

**Amendment to the Year 2035 Constrained
Long-Range Transportation Plan**

Adopted by the Danville MPO Board

August 24, 2011

Summary Note:

Amendment to the Year 2035 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan To Include A New Project For Spot Improvements and Access Management on Mount Cross Road (from Lowes Drive to the Corporate Limits of Danville)

The Danville MPO was requested to consider an Amendment to add the Mount Cross Road project and the construction funding estimate to the Danville MPO's Year 2035 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan that was adopted in August 2010. The Plan amendment provides for a new \$6 Million project for spot improvements and access management on Mount Cross Road from Lowes Drive to the Corporate Limits. Projects that are included and funded in the Six Year Improvement Program and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program adopted by the CTB and that appear in the local MPO's Transportation Improvement Program should be included in the respective MPO's Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan.

The City of Danville and the MPO have supported, and continue to support, the ultimate four-lane improvement to this section of Mount Cross Road; as such this amendment to the Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan is being added as a new (interim project).

In order to maintain fiscal constraint in the Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan, VDOT is transferring the surplus balance of funding from completed projects within the City of Danville to cover the estimated \$6 Million in project cost.

Enmienda para el año 2035 limitado Plan de transporte a largo plazo para incluir un nuevo proyecto de mejoras del terreno y de gestión de acceso en Monte Cross Road

El proyecto alcance del proyecto de carretera de Cruz montar es de tales diferencia significativa a la cuatro lane mejora identificado en el Limitado a larga distancia transporte Plan (CLRP), que es una modificación de la CLRP de MPO también justifica. Como tanto la ciudad de Danville y el MPO han apoyado la ultimate mejora de cuatro carriles a esta sección de Monte Cross Road, esta enmienda a la CLRP sería añadir una nueva (provisional) proyecto para sólo Spot mejoras y administración de acceso.

Para mantener la restricción fiscal en el CLRP, VDOT está transfiriendo el saldo positivo de la financiación de proyectos terminados dentro de la ciudad de Danville para cubrir el estimado de 6 millones de dólares en el costo del proyecto.

Invitation for Comment and Input at a Public Hearing on the Danville Metropolitan Planning Organization's Draft Proposed Amendments to the City of Danville Transit System and Danville MPO Public Participation Policy and Public Involvement and Notification Procedures Manual and Amendments to the Year 2035 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan and to the FY 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Plan

In order to provide general public and private sector input on the Danville Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) Draft Proposed Amendments to the City of Danville Transit System and Danville MPO Public Participation Policy and Public Involvement and Notification Procedures Manual, the MPO is offering an opportunity at a public hearing to make comments and input to be considered by the MPO as it updates its public participation and notification procedures.

The MPO will consider suggestions for changes to the Manual during the course of the public involvement and public review period, the hearing, and at the public MPO meeting. A briefing on the Manual contents and any suggested changes or comments received prior to the hearing will be made prior to taking hearing comments and made part of the Manual development process records.

In addition, the MPO will also consider amendments to its Year 2035 Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan and its FY2009-FY2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Plan amendment provides for a new \$6 Million project for spot improvements and access management on Mount Cross Road from Lowes Drive to the Corporate Limits; the TIP amendment would provide \$600,000 for Preliminary Engineering (PE) work on this project.

Public Hearing Information: The public hearing will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24, 2011, in the Eastern Conference Room, Danville Regional Airport Terminal Building, 424 Airport Drive, Danville, VA. Persons or firms wishing to provide written comments and not able to attend the public hearing may submit these by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, August 24, 2011, to: the Danville MPO Administrator (Mr. Aaron Burdick), located at West Piedmont PDC, 1100 Madison Street, P.O. Box 5268, Martinsville, VA 24115 (276-638-3987)(Fax: 276-638-8137) aaronburdick@wppdc.org.

Note that the Danville MPO Policy Board will meet after the Public Hearing (closes at 6:30 p.m.) at 6:35 p.m. to consider the Manual and the amendments to address the Mount Cross Road Project, any changes to be reported, and the hearing comments.

Input and comment are encouraged from: the general public interested in transportation; private providers of transit services, various agencies and organizations, and other public and private entities. In addition, disabled persons or their representatives are also encouraged to participate.

