



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 2009

MONTHLY DELAY SUMMARY

	June	July	August	September
System wide				
Total delays	76	45	74	36
Average length of delay (mins.)	21	20	16	15
Number over 30 minutes	18	5	9	2
Days with Heat Restrictions/Total days	3/22	0/22	4/21	0/21
On-Time Performance	88%	92.9%	87.8%	94.1%
Fredericksburg Line				
Total delays	43	24	38	13
Average length of delay (mins.)	22	19	15	14
Number over 30 minutes	11	2	4	0
On-Time Performance	84.9%	91.6%	86.1%	95.2%
Manassas Line				
Total delays	33	21	36	23
Average length of delay (mins.)	19	21	17	16
Number over 30 minutes	7	3	5	2
On-Time Performance	90.6%	94.0%	89.3%	93.2%

SYSTEM RIDERSHIP

The year-to-date gain in ridership is 9,986 riders higher than last year which represents a 1% increase. However, the total number of September trips in 2009 was -0.5% lower than in September 2008.

SYSTEM ON TIME PERFORMANCE

System on time performance for September was 94.1%. OTP on the Manassas Line was 93.2% and the Fredericksburg Line was 95.2%. The last time we had 95% OTP on the Fredericksburg Line was 2001. We had a total of 36 delays out of 609 trains during the month of September, 25% were Amtrak interference. We only had six mechanical delays. We have achieved over 90% system wide for 6 months during CY 2009.

TOP TEN RIDERSHIP DAYS

VRE experienced its highest ridership day ever on Tuesday, October 6, 2009. The total ridership number was 17,826. Ridership was pretty evenly distributed between the Manassas line at 8,869 and the Fredericksburg line at 8,957. The second largest ridership day at 17,751 was January 6, 2009. Six out of the remaining eight top ten ridership days were in 2009 and two were in 2008.

MASTER AGREEMENT SURVEY

The annual Master Agreement Survey to determine jurisdictional subsidies was performed on Wednesday, October 7th. Station counters and survey workers were on every train and at each station to ensure accurate results. The surveys will be tabulated and the results made available in December.

CLIFTON DAY

VRE provided train service for Clifton Day on October 11th. Trains ran from the Manassas, Manassas Park, Rolling Road and Burke Centre Stations to Clifton for free. Tickets for the return trip from Clifton were purchased at the festival for \$5. The train service was paid for by the Clifton Betterment Association, who was also responsible for selling the tickets and collecting the ticket revenue.

WOODBRIIDGE STATION EXPANSION UPDATE

Work continues on various elements of the elevator/stair tower and pedestrian bridge, including painting and window installation, at the Woodbridge station. Shifting of the west track and construction of the platform are complete. Upcoming work includes canopy construction and elevator installation. The project is expected to be completed by December of this year.

BROOKE PARKING EXPANSION UPDATE

The Department of Historic Resources is currently reviewing the archeological report for Brooke. Once their comments have been received, the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) will be submitted to FTA. The surface parking lot to the south of the existing lot has been selected as the preferred alternative. Stafford County is working with the property owner on advanced property acquisition via the hardship process. In an effort to expedite this process, VRE hired a consultant to perform the title search and appraisals per federal requirements. The property may be acquired using federal funds as soon as either the hardship application or the EA is approved by FTA.

LEELAND PARKING EXPANSION UPDATE

FTA notified VRE that the EA for Leeland Road should be approved this month. Final design will begin as soon as the EA is officially approved. The preferred alternative for the 200 space surface parking expansion is the PRTC property to the west of the existing lot. The Stafford County Board of Supervisors reclassified the zoning of this property to allow parking at their October 6, 2009 meeting.

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE MEASURES – SEPTEMBER 2009

MONTHLY ON-TIME PERFORMANCE	ON-TIME PERCENTAGE
September Fredericksburg OTP Average	95.2%
September Manassas OTP Average	93.2%
VRE SEPTEMBER OVERALL OTP AVERAGE	94.1%

RIDERSHIP YEAR TO DATE	RIDERSHIP
VRE FY 2009 Passenger Totals	1,008,315
VRE FY 2008 Passenger Totals	998,329
PERCENTAGE CHANGE	1.0%

RIDERSHIP MONTH TO MONTH COMPARISON	
DESCRIPTION	MONTHLY RIDERSHIP
SEPTEMBER 2009	338,791
SEPTEMBER 2008	340,516
PERCENTAGE CHANGE	-0.5%
SERVICE DAYS (CURRENT/PRIOR)	21/21