



October 14, 2008

J. Douglas Koeleмай
Northern Virginia District
Commonwealth Transportation Board
6822 Jerome Street
Springfield, VA 22150-2012

Dear Mr. Koeleмай,

The Dulles South Business Alliance would like to follow up with you regarding our past input to the Virginia Department of Transportation regarding the widening of Route 50 from Route 28 to Poland Road. It is our understanding that VDOT will be choosing a design build contractor for this project in the near future, and the DSBA would like to reiterate that any respective design which honors those as stated in our earlier letter (dated March 28, 2008 and herein attached) will be supported by our members. To summarize, we requested that Route 50 become an attractive and environmentally friendly six-lane facility consisting of interchanges in lieu of right ins/right outs to create an uninterrupted flow of traffic and to preserve the long term right of way wherever possible. VDOT should also plan to preserve the maximum median width and to apply VDOT new access management guidelines consisting of maximizing signal space, consolidating driveways where possible, inter-parcel connections and innovative left turn treatments. Further, we are recommending right in/right out for the existing roadways where there will not be interchanges. Perhaps most important though is for VDOT to understand that restricting access to Route 50 can only come after the small parcel owners are served with collector roads to the north and south and concurrent with or after improvements on Route 50 from the county line to Route 28 in Fairfax. These improvements must occur prior to the elimination of access.

In short, Route 50 should be a much different road than Route 28 both visually and from a business access perspective. The plans of the Dulles Loop Implementation group are consistent with all of the work we have done so far in our corridor and actually go a step further by linking Fairfax and Loudoun collectors.

The members of the DSBA respectfully ask that you consider these important requests when selecting a contractor.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 703-802-6231.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William H. Dean", written in a cursive style.

William H. Dean
President
Dulles South Business Alliance