



2014 VLCT TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL POLICY

IMPORTANT TO KEEP IN MIND

- ✘ More than 80% of all roadway mileage in VT is Town Highways
- ✘ Vermont municipalities are responsible for 11,944 total highway miles



PRIORITY ISSUES

- ✘ prevent any cuts and advocate for increases to Town Highway Aid payments, Class 2 Paving and Town Highway Structures grant programs, and the Town Highway Bridge Program.
- ✘ Commit the funding necessary to maintain, repair, or replace Vermont's structurally deficient bridges.
- ✘ Develop alternative funding sources, including local option taxes with revenue sharing provisions, user fees, and revenue from General Fund sources.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

- ✘ Increase funding for the Class 2 Roadway Program, which allows for the greatest local management of projects.
- ✘ Increase state funding and expand eligibility for the Town Highway Bridge Program
- ✘ Ensure that the level of funding for the Town Highway Emergency Fund is sufficient to cover costs incurred by municipalities as the result of natural or manmade disasters
- ✘ Increase state funding for Class 1 local highway rehabilitation or construction.
- ✘ Fully fund any upgrades to a municipal post-disaster recovery project, such as upsizing culverts, that are mandated by a state agency but not paid for by FEMA or other federal agencies.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY 2014

- ✘ Permanently expand the District Transportation Administrators' (DTAs') flexibility and authority to work with local governments to ensure technical assistance and efficiency in implementing transportation projects.
- ✘ Share VTrans' facilities and other resources (such as purchasing contracts) with municipalities.
- ✘ Require agricultural custom service vehicles to comply with all motor vehicle laws in order to operate on state and local highways.

MORE VLCT RESOURCES

✘ VLCT 2014 Municipal Policy

http://www.vlct.org/assets/Advocacy/Legislative_Platform/2014_Municipal_Policy_web.pdf

✘ VLCT Weekly Legislative Reports

<http://www.vlct.org/advocacy/weekly-legislative-reports/>

✘ VLCT YouTube Channel

<http://www.youtube.com/user/vlctexec?feature=watch>

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