



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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COMMISSIONER

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TO: All Urban Municipalities, Arlington & Henrico Counties

RE: Collection of Pavement Condition Data on the Local System

The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), at their December 2011 meeting, adopted a resolution to reconvene the Local Government Working Group (in partnership with the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia First Cities Coalition) to advance the collection and analysis of system condition and performance data on the locally maintained system.

After several meetings of the Local Government Workgroup, the group concluded and recommended to the June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012 CTB Workshop the following:

- Maintenance activities in localities that maintain their own systems are substantially different than that on rural county roads
- Performance measures must keep the differences in mind when implementing statewide standards
- Utilize the VDOT Pavement Data Collection Contract to collect/ analyze pavement conditions for arterial routes within localities that maintain their own systems (would provide a consistent standard/protocol that would be used statewide)

(Note: CTB Workshop presentation available at: <http://www.ctb.virginia.gov/meetings.asp>)

Based on these recommendations, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will begin collecting data on all arterial routes beginning this summer with analysis of the data being completed in the winter of 2013. Of course, results will be provided to the respective localities. Additional information on the Local Government Workgroup and data collection process is available on our Urban Highways webpage under the header *Local Government Workgroup Information* at <http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local-assistance-programs.asp#UrbanHighways>.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Todd Halacy, P.E. by telephone at 804-786-3438 or email [Todd.Halacy@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Todd.Halacy@VDOT.Virginia.gov) or me at (804)786-0334 or email [Jennifer.DeBruhl@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Jennifer.DeBruhl@VDOT.Virginia.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. DeBruhl".

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Cc: Virginia Municipal League  
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