



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

VRE OPERATIONS BOARD MEETING

June 21, 2024

Operations Board Meeting - 9:00 am CEO Evaluation Committee Meeting – Following the Operations Board Meeting

**PRTC Headquarters
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192**

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Safety Moment
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of Minutes from the May 17, 2024 VRE Operations Board meeting and the June 7, 2024, Special All-Virtual Operations Board Meeting
6. Chair's Comments
7. Chief Executive Officer's Report
8. Virginia Railway Express Riders' and Public Comment
9. Closed Session
10. Action Items



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

- A. Authorization to Execute a Sole Source Contract for New Locomotive Fuel Injectors
 - B. Authorization to Execute an Enterprise Services Sales Order to Upgrade VRE's Communications Infrastructure
 - C. *Authorization to Execute an Agreement with the Maryland Transit Administration and to Amend the VRE Tariff for the Reinstatement of the MARC/VRE Cross Honor Agreement***
11. Information Items
- A. Spending Authority Report
 - B. FY26 Budget Discussion
12. Operations Board Member's Time
-

**The Next VRE Operations Board Meeting
July 19, 2024 - 9:00 am at PRTC**



MINUTES

VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS OPERATIONS BOARD MEETING

May 17, 2024

14700 Potomac Mills Road, Woodbridge, VA 22192

Members Present

*Sarah Bagley (NVTC)
*Meg Bohmke (PRTC)
*Margaret Franklin (PRTC) **
*Monica Gary (PRTC)
*Tom Gordy (PRTC)
*Lori Hayes (PRTC)
*Jannan W. Holmes (PRTC)
*Takis Karantonis (NVTC) ‡
*Michael McLaughlin (VPRA)
*Ralph Smith (PRTC)

Jurisdiction

City of Alexandria
Stafford County
Prince William County
Stafford County
Prince William County
Spotsylvania County
City of Fredericksburg
Arlington County
Commonwealth of Virginia
City of Manassas

Members Absent

Andrea O. Bailey (PRTC)
Alanna Mensing (PRTC)
Daniel G. Storck (NVTC)
James Walkinshaw (NVTC)

Prince William County
City of Manassas Park
Fairfax County
Fairfax County

Alternates Present

Pam Sebesky (PRTC)

City of Manassas

Alternates Absent

Canek Aguirre (NVTC)
Tinesha Allen (PRTC)
Victor Angry (PRTC)
Kenny Boddye (PRTC)
Deborah Frazier (PRTC)
Libby Garvey (NVTC)
Will Mackintosh (PRTC)
Darryl Moore (PRTC)
Emily Stock (DRPT)
Pamela Yeung (PRTC)

City of Alexandria
Stafford County
Prince William County
Prince William County
Spotsylvania County
Arlington County
City of Fredericksburg
City of Manassas Park
Commonwealth of Virginia
Stafford County

*Voting Member

**Arrived/departed following the commencement of the Operations Board Meeting. Notation of exact arrival/departure time is included in the body of the minutes.

‡ Participated remotely via Webex in accordance with the Electronic Participation Policy

Staff and General Public

Rich Dalton – VRE
John Duque – VRE
Anaya Farah – VRE
Karen Finucan Clarkson - VRE
Scott Kalkwarf - NVTC
John Kerins - Keolis
Lezlie Lamb – VRE
Steve MacIsaac – VRE Chief Counsel

Kristin Nutter - VRE
Dallas Richards – VRE
Bob Schneider - PRTC
Mark Schofield – VRE
Dagmawie Shikurye – VRE
Alex Sugatan – VRE
Joe Swartz – VRE

Chair Bohmke called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.; the roll call followed.

Chair Bohmke informed the Board that Member Karantonis requested to participate remotely from Cincinnati, OH, where he attended a conference. Mr. Smith moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to approve Mr. Karantonis' remote participation. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Safety Moment – 3

VRE Chief Executive Officer Rich Dalton briefed attendees on safety procedures and assigned specific tasks to qualified staff members in case of an emergency.

Approval of the Agenda - 4

Ms. Holmes moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to approve the agenda as presented. There was no discussion on the motion. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Approval of the Minutes of the April 19, 2024 VRE Operations Board Meeting – 5

Mr. Smith moved, with a second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2024 VRE Operations Board meeting. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Chair's Comments – 6

Chair Bohmke thanked Vice Chair Bagley for running the April meeting in her absence. The Chair invited Board members and the public to the Fredericksburg Station Improvement Project Ribbon Cutting on Tuesday, May 21st at 10:00 a.m.

Chief Executive Officer's Report – 7

Mr. Dalton briefed the Operations Board on the following items of interest:

- Safety
 - Bike-to-Work Day
- Performance
 - Annual Customer Service Survey
- Ridership
- Special Events
 - Meet the Management
 - Fredericksburg Great Train Race
- MWCOG's Unified Vision for Transit in the DMV

[Ms. Franklin arrived at 9:14 a.m.]

Public Comment Time – 8

The Chair opened the floor for public comments. No speakers were present, and no written comments were submitted.

Closed Session – 9

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, Pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (Sections 2.2-3711.A(3), (6) and (8) of the Code of Virginia), that the VRE Operations Board convene a closed meeting for the purposes of (1) consultation with legal counsel regarding the terms of the Norfolk Southern Operating Access Agreement which require the provision of legal advice by counsel; (2) discussion of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose where discussion in public would adversely affect the negotiating strategy and bargaining position of the Commissions; and (3) discussion of the investment of public funds where bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected.

The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

The closed session convened at 9:24 a.m.

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, that the VRE Operations Board certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge and with no individual member dissenting, at the just concluded Closed Session:

1. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed; and,
2. Only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered.

The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

The open session reconvened at 10:08 a.m.

Recommend Authorization to Extend the Term of the Operating Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern – 9A

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Mr. Smith, to recommend the Commissions authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a letter of agreement to extend the term of the current Operating Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Action Items – 10

Recommend Authorization to Execute an Amendment for the Fifth Year of the Second Option Period of the Contract for Operating Services for Commuter Rail – 10A

Mr. Smith moved, with a second by Mr. Gordy, to recommend the Commissions authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment for the fifth year of the second option period of the contract for operating services for commuter rail. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Recommend Authorization to Execute an Amendment for the Fourth Year of the First Option Period of the Contract for Maintenance Services for Commuter Rail – 10B

Ms. Hayes moved, with a second by Ms. Holmes, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment for the fourth year of the first option period of the contract for maintenance services for commuter rail. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Amend the Contract for Maintenance and Service of Positive Train Control Software and Hardware – 10C

Ms. Holmes moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the contract for maintenance and service of Positive Train Control software and hardware. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Execute a Sole Source Contract for Window Gaskets for VRE Railcars – 10D

Ms. Gary moved, with a second by Ms. Holmes, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a sole source contract for window gaskets for VRE railcars. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Execute Contracts for the Delivery of Diesel Fuel for VRE Locomotives – 10E

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute contracts for the delivery of diesel fuel for VRE locomotives. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Issue a Program Management Consulting Services Task Order for Support for the L'Enfant Track and Station Improvements Project -10F

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to issue a PMC task order for the L'Enfant Track and Station Improvements Project. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Provide a Letter of Support for Prince William County's USDOT FY2023 ATIIP Grant Application – 10G

Ms. Franklin moved, with a second by Mr. Gordy, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to provide a letter of support for Prince William County's USDOT FY2023 ATIIP Grant Application. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Provide a Letter of Support for VPRA's CRISI Grant Application for Lorton to Route 1 Third Track and Railroad Bridges Over Route 1 -10H

Ms. Gary moved, with a second by Vice Chair Bagley, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to provide a letter of support for VPRA's CRISI Grant application for Lorton to Route 1 third track and railroad bridges over Route 1. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Authorization to Provide a Letter of Support for Amtrak's Application for Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program Funding for the Crystal City High Level Platform Project – 10I

Mr. Karantonis moved, with a second by Ms. Gary, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to provide a letter of support for Amtrak's application for CRISI funding for the Crystal City High Level Platform Project. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bohmke, Franklin, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, and Smith.

Information Items – 11

Spending Authority Report – 10A

The May 2024 Spending Authority Report outlined purchases greater than \$50,000 but less than \$200,000 made in April 2024.

Update on Midday Storage - 10B

VRE Chief Engineer Dallas Richards briefed the Board on the development of a future midday storage facility in the District of Columbia.

Members Time – 12

Ms. Bagley mentioned attending a Meet the Management event at the Alexandria station and plans to attend the Manassas Heritage Train Festival on June 1st. Mr. Smith reiterated Ms. Bagley's mention of the Manassas Heritage Train Festival and invited everyone to attend. Ms. Franklin thanked VRE staff for participating in the Woodbridge VRE station's Bike to Work Day event. Ms. Sebesky thanked the Board for their warm welcome at the Board meeting. Mr. McLaughlin stated that the VPRA Finance and Audit Committee met on May 16th and would recommend an FY25 Capital budget to the full Board at its June 4th meeting. Ms. Holmes reiterated the invitation to the Fredericksburg Station Improvement Project Ribbon-Cutting event on May 21st. Ms. Hayes stated the Spotsylvania County transportation staff is working to secure funding to upgrade the railroad crossing at Mine Road due to multiple incidents that have occurred recently. Mr. Dalton shared her concern and that VRE staff is planning some messaging campaigns at that location.

