COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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Gregory A. Whirley
Commissioner

September 1, 2011

Mr. Barry Helms
Manager, Town of Christiansburg
100 East Main Street
Christiansburg, VA 24073

Dear Mr. Helms:

The Secretary of Transportation and the Commonwealth Transportation Board will conduct nine public meetings across the state in October and November 2011 to give stakeholders the opportunity to review and provide comments on projects and programs to be included in the Fiscal Year 2013-2018 Six-Year Improvement Program (FY13-18 SYIP), including highway, rail and public transportation initiatives. It is important that we hear from you and your constituents about those projects you feel are the highest priority for the state's limited transportation funds.

These meetings will consist of an open house format from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. where attendees can review materials produced by agency staff and discuss specific projects or issues. Following the open house, an opportunity will be provided for comments from the public and transportation stakeholders. Written comments may also be submitted during this informal session, or they may be mailed or e-mailed until December 12, 2011.

Representatives from all of Virginia's modal agencies - the Virginia Department of Transportation, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, Virginia Department Aviation, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, Motor Vehicle Dealer Board and Virginia Port Authority - will attend and provide information on current initiatives.

In addition, all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Planning District Commissions (PDCs) are invited to participate in the meetings in their region. Space will be reserved at each meeting location for the respective MPO and PDC staffs to display presentation materials regarding regional initiatives and priorities.

The Fall Multimodal Meeting Schedule is as follows. All meetings will begin at 6 p.m. with a formal comment session at 6:30 p.m.

OCTOBER:

Monday, October 3 - Lynchburg
Kirkley Hotel & Conference Center
2900 Candlers Mountain Road
Lynchburg, VA 24501

Tuesday, October 4 - Bristol
Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center
One Partnership Circle
Abingdon, VA 24210

Thursday, October 20 – Fredericksburg
VDOT Fredericksburg District Auditorium
87 Deacon Road
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Monday, October 24, Hampton Roads
Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
723 Woodlake Drive
Chesapeake, VA 23320

Tuesday, October 25 – Northern Virginia
VDOT Northern Virginia District Office
4975 Alliance Drive
Fairfax, VA 22030

Wednesday, October 26 - Salem
Montgomery County Government Center
755 Roanoke Street
Christiansburg, VA 24073

NOVEMBER:

Wednesday, November 2 – Staunton
Broadway High School
269 Gobbler Drive
Broadway, VA 22815

Thursday, November 3 - Culpeper
Germanna Community College
Daniel Technology Center
18121 Technology Drive
Culpeper, VA 22701

Wednesday, November 30 – Richmond
VDOT Central Office
1221 E. Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219

I encourage you to come and speak with our transportation agency representatives. If you cannot attend the meetings, you may send your comments to Diane Mitchell at 1401 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219 or e-mail them to Six-YearProgram@vdot.virginia.gov by December 12, 2011. I truly appreciate your attendance at this session. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact me at (540) 387-5348.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Caywood, P.E.
District Administrator