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Multimodal Planning Fund Allocations

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Background

- Item 442 of the 2006 Appropriations Act
  - $6 Million in FY 07
  - $5 Million in FY 08

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Item 442

A.1. Included in the amount for ground transportation system planning and research is no less than $4,000,000…for the planning and evaluation of options to address transportation needs

2. In addition, CTB may approve
   - a. $1,000,000 for the study of freight and movement of goods ….and shall include development of a feasibility plan to define conditions to divert truck freight traffic to rail in the I-81 corridor
   - b. $1,000,000 for the completion of advance activities to consider safety, access management, alternative modes, operations and infrastructure improvement

3a. The Office of Multimodalism shall recommend to the CTB all allocations of such funds

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Recommendation

Item	Amount
Funds for Required Projects	$2,260,000
Training and Support for Traffic Studies	$500,000
Multimodal and Land Use Plan Development Assistance	$1,250,000
Local and Regional Corridor Planning Grant Program	$1,990,000
TOTAL	$6,000,000

Description of Allocations

Funds for Required Projects ($2,260,000)

- Statewide Multimodal Freight Study ($1,000,000) – Item 442 of Appropriations Act
- Advance Activities ($1,000,000) – Item 442 of Appropriations Act
- Performance Report (S.412) and Initiation of the Statewide Multimodal Long-Range Plan Update ($250,000) – VAC 33.1-23.03
- Support for the Transportation Accountability Commission ($10,000) – Executive Order 37

Description of Allocations

- Training and Support for Traffic Studies ($500,000)
  - Case-based training in best practices for implementing VDOT's Traffic Impact Regulations (24 VAC 30-155) implemented pursuant to Chapter 527 of the 2006 Acts of Assembly

Description of Allocations

- Multimodal and Land Use Plan Development Assistance ($1,250,000)
  - Goals: (1) education and training in multimodal and land use planning and (2) development of implementable plans
  - Eligibility: PDCs, MPOs, local governments, public transportation agencies, state agencies
  - Grants awarded for use of Multimodal Office consultants
  - Multimodal Office will monitor projects and periodically report to the CTB

Description of Allocations

- Local and Regional Corridor Planning Grant Program ($1,990,000)
  - Goal: provide assistance for multimodal planning and integrated studies of transportation and land use
  - Eligibility: PDCs, MPOs, local governments, public transportation agencies, state agencies
  - Grants awarded to applicants to use their own staff or consultants
  - Grantees will present results of studies to a Multimodal Transportation Forum

Next Steps

- CTB Resolution
- Procure Consultant Services
- Finalize Selection Criteria
- Announce Grant and Assistance Programs
- Target: Award Grants by March 2007

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