Approved this 21st day of June 2024

Meg Bohmke
Chair

Ralph Smith
Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This certification hereby acknowledges the minutes for the May 17, 2024 Virginia Railway Express Operations Board Meeting have been recorded to the best of my ability.



Lezlie M. Lamb



MINUTES
VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS OPERATIONS BOARD
SPECIAL ALL-VIRTUAL MEETING
June 7, 2024
14700 Potomac Mills Road, Woodbridge, VA 22192

Members Present

*Sarah Bagley (NVTC) ‡
*Andrea Bailey (PRTC) ‡**
*Monica Gary (PRTC) ‡
*Tom Gordy (PRTC) ‡**
*Lori Hayes (PRTC) ‡
*Jannan W. Holmes (PRTC) ‡
*Takis Karantonis (NVTC)
*Michael McLaughlin (VPRA) ‡
*Alanna Mensing (PRTC) ‡
*Ralph Smith (PRTC) ‡
*Daniel G. Storck (NVTC) ‡
*James Walkinshaw (NVTC) ‡

Members Absent

Meg Bohmke (PRTC)
Margaret Franklin (PRTC)

Alternates Present

Pam Sebesky (PRTC)

Alternates Absent

Canek Aguirre (NVTC)
Tinesha Allen (PRTC)
Victor Angry (PRTC)
Kenny Boddye (PRTC)
Deborah Frazier (PRTC)
Libby Garvey (NVTC)
Will Mackintosh (PRTC)
Darryl Moore (PRTC)
Emily Stock (DRPT)
Pamela Yeung (PRTC)

Jurisdiction

City of Alexandria
Prince William County
Stafford County
Prince William County
Spotsylvania County
City of Fredericksburg
Arlington County
Commonwealth of Virginia
City of Manassas Park
City of Manassas
Fairfax County
Fairfax County

City of Alexandria
Stafford County
Prince William County
Prince William County
Spotsylvania County
Arlington County
City of Fredericksburg
City of Manassas Park
Commonwealth of Virginia
Stafford County

*Voting Member

**Arrived/departed following the commencement of the Operations Board Meeting. Notation of exact arrival/departure time is included in the body of the minutes.

‡ Participated remotely via Webex in accordance with the Electronic Participation Policy

Staff

Trinette Broussard – VRE

John Duque – VRE

Steve MacIsaac – VRE Chief Counsel

Dallas Richards – VRE

Rich Dalton – VRE Chief Executive Officer

Anaya Farah – VRE

Kate Mattice – NVTC

Mark Schofield – VRE

Vice Chair Bagley called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m., followed by the roll call.

Following roll call, the Clerk asked members to confirm that no three members were participating from the same room. The members confirmed they were not together.

Public Comment Time – 3

The Vice Chair stated public comments for this meeting were taken electronically. Ms. Broussard indicated no written comments had been submitted.

Approval of the Agenda - 4

Mr. Karantonis moved, with a second by Ms. Hayes, to approve the agenda as presented. There was no discussion on the motion. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Gary, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, Mensing, Smith, Storck, and Walkinshaw.

Closed Session – 5

At 10:09 a.m., Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Ms. Hayes, that pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (Sections 2.2-3711.A(3), (6) and (8) of the Code of Virginia), the VRE Operations Board convene a closed meeting for the purposes of (1) consultation with legal counsel regarding the terms of the Norfolk Southern Operating Access Agreement which require the provision of legal advice by counsel; (2) discussion of the acquisition of real property for commuter rail service on the Norfolk Southern's Manassas Line where discussion in public would adversely affect the negotiating strategy and bargaining position of the Commissions; and (3) discussion of the investment of public funds where bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Gary, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, Mensing, Smith, Storck, and Walkinshaw.

[Ms. Bailey entered the virtual meeting.]

[Mr. Gordy entered the virtual meeting.]

Due to technical difficulties, Chief Counsel Steve MacIsaac proposed to retake the vote on the motion to convene a Closed Session by Vice Chair Bagley, including another roll call by the Board Clerk to ensure all members were accounted for, as some members joined after the initial roll call.

Upon recall of the roll, Members Bagley, Bailey, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, Mensing, Smith, Storck, and Walkinshaw cast votes in favor of convening a closed meeting.

The Closed Session convened at 10:21 a.m.

The Closed Session concluded at 11:07 a.m.

Vice Chair Bagley moved, with a second by Mr. Karantonis, to certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge and with no individual member dissenting, at the just concluded Closed Session: 1. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed; and, 2. Only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed or considered. The vote in favor was cast by Members Bagley, Bailey, Gary, Gordy, Hayes, Holmes, Karantonis, McLaughlin, Mensing, Smith, Storck and Walkinshaw.

Adjournment – 6

Vice Chair Bagley thanked the Members for their participation.

Vice Chair Bagley adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Approved this 21st day of June 2024

Meg Bohmke
Chair

Ralph Smith
Secretary

CERTIFICATION

This certification hereby acknowledges the minutes for the June 7, 2024 Special All-Virtual Virginia Railway Express Operations Board Meeting have been recorded to the best of my ability.

Trinette Broussard
Trinette Broussard

CEO REPORT

JUNE 2024



MISSION

The Virginia Railway Express, a joint project of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission and the Potomac Rappahannock Transportation Commission, will provide safe, cost-effective, accessible, reliable, convenient, and customer responsive commuter-oriented rail passenger service. VRE contributes to the economic vitality of its member jurisdictions as an integral part of a balanced, intermodal regional transportation system.



CEO REPORT | JUNE 2024

TABLE OF CONTENTS

SUCCESS AT A GLANCE..... 3

ON-TIME PERFORMANCE..... 4

AVERAGE DAILY RIDERSHIP 6

SUMMONSES ISSUED 7

TRAIN UTILIZATION 8

PARKING UTILIZATION..... 9

COMMUTER RAIL OPERATING AND CAPITAL (CROC) FUND REPORT 10

FACILITIES UPDATE 12

UPCOMING PROCUREMENTS 13

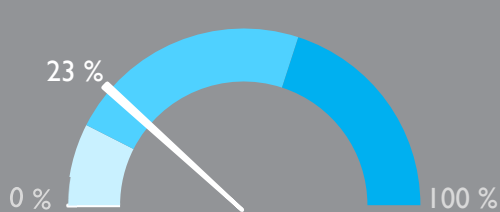
CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATES 14



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
A better way. A better life.

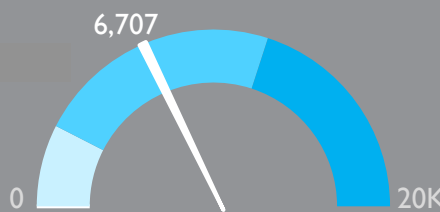


PERFORMANCE AT A GLANCE



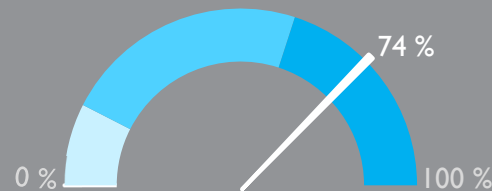
**PARKING
UTILIZATION**

The total number of parking spaces used in the VRE system during the month, divided by the total number of parking spaces available.



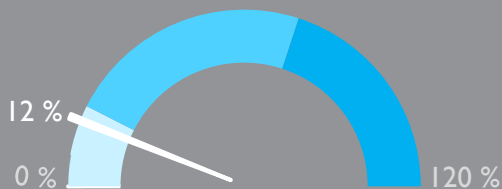
**AVERAGE DAILY
RIDERSHIP**

The average number of boardings each operating day inclusive of Amtrak Step-Up boardings and reduced, "S" schedule, service.
Same month, previous year: 6,151



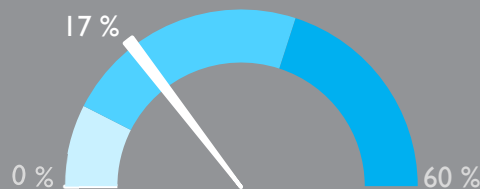
**ON-TIME
PERFORMANCE**

Percent of trains arriving at their destination within 5 minutes of the schedule.
Same month, previous year: 84%



SYSTEM CAPACITY

The percentage of peak hour train seats occupied. The calculation excludes reverse flow and non-peak hour trains.



OPERATING RATIO

Through April 2024

Year-to-date operating revenues divided by year-to-date operating expenses, which represents the share of operating costs paid by the riders.

