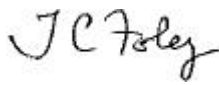


COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AGENDA TITLE: Transportation Work Session – County’s Secondary Road Improvement Priorities/VDOT Secondary Six-Year Plan (SSYP) and County Recommendations for Projects in Six Year Improvement Program (SYIP)	AGENDA DATE: May 6 , 2015
SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Review and Board endorsement of recommendations	ACTION: X INFORMATION:
STAFF CONTACT(S): Foley, Walker, Davis, Cilimberg, Benish, Gatobu	CONSENT AGENDA: ACTION: INFORMATION:
PRESENTER (S): David Benish, Gerald Gatobu	ATTACHMENTS: Yes
LEGAL REVIEW: Yes	REVIEWED BY: 

BACKGROUND:

In an effort to assist the Board’s consideration of the County’s overall transportation improvement needs, staff put together a comprehensive County Transportation Priority list and presented it to the Board at its April 1st meeting (Attachment A). Staff recommended and the Board accepted the list for use as the basis for including projects in various funding plans and programs including the SSYP and SYIP. Staff noted at the time that a list of priorities for paving unpaved roads was not yet complete and would be provided for this work session.

Annually, the Board reviews its priorities for inclusion in the VDOT SSYP for which the Board subsequently holds a public hearing (this year planned for June). Additionally, the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) annually conducts public hearings regarding the SYIP, which includes highway, rail and public transportation initiatives. These public hearings are currently underway and the CTB is also receiving written public comments until May 22nd, 2015 on projects and programs to be included in the Fiscal Year 2016-2021 SYIP.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

2. *Critical Infrastructure:* Prioritize, plan and invest in critical infrastructure that responds to past and future changes and improves the capacity to serve community needs.
3. *Development Areas:* Attract quality employment, commercial, and high density residential uses into development areas by providing services and infrastructure that encourage redevelopment and private investment while protecting the quality of neighborhoods.
4. *Economic Prosperity:* Foster an environment that stimulates diversified job creation, capital investments, and tax revenues that support community goals.

DISCUSSION:

The attached staff report (Attachment B) provides information on the projects to be included in the SSYP and SYIP, including a list of unpaved road priorities. Using these priorities and the County Transportation Priority list provided to the Board on April 1, staff has developed recommendations for: 1) secondary road priorities to be used by VDOT to update the SSYP and, 2) projects to be funded in the FY 2016-21 SYIP. This work session is focused on receiving Board input regarding these recommendations. Staff, based on these comments, will work in conjunction with VDOT to finalize the SSYP for a Board public hearing. Based on Board comments, staff will also provide input to VDOT and the CTB regarding projects to be included in the SYIP.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The SSYP is for the expenditure of State/VDOT secondary road construction funds allocated to the County. The SYIP is for the expenditure of other State/VDOT transportation funds. Neither program requires the expenditure of County funds except to the extent that any project may also utilize revenue sharing funds or otherwise necessitate County resources in support of the project.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board: 1) approve the list of unpaved road priorities set forth in the staff report; 2) approve the “Recommended Projects and Updates for the FY16 SSYP” set forth in the staff report for inclusion in the County’s draft FY16 SSYP; 3) schedule a public hearing on the SSYP for June 3, 2015; and 4) approve the three (3) projects set forth in the staff report to be forwarded to VDOT and the CTB for inclusion in the SYIP for funding and construction.

ATTACHMENTS:

A – [County Transportation Priority List](#)

B – [Staff Report](#)