

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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