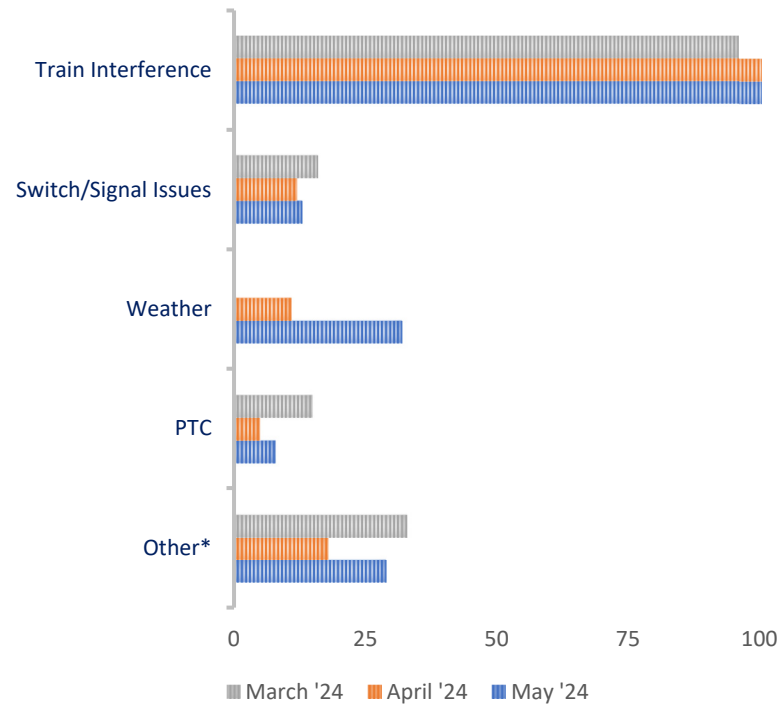
May 2024

ON-TIME PERFORMANCE

OUR RECORD

	May 2024	April 2024	May 2023
Manassas Line	70%	73%	84%
Fredericksburg Line	77%	78%	85%
Systemwide	74%	76%	84%

PRIMARY REASON FOR DELAY



VRE operated 704 trains in May. The on-time rate for the month was 74 percent.

One hundred eighty-four trains arrived more than 5 minutes late to their final destinations. Of those late trains, 104 were on the Manassas Line (57 percent), and 80 were on the Fredericksburg Line (43 percent). The average delay was 15 minutes. Thirteen trains were more than 30 minutes late to their destination station.

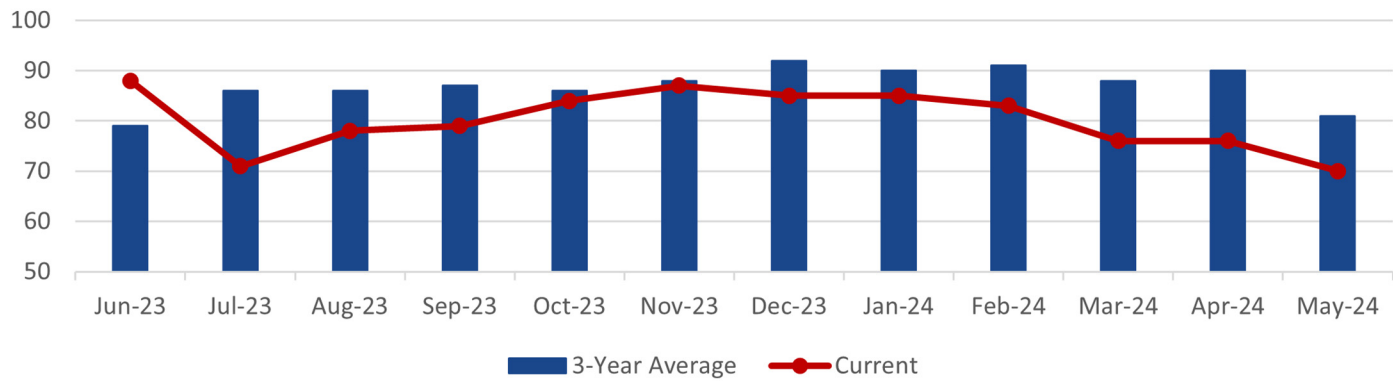
*Includes trains that were delayed due to operational testing and passenger handling.

LATE TRAINS

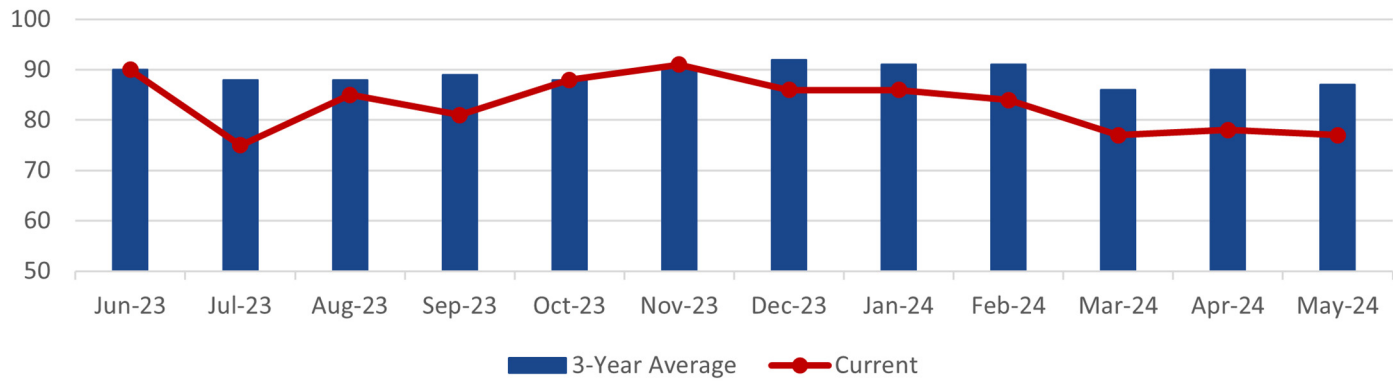
	System Wide			Fredericksburg Line			Manassas Line		
	Mar.	Apr.	May	Mar.	Apr.	May	Mar.	Apr.	May
Total late trains	160	171	184	78	77	80	82	94	104
Average minutes late	16	14	15	18	15	16	16	14	14
Number over 30 minutes	10	14	13	6	9	6	10	6	7
Heat restrictions	0	2	6	0	2	6	0	2	0

