

## **Consultant Activity Report – May 2023**

Date: June 27, 2023

Report Period: May 1 – May 31, 2023

This monthly report is intended to summarize current or recently completed activity on the Regional Connectors Study by the consultant team.

### **Work Activity This Period:**

#### Execute Engagement Plan

- Continued to upload the project materials to the project website agendas, meeting minutes and videos, monthly Consultant Activity reports, and project documents
- Prepared follow-up response to Pughsville Civic League based on input from VDOT, HRPDC, City of Suffolk, and City of Chesapeake.
- Prepared for and held May 25 Regional Symposium to discuss the recent round of public engagement with community leaders with specific focus on environmental justice.
   Meeting held at HRTPO building in Chesapeake.

# <u>Evaluation of study segments on construction complexity, permitting challenges, project</u> readiness and tiering

- Documenting the findings of Phase III analysis for summary technical memo
- Coordinating with Traffic Operations team on design configuration of Tier I segments (I-664 North of College Drive and VA 164)

#### Scenario and Traffic Operations Analysis

Finalizing Step 3 activities including travel demand and economic modeling of the
updated RCS 2045 Baseline network and selected segment bundles as well as
operational modeling of the Tier I segments (I-664 North of College Drive and VA-164)
for the baseline land use forecasts and also the three Greater Growth scenario land use
forecasts.

#### Study Documentation

Continuing study documentation across Phase III tasks

#### Prepare for and Attend Meetings

- Beyond Regional Symposium described earlier in this document, no other study team meeting activity in May other than revolving coordination calls internally with the consultant team and weekly calls with HRTPO staff and RCS Independent Project Coordinator to manage project.
- Development of draft presentation material for June meeting of the Joint Steering (Policy) Committee / Working Group

### **Work Anticipated Next Period:**

#### **Execute Engagement Plan**

- Continue to upload project materials to the project website agendas, meeting minutes and videos, monthly Consultant Activity reports, and project documents
- Document the Regional Symposium, post materials including recorded presentation on the website, and send email notification to invitees
- Begin preparation for final round of public meetings to be held as part of the study

#### Scenario and Traffic Operations Analysis

• Finalize Step 3 activities as noted above including travel demand and economic analysis and operational modeling.

#### **Study Documentation**

Continue preparing study documentation across Phase III tasks

#### Prepare for and Attend Meetings

Finalize material and hold June meeting of the Joint Steering (Policy) Committee /
Working Group where the consultant team will reveal results of future land use scenario
investigation and operations analysis.

#### **Attachments:**

- Mandated Segments
- Phase III Process Graphic
- Segment Bundles for Scenario Analysis
- Project Completion Schedule

## **Mandated Segments**

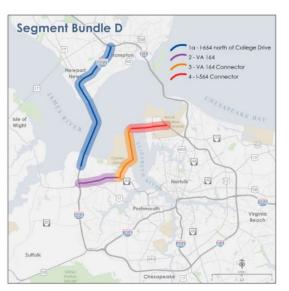


#### Step 1 Step 2 Step 3 Step 4 **Congestion Reduction Qualitative Assessment of Scenario Analysis Final Documentation** Construction, Permitting, **Evaluation** of Design, Evaluation **Traffic Operations** & Readiness & Recommendations **Revised Design & Cost Analysis Estimation FULL RECOMMENDATIONS SEGMENT BUNDLING FINAL DRAFT FINAL REPORT** FOR STEP 2 **SEGMENT TIERING** TO HRTPO Regional **Website Update Public Meetings Public Meetings Connectivity Symposium**

#### Segment Bundles Selected for Step 3 Scenario Analysis







Segment 1b (1664 South of College Drive) included in the 2045 RCS Baseline Network

## Regional Connectors Study Project Completion Schedule (Steps 3 and 4)

Task	Step	Fall 2022	Winter 2022-2023	Spring 2023	Summer 2023
Code and run 2045 RCS Baseline Network for 4 Land Use Scenarios	3				
Code and run up to 3 bundle networks for 4 Land Use Scenarios	3				
Evaluate congestion and economic performance of all of the above	3				
Operational analysis - code/refine segments for analysis	3				
Operational analysis - analyze bundle networks and land use scenarios	3				
Finalize segment cost estimates	3				
Final documentation of study findings	4				
Steering Committee/Working Group Meetings		✓	✓	✓	✓
Public Engagement:					
Plan and Hold Regional Connectivity Symposium	3				
HRTPO Community Advisory Comm. Meeting	3,4	✓		<b>✓</b>	
Plan, restart, continue social media	3,4				
Draft promotion materials, promotion plan for public meetings	3,4				
Plan/attend pop-up events	3,4		Jan. 19, 23, 24		TBD
Plan/Prepare/Publicize public meetings	3,4				
Hold public meetings	3,4		Feb. 1, 2, 7, 9		July 31, Aug. 1-3
		Completed Activities Activities Underway	✓ Steering Committee Meetings: June, Sept. Final HRTPO Board Presentation: October		
		Future Activities			