



WinFred MPO Policy Board Meeting Agenda

107 N Kent St., Winchester, VA 22601

1st Floor Conference Room

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at 10 a.m.

[Virtual Meeting Link](#)

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- Welcome and Virtual Attendance Introductions
- Adoption of Agenda
- Review and approval of the Draft Minutes of the March 19, 2025 Policy Board Meeting ([Attached](#))
- Financial Report ([Attached](#))
- MPO Staff Project Status Report ([Attached](#))
- VDOT/DRPT Reports ([Attached](#))

2. Public Comment Period

3. WinFred MPO Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Adjustment – Taryn Logan, NSVRC/Brad Reed, VDOT

Action Requested: Approval of the MPO Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Adjustment

4. Upcoming Meeting Schedule (All meetings are held at the Frederick County Administrative Offices, 107 N. Kent St., Winchester, VA, in the First Floor Conference Room at 10 a.m.; BPAC meets at 1 p.m. Meeting dates and times are subject to change)

- Technical Advisory Committee: May 6, 2025 (Potentially Canceled)
- Policy Board: May 21, 2025 (Potentially Canceled)
- BPAC: May 12, 2025

5. Other Business

6. Adjournment

A majority of the MPO voting members shall constitute a quorum (5 voting members)

[Click here for a glossary of acronyms](#)

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**Chair Judith McCann-Slaughter
Policy Board Meeting Minutes March 19, 2025**

**WinFred MPO Policy Board
Member Jurisdiction Representatives**

	Frederick County		VDOT		Staff
	Josh Ludwig		Todd Stevens	✓	Brandon Davis
✓	Judith McCann-Slaughter		Non-Voting Members	✓	Karen Taylor
	Michael Bollhoefer		Steven Minor, FHWA	✓	Taryn Logan
			Kevin Jones, FHWA		
	Winchester		Tony Cho, FTA		Others
	John Fox		Amy Garbarini, DRPT	✓	Mike Ruddy, Winchester
✓	Daniel Hoffman		Rusty Harrington, FAA	V	Shane McCabe, VDOT
✓	Richard Bell		Alternates	V	Bob Haas, Seniors First
	Stephens City		Perry Eisenach (Winchester)	V	Tony Wilson, Grafton
	Mike Majher	✓	Ed Carter, (VDOT)		
		✓	Wyatt Pearson (Frederick)		
			Brad Reed (VDOT)		
		✓	Matt Smith (VDOT)		

V= Denotes virtual attendance

WinFred MPO Policy Board Meeting Minutes

107 N. Kent St., Winchester, VA 22601
1st Floor Conference Room
Wednesday, March 19, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

1. Administrative Items

Welcome and Virtual Attendance Introductions – The Chair welcomed everyone, followed by a roundtable of introductions.

Adoption of Agenda – Motion to adopt the agenda was made by Mr. Ruddy, seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approval of the Draft Minutes of the December 18, 2024 Policy Board Meeting – Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Ruddy. Motion carried.

Financial Report – Provided for information only.

MPO Staff Project Status Report – Provided for information only.

VDOT/DRPT Reports – Provided for information only.

Review and Endorsement of FTA Section 5310 Grant Assistance Requests – The Board reviewed requests from DRPT on behalf of Shenandoah Area on Aging (SAAA)/Seniors First and Grafton School. Motion to endorse both grant applications was made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Ruddy. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment Period

No public comments were received.

3. Presentation of the Draft FY26 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Presented by Karen Taylor and Taryn Logan, NSVRC

Ms. Taylor and Ms. Logan provided an overview of the Draft FY26 UPWP for Board consideration. Following the presentation:

Motion to approve the 20-day public comment period for the Draft FY26 UPWP (with final approval pending comments received) was made by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Pearson. Motion carried.

4. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

All meetings at Frederick County Administrative Offices, 107 N. Kent St., Winchester, VA, 1st Floor Conference Room, unless otherwise noted.

Meeting/Event | Date | Time

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Apple Blossom Mall Study – Public Input Meeting | March 19, 2025 | 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

(Shenandoah University – Hazel Pruitt Armory)

Technical Advisory Committee | April 1, 2025 | 10:00 AM

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) | April 14, 2025 | 1:00 PM

Policy Board | April 16, 2025 | 10:00 AM

Note: Meeting dates and times are subject to change.

