

1           \* \* \* Inclusion of Maintenance for the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail  
2                           in the Annual Proposed Transportation Program \* \* \*

3       Sec. **XX**. 19 V.S.A. § 10g(p) is added to read:

4           (p) The Agency shall include the annual maintenance required for the  
5       Lamoille Valley Rail Trail (LVRT), running from Swanton to St. Johnsbury, in  
6       the Transportation Program it presents to the General Assembly under  
7       subsection (a) of this section. The proposed authorization for the maintenance  
8       of the LVRT shall be sufficient to cover:

9           (1) maintenance and repair or replacement of any bridges along the  
10       LVRT;

11           (2) maintenance and repair of the fencing along the LVRT and any  
12       leased lines;

13           (3) maintenance and repair of the stormwater systems for the LVRT;

14           (4) any large-scale surface maintenance required due to dangerous  
15       conditions along the LVRT or compromise of the rail bed of the LVRT, or

16       both;

17           (5) resolution of any unauthorized encroachments related to the rail bed,  
18       but not the recreational use of the LVRT; **and**

19           (6) any other maintenance obligations required of the Agency under a  
20       memorandum of understanding entered into regarding the maintenance of the  
21       LVRT.

1 **[NOTE FROM LEG. COUNSEL: THE FOLLOWING IS DELETED]**

2 (7) the cost of all ongoing maintenance of the LVRT by the Department of  
3 Forests, Parks and Recreation at such time as the Agency enters into a lease  
4 and maintenance agreement with the Department of Forests, Parks and  
5 Recreation for the LVRT.

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7 \* \* \* Effective Dates \* \* \*

8 Sec. 35. EFFECTIVE DATES

9 (a) This section and Secs. 7 (federal infrastructure funding), 10  
10 (authorization for the Incentive Program for New PEVs), and 13 (authorization  
11 for MileageSmart) shall take effect on passage.

12 (b) Sec. XX (19 V.S.A. § 10g(p); Lamoille Valley Rail Trail maintenance)  
13 shall take effect on July 1, 2021 and apply to Transportation Programs  
14 commencing with fiscal year 2023.

15 (c) Sec. 6 (repeal of 23 V.S.A. § 1432(c)) shall take effect on January 1,  
16 2022.

17 (d) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

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