



June 2010 Transportation Staff Report:

Transportation Work/Tasking:

- *Radford Transit Committee:* The Radford Transit Committee has continued to meet on a regular basis to discuss next steps in the overall process of implementing a transit system. The PDC is providing assistance to the City of Radford to develop the Request for Proposal and Memorandum of Understanding.

For more information:

http://www.drpt.virginia.gov/activities/Transit_ref_materials.aspx

- *Bikeway-Walkway-Blueway Plan:* The mapping component and data collection for the plan are nearing completion. The written aspects of the plan will push into the fall to compliment the new goals and objectives of each locality. As discussed in the previous plan update the plan will encourage localities to focus on project implementation in the short, medium, and long-range timeline.

Transportation Updates:

- *Rural Long Range Plan:* The PDC has received a draft recommendations table from the consultant. The PDC will work with the Rural Transportation Technical Committee to develop comment. The recommendation will be incorporated into the large technical document and distributed to each jurisdiction for comment and endorsement.

For more information: <http://virginiadot.org/projects/pdf/NRiverV.pdf>

- *Attendance of Conference/Workshops:* In an effort to obtain new knowledge and information amongst the transportation community, Sharp attended the following conferences and events:
 - *VAPDC Transportation Committee Meeting with DRPT, June 15th:*
 - Developing guidelines to assist stakeholders in evaluating and sustaining different public transportation options.
 - Introducing Transit Development Plans – a six-year planning document that assists DRPT with developing budgets
 - Recently completed a statewide study that identifies areas in VA that have characteristics to support a public system (Giles and Floyd on the list).
 - *Transportation Economics Webinar x 2:*
 - Sharp participated in two webinars targeted towards planning transportation improvements economic impacts. The first was held on May 25th and highlighted a unique web tool called T-PICS that allows a planner to access projects of similar size and nature to assess the various impacts of the transportation improvement. The Second was held on June 16th and hosted a variety of state and local government officials that shared their success with different approaches to transportation planning. Both webinars indicated that evaluating the performance impacts of transportation was still very difficult and in the early stages of development.