5. Other Business

No additional business was reported.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

WIN-FRED MPO FYE 2025 UPWP
Revenues & Fiscal Year to Date Expenses Summary by Task
July 1, 2024 through PPE 03/22/2025

UPWP Tasks	% Split VDOT/ DRPT	Highway Funding				Transit Funding				Total 100% MPO Expenditures	UPWP Funding Remaining
		FHWA Planning 80%	State Match 10%	Local Match 10%	Subtotal Highway VDOT	FTA 5303 80%	State Match 10%	Local Match 10%	Subtotal Transit DRPT		
Task 1: Program Management and Administration Revenue	50/50	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (30,085.50)	\$ (3,760.69)	\$ (3,760.69)	\$ (37,606.88)	\$ (30,085.50)	\$ (3,760.69)	\$ (3,760.69)	\$ (37,606.88)	\$ (75,213.76)	
Consultant Expenses		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
T1 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ 9,914.50	\$ 1,239.31	\$ 1,239.31	\$ 12,393.12	\$ 9,914.50	\$ 1,239.31	\$ 1,239.31	\$ 12,393.12	\$ 24,786.24	24.8%
Task 2: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)	95/5	\$ 760.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (298.41)	\$ (37.30)	\$ (37.30)	\$ (373.02)	\$ (15.71)	\$ (1.96)	\$ (1.96)	\$ (19.63)	\$ (392.65)	
T2 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ 461.59	\$ 57.70	\$ 57.70	\$ 576.98	\$ 24.29	\$ 3.04	\$ 3.04	\$ 30.37	\$ 607.35	60.7%
Task 3: State/Federal Requested Work Tasks	90/10	\$ 7,200.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (1,900.84)	\$ (237.60)	\$ (237.60)	\$ (2,376.05)	\$ (211.20)	\$ (26.40)	\$ (26.40)	\$ (264.01)	\$ (2,640.05)	
T3 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ 5,299.16	\$ 662.40	\$ 662.40	\$ 6,623.96	\$ 588.80	\$ 73.60	\$ 73.60	\$ 736.00	\$ 7,359.95	73.6%
Task 4: Transit Planning	0/100					\$ 4,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs						\$ (2,015.69)	\$ (251.96)	\$ (251.96)	\$ (2,519.61)	\$ (2,519.61)	
Consultant Expenses						\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
T4 Revenue Balance Remaining						\$ 1,984.31	\$ 248.04	\$ 248.04	\$ 2,480.39	\$ 2,480.39	49.6%
Task 5: Local Technical Assistance	70/30	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 15,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (6,626.51)	\$ (828.31)	\$ (828.31)	\$ (8,283.14)	\$ (2,839.93)	\$ (354.99)	\$ (354.99)	\$ (3,549.92)	\$ (11,833.06)	
Consultant Expenses		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
T5 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ 1,773.49	\$ 221.69	\$ 221.69	\$ 2,216.86	\$ 760.07	\$ 95.01	\$ 95.01	\$ 950.08	\$ 3,166.94	21.1%
Task 6: Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan Development	0/100					\$ 16,617.00	\$ 2,077.00	\$ 2,077.00	\$ 20,771.00	\$ 20,771.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs						\$ (6,651.77)	\$ (831.47)	\$ (831.47)	\$ (8,314.71)	\$ (8,314.71)	
Consultant Expenses						\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
T6 Revenue Balance Remaining						\$ 9,965.23	\$ 1,245.53	\$ 1,245.53	\$ 12,456.29	\$ 12,456.29	60.0%
Task 7: System Planning	84/16	\$ 134,400.00	\$ 16,800.00	\$ 16,800.00	\$ 168,000.00	\$ 25,600.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (28,489.01)	\$ (3,561.13)	\$ (3,561.13)	\$ (35,611.26)	\$ (3,165.45)	\$ (395.68)	\$ (395.68)	\$ (3,956.81)	\$ (39,568.07)	
Consultant Expenses		\$ (80,793.42)	\$ (10,099.18)	\$ (10,099.18)	\$ (100,991.78)	\$ (816.10)	\$ (102.01)	\$ (102.01)	\$ (1,020.12)	\$ (102,011.90)	
T7 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ 25,117.56	\$ 3,139.70	\$ 3,139.70	\$ 31,396.96	\$ 21,618.46	\$ 2,702.31	\$ 2,702.31	\$ 27,023.07	\$ 58,420.03	29.2%
Task 8: Long Range Planning, Modeling, GIS and Data	40/60	\$ 3,387.00	\$ 423.00	\$ 424.00	\$ 4,234.00	\$ 5,080.00	\$ 635.00	\$ 635.00	\$ 6,350.00	\$ 10,584.00	
NSVRC Administrative Expenses & Direct Costs		\$ (4,233.60)	\$ (529.20)	\$ (529.20)	\$ (5,292.00)	\$ (4,233.60)	\$ (529.20)	\$ (529.20)	\$ (5,292.00)	\$ (10,584.00)	
Consultant Expenses		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
T8 Revenue Balance Remaining		\$ (846.60)	\$ (106.20)	\$ (105.20)	\$ (1,058.00)	\$ 846.40	\$ 105.80	\$ 105.80	\$ 1,058.00	\$ -	0.0%
TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES		\$ 194,147.00	\$ 24,268.00	\$ 24,269.00	\$ 242,684.00	\$ 95,737.00	\$ 11,967.00	\$ 11,967.00	\$ 119,671.00	\$ 362,355.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES FISCAL YEAR TO DATE		\$ (152,427.30)	\$ (19,053.41)	\$ (19,053.41)	\$ (190,534.13)	\$ (50,034.95)	\$ (6,254.37)	\$ (6,254.37)	\$ (62,543.68)	\$ (253,077.81)	
TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES REMAINING		\$ 41,719.70	\$ 5,214.59	\$ 5,215.59	\$ 52,149.87	\$ 45,702.05	\$ 5,712.63	\$ 5,712.63	\$ 57,127.32	\$ 109,277.19	

