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**Board Approves Almost \$37 Million
For Highway Improvement Projects**

RICHMOND – The Commonwealth Transportation Board today approved 38 contracts for highway improvement projects valued at more than \$36.7 million.

The largest contract is \$16.2 million to widen Dumfries Road from two to four lanes in Prince William County from Brentsville Road to Purcell Road, awarded to General Excavation, Inc. of Warrenton. One of four remaining widening projects on Route 234/Route 234 Bypass from I-95 to I-66, the work includes relocating Lake Jackson Drive and Coles Drive to the north, and replacing the Lake Jackson Bridge. Completion is expected in October, 2002.

In other action, the Board approved naming the bridge on Routes 58/421 over the North Fork of the Clinch River in Scott County as the "Sgt. Ross S. Carter Memorial Bridge" to honor the former U.S. Army paratrooper, now deceased, who served with distinction with the 82nd Airborne Division during World War II.