

RRTPO TAC Meeting  
April 14, 2026  
VDOT Richmond District Updates

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**Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB)**

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[Draft Minutes CTB Workshop Meeting - March 2026](#)

- The link above will take you to the presentations given at the March 17<sup>th</sup> CTB Meeting.
- **Below are the Workshop Items Related to the Richmond District:**
  - Commonwealth Transportation Fund (CTF) Overview Revenues and Allocations
    - Major State Revenue Sources – These are deposited to the CTF after required off-the-top distributions. The remaining funds are split between the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund (HMOF) and Transportation Trust Fund (TTF):
      - International Registration Plan
      - Motor Vehicle License Fees
      - Tax on Motor Fuels
      - Highway Use Fee
      - Motor Vehicle Sales and Use Tax
      - Retail Sales and Use Tax
      - Recordation Taxes
      - Motor Vehicle Rental Tax
      - Insurance Premium Taxes
    - Richmond District Regional Revenue Source:
      - Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA)
        - ❖ Sales Tax on Motor Fuels – 9.3 Cents per Gallon of Gasoline; 9.4 Cents per Gallon of Diesel
        - ❖ Local Retail Sales Tax – 0.7%
    - Richmond District Major Bond Programs:
      - Federal Transportation Grant Anticipation Revenue Notes (GARVEE Bonds)
        - ❖ Financing Specific Federal-Aid Projects
        - ❖ These are supported by future federal funds; projects must meet a VTrans Need or be eligible for the Interstate Operations and Enhancement Program.
    - Major Federal Revenues:
      - FHWA – Federal Highway Administration
      - FTA – Federal Transit Administration
      - FRA – Federal Railroad Administration
    - Major Transportation Allocations:
      - HMOF – Supports maintenance and operations, financial assistance to localities, certain administrative costs, and support for other agencies.
      - TTF – This is distributed to the various modes of travel including 53% for Construction Programs. Funds available for Construction are as follows:
        - ❖ State of Good Repair Purposes – 30%
        - ❖ High-Priority Projects Program (HPPP) – 20%
        - ❖ Highway Construction District Grant Program (DGP) – 20%
        - ❖ Interstate Operations and Enhancement Program – 20%
        - ❖ Virginia Highway Safety Improvement Program – 10%
  - VDOT FY2026 Emergency Response Budget
    - VDOT budgeted \$225 million in FY2026 for emergency response, which includes winter weather operations.
    - VDOT continues to collect invoices from the statewide storms, but current expenditures exceed the budget.
    - Current estimated anticipated cost is \$385 million, resulting in a deficit of \$160 million.

- VDOT has taken many administrative actions/strategies and identified potential savings in the Maintenance and Operations Program to address these budget concerns.
- Thus far, VDOT's efforts have identified an estimated \$35 million in administrative and other savings as well as another \$35 million in savings from the Maintenance and Operations Program.
- SMART SCALE Overview
  - SMART SCALE is designed to accomplish the following:
    - Get the maximum Return on Investment out of limited state dollars.
    - Balances spending across the state.
    - Rewards districts that collaborate around submissions and project design (district, MPOs, and localities).
    - Acknowledges that different regions have different priorities and needs.
  - However, there are some concerns that have been raised with SMART SCALE such as the following:
    - Rewards smaller projects (<\$25M) with big impacts and rewards applicants who leverage their own financing to bring down the ask to SMART SCALE.
    - Since SMART SCALE balances spending across the state, it makes it harder to invest in very large (\$100M+) projects.
  - SMART SCALE covers two components within the TTF: High Priority Projects (HPP) and District Grants Program (DGP).
    - HPP eligible projects are of regional or statewide significance, such as projects that reduce congestion or increase safety, accessibility, environmental quality, or economic development.
    - Furthermore, HPP projects must address a need on a Corridor of Statewide Significance (CoSS) or a Regional Network Need in VTrans.
  - The Richmond District has approximately \$104.9 million in DGP funds available.
  - All projects that received HPP Funding in SMART SCALE Round 6 were either VTrans Need Priority 1 or 2 and had a cost estimate between \$10 million and \$50 million.
  - During the CTB meeting, three (3) different scenarios were presented to understand if the scoring/funding outcomes would have been impacted during Round 6.

