



November 21, 2024 Meeting
Staff Report

1. Call to Order & Establishment of Quorum

If needed, concurrence of Electronic Meeting Policy.

2. Approval of Minutes: September 19, 2024 (Attachment 2)

September 19, 2024 CVTPO meeting minutes provided for review and approval consideration.

Recommendation: Approval of Minutes.

3. CVTPO Boundary Adjustment (Attachment 3a) (Attachment 3b)

VDOT Central Office, the entity that is guiding the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Travel Model process, according to the 2020 Census has identified two small Urban Area Tracts that need to be expanded.

- 1) The Yellow Branch area of Campbell County boundary provides for the CVTPO boundary to extend to align with Route 24/Colonial Highway to the Route 29/Wards Road intersection. This expansion provides for accommodation/integration of future development in this area.
- 2) The Amherst Town area boundary small extension provides for inclusion of a small residential pocket of existing homes and potential growth area in the Kenmore Road to Sunset Drive corner extension.

Recommendation: CVTPO approves the CVTPO Boundary Adjustment Resolution (Attachment 3b) as recommended by VDOT Central Office to reflect landuse, population, and development changes as reflected in the 2020 Census updated Urban Area tracts and as recommended as appropriate by the Transportation Technical Committee (TTC).

4. CVTPO Long-Range Transportation Plan Travel Model Approval (Attachment 4)

The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is the fundamental MPO planning document and guides all future transportation projects the region anticipates undertaking in the next 20 to 30 years, with the pending update horizon year being 2050. The LRTP process will begin in earnest at the beginning of 2025. In preparation for the LRTP update, VDOT Central Office has been, through on-call consultants Cambridge Systematics and in consultation with area localities, the TTC, and local VDOT/DRPT stakeholders, developing the Travel Demand Model that will be used to evaluate scenarios and inform the pending LRTP update process.

The Travel Demand Model development process has been actively underway over the last

approximate 20 months and has included such actions as the CVTPO approval of the Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ) Structure, an approval action taken at the June 15, 2023 CVTPO meeting, approving the makeup (population, households, and employment units) and individual boundaries for the 275 zones that comprise the CVTPO area. Throughout the Travel Demand Model development process, there have been monthly meetings with VDOT Central office, VDOT Lynchburg/Salem District and CVTPO staff, and Cambridge Systematic consultants.

Fing Liu, Principal, Cambridge Systematics will provide an overview of the Travel Model and how this tool will be used in executing the pending LRTP 2050 Update.

Throughout the Travel Model update process, the Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) has participated in the process and, importantly, at the November 14, 2024 meeting recommended CVTPO approval of the CVTPO Travel Demand Model, as presented by VDOT Central Office and Cambridge Systematics, to be used in the CVTPO Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 Update.

Recommendation: CVTPO motion to adopt the use of the updated Travel Demand Model for the CVTPO Long-Range Transportation Plan 2050 Update Resolution (*Attachment 4*).

5. FY25 Work Program Update (*all items informational*)

a. Route 221 Corridor Study

A project meeting was held with locality and VDOT partner stakeholders October 29th, representing the first full technical stakeholder meeting. EPR presented existing safety data, study area locations within VDOT Potential Safety Improvement (PSI) and Pedestrian Bicycle Safety Action Plan (PBSAP), reviewed traffic operations/movements, confirmed future conditions/impacts on future traffic volumes, and finally reviewed/discussed preliminary improvement concepts. The meeting was well attended and there was a concurrence on EPR direction in developing corridor recommendations.

ERP will undertake more detailed analysis on some of the preliminary recommendation options presented to the Technical Stakeholder Team at the October 29th meeting in December. A second project public meeting is anticipated for February, with a final draft for the CVTPO in April/May 2025.

b. Intersection Safety Study (*Attachment 5b*)

The Draft CVTPO Select Intersection Study, a plan that evaluates current conditions and consider safety recommendations at six (6) locations (below), document has been completed and provided to the Bedford, Amherst, VDOT Lynchburg and Salem District Project Team in early November. Attachment 5b provides the location of study locations, including two sites eliminated from the study and two sites added as direct locality request.

EPR is incorporating comments and will have a Draft for the TTC and CVTPO at the January 2025 meeting.

c. Lynchburg City Multimodal Plan

Consultant Timmons Group are continuing to execute the Lynchburg Multimodal Plan. The project website and public survey will launch the third week of November. The Lynchburg Multimodal Plan – Transportation Network Survey is available at: [Lynchburg Multimodal Plan - Transportation Network Survey](#). A summary of findings will be presented at the January CVTPO meeting.

Recommendation: Recommendation: Take and share with colleagues, friends, and family the [Lynchburg Multimodal Plan – Transportation Network Survey](#). The survey is quick and easy.

d. U.S. DOT Thriving Communities Program – 12 Street Focus Area

The USDOT Thriving Communities Complete Neighborhoods Community Workplan for Lynchburg, the Work Scope that defined the primary goal and outcomes to be accomplished over the three-year project. Focus on developing a implementation roadmap to advance corridor improvements and assist in guiding Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) policy instrument, to include zoning, design and funding mechanisms, to advance redevelopment that support the City’s Comprehensive and Diamond Hill Neighborhood plans.

The CVPDC, Lynchburg and GLTC project partners anticipate the project, with the UDDOT Scope and program activity approval, to begin in earnest in February/March 2025.

6. Opportunity for Public Comment

The CVTPO meetings are open to the public. At this time any public participant is provided an opportunity to address the CVTPO. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per individual.

7. Matters from the Board and/or Staff (all items informational)

a. State, Federal, Local agency partner updates

A time for VDOT, DRPT, FHWA, FTA, GLTC partners to share program information.

b. Other

Open discussion opportunity.

8. Central Virginia Safety Action Plan (informational)

The Central Virginia Safety Action Plan project has completed a lot of outreach activity in the last two months. Staff/stakeholder meetings were held with Amherst County (10/4/24), Appomattox County (10/4/24), Campbell County (10/10/24) and Bedford County (10/10/24). During these meetings each locality was provided detailed data evaluations (crash, High Injury Network, USDOT Environmental Justice factors), review of potential evaluation locations, and importantly, information on additional known roadway/sidewalk conflict locations in each area from meeting participants.

The Central Virginia Safety Action Plan Survey is open, with advertising and outreach coordination with localities and area organizations. A second promotional push in mid-November will take place. Additionally, the consultants and CVPDC staff have attended Bedford Town Center Fest, Amherst County High School Football game, Bedford Forest Farmers Market, and Amherst County Senior Lunch to hear directly from residents about

areas of concern.

The next Safety Action Plan Committee Meeting will be held December 12, 2024 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Additionally, a Central Virginia Transportation Safety Summit will be held at the end of January.

Recommendation: Take and share with colleagues, friends, and family the Central Virginia Safety Action Plan Survey (<https://eprpc.mysocialpinpoint.com/cvtpo-ss4a/cvtpo-ss4a-map#/>). The easy and interactive survey (you can drag and put locations on a map) is quick and all participants are eligible for local prizes.

9. Adjourn

Informational Item

The next CVTPO meeting will be Thursday, January 16, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. This meeting will precede the 5:00 p.m. CVPDC meeting.