Copies of the draft Manual and its background materials, as well as information on the amendments regarding the Mount Cross Road Project, may be reviewed at: 1) Danville City Manager's office, Danville Municipal Building, Patton Street, Danville, VA.; 2) Danville Department of Public Works, 998 South Boston Road

(Route 58 East), Danville VA.; 3) Pittsylvania County Administrator's Office, Main Street, Chatham, VA.; 4) Danville Public Library, Patton Street, Danville, VA; 5) Pittsylvania County Public Library, 24 Military Drive, Chatham, VA.; 6) West Piedmont PDC, 1100 Madison Street, Martinsville, VA.; 7) Danville Transit System and Airport Manager's Office, Danville Regional Airport Terminal Building, Airport Drive (off Route 58 East), Danville, VA. Information may also be viewed on the website: www.wppdc.org under MPO items.

For questions regarding the meeting, the public involvement process, or the Mount Cross Road Project, please contact Aaron Burdick (MPO/WPPDC) at (276) 638-3987 or email: aaronburdick@wppdc.org. Marc Adelman of Danville Transit System at (434) 799-5110, adelmmd@ci.danville.va.us, can advise on the transit projects listed.

Individuals who require special assistance to attend the Public Hearing should contact Marc Adelman at Danville Transit System, (434-799-5110). Mr. Adelman can provide information regarding the availability of public transit accommodations such as Reserve-a-Ride for attending the hearing. Hearing impaired persons requiring assistance may call or fax Mr. Burdick at 276-638-3987; fax: 276-638-8137. For persons with English as a second language, translated and/or visual materials will be available to aid participation. West Piedmont Planning District Commission is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Table of Recommended Roadway Improvements: Year 2035 (As Amended August 24, 2011)

2035 Map ID (1)	Project Description (From/To)	Locality	Status (2)	Comments	Proposed Typical Section (3)	Estimated Cost (4)	Previous Allocation (Prior to 2010)	Fund Allocation in LRTP (2010- 2035)
1	Robertson Bridge	City of Danville	PP	Replace Robertson Bridge and Improve Approaches.	U4	\$48,288,000 (2011)	\$46,074,000	\$2,214,000
2	VA 41 Extension – US 29 Bypass to VA 293	Pittsylvania County	PP	Construct new roadway (Rte 265-Franklin Turnpike Connector)	U4D	\$38,172,000 (2011)	\$24,343,000	\$13,829,000
3	Sandy Creek Bridge Replacement (Rt. 730)	Pittsylvania County		Replace Bridge	R2	\$2,040,000 (2020)	\$0	\$2,040,000
4A	Mt. Cross (Rt. 750) - Lowe's Dr. to WCL Danville	City of Danville	PP	Spot Improvements & Access Management	U2	\$6,000,000 (2015)	\$0	\$6,000,000
4B	Mt. Cross (Rt. 750) - Lowe's Dr. to WCL Danville	City of Danville		Widen to 4 Lanes.	U4D	\$22,050,000 (2020)	\$0	\$22,050,000
5	Airport Dr. at Stinson Dr.	City of Danville		Geometric improvements.	U2	\$830,000 (2020)	\$0	\$830,000
6	US 29 Bypass at Elizabeth Street (Rt. 1128) - Ramp and Road Improvements	City of Danville		Improvements to the ultimate interchange ramps as well as improvements on Elizabeth St. and Holland Road.	U2D	\$9,690,000 (2030)	\$0	\$1,000,000 (PE Only)
7	US 29 (Central Boulevard) at VA 413 (Memorial Drive)	City of Danville		Improve alignment of southbound to westbound ramp	U4D	\$1,950,000 (2030)	\$0	\$1,950,000
8	Piney Forest Road (US 29 Bus.) at North Main Street (VA 293)	City of Danville		Upgrade and signalize intersection, modify circulation patterns (including re-alignment of Seminole Drive)	U4D	\$3,550,000 (2030)	\$0	\$3,550,000
9	Piney Forest Road and Central Boulevard at (US 29 Bus.) – Piney Forest Road to Parker Road	City of Danville		Intersection and circulation improvements (includes shift of Piney Forest Road connection to opposite Parker Road).	U4D	\$11,670,000 (2030)	\$0	\$1,000,000 (PE Only)
10	VA 863 – US 58 to 0.8 miles south of VA 750	Pittsylvania County		Construct roadway on new alignment.	R2	\$33,010,000 (2020)	\$0	\$2,000,000 (PE Only)
11	Oak Ridge Farms Interchange (w/ US 58 Bypass)	Pittsylvania County		Interchange improvements.		\$11,160,000 (2030)	\$0	\$1,000,000 (PE Only)
12	Mega Park Connector Road - Oak Ridge Farms Interchange (w/ US 58 Bypass) to Megapark	Pittsylvania County		Construct 4-lane roadway on new alignment.	R4D	\$26,520,000 (2030)	\$0	\$2,000,000 (PE Only)
13	VA 726 (Kentuck Church) -- Rt. 729 to 0.1 MS VA 360	Pittsylvania County	PP	Reconstruct 2 lane (UPC #954)	R2	\$6,820,509 (2015)	\$4,740,000	\$2,080,509
N/A	Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements (CN)	N/A	PA	Various Improvements	N/A	\$4,500,000		\$4,500,000 (5)
N/A	Transportation Enhancements/Byway/Other Non-traditional Transportation Projects (CN)	N/A	PA	Various Improvements	N/A	\$284,348		\$284,348 (5)
N/A	Rail Crossing Safety (CN)	N/A	PA	Various Improvements	N/A	\$40,582		440,582 (5)
N/A	Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement/ Reconstruction (CN)	N/A	PA	Various Improvements	N/A	\$8,090,896		\$8,090,985 (5)
Total - Improvements						\$285,526,335	\$75,157,000	\$74,459,425
Total - Maintenance: Preventative Maintenance and System Preservation, Preventative Maintenance for Bridges, and Traffic and Safety Operation (MPO Wide)								\$851,748,315 (6)