ON-TIME PERFORMANCE

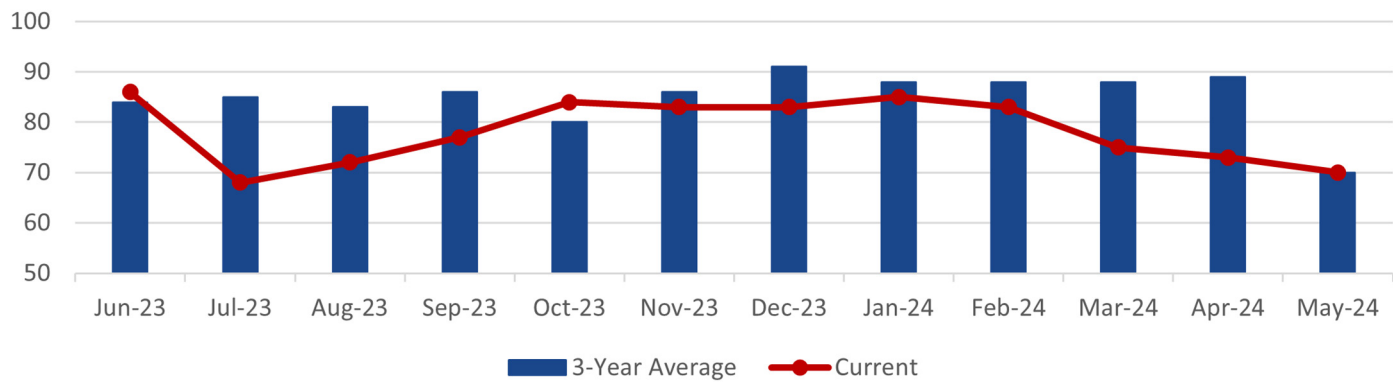
VRE SYSTEM



FREDERICKSBURG LINE

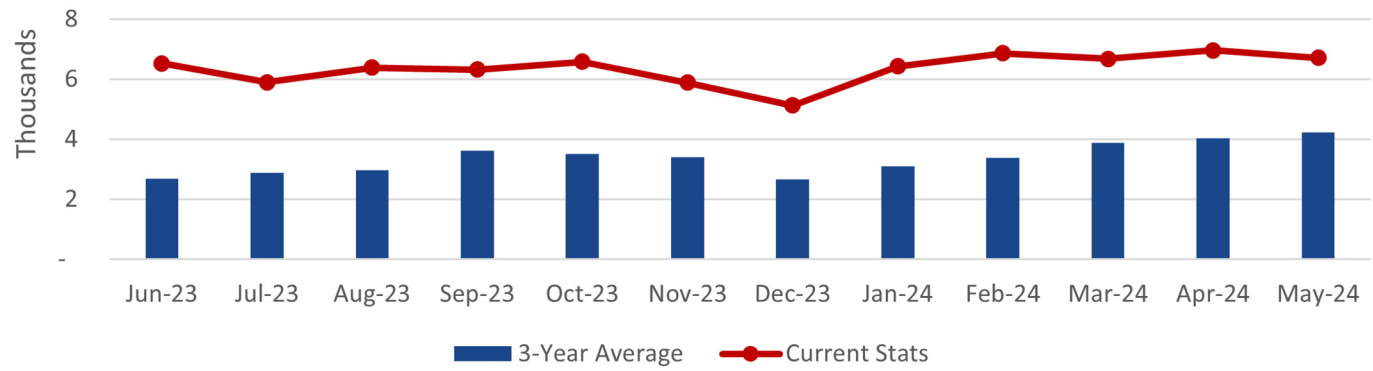


MANASSAS LINE

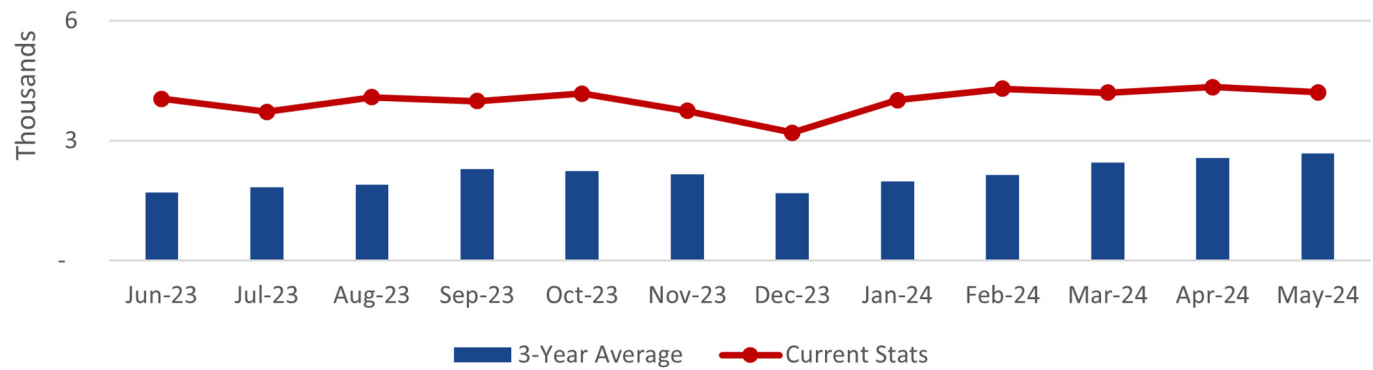


AVERAGE DAILY RIDERSHIP

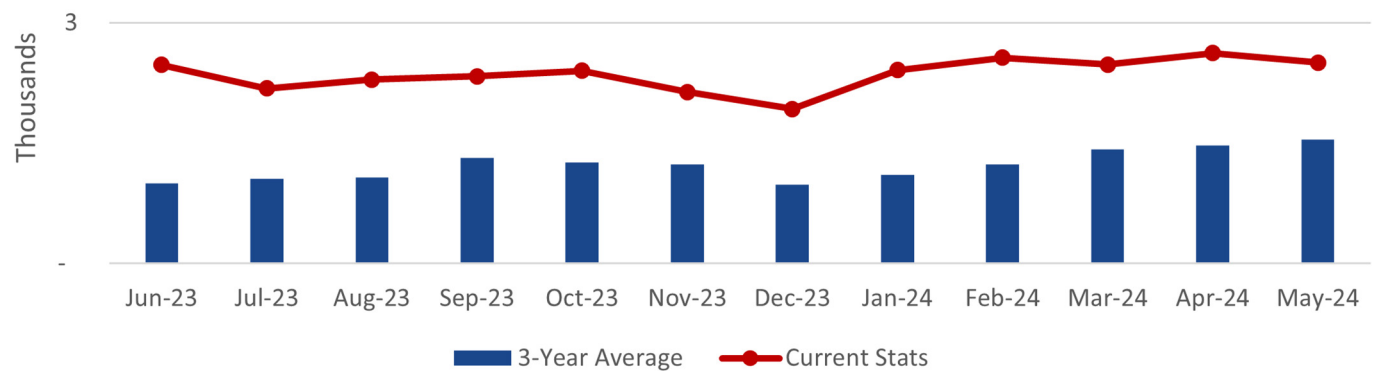
VRE SYSTEM



FREDERICKSBURG LINE



MANASSAS LINE



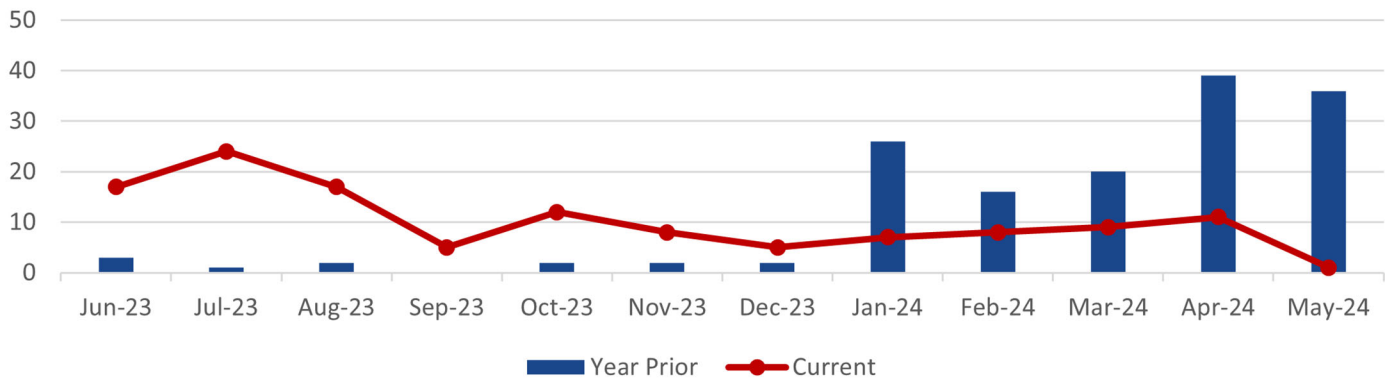
RIDERSHIP UPDATES

Average daily ridership for May was 6,707. There were 22 service days.

	May 2024	April 2024	May 2023
Monthly Ridership	147,561	153,139	135,314
Average Daily Ridership	6,707	6,961	6,151
Bicycles on Trains	1,467	1,290	1,674
Full Service Days	22	22	22
“S” Service Days	0	0	0

SUMMONSES ISSUED

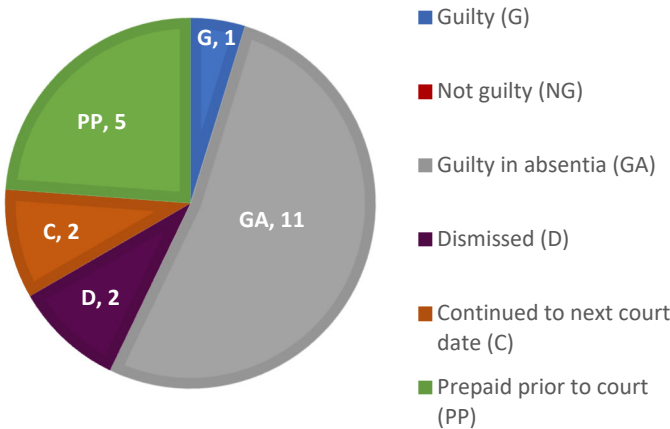
VRE SYSTEM



SUMMONSES WAIVED
OUTSIDE OF COURT

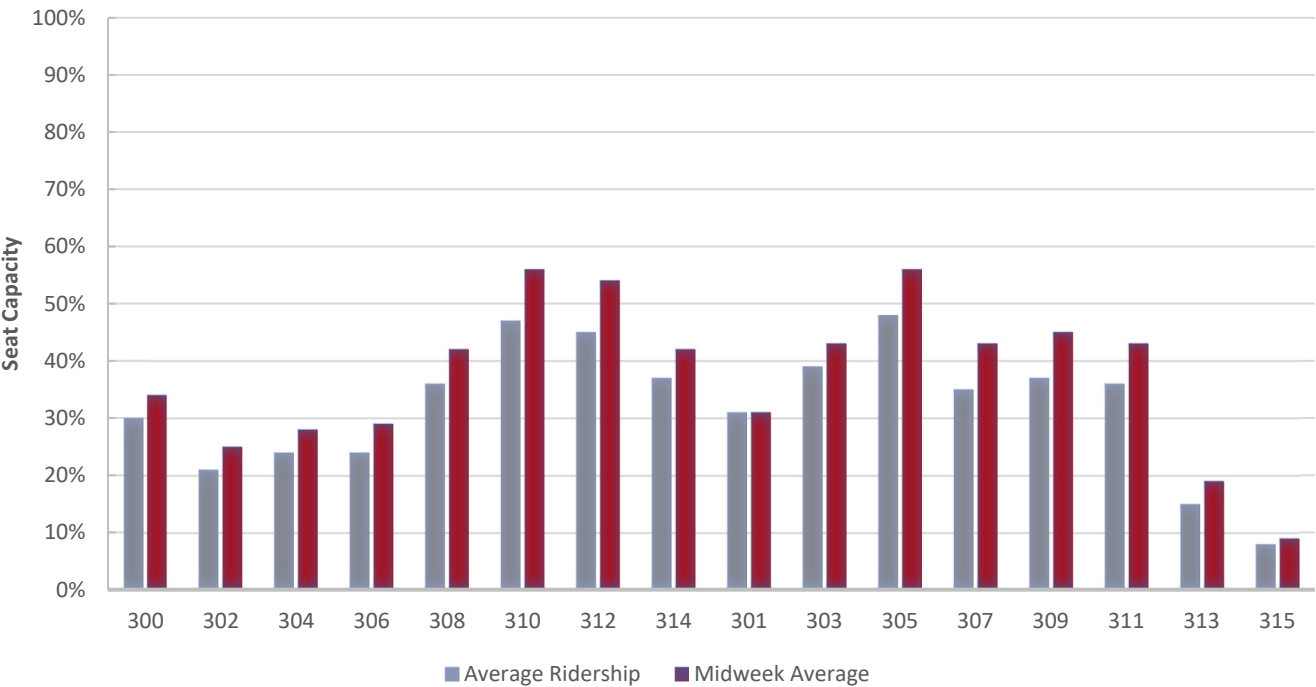
Reason for Dismissal	Occurrences
Passenger showed proof of a monthly ticket	1
One-time courtesy	0
Per the request of the conductor	0
Defective ticket	0
Per ops manager	0
Unique circumstances	0
Insufficient information	0
Lost and found ticket	0
Other	0
Total Waived	1

