



Albemarle County

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TITLE:

Review prioritization strategies and project recommendations for the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP)

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Review prioritization strategies and review project recommendations for the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP).

ITEM TYPE: Regular Action Item

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LEGAL REVIEW: Yes

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BACKGROUND: Staff is presenting information on County transportation priorities, transportation funding mechanisms, and prioritization strategies in advance of the Board's final review and approval of the County's Transportation Priority List. This is the second of a planned series of transportation discussions following the schedule below:

- April: Provide overview/refresher and lessons learned from first application cycle under Virginia's new prioritization process. Determine if any projects should be added to or removed from the County Transportation Priorities List for the next cycle.
- **May: Review prioritization strategies and review project recommendations for the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP).**
- June: Hold a public hearing and set priorities on secondary roads.
- July - August: Obtain approval of projects for HB2 application and approval of County Transportation Priorities List

In following this schedule, on May 4, 2016, staff will seek Board input on: 1) Review of Secondary Road (unpaved roads) prioritization strategies, and 2) project recommendations for the Secondary Six Year Plan (SSYP) for FY 2016-17 through FY 2021-22.

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.

DISCUSSION: The SSYP is typically reviewed annually. The SSYP establishes the program for expending state funds allocated to localities for road improvements to the Secondary Road System. The majority of the

available funding must be used for paving unpaved roads. The attached staff report (Attachment A) provides information on the projected funding allocations, the status of the projects currently in the SSYP, and County and VDOT staff recommendations for any changes or additions to the SSYP.

Staff has also attached information regarding the process for reviewing and prioritizing unpaved road projects. (Attachment A3). This work session is focused on 1) the review of the prioritization strategies for unpaved roads, and 2) input on project recommendations for the SSYP for fiscal year FY 2016-17 through FY 2021-22. Based on the direction received from the Board, staff will make any adjustments to the prioritization strategies and priority list of projects as directed by the Board, and will work with VDOT staff to finalize the SSYP for public hearing and adoption in June.

BUDGET IMPACT: The SSYP is for the expenditure of State/VDOT secondary road construction funds allocated to the County. The SSYP program does not require the expenditure of County funds except to the extent that a project may also utilize revenue sharing funds or otherwise necessitate County resources in support of the project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board: 1) Provide input on the unpaved road review and prioritization process; 2) Approve the recommended projects set forth in the staff report for inclusion in the County's draft FY17-22 SSYP; and 3) schedule a public hearing on the SSYP for June 8, 2016.

ATTACHMENTS:

A - Staff Report

A1 - VDOT Six Year Secondary Construction Program (FY16 to FY21)

A2 - Rural Rustic and Regular Paving list

A3 - Unpaved Road Review and Prioritization Process

