

**NVTC**  
**Northern Virginia Transportation Commission**  
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**RESOLUTION #2206**

**SUBJECT:** Extension of the Norfolk Southern Operating Access Agreement.

**WHEREAS:** The commissions currently have an Operating/Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern dated as of May 5, 2000, related to VRE operations in the Manassas to Washington, D.C. corridor;

**WHEREAS:** This agreement, following several extensions, will expire January 31, 2013;


**WHEREAS:** Staff has reached an agreement in principle on the majority of substantive items relating to a new agreement following detailed negotiation sessions with Norfolk Southern representatives;

**WHEREAS:** The VRE Operations Board recommends extending the existing new agreement to July 31, 2013 to allow time to conclude negotiations and finalize a new agreement; and

**WHEREAS:** Necessary funding has been incorporated into the FY 2013 and FY 2014 budgets to allow VRE to continue its operations over Norfolk Southern tracks via this contract extension.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission authorizes the VRE Chief Executive Officer to execute an extension of the existing May 5, 2000 Amended Operating/Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern to July 31, 2013.

Approved this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2013.

  
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Jeffrey McKay  
Chairman

  
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David Snyder  
Secretary-Treasurer

