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Agenda item # 13

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

January 17, 2023

MOTION

Made By: Mr. Stant, **Seconded By:** Mr. Coleman

Action: Motion Carried, Unanimously

**Title: SMART SCALE Project Cancellation
Route 31 Bicycle Accommodations (UPC 115511)**

WHEREAS, item 17 of the Commonwealth Transportation Board's (Board's) SMART SCALE Project Prioritization Process last approved December 8, 2021 states that a project that has been selected for funding through either the High Priority Projects Program or Highway Construction District Grant Program may be cancelled only by action of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Item 22 of the Board's SMART SCALE Prioritization Process adopted December 8, 2021 states that surplus Construction District Grant Funds no longer needed for delivery of a project will remain in the applicable Construction District Grant Program and may not be used in other districts, and further, provides that such surplus funds may either be reserved to address budget adjustments for current SMART SCALE projects or for allocation in the next solicitation cycle for SMART SCALE; and

WHEREAS, the Route 31 Bicycle Accommodation UPC 115511 project (Project) was submitted by Surry County for consideration and selected for \$9,600,000 in funding through the Construction District Grant Program in the third round of the prioritization process pursuant to section 33.2-214.1; and

WHEREAS, the Project is significantly over budget and the County has been unsuccessful in securing additional funds for the Project; and

WHEREAS, in November 2022, Surry County requested cancellation of the Project; and

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WHEREAS, VDOT recommends Board action to cancel the Project and transfer all Construction District Grant funds to the Hampton Roads Construction District Grant balance entry (UPC -21763).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, that Route 31 Bicycle Accommodation UPC 115511 project is hereby cancelled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Commonwealth Transportation Board that all Construction District Grant funds allocated to the Project be transferred to the Hampton Roads Construction District Grant balance entry (UPC -21763).

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CTB Decision Brief
SMART SCALE Project Cancellation
Route 31 Bicycle Accommodations (UPC 115511)

Issue: The Route 31 Bicycle Accommodations UPC 115511 (Project) was submitted and selected for funding in the third round of the Commonwealth Transportation Board's (Board's) SMART SCALE Prioritization Process. The Project was submitted by Surry County and screened in for meeting a VTrans need. It was selected for funding and received \$9,600,000 in Construction District Grant funds to fully fund the Project. The Project is significantly over budget and the County has been unsuccessful in securing additional funds for the Project. In November 2022, Surry County requested cancellation of the Project. Board approval is needed for cancellation of this Project pursuant to the Policy for Implementation of the SMART SCALE Project Prioritization Process last approved by the Board December 8, 2021

Facts: The Project is VDOT administered and the preliminary engineering phase was underway.

Item 17 of the Board's Policy for Implementation of the SMART SCALE Project Prioritization Process last approved by the Board December 8, 2021 states that a project that has been selected for funding through either the High Priority Projects Program or Highway Construction District Grant Program may be cancelled only by action of the Board. In the event that a project is not advanced to the next phase of construction when requested by the Board, the locality or metropolitan planning organization may be required, pursuant to § 33.2-214 of the Code of Virginia, to reimburse the Department for all state and federal funds expended on the project.

Item 22 of the Board's SMART SCALE Prioritization Process adopted December 8, 2021 states that Surplus Construction District Grant Funds no longer needed for delivery of a project will remain in the applicable Construction District Grant Program and may not be used in other districts. In addition, this item provides that such surplus funds may either be reserved to address budget adjustments for current SMART SCALE projects or for allocation in the next solicitation cycle for SMART SCALE.

Recommendation: VDOT recommends that the Board cancel the Route 31 Bicycle Accommodations UPC 115511 and transfer all Construction District Grant funds to the Hampton Roads Construction District Grant Balance Entry (UPC -21763).

Action Required by CTB: The CTB will be presented with a resolution for a formal vote to cancel the Route 31 Bicycle Accommodations UPC 115511 project and transfer all Construction District Grant funds to the Hampton Roads Construction District Grant balance entry (UPC -21763).

Result, if Approved: If approved, the project will be removed from the Six-Year Improvement Program and all Construction District Grant funds will be transferred to the Hampton Roads Construction District Grant balance entry (UPC -21763).

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: None