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<u>FYTD Staff Hours: July 1, 2024 - March 22, 2025</u>	<u>TASK #1</u>	<u>TASK #2</u>	<u>TASK #3</u>	<u>TASK #4</u>	<u>TASK #5</u>	<u>TASK #6</u>	<u>TASK #7</u>	<u>TASK #8</u>	<u>TOTAL HOURS</u>
Fiscal & Admin. Asst. TA	5.5							0.25	5.75
Executive Director BD	69.25								69.25
Fiscal Officer GH	3.50								3.50
GIS/ Regional Planner I ER								4.50	4.50
Principal Planner TL	61.00		23.50	15.00	107.00	75.00	358.75	88.50	728.75
Director of Finance & Administration SO	34.75								34.75
Program Coordinator BS									0.00
Sr. Project & Operations Manager KT	472.00			8.50					480.50
TOTAL HOURS FYTD	646.00	0.00	23.50	23.50	107.00	75.00	358.75	93.25	1,327.00

WinFred MPO Staff Report

For background information on studies and projects, please visit the individual project pages on the [WinFred MPO website](#).

April 2025

Task 1: Program Administration

- Prepared agenda packets for April meetings, including compiling reports, coordinating with speakers, and ensuring all materials were distributed in advance.
- Updated the MPO website as needed, routinely every week, to provide the latest information on meetings, projects, and public participation opportunities.
- Prepared and submitted the 3rd quarter invoice and progress report to VDOT and DRPT, ensuring accuracy and compliance with financial reporting standards.
- Prepared the draft FY26 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for presentation to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Policy Board in March, incorporating stakeholder input and aligning with regional priorities. The draft is out for public review through April 14, 2025.
- Managing the FY25 Unified Planning Work Program tasks by coordinating activities, tracking progress, and ensuring all deliverables are met on schedule.

Task 1.1: Public Participation and Outreach

- Continuously manage and maintain the Title VI and Public Participation Plans to ensure compliance with federal regulations and promote inclusiveness in regional planning.
- Ensuring the WinFred MPO website is updated with the latest meeting information and public document notices, improving transparency and public accessibility to MPO activities.
- Maintaining the social media Facebook page for the WinFred MPO with multiple weekly posts highlighting upcoming meetings, project updates, and public input opportunities.
- Conduct outreach efforts to engage underrepresented communities in planning through direct engagement, public workshops, and digital campaigns.

