Northern Virginia Transportation Remains a Smart Investment

A robust, regional transportation network continues to be essential to the future quality of life and economic prosperity of Northern Virginia. In addition to creating thousands of jobs for our region, multimodal transportation infrastructure supports the economic activity, growth, and development of our community.

Furthermore, transportation projects take many years to prepare, fund, design, and construct. As a result, tomorrow’s transportation infrastructure needs to be planned and built today.

As the General Assembly returns to Richmond to evaluate how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected the Commonwealth’s transportation revenue and consider the prioritization of limited resources, the Northern Virginia Transportation Coalition urges lawmakers to take a long-term approach and continue investing in Northern Virginia transportation improvements.

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION COALITION PRIORITIES

Safeguard NVTA
Maintain the $50 million per year in restored funding for the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, which has already been allocated through the Authority’s Six Year Program Update adopted in July

Stabilize Transit in Northern Virginia
Provide sufficient funding for WMATA, VRE, and local transit agencies in Northern Virginia to maintain safe, reliable service and state of good repair during a time of historically low ridership

Prioritize Current Projects and Programs
Prioritize funding for Northern Virginia transportation projects and programs that are currently in the Commonwealth’s FY2020-FY2025 Six Year Improvement Program and ready to proceed

Increase Flexibility
Give the Commonwealth flexibility over the next two years to shift available transportation funding to achieve these goals and keep important transportation projects moving forward
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Northern Virginia Transportation Coalition Priorities for the August 2020 Special Session