



MEMORANDUM

TO: Frederick County Transportation Committee

FROM: John A. Bishop, AICP, Assistant Director - Transportation *JAB*

RE: July 29, 2019 Transportation Committee Meeting

DATE: July 22, 2019

The Frederick County Transportation Committee will be meeting at **8:30 a.m. on Monday, July 29, 2019** in the first-floor conference room of the Frederick County Administration Building, 107 North Kent Street, Winchester, Virginia.

AGENDA

1. Cedar Hill Road – Truck Restriction Request
2. Transportation Forum Update
3. Planning Updates
4. County Project Updates
5. Upcoming Agenda Items
6. Other

Please contact our Department if you are unable to attend this meeting.

Attachments

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Item 1: Cedar Hill Road (Rt. 671) – Truck Restriction Request

Topic Synopsis

Staff is in receipt of a citizen request through Supervisor McCann-Slaughter to consider requesting that VDOT place a designation of No Through Trucks on Cedar Hill Road (Route 671).

Analysis

The current issue of trucks that appear on Cedar Hill Road is anecdotally due to trucks that have lost their way seeking the Amazon Distribution Center and have been mistakenly routed to Burgess Lane. Staff would note that through truck designations apply only to trucks traveling through the entire restricted roadway. As such, a truck driver, who believes his/her destination is within this restricted area (even if that belief is mistaken) would not be deterred from the route.

The most recent recorded traffic count by VDOT on this segment of Cedar Hill Road was 910 vehicles per day with 97% of those trips being 4-wheel vehicles and the remaining 3% (27 vehicles) being some other type. Fourteen of those other trips are school buses, 2 axle vehicles, and 7 being 3 axle vehicles. A field review of the roadway does indicate that it is not well suited to trucks with a number of locations where a truck and passenger vehicle would have trouble passing each other if they were moving in opposite directions. As such, the roadway is not well suited for tractor trailer traffic.

Finally, there is potential for trucks to use Cedar Hill Road to bypass the truck restriction on Welltown Road, however, the volumes would not seem to indicate this is taking place.

Maps are being prepared for presentation at the Committee meeting.

Recommended Action

If the Committee would wish to seek a truck restriction on Cedar Hill Road, the action would be to direct Staff to prepare an application packet for Board of Supervisors review and to pass a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

Item 2: Transportation Forum Update

Topic Synopsis

Staff will update the Committee on Transportation Forum planning and preparations.

Analysis

NA

Recommended Action

NA

Item 3: Planning Updates

Topic Synopsis

Staff will update the Committee on the activities they have participated in for the State Long Range Transportation Plan update (VTRANS), and the MPO Long Range Plan update.

Analysis

NA

Recommended Action

NA

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Item 4: County Project Updates

Crossover Boulevard aka Tevis Street Extension/Airport Road/I-81 Bridge:

Notice to proceed was issued to Perry Engineering on May 14. The contractor is on-site, and passersby would observe activity in the I-81 median as the bridge sub-contractor prepares for bridge pier construction. In addition, Perry Engineering has mobilized on-site between Route 522 and Airport Road.

Renaissance Drive:

Nearly at 30% design and currently seeking comment from various agencies on the Springdale Road CSX crossing closure.

Northern Y:

The Consultant is compiling the items necessary to meet the “approximately 60%” language in the revenue sharing agreement.

Jubal Early Drive Extension and Interchange with Route 37:

No activity at this time.

Item 5: Upcoming Agenda Items

August

SmartScale (ongoing discussion and development)

Transportation Forum

TBD

Oakdale Crossing Traffic Calming Study

Item 6: Other
