



Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation

CTB Rail Subcommittee Meeting

Agenda

February 16, 2016 at 9 a.m.

VDOT Central Auditorium

VDOT Training Room

1221 East Broad Street

Richmond, Virginia 23219

CTB Members present:

Jennifer Mitchell

Court Rosen

Jim Dyke

Scott Kasprovicz

Jeremy Latimer called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. He stated that during today's meeting there would be discussion of the REF Scorecard update, benefits cost modeling and update on the Virginia Rail Plan.

1. Presentation of Scorecard draft - Mike Todd (DRPT)

- Key facts and projects specific to the REF program
- Explanation of scorecard details
- Model analysis overview

Court Rosen asked how truck loss is calculated

Scott Kasprovicz asked how the accident cost and shipping cost savings are calculated. There was a request to show freight and passenger information separately to be able to explain the values at a high values for accident costs.

Discussion of CO₂ – scorecard can show both monetary benefit and CO₂ amounts avoided

2. Presentation of benefits cost model – Mike Todd (DRPT)

- Explanation of how model works

Scott Kasprovicz was interested in numbers related to a specific scenario as an example case. Using National Gateway, Mr. Kasprovicz requested an explanation to understand savings on a per (ton) mile basis for truck vs train costs.

Court Rosen asked what standard is applied for carbon dioxide reduction.

- Model will be available online for public use once finalized.
 1. Idea is to provide as much transparency in DRPT's determination of project viability and funding.

3. Update on Virginia Rail Plan – Jennifer Mitchell

- Explanation of general purpose and need for an updated rail plan
- Mr. Kasprovicz said the fundamental changes within the industry such as coal need to be reflected; discussion of the nature and future of the industry and how that affects Virginia.
- Director Mitchell discussed passenger rail expansion and policies that should be addressed in the rail plan to set state priorities.
- Mr. Kasprovicz requested information such as the task order draft be sent in advance of a workshop with the CTB Rail Committee.
- Once complete may include a phasing investment schedule for projects

4. Public Comment

Meeting concluded at 9:55 am.