State Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting
Fall Working Group

March 26th, 2014
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Statewide Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner
October 2014 BPAC Meeting Overview

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Status of Bicycle and Pedestrian Program at VDOT
3. Rail with Trails / Pedestrian Crossing Bill
4. Bicycles on Amtrak’ Working Group update
5. Top Five Technical Concerns
6. Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Data Research Process
7. Closing
1. Welcome and Introductions

Introductions

- Name
- Location
- Representation
2. State Bicycle and Pedestrian Program

Major Projects Underway

- Pedestrian Policy Plan
  - Finalized
- Beaches to Bluegrass Conceptual Trail Plan
  - Currently out for Public Comment
- Southeast High-speed Rail Greenway Study
  - Underway
  - Only 13% of Greenway Alignment will fall on abandoned rail ROW
  - Smaller sections between towns likely most feasible
- NOVA U.S. Bike Route 1 Study
  - Finalized alignment
  - Still need to update website and
State Bicycle and Pedestrian Program

2014 Work Program

• Start project to inventory and sign all USBRs 1 & 76 before the 2015 UCI Bicycle Race
• Submit map to Maintenance of priority USBR segments for shoulder widening
• Develop interactive online map for the next Bicycling in VA map update
• Complete statewide inventory & map of limited access prohibitions
• GIS assessment and map of sidewalk gaps
• Organize delegation of VDOT designers to travel to Arlington to learn how bicycles and pedestrians are integrated into everyday decision-making
• Update and reorganize the bike/ped website
• Lead effort to have VDOT adopt a limited access policy

**Safer People, Safer Streets:**

*Summary of U.S. Department of Transportation Action Plan to Increase Walking and Biking and Reduce Pedestrian and Bicyclist Fatalities*

*September 2014*
4. Committee’s Top Technical concerns

1. Develop methods for improving high priority shoulders
   - Open request for committee to submit list of high priority areas along U.S. Bike Routes by next meeting
   - John has driven segments and noted places in need of shoulders

2. Maintenance Payments / Funding loss from Road Diets
   - No Updates

3. Sweeping Bike Lanes / Snow clearing
   - No snow summit to be held in Fall

   - Update from Cindy on various bicycle related devices to pass out of the NCTUCD committee’s spring meeting

5. Limited Access Policy
   - Report finalized and sent back to Central Office for review
8. Bicycle and Pedestrian Data Discussion
Alec Gosse - Commonwealth Computer Research Inc
Data Sources:

• **Counters**

• **Strava Data**
  - http://labs.strava.com/heatmap/#14/-77.47632/37.53733/yellow/bike
Bicycle & Pedestrian Counters

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9. Wrap Up & Next BPAC Meeting

Follow-up Items

• Follow-up items are due to John Bolecek
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Thank you

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