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VTRANS:

APPROACH TO PRIORITIZING THE MID-TERM TRANSPORTATION NEEDS

NSVRC Transportation Planning Technical Committee Meeting

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AGENDA

- Background
- Prioritization of the 2019 Mid-term Needs
 - Context and Significance
 - Steps
 - 2020 VTrans Virtual Workshops

BACKGROUND

- The [Commonwealth Transportation Board \(CTB\)](#) accepted the [2019 Mid-term Transportation Needs](#) in January, 2020
- At that time, the CTB also directed the Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment to Prioritize the 2019 Mid-term Transportation Needs



BACKGROUND

- In VTrans, needs are identified for two planning horizons.
 - Mid-term
 - Long-term

	Mid-Term Needs	Long-Term Needs
Planning Horizon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 - 10 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 – 25 years
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Screen SMART SCALE applications• Prioritize VDOT Revenue Sharing applications• Forms the basis of VTrans Multimodal Project Study Pipeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inform policy to prepare for gradual and systematic change
Board Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adopted in January 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requested in 2021

PRIORITIZATION OF VTRANS MID-TERM NEEDS | CONTEXT AND SIGNIFICANCE

- Based on the CTB's direction, the Prioritized Mid-term Needs may be used to:
 - Inform state-level planning and project development processes
 - Develop of policies related to transportation programs and activities
 - Inform other programmatic or planning related functions
- Finally, local and regional planning agencies may utilize the prioritized Needs to inform local and regional planning efforts.

- **VTrans Multimodal Project Study Pipeline**

- In January 2020, the Board directed OIPI to prioritize the identified 2019 Mid-term Needs
- In May 2020, Deputy Secretary Donohue [presented](#) the following overarching approach:



- **Significance of This Work**

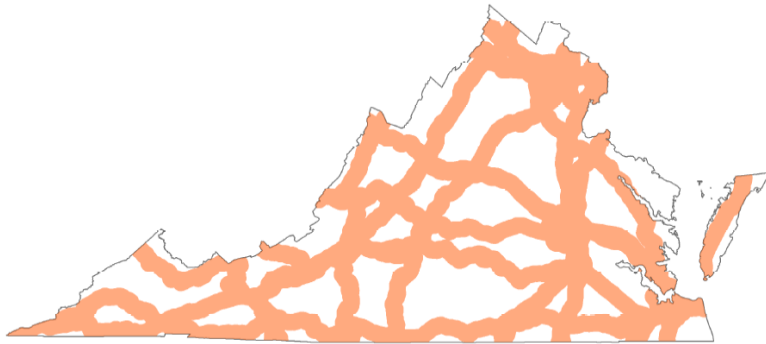
- This work informs VDOT and DRPT investments for various types of studies

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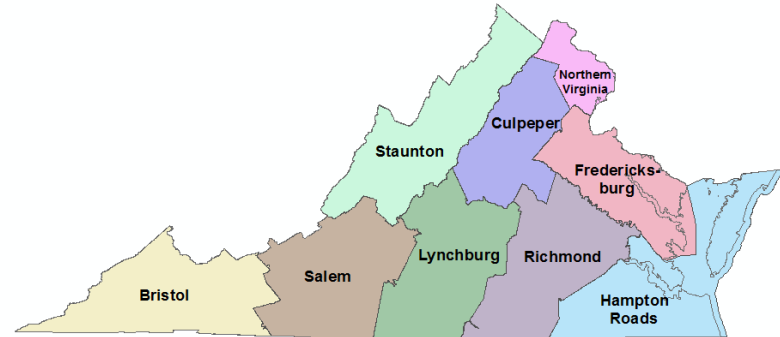
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Statewide Prioritization (along COSS)