MONTHLY SUMMONSES
COURT ACTION

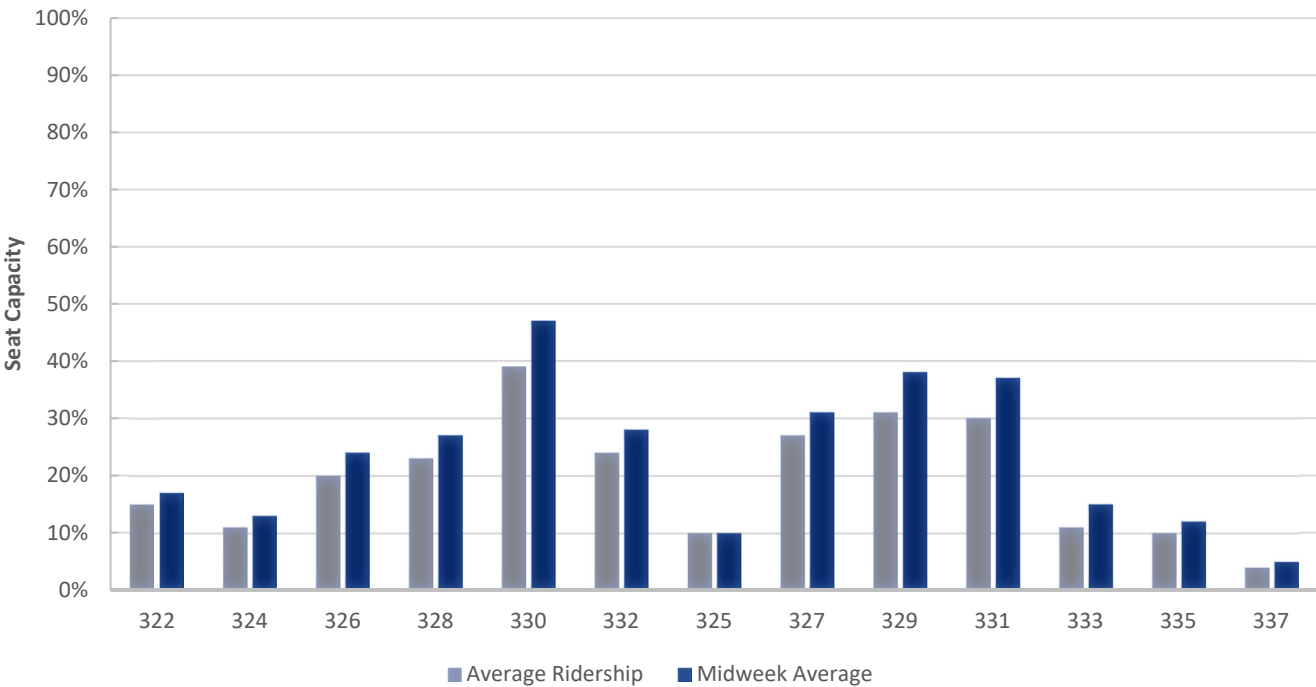


TRAIN UTILIZATION

FREDERICKSBURG LINE

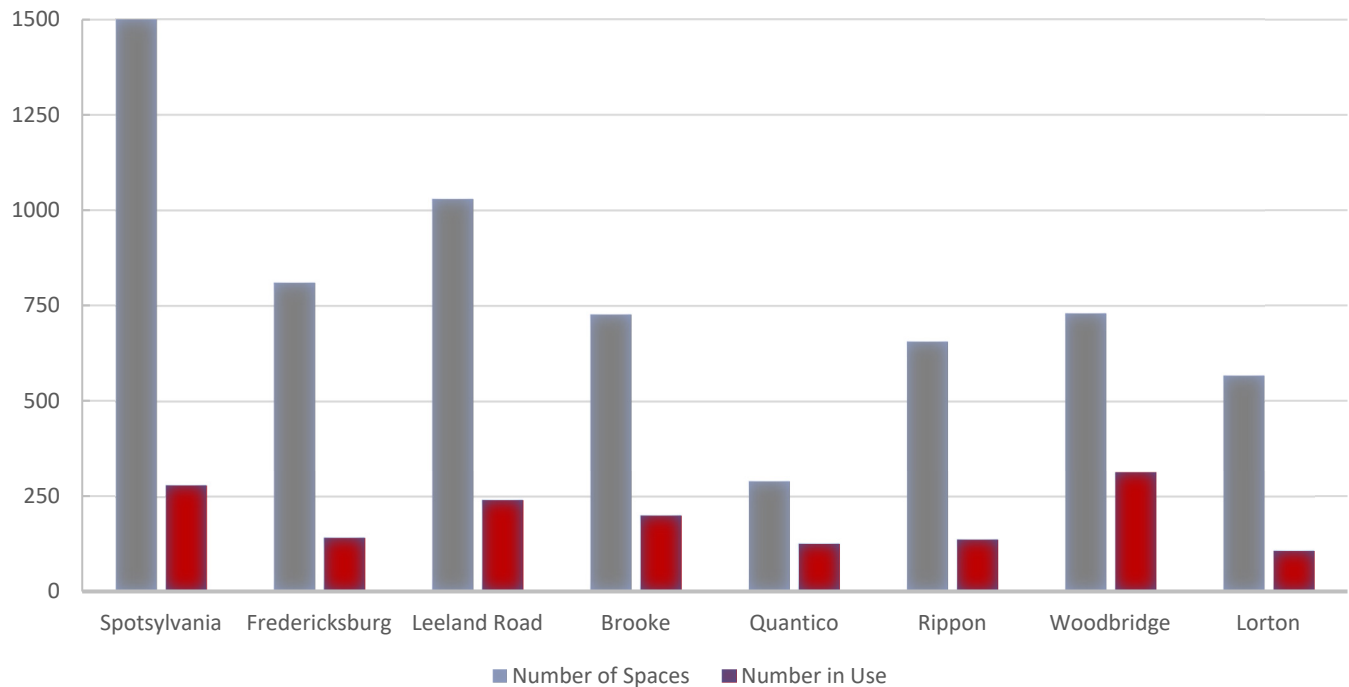


MANASSAS LINE

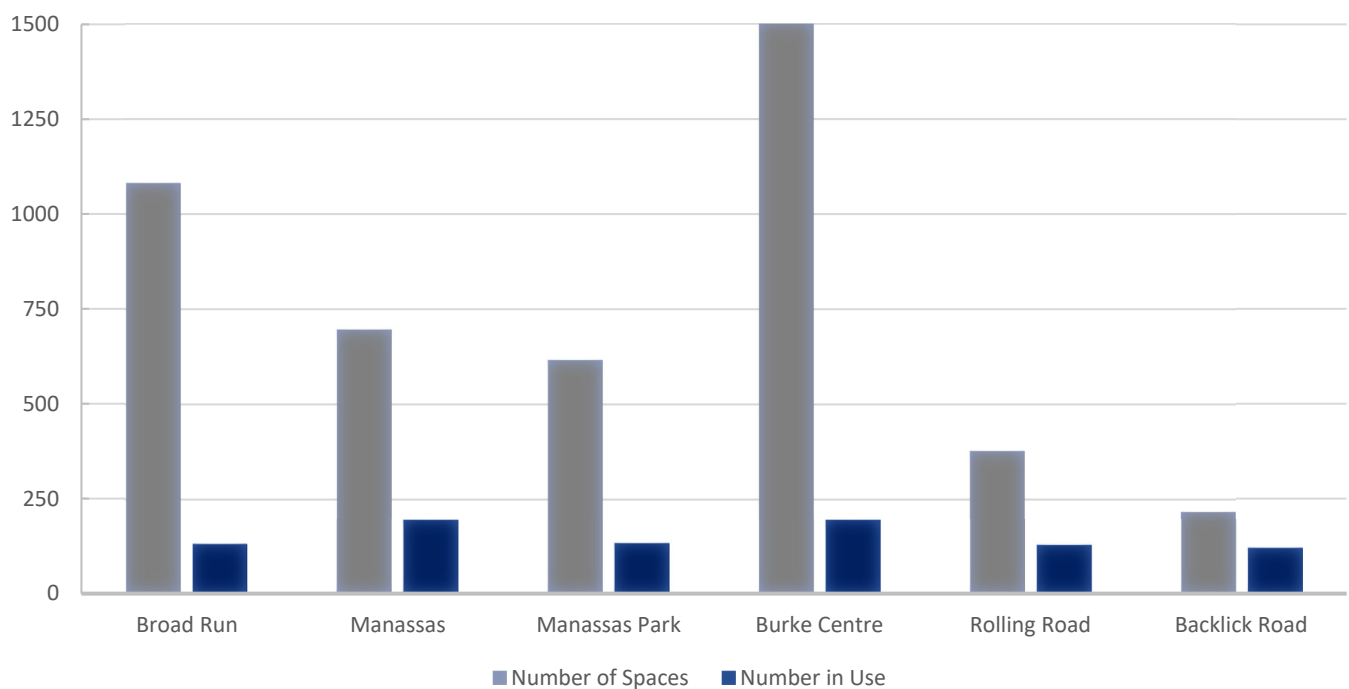


PARKING UTILIZATION

FREDERICKSBURG LINE



MANASSAS LINE



COMMUTER RAIL OPERATING AND CAPITAL (CROC) FUND REPORT

Background

Dedicated CROC funding for VRE began on July 1, 2018. The CROC Fund receives \$15 million annually from motor fuels taxes collected in the NVTC and PRTC regions. CROC funds are received from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and are held by NVTC for VRE in a separate account, in accordance with §33.2-1525.A of the Code of Virginia. The VRE Operations Board and Commissions approve the projects that are to be funded in whole or in part by the CROC, and VRE provides regular reporting on the CROC Fund, including disbursements received, amounts expended, the purpose of the expenditures, and investment and interest earnings.

CROC Fund as of March 31, 2024

A summary of the CROC Fund through the third quarter of FY 2024 is presented below. Due to lags in the determination of total fuel tax revenue by DMV and the transfer of funds from DMV to NVTC/VRE, total CROC funds received may be less than total funds earned. Interest earnings have been significantly higher in FY 2023-2024 than in previous years due to the overall rise in interest rates.

CROC Fund as of March 31, 2024

	Funds Earned	Funds Received	Interest Earned	Expenditures	CROC Account Balance (LGIP)
Previous Report (as of 3/31/23)	\$71,250,000	\$68,750,000	\$1,891,533	\$22,500,000	\$48,141,533
Current Report (as of 3/31/24)	\$86,250,000	\$83,750,000	\$5,585,032	\$41,998,857	\$47,336,175
<i>Change</i>	<i>\$15,000,000</i>	<i>\$15,000,000</i>	<i>\$3,693,499</i>	<i>\$19,498,857</i>	<i>(\$805,358)</i>

FY 2019-2021

The VRE Operations Board and the Commissions have previously approved the commitment of \$45 million in CROC funding to three key capital projects – \$15.0 million for the Crystal City Station Improvements project, \$26.1 million for the L'Enfant Station and Fourth Track project, and \$3.9 million for the Track 22 rehabilitation project at Washington Union Terminal in conjunction with Amtrak. This commitment reflects the first three years of CROC funding (FY 2019 through FY 2021). As of March 31, 2024, VRE has contributed \$3.2 million to the Track 22 project (leaving \$0.7 million still to be paid), which is reflected in the Expenditures in the table above. No expenditures have yet been incurred for the L'Enfant and Crystal City projects.

FY 2022-2031

In March 2021, VRE entered into a Funding Agreement with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), which was subsequently assigned to the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority (VPRA). The Funding Agreement commits VRE to use CROC funds to support the Commonwealth's Transforming Rail in Virginia (TRV) program in two ways – through the issuance of debt to assist in the CSXT right-of-way purchase, and through ten years of pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) contributions to the Long Bridge and other planned capital investments in the VRE service area.

In accordance with the requirements of the Funding Agreement, in June 2022, VRE and NVTC (with NVTC as the Issuer) closed the sale of *Transportation District Special Obligation Revenue Bonds (Transforming Rail in Virginia) Series 2022 (Green Bonds)*. The sale of these double-A rated tax-exempt bonds generated approximately \$119 million in net proceeds that were transferred to VPRA in July 2022 to assist in the purchase of the CSXT right-of-way.

The \$42.0 million of life-to-date expenditures noted in the table above includes (in addition to the Track 22 contributions already noted) \$3.75 million for the Revenue Stabilization Fund as part of the Series 2022 issuance; a \$7.5 million PAYGO payment to VPRA to support preliminary engineering and environmental review costs for Long Bridge; and \$27.50 million in required monthly transfers to U.S. Bank (the Series 2022 bond Trustee) for bond debt service and PAYGO payments to VPRA.



FACILITIES UPDATE

The following is a status update of VRE facilities projects.

Completed projects:

1. Replacement of elevator machine room HVAC unit at Franconia-Springfield station
2. Replacement of drainage outfall riprap at Woodbridge station
3. Improvements to various elements of Fredericksburg station



New entrance sign at Fredericksburg

Projects scheduled to be completed this quarter:

1. Replacement of stair tower and pedestrian bridge logo signs at Woodbridge station
2. Repairs to electrical conduits at Brooke station
