



**Minutes of the**

**2025 State Trails Advisory Committee Fall Meeting**

November 5, 2025 1:00PM to 2:30PM

**I. Welcome**

A welcome message was given to those attending by Kelly McClary, Director of DCR Division of Planning and Recreation Resources. This was followed by review of the agenda and remarks by Salim Chishti, Environmental Program Planner and liaison with STAC.

**II. Report from VDOT Trails Office**

A report of this year's activities and accomplishments of the VDOT State Trails Office was presented to the meeting. The presentation included information on the 6 state funded multi-use trails, the VDOT trails hub and a study on trail surfacing.

**III. Report from Virginia State Parks on park trails**

Virginia State Parks presented information on the building and maintenance of trails within the state parks. This included training methods as well as descriptions of trails, trail surfacing, design and construction.

**IV. High Bridge Trail and New River Trail State Parks Update**

The DCR Division of Planning and Recreation Resources presented information on the existing and planned improvements to High Bridge Trail and New River Trail State Parks. A description of the new facilities at both parks was given as well as a look at the new Visitor Center at High Bridge Trail State Park.

**V. Reports from Members**

Lisa Quigly of the Virginia Creeper Trail gave a talk and presentation on the progress being made to re-open the trail after the impacts from Hurricane Helene.

**VI. 2025 STAC report**

A quick overview of the 2025 STAC report to the general assembly was given.

**VII. Comments**

Time was too limited for comments during the meeting and participants were encouraged to write questions or comments by email. Email address was given as well as a link to the meeting recording and presentation online.

#### **VIII. Spring Meeting Planning**

The Spring 2026 meeting will be held in conjunction with the VaULT Land Conservation and Greenways conference which will be held April 27-29, 2026 at the Newport News Marriott.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45PM