



Transportation Division Staffing

Instead of a Transportation Planning Director, we will divide the duties among two transportation planners who will report to the Executive Director.

Philipp Gabathuler, our Senior Planner, will manage our Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation planning program. In this role, Philipp will guide planning efforts to increase multi-modal opportunities throughout the region. This includes planning and project support to the Greater Lynchburg Transit Company and assisting our communities with pedestrian and bicycle planning opportunities.

Ada Hunsberger will join the Commission as a Regional Planner in September. Ada has her planning degree from the University at Albany in New York and is most recently working with the City of Kingston, NY. Ada will work with the Virginia Department of Transportation Planning Programs, which include our region's Long Range Transportation Plan, the maintenance of our Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan, and serve as primary staff to the Central Virginia Transportation Planning Organization (CVTPO).

Kelly Hitchcock, Planning and Development Director, will continue to manage the RIDE Solutions Program and facilitate alternative transportation projects.