3. Replacement of parking lot LED light fixtures at Spotsylvania station, contingent upon fixture delivery
4. Hydrostatic testing of dry standpipe systems at Woodbridge and Manassas station parking garages
5. Replacement/installation of pathfinder signage for multiple stations



Sealcoating & restriping at Fredericksburg

Projects scheduled to be initiated this quarter:

1. Minor repairs to concrete platform at Alexandria station
2. Replacement of LED lighting at Woodbridge station parking garage
3. Painting of warehouse and crew building exteriors at Crossroads MASF
4. Replacement of existing lighting with LED lighting at Manassas station parking garage
5. Repairs to steel railings at Burke Centre and Broad Run stations
6. Painting of Broad Run station

Ongoing projects:

1. Modernization of east elevator at Woodbridge station
2. Improvements to various elements of Quantico station
3. Improvements to various elements of Manassas Park station
4. Replacement of parking lot entrance signs at various stations

UPCOMING PROCUREMENTS

1. Locomotive AR-10 parts
2. State government relations services
3. Modernization of Woodbridge Station east elevator
4. Construction of Alexandria Station improvements
5. Broad Run and Crossroads security camera system power and network infrastructure upgrade
6. Locomotive master controllers
7. Passenger information and messaging system
8. Locomotive exterior painting services
9. Construction management services for the Crystal City Station improvements project
10. Construction management services for the Franconia-Springfield Station improvements project
11. Photography and videography services

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Project Name	Project Description	Current Phase	Budget	Project Notes
Alexandria Station Improvements	Passenger safety will be improved by replacing an at-grade pedestrian track crossing with elevators to connect the two platforms. The elevators and the current and proposed stairs, will connect to the existing tunnel between the two platforms. Adjustments to platform elevation will eliminate the need for step-boxes to access VRE and Amtrak trains. The center platform will be widened and lengthened to accommodate trains on both tracks.	Final Design	\$ 37,288,433.00	Task order issued for the unification of the King and Commonwealth bridge replacement designs with the Alexandria Station Improvement designs. Designer will unifying those projects under a single set of project documents. (June) VRE is progressing with resolution of comments on 90% station design and unification with King and Commonwealth bridge designs. (May)
Broad Run Expansion	To accommodate forecasted ridership growth and increase service reliability, improvements are needed at both the Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) and station. An enlarged MSF can store longer trains and additional equipment. That requires shifting the existing platform and adding a pedestrian tunnel between the platform and existing and proposed parking lots. A second, 600-space lot and third main track will be constructed.	Final Design	\$ 139,381,862.00	Advancing to 90% design based on recent value engineering efforts. Stakeholder coordination on property and permitting to continue in the coming months. (June) Hosted a follow-up meeting with Lumen on April 26 to discuss VRE property needs.. Continuing to coordinate with airport staff. (May)
Brooke Station Improvements	Design and construction of a platform extension up to 700 feet to accommodate full-length VRE trains.	Development	\$ 9,461,455.00	VRE has reengaged this project and returned it to the CIP budget for future years. Project schedule updates pending input from various stakeholders. (May/June)
Crossroads MSF Employee Parking	Design and construction of a permanent employee parking lot at VRE Crossroads Yard.	Final Design	\$ 7,365,765.00	Special use permit package was resubmitted to address remaining comments. Planning Committee review meeting should be scheduled sometime in July. (June) Design team is waiting on County review comments from the recent specail use permit applicaton resubmission. (May)
Crystal City Station Improvements	Improved station access and service reliability will result from a new station. The platform at the relocated station will allow for the simultaneous boarding of two full-length trains. The station's design will accommodate a future pedestrian/bicycle connection between the station and the airport.	Development	\$ 68,900,900.00	60% design review cycle complete. Station advancing to 90%. (June) VRE has received and is reviewing comments on the 60% design package from VPRA, CSX and Amtrak. (May)

