



Bristol District Highlights

We are the Commonwealth's advocate for promoting transportation options to the general public, businesses, and community decision makers.

The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) is a state agency that reports to the Secretary of Transportation. DRPT's mission is to facilitate and improve the mobility of Virginia citizens and to promote the efficient transport of goods and people in a safe, reliable, and cost-effective manner. Our primary areas of activity are rail, public transportation, and commuter services. DRPT works with local, regional, state, and federal governments as well as private entities to provide support for projects and programs by:

Assessing feasibility and environmental impacts of new and expanding services

Conducting statewide rail and public transportation studies

Planning and programming new services and capital improvement projects

Providing leadership, advocacy, technical assistance, and funding



Smart Scale is a prioritization process focused on investing limited tax dollars into the right projects that meet the most critical transportation needs in Virginia. Virginia's Smart Scale selects the right transportation projects for funding and ensures the best use of limited tax dollars. It

is the method of scoring planned projects included in VTrans. Transportation projects are scored based on an objective, outcome-based process that is transparent to the public and allows decision-makers to be held accountable to taxpayers. Once projects are scored and prioritized, the Commonwealth Transportation Board is given the best information possible in order to approve the right projects for funding.

Public Transportation Project

US58/23 Access Management with Park & Ride

While there are several components to this project, the Park and Ride proposal fits DRPT's mission of facilitating and improving the mobility of the citizens of Virginia as well as promoting efficient transport of goods and people in a safe, reliable, and cost-effective manner. The public park and ride would improve redundancy and mode choice by giving travelers and motorists a safe opportunity to commute with others. The park and ride would also increase the opportunities for public transportation.

If you have any questions or comments about any of these projects, please contact our office:

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