

VPRA Decision Brief
Authorizing the Acquisition of Property for Rail Projects
December 16, 2025

Issue: VPRA is requesting the Board to direct VPRA staff to acquire by purchase, grant, or condemnation the interests in real property, whether temporary or permanent, to carry out the following project (such interests being the “**Necessary Interests**”):

PROJECT	APPROXIMATE MILEPOST(S)
Alexandria Fourth Track	CFP 104.1 – CFP 110.1
Alexandria Station Improvements (VRE-led)	CFP 105.19 – CFP 105.37
King and Commonwealth Bridge Replacements (VRE-Led)	CFP 105.30; CFP 105.37
Franconia-Lorton Third Track ¹	CFP 92.3 – CFP 99.0
Franconia-Springfield Bypass	CFP 96.2 – CFP 97.3
Railroad Bridges over Newington Road	CFP 95.3 – CFP 96.2
Potomac Creek Third Track South (Siding A) ²	CFP 65.2 – CFP 61.3
Ettrick Station Improvements	A-22.0
Long Bridge (North Package)	CFP 110.76 – CFP 111.57
Long Bridge (South Package)	CFP 110.1 – CFP 110.76
L’Enfant Fourth Track and Station Improvements (VRE-Led)	CFP 111.5 – CFP 112.4

Facts: VPRA is a political subdivision and Va. Code § 15.2-1903.B. requires political subdivisions to hold a public hearing prior to initiating condemnation proceedings. Thus, VPRA is seeking a public hearing and resolution at the VPRA Board meeting held on December 16, 2025. The resolution would direct VPRA staff to acquire the Necessary Interests, including by condemnation, if necessary.

Recommendation: Direct VPRA staff to acquire the Necessary Interests, including by condemnation, if necessary.

Action Required by VPRA: Authorize the proposed resolution by majority vote.

Options: Approve. Deny. Defer.

¹ Includes the Fairfax Sanitary Sewer Relocations project.

² Includes the Stafford County Sanitary Sewer Relocations project.