- continued next page -

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Project Name	Project Description	Current Phase	Budget	Project Notes
Franconia-Springfield Station Improvements	Extended platforms will be able to accommodate eight-car trains, eliminating the need for passengers near the rear to move to a different railcar when disembarking. Enhanced passenger safety and reduced station dwell times will result. The longer platforms will increase operational flexibility and capacity. The design will allow for a future third mainline track.	Final Design	\$ 25,351,100.00	90% review cycle for the pedestrian underpass is complete. Designer working to unify previously developed platform extension design and more recently developed pedestrian underpass design into a single cohesive set of project documents. (June) VRE is consolidating the separately developed station and tunnel plans, and coordinating phasing with the adjacent third track project. (May)
Fredericksburg Station Rehabilitation	The rehabilitation of platforms, stairs and bridges will improve passenger safety and better accommodate the boarding and disembarking of riders from VRE and Amtrak trains. New stairs will allow passengers to move between the platform and a parking lot without crossing the street at grade level. New signage, sidewalks, lighting and paint are included, as is installation of a low-clearance warning sign to a bridge that has experienced numerous vehicle strikes.	Construction	\$ 11,480,622.00	Substantial completion achieved April 2024. (May/June)
HQ Office Renovations	The project will improve employee safety and security and maximize workspace efficiency at VRE Headquarters, and will include modifications to kitchen, supply room, mail room, bathroom/shower, office and cubicle areas in the north and south wings. The east wing will be modified to include additional offices.	Construction	\$ 250,000.00	Planning glass wall-enclosed work/meeting spaces adjacent to communications room. Researching available systems for review with upper management. (May/June)
Leeland Road Parking Improvements	This project will expand the surface parking lot at the Leeland Road station by approximately 225 spaces to accommodate future demand.	Development	\$ 12,044,433.00	The project is funded through Virginia SMART SCALE. Funding is allocated for FY20 and 22. A funding agreement is pending. (May/June)
Leeland Road Station Improvements	Design and construction of a platform extension to accommodate full-length VRE trains.	Development	\$ 10,361,037.00	VRE has reengaged this project and returned it to the CIP budget for future years. Project schedule updates pending input from various stakeholders. (May/June)
L'Enfant Track and Station Improvements	Expansion of the VRE L'Enfant Station to provide two platform edges and serve full-length trains. Add a new mainline track between LE and VA interlockings.	Development	\$ 110,857,683.00	A kick-off meeting was held with the PMC consultant (June) A signal design review agreement executed with CSX. (May)

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Project Name	Project Description	Current Phase	Budget	Project Notes
Alexandria Station Improvements	Passenger safety will be improved by replacing an at-grade pedestrian track crossing with elevators to connect the two platforms. The elevators and the current and proposed stairs, will connect to the existing tunnel between the two platforms. Adjustments to platform elevation will eliminate the need for step-boxes to access VRE and Amtrak trains. The center platform will be widened and lengthened to accommodate trains on both tracks.	Final Design	\$ 37,288,433.00	Task order issued for the unification of the King and Commonwealth bridge replacement designs with the Alexandria Station Improvement designs. Designer will unifying those projects under a single set of project documents. (June) VRE is progressing with resolution of comments on 90% station design and unification with King and Commonwealth bridge designs. (May)
Broad Run Expansion	To accommodate forecasted ridership growth and increase service reliability, improvements are needed at both the Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) and station. An enlarged MSF can store longer trains and additional equipment. That requires shifting the existing platform and adding a pedestrian tunnel between the platform and existing and proposed parking lots. A second, 600-space lot and third main track will be constructed.	Final Design	\$ 139,381,862.00	Advancing to 90% design based on recent value engineering efforts. Stakeholder coordination on property and permitting to continue in the coming months. (June) Hosted a follow-up meeting with Lumen on April 26 to discuss VRE property needs.. Continuing to coordinate with airport staff. (May)
Brooke Station Improvements	Design and construction of a platform extension up to 700 feet to accommodate full-length VRE trains.	Development	\$ 9,461,455.00	VRE has reengaged this project and returned it to the CIP budget for future years. Project schedule updates pending input from various stakeholders. (May/June)
Crossroads MSF Employee Parking	Design and construction of a permanent employee parking lot at VRE Crossroads Yard.	Final Design	\$ 7,365,765.00	Special use permit package was resubmitted to address remaining comments. Planning Committee review meeting should be scheduled sometime in July. (June) Design team is waiting on County review comments from the recent specail use permit applicaton resubmission. (May)
Crystal City Station Improvements	Improved station access and service reliability will result from a new station. The platform at the relocated station will allow for the simultaneous boarding of two full-length trains. The station's design will accommodate a future pedestrian/bicycle connection between the station and the airport.	Development	\$ 68,900,900.00	60% design review cycle complete. Station advancing to 90%. (June) VRE has received and is reviewing comments on the 60% design package from VPRA, CSX and Amtrak. (May)

- continued next page -

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Project Name	Project Description	Current Phase	Budget	Project Notes
Quantico Station Improvements	Service and safety will be enhanced through the construction of a new center platform, ADA-compliant pedestrian bridges, existing platform extension, and third track. These improvements will allow the station to accommodate additional passengers and more frequent and longer trains and operations flexibility with three boardable platform edges.	Construction	\$ 25,573,060.00	Construction to begin on station interior renovations including waiting room and public restrooms. (June) Site/civil/drainage coordinating with CSX track schedule. Substantial Completion anticipated April '24. Tower/ped bridge/utilities completion on going. (May)
Woodbridge Station Improvements	Expanded platforms will allow passengers to access trains from all station tracks.	Development	\$ 2,740,618.00	The scope and schedule for this project is being coordinated with the commonwealth's Transforming Rail in Virginia initiative, post-Phase 2 project. (May/Apr)

For more information about VRE capital projects, visit <https://projects.vre.org/list>

This page intentionally left blank



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS

1500 KING STREET, SUITE 202 • ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314 • 703.684.1001

VRE.ORG





VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 10-A
Action Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: Authorization to Execute a Sole Source Contract for New Locomotive Fuel Injectors

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Sole Source Contract with Progress Rail Locomotive Inc. of LaGrange, Illinois, for the purchase of New Locomotive Fuel Injectors in the amount of \$778,132, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$77,813, for a total amount not to exceed \$855,945.

Summary:

The Original Equipment Manufacturer of VRE's MP36PH-3C locomotives recommends the replacement of the electronic fuel injector assemblies after every three years of service. This contract will provide material for this recommended maintenance for VRE's fleet of 20 locomotives.

Background:

VRE purchased 20 MP36PH-3C locomotives from MotivePower, Inc. which were delivered in 2010-2011. MotivePower recommends replacing each locomotive's electronic fuel injector assemblies after every three years of service to maintain optimal performance and the engine's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Tier II certification. The locomotives are now approximately 12 years old, and it is time to remove and replace the electronic fuel injector assemblies for the fourth cycle.

In June 2008, the EPA finalized a three-part program dramatically reducing emissions from



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

diesel locomotives of all types including passenger rail. VRE's locomotives are subject to the Tier 2 requirements defined by the EPA as part of this program.

In accordance with EPA regulations, VRE must maintain and repair its locomotives as specified in the maintenance instructions provided by the certifying manufacturer. MotivePower identifies the electronic fuel injector assemblies as an emission-critical component.

Electro-Motive Diesel (EMD), which is now owned by Progress Rail Locomotive, is the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the electronic fuel injector assemblies that have been certified for use in VRE's locomotives.

While VRE has previously advertised competitive solicitations, as recently as December 2023, to procure new electronic fuel injector assemblies, no other supplier or contractor has been able to demonstrate the availability of an alternate injector that complies with the EPA Tier 2 exhaust emissions certification for use in VRE's MP36PH-3C locomotives.

Therefore, because the EMD fuel injectors are proprietary to Progress Rail Locomotive, no other supplier or contractor is able to provide the new injectors needed for recommended maintenance of VRE's locomotives.

This non-competitive purchase is in accordance with the following Section of the VRE Public Procurement Policy and Procedures Manual:

6.8.2.1 The item is available only from one responsible source because: (a) It involves a unique or innovative concept or capability not available from another source. Unique or innovative concept means a new, novel, or changed concept, approach, or method that is the product of original thinking, the details of which are kept confidential or are patented or copyrighted and is available to the recipient only from one source and has not in the past been available to the recipient from another source.

A sole source determination has been made in accordance with state and federal requirements, and VRE Procurement Policies, and public notice will be provided.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding is provided through the current FY 2024 and FY 2025 operating budgets for locomotive repairs and maintenance. Funding for future years will be included in each proposed annual budget.