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Notes:

- (1) Map ID number matches number of map of location of improvements
- (2) PP – Included in The Virginia Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program: Fiscal Year 2010-2015 PA – Programmed Annually
- (3) Proposed improved roadway cross sections are illustrated in the panel labeled "Typical Roadway Sections."
- (4) Planning-level cost estimates based on average estimates for typical section or project description. Inflation has been included in estimate computation. Unless otherwise noted, cost estimates include preliminary engineering (PE), right of way acquisition and construction.
- (5) Funds are allocated to various projects on an annual basis.
- (6) Funds to be obligated as projects are identified.

Funding Status

The estimated total cost of the roadway improvements in the approved *Danville-Pittsylvania Area Long-Range Transportation Plan – Year 2035*, including projects programmed in the VDOT Six-Year Improvement Program (Fiscal Year 2010-2015), is \$67.9 million. Recently, the Virginia Department of Transportation has approved the *FY2012-2017 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (SYIP)*, which included improvements to Mount Cross Road in the City of Danville that had previously not been programmed.

The Mount Cross Road Spot Improvements and Access Management project (UPC 100822) from Lowes Drive to the West Corporate Limits of the City of Danville provides for operational and safety improvements to reduce vehicle conflicts and preserve capacity along the corridor. It does not provide for widening the existing two-lane facility. Widening is included in the *Long-Range Transportation Plan* (See 2035 Map ID 4A in the Table of Roadway Improvements), but no funding for the widening improvements has been programmed in the *SYIP*.

The SYIP estimates the project cost at \$6,000,000, and schedules the start of construction in FY 2014. Of the project funding allocations, \$2,000,000 has been identified from previous allocations and the remaining \$4,000,000 funding allocation will be required after FY2017. It is expected that this schedule and funding allocation will be revised as additional funds become available.

With the addition of the \$6,000,000 for Mount Cross Road Spot Improvements and Access Management, the total estimate funding for the Long-Range Transportation Plan through 2035 is increased to \$73.9 million. As the Table of Roadway Improvements shows, the amended Long-Range Transportation Plan provides for improvements with a total cost of \$74,459,425. For the period 2010-2035, the cost of roadway improvements is within 1% of the amount of anticipated funding for those improvements.