Task 2: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Under 49 U.S.C. 5303(j), each MPO is required to develop a four-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in cooperation with state and public transit providers. The TIP includes capital and non-capital surface transportation projects, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, safety projects, and other transportation enhancements. It must be fiscally constrained and align with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

- Maintaining the FY24-27 TIP and processing requested adjustments and amendments in collaboration with local jurisdictions, state agencies, and transit providers.

Task 3: Federal or State Requested Planning Work Program Items

- Serving on the Board of the Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (VAMPO), providing regional perspectives on statewide planning initiatives.
- Attending all executive committee meetings, peer-to-peer meetings, and board meetings to stay informed on industry trends, legislative updates, and best practices.
- Serving as Secretary/Treasurer on the VAMPO Board, managing organizational finances, coordinating meetings, and facilitating strategic discussions.
- Collaborating with other MPOs to share resources, develop joint initiatives, and advocate for regional transportation funding.

Task 4: Transit Planning

- Working with the Frederick County Transportation Committee, WinTran Staff, and the Frederick County BOS regarding the expansion of microtransit in the County, addressing service gaps and improving accessibility.

Task 5: Local Technical Assistance

- Assisting local governments with transportation grant applications, data analysis, and project development to enhance regional mobility.

Task 6: Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning

- The Bike and Pedestrian Committee meets monthly, bringing together local advocates, planners, and stakeholders to advance non-motorized transportation projects.
- Reviewing the current bike and pedestrian plan to assess progress and set priorities for FY25 and FY26 UPWP, ensuring alignment with community needs and funding availability.
- Identifying opportunities for new bike lanes, trails, and pedestrian infrastructure, leveraging federal and state funding sources.
- Promoting multimodal transportation options through public education campaigns and stakeholder engagement initiatives.

Task 7: System Planning

- **Exits 321-323 Improvements Study (Frederick County):**
 - Staff met with Frederick County and VDOT representatives regarding the project scope, refining objectives, and stakeholder feedback.
 - Frederick County staff has reviewed the project with its transportation committee and directed MPO staff to proceed.

- Project will carry over into FY26 UPWP, ensuring continued progress toward implementation.
- **Apple Blossom Mall Study:**
 - Monthly meetings with consultant Pennoni to review progress, data collection efforts, and preliminary findings.
 - Pennoni presented a project status update in December at TAC and Policy Board meetings, outlining key challenges and potential solutions.
 - A public outreach meeting was held on March 19, 2025, at 4:00 PM at Shenandoah University to receive public input on proposed transportation improvements around the mall area. Pennoni is currently reviewing the public comments that were received.
 - Coordinating with property owners, businesses, and local agencies to ensure stakeholder alignment and project feasibility.

Task 8: Long-Range Planning, GIS, and Data

- **WinFred Travel Demand Model Update:**
 - Model completion in October following extensive data validation and calibration efforts.
 - Model is ready for use, providing valuable insights for traffic forecasting, scenario planning, and infrastructure investment decisions.
 - Collaborating with local and state partners to integrate model outputs into long-range planning initiatives.

This report outlines the key activities and responsibilities undertaken by MPO staff during the reporting period. Ongoing projects and planning efforts continue to support regional transportation improvements, enhance public engagement, and foster data-driven decision-making for the future.

DRPT Agency Update – April 2025

FY26 5303 Funding Opportunity

The FY26 5303 funding opportunity has been posted to [Web Grants](#). The funding opportunity will remain open until the May 1, 2025 application deadline.

DRPT MPO Webinar

DRPT hosted an MPO webinar on March 21st covering a wide range of topics of interest to our MPO grantees. A recording of the presentation can be found on DRPT's YouTube channel [here](#).

S/TIP Process Updates and Travel Pre-check *(Effective April 1, 2025)*

DRPT presented a revised TIP update process and a new travel expense pre-check with resources to support our MPOs. Those resources included:

- Central S/TIP email: STIP@drpt.virginia.gov where all S/TIP amendments and Admin. Mods. will be sent for processing
- A TIP resolution template for MPO policy boards to use when approving changes to their TIPs
- TIP change form, which is required for MPO use when submitted changes to their TIP and is available in the WebGrants Document Repository
- And the travel cost pre-check form, also required to be submitted by MPOs prior to making arranging travel along with supporting documentation and is also available in the Document Repository

Please forward any questions about the new TIP update requirements or travel pre-check form to your DRPT planner.

