGIONAL/LOCAL PROJECTS	-16,586.12
30500	RURAL TRANSPORTATION	-2,335.96
30600	PL TRANSPORTATION	-1,316.68
30800	VDRPT/FTA TRANSPORTATION	-13,917.99
30900	RIDESOLUTIONS	-16,737.00
30903	ROANOKE RIVER BLUEWAY	17,105.68
31100	WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT	-4,796.05
31300	WIOA FUNDS	-12,790.71
31400	WIF GRANT	-287.66
31500	TAP GRANT	-49.60
35000	ARC 2016	5,585.59
36010	OTHER GRANTS	-4,827.77
37000	ROANOKE RIVER TMDL	-593.78
37600	BIKE MONTH SPONSORSHIP	6,944.58
39000	GENERAL OPERATING FUND	267,293.08

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39400	UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE & INVEST CA	903,837.64	
	Total Projects	<u>\$1,126,527.25</u>	
	Total Liabilities and Projects	<u>1,190,449.59</u>	
	Net Difference to be Reconciled	<u>\$-717.51</u>	
	Total Adjustment	<u>\$-717.51</u>	
	Unreconciled Balance	<u>\$0.00</u>	

Reconciling Items

(1)	Paid Salaries are Timesheets show Difference	73,713.24 73,713.24	0.00
(2)	Leave accrued this year	-717.53	
(3)	Fringe Pool is Fringe allocated Difference	23,273.44 23,273.45	0.01
(4)	Indirect Pool is Indirect Allocated Difference	35,851.76 35,851.77	0.01
	Total adjustments	<u>\$-717.51</u>	

Agencywide Line Item Revenues and Expenditures

Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission

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Period: 07/01/2016 to 07/31/2016

With Indirect Detail

Code & Description		Budget	Current	YTD	Un/Ovr	% Bud
Revenues						
40000	ARC	61,811.00	13,640.73	13,640.73	48,170.27	22.07%
40200	FEDERAL - PL	274,134.00	0.00	0.00	274,134.00	0.00%
40210	VDOT PL	34,267.00	0.00	0.00	34,267.00	0.00%
40400	VDHCD ALLOCATION	75,971.00	0.00	0.00	75,971.00	0.00%
40410	ROANOKE VALLEY BROADBA	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	0.00%
40600	ALLEGHANY COUNTY	10,921.00	10,921.00	10,921.00	0.00	100.00%
40602	WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT	52,400.00	0.00	0.00	52,400.00	0.00%
40699	BEDFORD COUNTY	288.00	288.00	288.00	0.00	100.00%
40700	BOTETOURT COUNTY	32,846.00	0.00	0.00	32,846.00	0.00%
40800	CLIFTON FORGE	3,398.00	3,398.00	3,398.00	0.00	100.00%
40900	COVINGTON	5,610.00	0.00	0.00	5,610.00	0.00%
41000	CRAIG COUNTY	4,748.00	4,748.00	4,748.00	0.00	100.00%
41010	FRANKLIN COUNTY	46,796.00	46,796.00	46,796.00	0.00	100.00%
41020	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	114.00	114.00	114.00	0.00	100.00%
41100	CITY OF ROANOKE	104,225.00	109,425.00	109,425.00	-5,200.00	104.99%
41200	ROANOKE COUNTY	89,230.00	89,230.00	89,230.00	0.00	100.00%
41208	REGION 2000	13,200.00	0.00	0.00	13,200.00	0.00%
41209	WEST PIEDMONT WFDB	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00%
41210	ROCKY MOUNT	4,318.00	4,318.00	4,318.00	0.00	100.00%
41300	SALEM	26,588.00	27,921.00	27,921.00	-1,333.00	105.01%
41400	VINTON	8,577.00	9,010.00	9,010.00	-433.00	105.05%
41500	VDRPT/FTA - TRANSIT	127,208.00	0.00	0.00	127,208.00	0.00%
41600	VDRPT/STATE TRANSIT	15,901.00	0.00	0.00	15,901.00	0.00%
41800	VDOT/SPR RURAL TRANSP	58,000.00	0.00	0.00	58,000.00	0.00%
41900	VDRPT - RIDESHARE	293,344.00	0.00	0.00	293,344.00	0.00%
43000	INTEREST INCOME	1,000.00	96.50	96.50	903.50	9.65%
43200	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	14,010.00	18,368.36	18,368.36	-4,358.36	131.11%
43300	LEADERSHIP TRIPS	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%
43400	NRV	9,261.00	0.00	0.00	9,261.00	0.00%
Revenues		1,413,166.00	338,274.59	338,274.59	1,074,891.41	23.94%

Expenses

50000	SALARIES	695,405.00	72,995.71	72,995.71	622,409.29	10.50%
50500	FRINGE BENEFITS	269,000.00	23,273.45	23,273.45	245,726.55	8.65%
51300	HEALTH INSURANCE	0.00	1,186.00	1,186.00	-1,186.00	0.00%
51400	FICA EMPLOYER WVWDB	0.00	725.58	725.58	-725.58	0.00%
51500	LIFE & LT DISABILITY	0.00	142.60	142.60	-142.60	0.00%
51800	RETIREMENT WVWDB	0.00	535.60	535.60	-535.60	0.00%
52000	INSURANCE	5,000.00	559.00	559.00	4,441.00	11.18%
52100	SUPPLIES	13,500.00	1,507.89	1,507.89	11,992.11	11.17%
52200	POSTAGE	5,854.00	713.76	713.76	5,140.24	12.19%
52300	SUBSCRIPTIONS	1,000.00	74.00	74.00	926.00	7.40%
52400	DUES	13,800.00	923.99	923.99	12,876.01	6.70%
52500	PRINTING	10,000.00	86.50	86.50	9,913.50	0.87%
52600	PUBLIC RELATIONS	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%

