



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Stephen C. Brich, P.E.
Commissioner

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MEMORANDUM

TO: VDOT Industry Partners
DBE Community
Contractors
Design-Builders
Vendors
Consultants

FROM: Stephen C. Brich, P.E.

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SUBJECT: DBE Program Reinstatement

Following months of thoughtful work and strong collaboration with our UCP members, DBE community partners, and industry stakeholders, VDOT will be reinstating the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, **effective July 1, 2026**.

Upon reinstatement, VDOT will resume evaluating federally eligible projects for DBE participation goals and will establish contract goals in the coming months, as appropriate. The VDOT Civil Rights and Construction Divisions, along with the Professional Services Procurement Office, will issue technical guidance regarding the DBE program on or about June 17, 2026.

Ongoing DBE recertification is vital to the program's success, and your partnership is essential to a successful restart. A directory of recertified DBEs eligible for participation on federally eligible projects, which SBSB continually updates, is available at: <https://directory.sbsd.virginia.gov/#/executiveExport>.

Questions may be directed to the Civil Rights Division at CRLMS@vdot.virginia.gov.

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