[Draft Minutes CTB Action Meeting - March 2026](#)

- The link above will take you to the action/agenda items discussed and voted upon during the March 18<sup>th</sup> CTB Meeting.
- **Below are the Action Items Related to the Richmond District:**
  - Action on Revised FY2026-2031 Six-Year Improvement Program Transfers January 17, 2026, through February 20, 2026
    - Issue: Each year the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) must adopt a Six-Year Improvement Program (Program) in accordance with statutes and federal regulations. Throughout the year, it may become necessary to transfer funds between projects to have allocations available to continue and/or initiate projects and programs adopted in the Program. There were five (5) UPC Projects within the Richmond District that were impacted. They are as follows:
      - Recipient UPC Number: 115407
        - ❖ Recipient UPC Description: Richmond DGQ Deallocation Balance Entry
        - ❖ Transfer Amount: \$183,307
        - ❖ Total Allocation: \$7,064,926
        - ❖ Comments: Transfer of surplus funds recommended by District from the District DGP Deallocation Balance Entry line item to fund a scheduled project. Cumulative DGP/HPP change exceeds threshold and requires CTB approval.
      - Recipient UPC Number: 120383
        - ❖ Recipient UPC Description: #OTHERINT – I-295 – SSP Route – Exit 43 to 53.5 Richmond
        - ❖ Transfer Amount: \$542,965
        - ❖ Total Allocation: \$3,152,965
        - ❖ Comments: Transfer of surplus funds recommended by District and Traffic Operations Division from the Statewide Interstate Corridor Operations Plan Balance Entry line item an underway project and a completed project to fund an underway project.
      - Recipient UPC Number: 120467
        - ❖ Recipient UPC Description: #OTHERINT – I-295 – CCTV Cameras
        - ❖ Transfer Amount: \$627,000
        - ❖ Total Allocation: \$3,089,702
        - ❖ Comments: Transfer of surplus funds recommended by District and Traffic Operations Division from the Statewide Interstate Corridor Improvement

Program Balance Entry line item and completed projects to fund an underway project.

- Recipient UPC Number: 124525
  - ❖ Recipient UPC Description: #SS – Benjamin Harrison Thyristor Drive Materials
  - ❖ Transfer Amount: \$1,466,700
  - ❖ Total Allocation: \$3,466,700
  - ❖ Comments: Transfer of surplus funds recommended by District and Asset Management Division from the Special Structure Fund Balance entry to fund an underway project.
- Recipient UPC Number: 127235
  - ❖ Recipient UPC Description: #ITTF26 – Advanced Roadway Technology
  - ❖ Transfer Amount: \$2,500,000
  - ❖ Total Allocation: \$22,169,998
  - ❖ Comments: Transfer of surplus funds recommended by District and Traffic Operations Division from the Statewide ITTF Balance Entry line item to fund an underway project.
- Recommendations: VDOT recommends the approval of the transfers exceeding the established thresholds from donor projects to projects that meet the CTB's statutory requirements and policy goals.
- Result: Transfers were approved, unanimously.
- Bids for March CTB Action Meeting
  - Issue: Two bids were recommended for award within the Richmond District. They are as follows:
    - UPC 127956: 2026 Plant Mix – Interstate – Districtwide (Central)
      - ❖ Low Bid: \$7,828,777
    - UPC 127957: 2026 Plant Mix – Interstate – Districtwide (North)
      - ❖ Low Bid: \$5,366,777
  - Recommendations: Award Order Number 480 and Order Number 481.
  - Result: Motion carried, both bids approved unanimously.

#### CTB – Next Meeting (VDOT Auditorium)

- Workshop Meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 AM.
- Action Meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 AM.