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52700 TRAINING	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	8,500.00	0.00%
52800 TELEPHONE	7,500.00	635.42	635.42	6,864.58	8.47%
52900 TRAVEL	26,319.00	4,112.36	4,112.36	22,206.64	15.63%
53000 AUDIT FEES	9,500.00	0.00	0.00	9,500.00	0.00%
53200 CONFERENCES	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	0.00%
53300 FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	0.00%
53400 DEPRECIATION F & E	900.00	72.33	72.33	827.67	8.04%
53500 MAIN F & E	10,500.00	86.00	86.00	10,414.00	0.82%
53600 MISCELLANEOUS	2,000.00	270.73	270.73	1,729.27	13.54%
53700 ADVERTISING	80,977.00	2,281.22	2,281.22	78,695.78	2.82%
53800 RECRUITMENT	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
53900 MEETINGS	6,500.00	290.75	290.75	6,209.25	4.47%
54100 LEGAL FEES	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
54200 LIBRARY & MAPS	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
54400 CONTRACT SERVICES	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00%
54500 SUBCONTRACT PAYMENTS	123,711.00	0.00	0.00	123,711.00	0.00%
54700 CONSULTANTS	40,500.00	0.00	0.00	40,500.00	0.00%
54900 COMPUTER SERVICES	16,000.00	1,957.99	1,957.99	14,042.01	12.24%
55200 UTILITIES	14,000.00	505.89	505.89	13,494.11	3.61%
55300 LEASE PAYMENTS	6,500.00	360.92	360.92	6,139.08	5.55%
55800 BUILDING MAINTENANCE	22,000.00	1,254.33	1,254.33	20,745.67	5.70%
56000 DEPRECIATION BUILDING	10,000.00	1,032.95	1,032.95	8,967.05	10.33%
Expenses	1,413,166.00	115,584.97	115,584.97	1,297,581.03	8.18%
Agency Balance	0.00	222,689.62	222,689.62		

Roanoke Valley – Alleghany CEDS Committee
Proposed Bylaws Change
May 19, 2016

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Section 6 Members may vote by proxy or email.

- A. COMMITTEE members voting by proxy shall designate their proxy by contacting the Secretary at least 24-hours prior to the upcoming meeting being called to order and identifying the person to serve as proxy.
- B. COMMITTEE members voting by email shall email the votes for each actionable item on the current meeting agenda to the Secretary at least 24-hours prior to the meeting being called to order.



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STAFF REPORT

SUBJ: Endorsement and Support of SMART SCALE Projects for Submittal by the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission

In discussions with member local governments in the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany region, one (1) request for SMART SCALE projects to be submitted by the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission was received by staff. As a regional entity eligible to apply for SMART SCALE project funding, staff requests consideration of this proposed project. A brief description of the project request is as follows:

Locality: Botetourt County
Project Name: I-81 MM 166.7 to 169.4 Improvements
Description: Reconstruction and realignment to eliminate substandard geometry, includes Exit 167 interchange and bridges, Exit 168 interchange and overhaul bridge.
Cost Estimate: \$95 million (approximately)

This project applied for SMART SCALE funding originally in FY'16. The application submitted by the RVARC was not funded, however, a scaled-down version (with no geometric realignment) was submitted by Botetourt County. This project was preliminarily approved for funding, but was ultimately not funded as a result of another funding scenario which did not include it.

A supporting resolution follows. Staff recommends support and endorsement of the candidate project in Botetourt County.

Member Governments: Counties of Alleghany, Botetourt, Craig, Franklin and Roanoke, Cities of Covington, Roanoke and Salem, Towns of Clifton Forge, Rocky Mount and Vinton



The 22nd day of September, 2016

RESOLUTION

SUBJ: Endorsement of SMART SCALE Grant Application Submissions from the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Virginia General Assembly enacted §33.2-214.1, otherwise known as House Bill 2, requiring the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to develop a statewide prioritization process for the funding of transportation projects, and declares it to be in the public interest for projects funded by the CTB be developed and implemented to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the state's transportation system, transportation safety, transportation accessibility for people and freight, environmental quality, and economic development in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, such prioritization process shall be used for the development of the Six-Year Improvement Program and shall consider, at a minimum, highway, transit, rail, roadway, technology operational improvements, and transportation demand management strategies; and

WHEREAS, the prioritization process shall be based, at a minimum on the following factors: congestion mitigation, economic development, accessibility, safety, and environmental quality; and

WHEREAS, candidate projects and strategies shall be screened by the CTB to determine whether they are consistent with the assessment of capacity needs for all for corridors of statewide significance and regional networks, undertaken in the Statewide Transportation Plan in accordance with §33.2-353; and

WHEREAS, the following SMART SCALE highway candidate project:

Locality: Botetourt County

Project: I-81 MM 166.7 to 169.4 Improvements

has been preliminarily justified as having capacity needs for corridors of statewide significance and, following submittal; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly enacted the high-priority projects and highway construction district grant programs through §33.2-370 and §33.2-371 respectively;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission Board endorses the SMART SCALE candidate project listed herein, and directs staff to formally apply for the project on its behalf by the September 30, 2016 deadline.

Charles Wagner
Chairman

Member Governments: Counties of Alleghany, Botetourt, Craig, Franklin and Roanoke,
Cities of Covington, Roanoke and Salem, Towns of Clifton Forge, Rocky Mount and Vinton