District Prioritization

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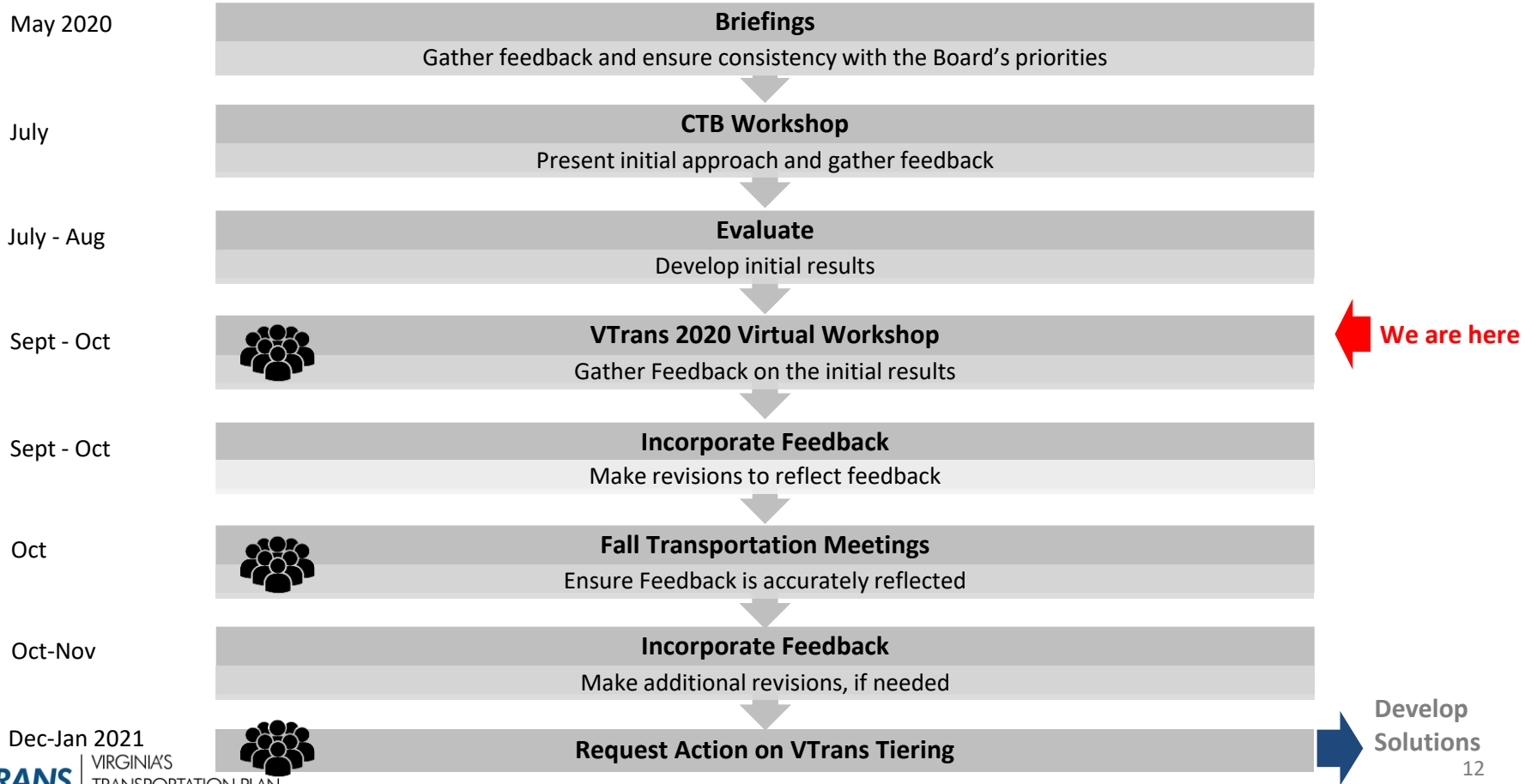
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Iterative development based on feedback from local and regional agencies

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PRIORITIZATION OF VTRANS MID-TERM NEEDS | 2020 VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

- Similar to the 2019 VTrans Regional Workshops, we plan on virtual engagement to seek feedback
 - Utilization of [InteractVTrans](#) to display results
 - Online forum to engage with OIPI and other transportation partners

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