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### *Funding & Programming Activities\**

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- Transportation Alternatives & Revenue Sharing (FY27 – FY32 SYIP)
  - Transportation Alternatives recommendations will be in the draft SYIP in the Spring.
  - Revenue Sharing discussion is anticipated on the CTB agenda in April.
- SMART SCALE - Round 7
  - April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, at 5:00 PM was the Deadline for the Round 7 Pre-Application Submission.
  - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, will be when Round 7 Full Applications Open.
  - June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, will be the Round 7 Full Application Training from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM hosted by the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIP). You can register for this event by clicking on the following [WebEx Link](#).
  - August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, will be when Round 7 Full Applications Close.
  - If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Naomi Siodmok ([Naomi.Siodmok@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:Naomi.Siodmok@vdot.virginia.gov)).

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### *Key Projects / Status and Schedule*

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- Fall Line Trail
  - VDOT Design-Build Package:
    - DB#2 (Patton Park to W Hundred Rd/Chester Linear Park, UPC 121511) –
      - Construction is planned to start in October of 2026.
      - Design approval phase is ongoing. ROW acquisition phase has begun.
- Powhite Parkway Extension Toll Removal Project
  - District is working with VDOT Tolling on the methods to procure the facilities demolition and

- roadway contractors.
- Demolition, Maintenance of Traffic, and Roadway designs are underway.
- Current schedule is to advertise in September 2026 and begin work early 2027.
- [Powhite Parkway Project Environmental Impact Statement - Chesterfield County](#)
  - Powhite Parkway Extension NEPA Study (UPC 122800)
  - Progressing toward a Draft Environmental Impact Statement, anticipated in mid-2026.
- [I-64 Gap Widening Project](#)
  - [Segment A](#) – MM 204.9 to MM 215.6 in New Kent County (UPC 122805)
    - Project is under active construction.
    - Estimated completion is Summer 2027.
  - [Segment B](#) – MM 215.6 to MM 224.3 in New Kent County (UPC 123831)
    - Project is under active construction.
    - Estimated completion is Summer 2029.
  - [Segment C](#) – MM 224.3 to MM 233.3 in James City County/Hampton Roads District (UPC 123129 & 123832)
    - Project is under active construction.
    - Estimated completion is Fall 2027.
  - Speed enforcement for the I-64 widening construction zone is actively in effect within the Segment A limits (New Kent County). James City County has a pending application with the Residency to enforce the speed limit for Segment C.

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### ***[Upcoming Public Hearings/Citizen Information Meetings \(Calendar\)](#)***

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- [Event Details | Hull Street Road intersection improvements at Woodlake Village Parkway in Chesterfield County | Virginia Department of Transportation](#)
  - **Date & Time:** April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 5:00 PM – 6:30 pm
  - **Location:** Clover Hill Elementary School – 5700 Woodlake Village Parkway, Midlothian, VA 23112
  - **Meeting Information:** Find out about the proposed plans for U.S. 360 (Hull Street Road) intersection improvements at Woodlake Village Parkway in Chesterfield County. The purpose of the project is to provide operational and pedestrian improvements at the intersection to enhance safety. Construction includes adding an additional left turn lane on southbound Woodlake Village Parkway and extending the left turn storage length on eastbound Hull Street Road. Additional improvements include installing pedestrian crosswalks and a median refuge island across the west leg of the intersection.
  - **Contact Information:** Give your written or oral comments at the meeting or submit them no later than May 10, 2026, to Olena Fecek ([olena.fecek@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:olena.fecek@vdot.virginia.gov)).

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### ***[Upcoming Training Opportunities – Business Opportunity & Workforce Development \(BOWD\) \(Calendar\)](#)***

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- [Local Assistance Division events | Project Management Milestone Series – 60% Plan Review | Virginia Department of Transportation](#)
  - **Date & Time:** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
  - **Location:** Richmond District Office, Hawthorne Training Room – 2430 Pine Forest Drive, Colonial Heights, VA, 23834
  - **Meeting Information:** Join us for this next installment of our milestone series where subject matter experts will discuss what is expected and needed for 60% plan submittals. This training will be held in person but an online option will be available.
  - **Contact Information:** Amy Ettinger – [amy.ettinger@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:amy.ettinger@vdot.virginia.gov)

\*Willingness to Hold a Public Hearing: A public hearing is held if a written request is made and contact by VDOT cannot resolve the questions and concerns.