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TO: Virginia East Coast Greenway Committee

FROM: Sarah Sanford, VA & NC Coordinator, East Coast Greenway Alliance

SUBJECT: Changes to East Coast Greenway Route in George Washington Region

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This is an official notice of changes to the East Coast Greenway route, as planned through the George Washington Region of Virginia in the City of Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania County, and Caroline County.

At the February 5, 2020 meeting of the Virginia East Coast Greenway (ECG) Committee in Fredericksburg, a group of local planners presented a set of proposed changes for the ECG route through the City of Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania County, and Caroline County. The proposed changes were discussed by the committee members present. Committee members who were not present at the meeting were given until February 21, 2020 to make comments on the proposed route changes. A copy of the presentation, which includes maps showing the proposed route, is attached to this letter.

No opposition to the proposed route changes were voiced by committee members since the distribution of the presentation. Hence, the East Coast Greenway Alliance hereby formally adopts the proposed changes to the route. The East Coast Greenway Alliance's online mapping platform (map.greenway.org) will reflect the new route by March 31, 2020, and all future hardcopy maps produced by the Alliance will show the new route. Any shared links to GIS files of the ECG route will automatically update by March 31, 2020.

These changes were proposed for a number of reasons:

- To better align with bike/pedestrian infrastructure plans in localities' Comprehensive Plans
- To route along roads with planned road widening projects and/or planned multi-use trails
- To increase the likelihood of funding and project prioritization for local multi-use trail construction projects
- To route the ECG outside of the Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania National Military Park, where user conflict between motor vehicles and bicyclists has been identified by the National Park Service as an issue along Lee Dr.

Any questions about said changes can be directed to Sarah Sanford, Virginia & North Carolina Coordinator for the East Coast Greenway Alliance:

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