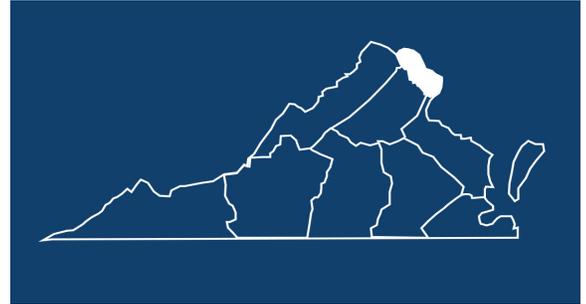


Northern Virginia District: Six-Year Improvement Program Highlights

General Funding Information

- The Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP) for Fiscal Years 2016-2021 provides \$3.4 billion in funding for rail and transit programs over the six year period.
- Due to an \$11 million shortfall in revenue collections in FY14, the FY16 SYIP reflects a 3% decrease in operating funding compared to FY15 numbers.
- Governor McAuliffe's omnibus transportation bill, HB 1887, which passed in the 2015 General Assembly Session with bipartisan support, provides approximately \$40 million annually in additional transit capital funding. These funds will be available in FY17.
- The additional transit capital funding mitigates a portion of the loss of funding anticipated in FY21 due to the expiration of transportation Capital Projects Revenue (CPR) bonds; however, more funds will be necessary to fully address the impending funding shortfall.
- For FY16, DRPT's SYIP includes \$485.2 million in state funding and \$81.3 million in state-controlled federal funding for mass transit, rail, public transportation, and related programs.
- Of the state total, \$295.7 million is going to the Northern Virginia district to support public transportation and commuter services, and \$35.4 million* is going to support freight and passenger rail in the district.



*This number includes funding for projects that span multiple district

Studies

DRPT has contributed funding towards the following ongoing studies related to transportation in the Northern Virginia District:

- Southeast High-Speed Rail – This project will evaluate high-speed rail service along the Southeast High-Speed Rail corridor extending high-speed rail service south from Washington, D.C., to Richmond.
- Route 1 Multimodal – This multimodal alternatives analysis is for an approximately 15-mile segment of the Route 1 corridor that extends roughly from the I-95/I-495 Beltway to Route 123 at Woodbridge in Prince William County. The analysis will set the stage for implementation of a program of projects that address the need for improved connections and access for people who live, work, and travel in the corridor.

Public Transportation and Commuter Services

DRPT continues to support WMATA, and has apportioned \$202.7 million for WMATA operating and capital costs in FY16. This includes \$50 million in PRIIA match funding, \$53.8 million in capital support and \$98.9 million in operating assistance. In addition, DRPT is providing \$60.7 million in capital assistance to WMATA through a multi-year funding agreement (including \$15.9 million in FY16 funds and a previous allocation of \$44.8 million in FY15 funds) to assist with the purchase of new 7000 series railcars, which are integral to WMATA's ultimate goal of running all 8-car trains during rush hours. The first 8-car set of 7000 series railcars made their debut in April 2015, on the Metrorail Blue Line, which serves the Northern Virginia jurisdictions of Alexandria, Arlington County and Fairfax County.



Northern Virginia District: Six-Year Improvement Program Highlights (continued)

Public Transportation and Commuter Services (continued)

DRPT also provides operating and capital funding to the local Northern Virginia transit systems in Alexandria, Fairfax, Arlington County, Fairfax County and Loudoun County, as well as to the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) in Prince William County and the Virginia Railway Express (VRE). In FY16 DRPT is providing approximately \$37.3 million in funding to assist Northern Virginia's local transit systems with operating expenses and \$54.4 million for capital purchases.

Below are some examples of ways in which DRPT funding is being used by the local jurisdictions and transit systems in Northern Virginia:

- DRPT continues to provide funding to the City of Alexandria for its West End Transitway Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridor. Upon completion, the West End Transitway will provide a dedicated transit corridor along Van Dorn and Beauregard streets between the Van Dorn Metrorail station, Shirlington and the Pentagon, and serving the neighborhoods along the City's highest-priority corridor, which encompasses the BRAC project area. The City is nearing completion of the environmental assessment for this project. DRPT is also providing funding to the City in FY16 for the replacement of eight buses.
- In Arlington County, DRPT is providing FY16 funding for the purchase of buses and for the design and construction of a new bus maintenance facility, the ART House. DRPT is also supporting the County's design work for a new western entrance to the Ballston Metrorail Station with funding in FY16. Additionally, funding is being provided to Arlington County for the planning of the extension of the Crystal City Potomac Yard Transitway, a five-mile length of priority transit service between the Pentagon City and Braddock Road Metro Stations.
- DRPT is providing FY16 funding to Fairfax County for the construction/expansion of maintenance facilities to serve its Fairfax Connector transit system in Springfield at Stringfellow Road and at West Ox Road. DRPT is also assisting Fairfax County with the construction of rail-related facilities, including a platform extension at the Lorton VRE station and two new Metrorail stations and parking facilities at Herndon at Innovation Center, which will both serve Phase 2 of the Silver Line when it becomes operational. Lastly, DRPT is providing \$3.8 million for the study and design for a bus rapid transit system for Fairfax County. The funding is part of a \$10 million effort in coordination with VDOT and Fairfax County to advance environmental and engineering work for a widening of Route 1.
- VRE will use DRPT funding for the purchase of nine expansion rail cars and the construction of railcar storage facilities for midday and overnight storage. An additional \$5.4 million of FY16 funds will be used to support the Potomac Shores Station service expansion. DRPT also continues to support VRE with financial assistance for track lease payments to the various railroads on which VRE operates service.
- DRPT is providing FY16 funding to the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) for the ongoing planning and design of a new electronic payment program (NEPP) for WMATA's Metrobus and Metrorail services.

