STATEWIDE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 27, 2013
Updates on the “Draft” Revision 1 of the Virginia Supplement to the 2009 MUTCD include:

- Guidance on the use of Shared Lane Markings (also known as “Sharrows”)
- Guidance on use of Bikes “May Use Full Lane” Sign
- Request for Comments was sent out statewide, including VACo and VML on November 1, 2012
- Comment period ended on November 27, 2012
- Revision 1 is anticipated to be released in Early 2013
Guidance on the use of Shared Lane Markings (also known as “Sharrows”)

• Revision 1 of the VA Supplement contains “Draft” language on the use of Shared Lane Markings

• The 2009 MUTCD, Part 9, Chapter 9C addresses the use of Shared Lane Markings

• The 2012 AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, Chapter 4 addresses the use of Shared Lane Markings
Shared Lane Markings (also known as “Sharrows”)
Draft Revision 1 Guidance on the use of Shared Lane Markings (also Known as “Sharrows”)

- More options proposed to clarify when these markings may be used
- Four specific situations when these markings shall not be used (to prevent over-use or inappropriate use)
- Additional guidance added to prevent the over-use of Shared Lane
Guidance on the use of Bikes “May Use Full Lane” Sign

- Revision 1 of the VA Supplement contains “Draft” language on the use of Bikes May Use Full Lane Sign

- The 2009 MUTCD, Part 9, Chapter 9B addresses the use of Bikes May Use Full Lane Sign

- The 2012 AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, Chapter 4 addresses the use of Bikes May Use Full Lane Sign
Bikes “May Use Full Lane” Sign
Draft Revision 1 Guidance on the use of Bikes “May Use Full Lane” Sign

- Shall only be used where no on-road bicycle facilities exist and substandard width lanes

- Recommend only on roadways with travel lanes delineated and speed limit is 35 mph or less
The 2012 AASHTO Bike Guide: An Overview
http://www.walkinginfo.org/training/pbic/collateral/AASHTO_08_10_12_a.pdf

MAJOR CHANGES IN THE 2012 GUIDE

• Guide expanded from 75 pages to over 200 pages
• 3 chapters to 7 chapters
• Guidance on how to choose bikeway type
• Affirms lane diets and road diets
• Expanded bike lane guidance
• Expanded signal guidance
• Expanded shared use path guidance (including paths adjacent to roads)
MAJOR CONTENT CHANGES

• Integrating Bikes with Transit
  • Bike access to transit vehicles
  • Bike parking at transit stations
  • Bikeways to transit
  • Promoting bikes on transit
2012 AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities

ISSUES NOT ADDRESSED BY THIS GUIDE

- Bike boxes
- Raised bike lanes
- Bicycle signal heads
QUESTIONS?

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