

RESOLUTION OF HRTPO PRIORITIZATION TOOL USE FOR CANDIDATE PROJECTS

A RESOLUTION OF THE FREIGHT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FTAC)

Whereas, FTAC was formed as a Subcommittee of the HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (HRTPO) for the purpose of advocating the transportation needs of freight and to promote the economic benefits that result from the movement of freight across the region; and

Whereas HRTPO has developed a prioritization tool for the purpose of ranking candidate transportation projects; and

Whereas, HRTPO intends to use the outputs from this tool to formulate the projects priorities and rankings for the 2034 long range transportation plan that will be finalized July 2011 and stand as the region's plan for four years; and

Whereas, FTAC has reviewed the outputs of the most recent tool results generated December 2010.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that FTAC hereby makes known its position that the results indicate that future focus should be placed on a limited number of projects with higher scores moving forward and future efforts should be placed on;

1. Viewing projects based on their contribution to the system as a whole.
 - a. Improving entire corridors for commerce and commuters rather than moving bottlenecks to different locations
2. Segmenting projects into subprojects that can be funded.
3. Focusing on projects that can be constructed.
4. Maximizing existing and new sources of funds to address the transportation system in Hampton Roads; and

Be it further resolved, that the FTAC hereby endorses the use of the prioritization tool by HRTPO for its intended purpose and makes known its desire to assist the HRTPO in continuing to develop the objectivity of the prioritization tool to ensure that the results and rankings of candidate projects are based on technical merits and regional benefits.

ADOPTED:
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(Chairman Freight Technical Advisory Committee)