Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission FY 2015 Park and Ride Lot Quarterly Counts



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Background

As part of its FY 2015 Rural Transportation Work Plan, the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission (RRRC) included a *General Technical Assistance* component as a means of responding to regional data collection needs related to transportation. As part of this review, RRRC's Commuter Services program performed quarterly counts of each of the 14 park and ride lots in the region. Additionally, RRRC staff met with VDOT representatives from the Culpeper District office to discuss opportunities for locations of additional park and ride lots to serve the region's commuters.

Notably, in June 2015, the Fauquier County Board of Supervisors approved a special exception to allow for a park and ride lot facility on the 'Cunningham Farm' property near Marshall and the Interstate 66 corridor. The proposed facility will consist of 40 commuter parking spaces, accommodations for commuter bus service and future expansion.

Included in this report are the quarterly counts of the park and ride lots in the Rappahannock-Rapidan region, along with maps and directions to each of the 14 park and ride lots.

Quarterly Park & Ride Lot Counts

Table 1 shows the quarterly park and ride lot counts, along with the # of marked parking locations at each lot, the average utilization and change in utilization from FY 2014 to FY 2015, along with regional totals.

There are several trends to note within table 1. The Warrenton Park & Ride lot, located directly off of U.S. Routes 15 and 29 north of the Town of Warrenton, continues to be the most utilized park and ride lot in the region. The lot averages over 140 users with a high of 153 in April 2015. Overall, the Warrenton Park & Ride lot averaged 68% capacity during the fiscal year.

Route 29 remains the most traveled corridor in the region. The park & ride lots at Brandy Station (93% full) and Remington (76% full) continue to be highly utilized. In addition, the Eastern View High School lot in Culpeper County that is used for parking for the commuter bus route saw an increase of two users on average in FY 2015 compared to FY 2014.

The Interstate 66 corridor also reflects the importance of locating park and ride locations with quick access to the main commuter thoroughfare. The Plains' parking area remains over capacity with an average of 20 cars compared to just 15 formal parking spots at the location. Both the Marshall and Delaplane lots saw increased utilization in FY 2015 and the new proposed park & ride area in Marshall is located in a more visible and accessible location compared to the existing lot, which may be expected to increase the number of users in that area.

A map of the park and ride lots can be seen in Figure 1. Please note that this map includes the location of the Town of Orange parking lot, which is not included in the quarterly counts performed by RRRC Commuter Services.

FY 2015 PARK & RIDE LOT COUNTS (RAPPAHANNOCK-RAPIDAN REGION)

Park & Ride Lot	# of Spots	1st Qtr -	2nd Qtr -	3rd Qtr -	4th Qtr -	Average	% Spots	Chg in Average Usage,
		7/17/2014	10/28/2014	1/29/2015	4/15/2015	Usage	Utilized	FY'13 to FY'14
Markham	9	5	3	3	5	4	44%	-7
Delaplane	17	12	15	14	14	14	81%	+1
Marshall	34	8	12	9	15	11	32%	+4
The Plains	15	19	22	20	18	20	132%	+1
Warrenton	212	141	151	134	153	145	68%	+2
Massie's Corner	12	3	1	3	5	3	25%	-2
(Rt 522 & Rt 211)								
Amissville	10	7	3	9	5	6	60%	-1
Clevenger's Corner	40	34	42	28	27	33	82%	+3
(Rt 211 & Rt 229)								
Midland	110	2	5	4	2	3	3%	-2
Remington	22	20	17	14	16	17	76%	-4
Brandy Station	45	29	46	48	44	42	93%	+2
Eastern View HS	-	12	17	19	18	17		+2
(Commuter Bus)								
Rabbit Run	17	5	2	2	3	3	18%	-3
(Rt 3 & Rt 29)								
Vint Hill	40	0	0	0	0	0	0%	0
TOTAL	583	297	336	307	325	316	54%	-2

Park and Ride Lot Locations

in the Rappahannock-Rapidan Region

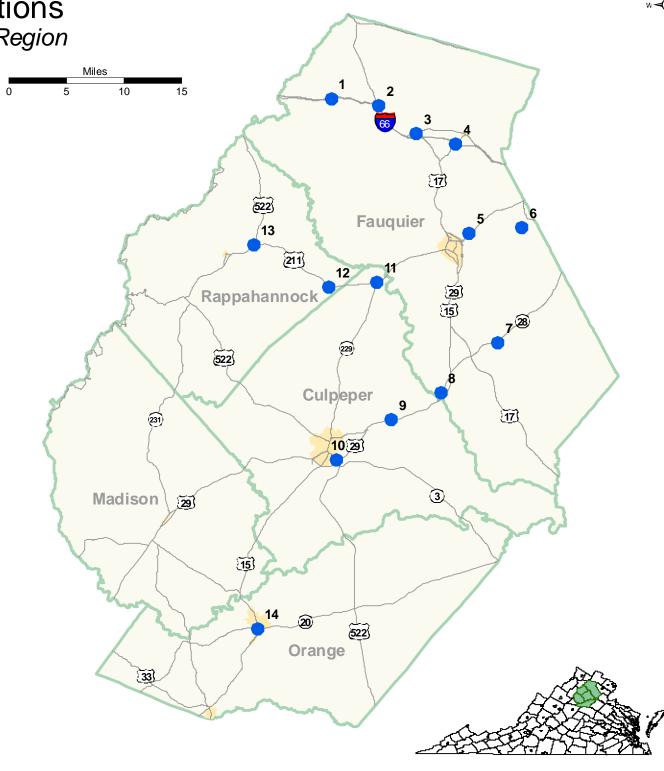
Park and Ride Lots

- 1 Markham
- 2 Delaplane
- 3 Marshall
- 4 The Plains
- 5 Warrenton
- 6 Vint Hill
- 7 Midland
- 8 Remington
- 9 Brandy Station
- 10 Rabbit Run
- 11 Clevengers Corner
- 12 Amissville
- 13 Massies Corner
- 14 Town of Orange

Visit www.rrcommute.org or call RRRC Commuter Services at (540) 829-7451 for more information on commuting in the Rappahannock-Rapidan region









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