TO: CHAIRMAN SMEDBERG AND THE VRE OPERATIONS BOARD
FROM: DOUG ALLEN
DATE: APRIL 19, 2013
RE: APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF VRE PROJECT LIST TO THE NVTA FOR FY2014 FUNDING CONSIDERATION

RECOMMENDATION:

The VRE Operations Board is being asked to recommend the Commissions approve the submission of the attached list of VRE projects to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) for consideration for funding in fiscal year (FY) 2014.

BACKGROUND:

The passage of House Bill (HB) 2313 requires the NVTA to fund highway projects that have been both included in TransAction 2040 and evaluated for congestion relief and emergency evacuation by VDOT according to Virginia Code §33.1-13.03:1 or mass transit capital projects that increase capacity, though the VDOT evaluation does not apply to those funds received in FY2014.

As NVTA prepares for the incoming regional funds they are developing a list of highway and transit projects for consideration for FY2014 funding and have requested agencies and jurisdictions submit candidate transit projects for inclusion on the list. The request is only for FY2014 funds; NVTA will be considering project selection and implementation for future years as part of the working group process they will be initiating.
NVTA has requested submission of transit projects to be considered by 4PM, Friday, April 19th. Staff will compile a draft project list for discussion at the April 25th NVTA Board meeting. The NVTA Board will determine the final project list to release for public comment at an as yet to be determined public hearing.

The following VRE projects increase VRE capacity and are recommended to be forwarded to NVTA for consideration. The costs are preliminary estimates. Detailed budgets will be developed if the project is selected for funding.

1. VRE rolling stock purchase (9 additional coaches at $2.2M each)
2. VRE Gainesville-Haymarket Extension project development, NEPA and preliminary engineering study ($1.5M)
3. VRE Alexandria station tunnel and platform improvements ($1.3M additional funding to complete the project)
4. VRE Crystal City platform expansion ($4.0M)
5. VRE Lorton station second platform ($7.9M additional funding to complete the project)
6. VRE Rippon station second platform ($10.9M)

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The submission of a project list has no fiscal impact. If selected for funding, the NVTA funds would allow currently identified projects to be completed or initiated on an accelerated scheduled.
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RESOLUTION
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OF THE
VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

WHEREAS, the passage of House Bill (HB) 2313 requires the NVTA to fund
highway projects that have been both included in TransAction 2040 and
evaluated for congestion relief and emergency evacuation by VDOT or mass
transit capital projects that increase capacity; and,

WHEREAS, as NVTA is developing a list of highway and transit projects for
consideration for FY2014 funding; and,

WHEREAS, NVTA has requested agencies and jurisdictions submit candidate
transit projects for inclusion on the list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board
recommends the Commissions approve the submission of the attached list of
VRE projects to the NVTA for consideration for funding in FY2014.

Approved this 19th day of April 2013

[Signature]
Paul Smedberg
Chairman

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John Cook
Secretary
VRE CAPACITY-EXPANSION PROJECTS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR NVTA FY2014 FUNDING

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