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Good morning, Jacob,

VDOT Planning has no further comments. Thank you.

Our comments provided on October 17, 2019 should serve as our most recent and current guidance. (Beyond this, I believe my assistant, Linda LaSut, provided a single comment regarding the spelling of a word.)

Thank you for providing us with multiple opportunities for input into the Spotsylvania County Comprehensive Plan.

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On Wed, Mar 25, 2020 at 9:12 AM Jacob Pastwik <<u>JPastwik@spotsylvania.va.us</u>> wrote:

Good morning,

I wanted to check in with VDOT to inquire if there is an estimated timeline for response on our second review of the draft Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan? The initial review was submitted on September 20, 2019 and we received comments back October 17, 2019. We then looked to address the comments working with our new Transportation staff here in house (Paul Agnello and Rodney White) and returned the document with edits for second review on December 12, 2019. I had done a check in on January 21, 2020 and it appeared the response was coming shortly. We are trying to finalize our draft and give ourselves enough time to navigate local public hearings in advance of Smartscale to ensure our Comprehensive Plan update and support is in place. I do believe the content of our current Comp Plan draft is much more comprehensive than our 2013 Comp Plan version and will be viewed as an improvement over that prior version.

I wanted to convey that one of the initial comments received had to do with consideration of ebikes and scooters, etc. Frankly at this point we have no established plan for them but do recognize the potential in the future, especially in more urbanizing areas. I have recently been named Chair of the FAMPO Bike/Ped Advisory Committee and one of the initiatives we will be looking into as part of the regional bike/ped update will be developing regional strategies and recommendations for e-bikes and scooters. This effort will not get underway and be finalized within the timeframe we intend on moving our Transportation Element draft forward for public hearing. To address e-bikes and scooters I have drafted a Comp Plan Strategy to As part of the upcoming update to the George Washington Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, work with the FAMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) to develop a regional strategy and identify local policies for e-bikes and scooters. Policy recommendations may warrant inclusion in future iterations of the Comprehensive Plan. This is intended to get the subject on our radar.

Thank You,

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