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Environmental Division NEPA Programs

Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE)

Project Information

Project Name: Route 220 - Access Management Federal Project#: NHPP-044-2(058)

Projects

Project Number: 0220-962-050, M501, P101, R201 Project Type: Construction

UPC: 110887 **Charge Number:** UPC 110887; ACT 600 Series

Route Number: 220 **Route Type:** Primary

Project Limit--From: Rt. 862 (Valley Ave.) Intersection To: Rt. 1210 (Dyer St.) Intersection

IPM Project Description: Rte 220 Access Management Improvements Project

Additional Project This project will improve seven intersection sites on the Route 220 corridor in the City of Roanoke, and in

Description: Roanoke, Franklin, and Henry Counties. These intersections include: 1) Valley Avenue/Southern Hills Drive;

2) Crossbow Circle/Pheasant Ridge Road; 3) Buck Mountain Road/Stable Road; 4) Indian Grave

Road/Clearbrook Village Lane; 5) Wirtz Road; 6) Sontag Road; and 7) Dyer Street. The project will improve safety and traffic operations at each of these sites primarily through access management. Final design, as well as Right-of-way and Construction Phases, for Sites #5, #6, and #7 will be accomplished under Proj. #0220-

033-833; P101, R201, C501; UPC 115455 [Federal Project #NHPP-033-2(053)].

Purpose And Need: Improve safety and traffic operations primarily through access management at seven intersections along

Route 220 in Roanoke, Franklin and Henry Counties.

District: City/County: Residency:

Salem District Wide

The subject project meets the criteria for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion in accordance with:

X 23 CFR 771.117

Description of PCE Category:

c27 Highway safety or traffic operations improvement projects, including the installation of ramp metering control devices and lighting, if the project meets the constraints in paragraph (e) of this section.

UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

NO Significant environmental impacts

Determination: There are no significant environmental impacts per Salem District Environmental Staff reviews and documentation provided below in the "Impacts" section.

NO Substantial controversy on environmental grounds

Determination: There is no controversy on environmental grounds per Salem District Environmental Staff reviews and documentation provided below in the "Impacts" section.

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- NO Significant impact on properties protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
 - Determination: There are no impacts per Salem District Environmental Staff reviews and documentation provided below in the "Impacts" section.
- NO Inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local law, requirement or administrative determination relating to the environmental aspects of the action
 - Determination: There are no inconsistencies per Salem District Environmental Staff reviews and documentation provided below in the "Impacts" section.

IMPACTS:

- NO Involves acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent right of way acquisition Determination: This project will include a Right of Way totaling 1.61 acres (Fee Acquisition - 0.17 acre; Temporary Construction Easements - 1.44 acres) per correspondence from the VDOT Project Manager / Design Consultant, dated 09/14/2020.
- NO Involves acquisitions that result in more than limited residential and non-residential displacements, based on the context and intensity of the impact Determination: This project will not involve any residential or non-residential displacements per correspondence from the
 - VDOT Project Manager, dated 09/09/2020.
- NO Results in capacity expansion of a roadway by addition of through lanes Determination: The scope of work for this project is limited to improving safety and traffic operations through access management, and does not involve capacity expansion by the addition of through lanes per the Project Early Notification form (EQ-429), dated 09/16/2020.
- Involves the construction of temporary access, or the closure of an existing road, bridge, or ramps, that would result in major NO traffic disruptions, based on the context and intensity of the impact Determination: The seven intersection projects will involve temporary lane and shoulder closures with continuous traffic flow to be maintained in each work zone per correspondence from the VDOT Project Manager / Design Consultant, dated 09/10/2020.
- NO Results in a determination of adverse effect on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. §306108) Determination: This project will have no effect on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 per the Cultural Resources
- Summary Report, dated 09/16/2020. Requires the use of properties protected by Section 4(f) (49 U.S.C. § 303/23 U.S.C. § 138) that cannot be documented with an NO FHWA de minimis determination, or a programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation signed by FHWA
 - Determination: This project will not involve the use of properties protected by Section 4(f) per a search using the GIS Integrator, dated 09/09/2020, and the Cultural Resources Summary report, dated 09/16/2020.
- Requires the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act of 1965 (54 NO U.S.C. § 200305) or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with federal public-use-money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property
 - Determination: This project will not involve the acquisition of any property under the protection of Section 6(f) per a search using the GIS Integrator, dated 09/09/2020.
- NO Requires a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 (33 U.S.C. § 1344 permit other than a Nationwide or a General Permit) Determination: This project will not require any water quality permits per the Permit Determination, dated 05/04/2020.
- Requires a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit (33 U.S.C. § 401) NO Determination: This project will not impact any waters under the jurisdiction of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act per a search using the GIS Integrator, dated 09/09/2020.