**Virginia Railway Express
Operations Board Resolution**

10A-06-2024

**Authorization to Execute a Sole Source Contract for
New Locomotive Fuel Injectors**

WHEREAS, VRE's fleet of 20 MP36PH-3C Locomotives are due for fuel injector replacement; and,

WHEREAS, in June 2008, the Environmental Protection Agency finalized a three-part program dramatically reducing emissions from diesel locomotives of all types including passenger rail; and,

WHEREAS, Electro-Motive Diesel (EMD), now owned by Progress Rail Locomotive, is the Original Equipment Manufacturer of the electronic fuel injector assemblies certified for use in VRE's locomotives and is the only supplier able to provide new injectors needed for maintenance of VRE's locomotive fleet; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with state and federal requirements, and VRE Procurement Policies, a determination has been made, and public notice thereof will be provided, that because Progress Rail Locomotive, Inc. is the only supplier/contractor able to provide new electronic fuel injector assemblies certified for use in VRE's MP36PH-3C locomotives, this qualifies as a sole source procurement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Sole Source Contract with Progress Rail Locomotive, Inc. for New Locomotive Fuel Injectors, in the amount of \$778,132, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$77,813, for a total amount not to exceed \$855,945.

Approved this 21st day of June 2024

Meg Bohmke
Chair

Ralph Smith
Secretary



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 10-B
Action Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: Authorization to Execute an Enterprise Services Sales Order to Upgrade VRE's Communications Infrastructure

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an Enterprise Services Sales Order with Comcast Corporation of Philadelphia, PA, to upgrade VRE's communications infrastructure in the amount of \$1,656,971, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$165,697, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,822,668.

Summary:

A Master Services Agreement (MSA) was previously established with Comcast, utilizing a cooperative U.S. General Services Administration contract, to provide internet service to each of VRE's station locations as well as its offices and maintenance and storage facilities. VRE seeks to execute a new Sales Order against the existing MSA for internet service for a term of five years, which will also serve to upgrade its communications infrastructure by providing higher network bandwidth.

Background:

VRE currently uses Comcast to deliver internet service to its offices, stations, and maintenance and storage facilities. Internet service is necessary to enable VRE locations to communicate externally and to connect VRE systems to other service providers and the World Wide Web.

VRE seeks to execute a new Enterprise Services Sales Order against the existing Master Services Agreement that it previously established with Comcast. The Sales Order will



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

establish a commitment to deliver internet service to all VRE locations for a term of five years and also provide higher network bandwidth to support day-to-day operations at VRE's offices, stations, and maintenance and storage facilities.

Increased bandwidth will enable VRE to upgrade its communications infrastructure. For instance, increased internet bandwidth is necessary to support existing and improved systems, such as the security camera system, which is presently being expanded to all stations, offices, and maintenance and storage facilities to provide heightened safety and security measures.

Fiscal Impact:

The FY 2025 operating budget for "Information Technology – Communications" includes funding for this activity. Funding for future years will be included in each proposed annual operating budget.

**Virginia Railway Express
Operations Board Resolution**

10B-06-2024

**Authorization to Execute an Enterprise Services Sales Order to
Upgrade VRE's Communications Infrastructure**

WHEREAS, a Master Services Agreement (MSA) was previously established with Comcast Corporation, utilizing a cooperative U.S. General Services Administration contract, to provide internet service to each of VRE's station locations as well as its offices and maintenance and storage facilities; and,

WHEREAS, VRE seeks to execute a new Sales Order against the existing MSA for internet service for a term of five years, which will also serve to upgrade its communications infrastructure by providing higher network bandwidth; and,

WHEREAS, increased bandwidth will enable VRE to upgrade its communications infrastructure to support existing and improved systems, such as the security camera system, that is presently being expanded to all stations, offices, and maintenance and storage facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an Enterprise Services Sales Order with Comcast Corporation of Philadelphia, PA, to upgrade VRE's communications infrastructure in the amount of \$1,656,971, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$165,697, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,822,668.

Approved this 21st day of June 2024

Meg Bohmke
Chair

Ralph Smith
Secretary



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 10-C
Action Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: Authorization to *Execute an Agreement with the Maryland Transit Administration* and to Amend the VRE Tariff for the Reinstatement of the MARC/VRE Cross Honor Agreement

Recommendation:

The VRE Operations Board is asked to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to ***execute an agreement with the Maryland Transit Administration for cross-honoring of tickets and to*** amend the Passenger Tariff to reflect the MARC and VRE Cross Honor Agreement terms.

Summary:

On **August 1**, 2024, VRE and MARC will reinstate their cross-honor agreement to carry each other's passengers on reverse-flow trains.

Background:

For many years, VRE and MARC offered a cross-honor program for riders that enabled MARC passengers to ride VRE using a valid MARC ticket (and, conversely, allowed VRE passengers to ride MARC with a valid VRE ticket) whenever they transferred from one rail service to another during their commute. The intent was to increase ridership on train services and cooperation across state lines by allowing passengers to take advantage of each other's services without additional fares. This agreement was terminated in 2015 by MARC and subsequently removed from the VRE Passenger Tariff.

VRE and MARC have agreed to reinstate the cross-honor program to promote MARC and VRE as regional DMV transportation services providers and to enhance the passenger experience. This agreement is effective **August 1**, 2024.



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this amendment.

**Virginia Railway Express
Operations Board Resolution**

10C-06-2024

**Authorization to *Execute an Agreement with the Maryland Transit
Administration and to Amend the VRE Tariff for the
Reinstatement of the MARC/VRE Cross Honor Agreement***

WHEREAS, MARC and VRE are reinstating their Cross-Honor Agreement *in accordance with a proposed memorandum of agreement between them*; and,

WHEREAS, each will carry the other's passengers on reverse flow trains with a valid ticket from the other service; and,

WHEREAS, a Tariff change is required for VRE to reflect the reinstated Cross-Honor Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the VRE Operations Board does hereby authorize the Chief Executive Officer to *execute an agreement with the Maryland Transit Administration for cross-honoring of tickets and to* amend VRE's Tariff to reflect the MARC and VRE Cross-Honor Agreement terms.

Approved this 21st day of June 2024

Meg Bohmke
Chair

Ralph Smith
Secretary



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 11-A
Information Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: Spending Authority Report

On September 18, 2020, the VRE Operations Board approved increasing the Chief Executive Officer's delegated spending authority from \$100,000 to \$200,000. It was resolved as part of that increased delegation that any purchase or contract award in the range of \$50,000 to \$200,000 would be communicated to the Board as an information item.

- On May 9, 2024, VRE issued a Task Order in the amount of \$65,112 to Fresh Air Duct Cleaning, LLC under the Custodial and Seasonal Services for VRE Facilities contract to replace the benches as well as the waste and recycling receptacles at the Fredericksburg Station.
- On May 15, 2024, VRE issued a Purchase Order, utilizing a cooperative contract established by the Virginia Department of Transportation, in an amount not to exceed \$114,048 to Protiviti, Inc., a subsidiary of Robert Half, Inc., to provide temporary staffing/staff augmentation services for VRE's accounting and finance department for a term of up to six months.
- On May 28, 2024, VRE issued a Task Order in the amount of \$158,263 to STV Incorporated under the Mechanical Engineering Consulting Services contract to develop a geographical information system infrastructure asset inventory for VRE. STV will be responsible for database development, performing field data collection services using established mobile GIS applications, and training VRE staff on the analysis of the datasets and applications.



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

- On May 31, 2024, VRE issued a Purchase Order, utilizing a cooperative contract established by the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the amount of \$53,715 to Sheehy Ford of Richmond for the purchase of a new Ford F-250 4x4 Short Bed Pickup Truck to augment the vehicles in VRE's fleet used by staff responsible for facilities maintenance. This Purchase Order replaces a previous order placed through the National Auto Fleet Group in November 2023 that was not fulfilled and subsequently canceled.



VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS
OPERATIONS BOARD

Agenda Item 11-B
Information Item

To: Chair Bohmke and the VRE Operations Board

From: Rich Dalton

Date: June 21, 2024

Re: FY26 Budget Discussion



Northern Virginia
Transportation Commission
2300 Wilson Blvd., Suite 230
Arlington, VA 22201
703-524-3322



Virginia Railway Express
1500 King Street, Suite 202
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-1001
VRE.org



Potomac and Rappahannock
Transportation Commission
14700 Potomac Mills Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-580-6121

FY 2026 Budget Timeline

- **July 2024**: Budget Key Issues (no formal action)
- **September 2024**: Preliminary Budget presented to Board for referral to Commissions
- **October/November 2024**: Budget updates and discussion as needed
- **December 2024**: Recommended Budget presented to Board for referral to Commissions
- **January 2025**: Commissions adopt budget and forward to jurisdictions
- **Spring 2025**: Individual jurisdictional budget processes and appropriation of VRE subsidy



THE JURISDICTIONAL VIEWPOINT



Looking for Board Member feedback on potential key issues heading into the FY 2026 budget cycle:

- ✓ Seeking a Jurisdictional perspective in addition to VRE staff perspective
- ✓ What uncertainties should we dig into?
- ✓ What is your own jurisdictional outlook and how does that impact VRE?