VTAA Annual Meeting Registration Open

The 2025 Annual Meeting of the Virginia Transit Association will be held May 28-29th At the Richmond Marriott. Conference details and registration information can be found [\[here\]](#).

FY2026 DRPT Six-Year Improvement Program

The FY2026 DRPT SYIP is currently under development and will be available for public comment in mid-April. Be on the lookout for when it is available to the public.

FY2026-2031 Six-Year Improvement Program - Spring Meetings

The SYIP Public Meeting schedule has been published on the CTB website. Meetings begin April 22nd with the VDOT Richmond District (VDOT Richmond District, Hawthorne

Auditorium, 2430 Pine Forest Drive, Colonial Heights, VA 23834). Check the [CTB SYIP Page](#) for more meeting dates and schedules.

VDOT District Planning Report to WinFred MPO Policy Board

April 2025

I-81 Corridor Improvement Plan: VDOT, in partnership with the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI) and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), has initiated a study to develop a Corridor Improvement Plan (CIP) for the entire length of the Interstate 81 corridor in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The study team previously conducted a similar study, which was completed in 2018 and advanced 65 construction projects worth approximately \$3 billion. Those projects are now in development, and many have already been completed.

For the 2025 effort, the study team will again identify targeted improvements along I-81, focusing on segments that have the highest rate and severity of crashes, or the most significant traffic delays. The study excludes portions of the interstate where widenings or truck-climbing lanes were recently completed or are in development.

The first stage of the study will identify possible issues along the corridor by combining traffic and safety data with virtual public engagement in spring 2025. During this engagement period, the study team will share a virtual survey and ask participants to use an interactive map to provide information regarding the locations and types of issues they experience on the corridor. [The online survey with interactive map is available here.](#)

The study team will present potential solutions during a second round of public outreach in summer 2025. This will take place during four in-person meetings spaced throughout the corridor. The final round of corridor-wide public engagement is scheduled for fall 2025. They will help the study team refine their recommendations, which will be presented in late 2025 to the I-81 Advisory Committee and the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

Project Pipeline: The CTB took action at their March meeting to approve the next round of Project Pipeline study locations, including three studies in the WinFred region. A kickoff meeting for all of these studies will be held on April 15.

1. **Route 7 East** – Running 2.2 miles from Greenwood Road to the eastern Frederick County limits, this effort would pick up at the limits of a previous STARS study to the west. This study would focus on crash reduction and identify treatments to reduce crashes on this high-speed segment of Route 7.
2. **US 522 West, Urban segment** – Running 1.7 miles from the northern city limits to Echo Lane, this study would focus on crash reduction and multimodal access in the urbanized segment of US 522 adjacent to the City of Winchester. Consideration will also be given to the long-term configuration of the Route 37 interchange.
3. **US 522 West, Rural segment** – Spanning 10 miles from Echo Lane to Red Oak Road, this study would focus on high-speed rural road safety and capacity preservation on US 522 west of Route 37. Considerations include high prevailing speeds and a roadway departure crash trend.

Background: Led by the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment, [Project Pipeline](#) is a performance-based planning program to identify cost-effective solutions to multimodal transportation needs in Virginia. The objective of the program is to focus on the Commonwealth Transportation Board-

adopted VTrans priority locations and corridors. This study program has been successfully used to help refine project scopes and enhance competitiveness in grant programs for several locations in WinFred.

New Round of Revenue Sharing and TA: The upcoming application cycle for the Revenue Sharing Program and the Transportation Alternatives Program began on April 1, 2025. Pre-applications and full applications for both Revenue Sharing funding and Transportation Alternatives funding will be submitted through SMART Portal. Applicants must submit a successful pre-application and full application for a project to be considered for funding.

