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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
1401 EAST BROAD STREET
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23219-2000

Gregory A. Whirley
VDOT Commissioner

July 27, 2011

John I. Ferguson, Assistant Superintendent
340 East Jackson Street
Gate City, Virginia 24251

Dear Mr. Ferguson:

Thank you and Robert Sallee for our meeting last Thursday to discuss the Revenue Sharing allocation that Scott County received from the Virginia Department of Transportation to assist in constructing safer access to the new sports complex that is being built.

The Virginia Department of Transportation continues to urge the Scott County School Board to move forward with identifying a solution to the access problems that now exist. This office working with the County Board of Supervisors on behalf of the School Board, requested Revenue Sharing (RS) funding for access improvements. This was approved and a total of $1 million with the County's match being $500 thousand is currently available for the access improvements. Since our meeting, I have begun looking at the discussed options to bring about safer access and provide some preliminary feedback.

Options discussed at our meeting were:

1. Build a bridge across Big Moccasin Creek to Route T619. VDOT expects the Army Corp of Engineers to require the structure to be built outside the 100 year flood plane. If so, the structure would be approximately 200+ feet in length not including the road approaches.

2. Build a vehicle/pedestrian bridge from school property to the complex. The elevation difference from one end of the structure to the other is significant and would need to be analyzed for feasibility. For the available RS funding to be used, the road to the structure would have to extend from an existing State maintained road. Some of the existing roads around Gate City High School are State maintained and have a route number.

3. Build turn lanes on Route 23 at Filter Plant Road. There was discussion about closing this crossover however a school bus may not be able to make U turns at adjacent crossovers whether existing turn lanes are in place or not. We believe there are safer options available for consideration.

There may be other options to consider but these three have been discussed previously. Again the Department is concerned that there does not seem to be urgent movement by the County School Board toward a solution to safer access with the facility scheduled for opening in the spring 2012. I will attend the County School Board meeting at Twin Springs High School on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 to answer questions about the RS funding and to urge the School Board to move toward a solution.

Please contact if I may address this further.

Sincerely,

Steven B. Buston

Steven B. Buston, Land Use Director

Cc: Ms. Kathie Noe

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GREGORY A. WHIRLEY
COMMISSIONER

June 16, 2011

To: County Administrators/City and Town Managers

Subject: FY 2012 Revenue Sharing Program Approval

At its June 15th meeting, the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved allocations for the Fiscal Year 2012 Revenue Sharing Program. The list of approved projects can be found on our website at: http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance.asp. You will note that funding for these projects is split between FY 2012 and FY2013. Due to the change in legislation this year, sufficient funding had not been budgeted in FY 2012 to fully fund the amounts being recommended. Therefore, the Commonwealth Transportation Board approved the utilization of a portion of next year's allocation, together with this year's for a total $103.4 million program. This provides up to $5 million per locality for project requests that meet the priority criteria specified in the *Code of Virginia*. Your local VDOT representative will be contacting you regarding the next steps to ensure that these projects begin moving forward successfully, such as executing or modifying agreements, or requesting your locality's matching funds if applicable. This year's funding arrangement will not impact your ability to proceed with your project.

As we have previously communicated, the Department will be implementing its first deallocation process this year. This is based on the language in the *Code of Virginia* which states that "any revenue-sharing funds for projects not initiated after two subsequent fiscal years of allocations may be reallocated at the discretion of the Commonwealth Transportation Board." This provision is intended to ensure funds are utilized in a timely manner. If you have funds subject to deallocation, your local VDOT representative should be contacting you in the next few weeks to discuss this and provide you with an opportunity to review available options to possibly avoid forfeiture of these funds. A copy of the Revenue Sharing deallocation process is also available on our website.

The Department looks forward to working with you on the Revenue Sharing Program during the upcoming months. If you have any questions about the program please consult your local VDOT representative or contact VDOT's Revenue Sharing Program Manager, Debbi Webb-Howells, at (804) 786-1519 or by email at Debbi.Webb-Howells@VDOT.Virginia.gov. I can also be reached at (804) 786-2745 or by email at Michael.Estes@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Again, thank you for your efforts in helping make the Revenue Sharing Program a success this year.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Estes, P.E.
Director, Local Assistance Division

cc: Commonwealth Transportation Board
Gregory A. Whirley
Virginia Association of Counties
Virginia Municipal League

Locality's Priority	Project # Road/Name	UPC#	State Match Approved FY 2012	State Match Approved FY 2013	Location	Scope	Administered By
tol District							
Russell (County)							
1	0647-083-R34 Campbell Hollow Rd.	88774	$25,000	$25,000	FR: 0.02 Miles North Route 646 To: 1.80 Miles North Route 646	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
2	0711-083-R35 Kents Ridge Rd.	88775	$62,500	$62,500	FR: Route 636 To: End State Maintenance	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
3	0067-083-R15 Swords Creek Rd.	101145	$100,000	$100,000	FR: 0.13 Miles East Route 635 To: 0.23 Miles East Route 635	Sight Distance	VDOT
4	9999-083-R14	101138	$150,000	$150,000	FR: Various locations. To: Various locations.	Rural additions	VDOT
5	0633-083-R64 Clarks Valley Rd.	91077	$87,500	$87,500	FR: 0.04 Miles East Route 67 To: 0.30 Miles East Route 67	Reconstruction	VDOT
6	9999-083-R13	101137	$200,000	$200,000	FR: Various Routes To: Various Routes	Reconstruction	VDOT
7	0668-083-R12 Booker Rd.	101133	$31,250	$31,250	FR: Route 669 To: 1.00 Mile North Route 669	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
8	0641-083-R11 Cedar Cliff Rd.	101131	$31,250	$31,250	FR: 1.42 Miles East Route 80 To: 2.42 Miles East Route 80	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
9	0684-083-R10 Chestnut Ridge Cir	101129	$31,250	$31,250	FR: 0.25 Miles North Route 65 S To: 1.16 Miles North Route 65 S	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
10	0623-083-R09 Bostic Hollow Rd.	101127	$31,250	$31,250	FR: 0.05 Miles North Route 622 To: 0.89 Miles North Route 622	Pave unpaved road/Initial asphalt course	VDOT
	Russell (County) summary		$750,000 +	$750,000 =	$1,500,000		
Scott (County)							
1	0619-084-R94	101115	$250,000	$250,000	FR: Route 71 / East Jackson Street To: Scott County Schools New Sports Complex.	Bridge repair/replacement	Locality
	Scott (County) summary		$250,000 +	$250,000 =	$500,000		

$1,000,000 approved