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- NO Requires work that will cause an increase of the flood level by more than one foot within a regulatory floodway of water courses or water bodies or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to 23 CFR §650 subpart A
 - Determination: Sites 1, 3, 4 and 7 of this project are partially located within areas designated Zone AE Floodway per a search of FEMA flood maps, dated 09/09/2020; however, none of the proposed work at these intersections will cause an increase in flood levels or affect base floodplain elevations per correspondence from the VDOT Project Manager, dated 09/09/2020.
- NO Is defined as a "Type I project" per 23 CFR §772.5 and the VDOT noise manual for purposes of a noise analysis

 Determination: Based on the scope of work, the C. O. Noise Section has programmatically determined that this project is not defined as a "Type I" project.
- NO Is likely to adversely affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat, with the exception of a "may affect, likely to adversely affect" (MALAA) determination for the Northern Long-Eared Bat or Indiana Bat when the project is within the scope of the range-wide programmatic consultation for those species
 - Determination: This project will not adversely effect any federally listed species or critical habitat with the exception of the northern long-eared bat, per the Threatened and Endangered Clearance Form, dated 09/18/2020. It was determined that the project "may affect" the northern long-eared bat; however, the project is relying upon the findings of the Programmatic Biological Opinion on Final 4(d) Rule for the Northern Long-Eared Bat and Activities Excepted from Take Prohibitions, dated 01/05/2016, to fulfill the project-specific Section 7 responsibilities.
- NO Involves any known or potential hazardous materials issues that represent a substantial liability or require substantial regulatory negotiation to resolve. Sites representing substantial liability would not include minor issues such as low-level petroleum impacts or minimal solid waste
 - Determination: This project will involve future Phase II Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) to determine the extent of known or potential hazardous materials issues, i.e., low-level petroleum contamination; however, it is not anticipated that any known or potential hazardous material issues representing a substantial liability or requiring substantial regulatory negotiation to resolve will be encountered, per the Hazardous Materials Summary Report, dated 09/17/2020.
- NO Does not meet the provisions of the "Planning Documents and NEPA Approvals" document. In accordance with 23 CFR §450 and the FHWA/VDOT/Federal Transit Administration/Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation MOA Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Procedures MOA, actions listed in 23 CFR §771.117(c) and 23 CFR §771.117(d) may be grouped
 - Determination: This project is included in the STIP Grouping for "Construction: Safety / ITS / Operational Improvements"; therefore, it meets fiscal constraint requirements.
- NO Causes disproportionately high and adverse effects on any minority or low-income populations

 Determination: This project will not cause any disproportionately high or adverse effects on any minority or low-income populations since there will be only minor amounts of right-of-way acquisition with no relocations, no displacements, and no disruption of community services (e.g., police, fire, emergency medical, or school bus operations).
- NO Involves consideration of multiple NEPA alternatives

 Determination: This is a safety/traffic operation improvement project only involving primarily access management, and does not involve consideration of multiple alternatives.
- NO Is an action listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a)

 Determination: This project is not listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a) as a Class I (EIS) Action.
- NO Involves unusual circumstances, pursuant to 23 CFR §771.117(b)

 Determination: This project does not involve unusual circumstances pursuant to 23 CFR §771.117(b), per determinations in the above section titled "Unusual Circumstances."

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