VDOT Local Assistance Division hosted webinars for both the Revenue Sharing and Transportation Alternatives programs in March covering the application process, application submission timeline, and required documents for a successful application. The presentation slides have been posted on the [Revenue Sharing website](#) and [Transportation Alternatives website](#). All local government, consulting firm, and VDOT staff involved with creating, reviewing, or submitting funding applications are encouraged to review this information.

Revenue Sharing Program

Important Dates for Revenue Sharing

- April 1 – May 30, 2025: Pre-application submission window
- August 15 – September 15, 2025: Full application submission window

Questions for Revenue Sharing? Contact [Jonathan Liss](#).

Transportation Alternatives Program

Important Dates for Transportation Alternatives

- April 1 – May 30, 2025: Pre-application submission window
- August 15 – September 15, 2025: Full application submission window for successful pre-applications

Questions for Transportation Alternatives? Contact [Synthia Waymack](#).

SMART SCALE: OIPI presented the 'Staff Recommended Scenario' at the January CTB meeting, which included two projects in the WinFred region. The CTB will make final project selections for inclusion in the SYIP in June, including consideration of how to allocate the remaining \$8M in the District Grant Program. The draft project selections in WinFred include:

1. **Gateway Drive Extension and Intersection with Valley Mill Road** - Construct a single lane roundabout at the existing intersection of Valley Mill Road and Brookland Lane. Extend a new location roadway from the roundabout at Valley Mill Road 160 feet to the north to connect with a proffered road section being constructed by others to complete a contiguous connection from Route 7 at Gateway Drive to Valley Mill Road. In addition, a shared use path would tie into the proffered path that parallels the Gateway Drive extension and connections would be made to the existing sidewalk system in the immediate vicinity.
2. **Route 50/17/522 Partial Median U-turn** - Replace existing signalized intersection with a partial median U-turn intersection (MUT) at US 17/50 (Millwood Pike) and US 522 (Front Royal Pike)/NB I-81 on-ramp. This project is designed for implementation following construction of UPC 115717, I-81 Exit 313 bridge replacement, which involves realignment of US-50/17 and the

intersection with the I-81N ramps and US-522 intersection. The MUT design will be complementary to the funded Smart Scale portion of the bridge project.



To: WinFred MPO Policy Board Members
From: Taryn Logan, MPO Staff
Date: April 16, 2025
Re: Proposed WinFred MPO Boundary Adjustment

In 2023, VDOT completed a review of Metropolitan Planning Organization Area boundaries to comply with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements following the 2020 Census. This update incorporates new Census-designated urban areas and includes areas anticipated for urbanization within the next 20 years through a smoothing process which adjusts boundaries to follow natural features and infrastructure like roads and rivers for the planning area. VDOT has proposed boundary modifications for the WinFred MPO that would expand the current MPO by approximately 1.28 square miles, incorporating several areas:

- 1.14 square mile area west of Rt 37 in the vicinity of Rt 624/Merrimans Ln and Opequon Creek, Stonebrook Farms
- 0.13 square mile area between National Lutheran Blvd and Rt 654/Poorhouse Rd
- 0.01 square mile area south of US 50 along Rt 803/Round Hill Rd
- Removal of the tendrils extending west along US 50 and US 522 on the west side of the MPO.

The TAC discussed these adjustments at their meetings in March and April. They have forwarded the proposed changes to the Policy Board recommending approval. Staff recommends that the Policy Board approve VDOT's proposed WinFred MPO Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary modifications as recommended by the TAC.

Upon final approval by the Policy Board, the revised boundaries will be submitted to VDOT as part of the official 2020 Census boundary update process. The final boundary must be approved by the Governor.

Here is the link to the [federal code](#). Thank you for your attention to this matter and feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns.

WinFred MPO: 2025 Metropolitan Planning Area Extension



Legend

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| Urban Expansion Areas | Winchester City Limits | US AND VA PRIMARY HIGHWAYS |
| WinFred MPO Planning Boundary | LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS | LOCAL SECONDARIES |
| NSVRC Towns | LOCAL MAIN ARTERIES | |
| NSVRC Counties & Cities | | |

Virginia Roads

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| LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS |
| LOCAL MAIN ARTERIES |

Expansion Area 2:
0.13 Sq.Mile

Expansion Area 3:
0.01 Sq.Mile

Expansion Area 1:
1.14 Sq.Mile

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