

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Chair Phyllis J. Randall and Members
Northern Virginia Transportation Authority

FROM: Michael Longhi, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: May 8, 2020

SUBJECT: Monthly Revenue Report

1. **Purpose:** To update the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) on monthly revenue receipts and 30% funds distributed to member localities.
2. **Background:** The attached reports reflect funding received and distributed through April 2020.
3. **Comments:**
 - a. **FY2020 Revenues (Attachment A)**
 - i. The Authority has received approximately \$191.5 million through the April 2020 transfers from the Commonwealth.
 - ii. Actual April 2020 sales tax revenue (eight months of sales tax receipts annualized) compared to FY2020 budgeted revenue shows a 6.9% positive variance prior to the COVID pandemic. The budgeted revenue has approximately a 2.5% growth factor from the prior year.
 - iii. There is a two-month lag between a sales tax transaction and the receipt of sales tax by the Authority, therefore the actual impact of shuttered businesses and the deferral of sales tax remittances by the Governor will not be seen until June 2020, with the distribution of April's sales tax.
 - iv. The majority of the positive variance prior to COVID can be attributed to the newly taxed internet sales, but NVTA lacks the data to differentiate the internet sales from the annual growth experienced in the past.
 - v. As of April 2020, the Authority has received \$2 million in Heavy Truck Registration and Diesel Fuel (SB1716/I-81) receipts. This represents 8 months of receipts. Staff expects a further decline in this revenue source as a result of COVID.
 - vi. In March 2020, the Commonwealth issued revised revenue projections for the Heavy Truck Registration and Diesel Fuel revenue. The revisions resulted in a decrease in the FY2020 to FY2025 projected revenue of approximately 34%. VDOT's CFO discovered an error in the original projections as a result of NVTA's continued questioning of the receipts. The chart below summarizes the Commonwealth's original and revised projections.

Impact of Revised I-81 Related Projections				
(All \$ in millions, as of March 19, 2020)				
	Jun-19	Mar 2020	Chg in Projection	
	Est. *	Est. **	\$ Chg.	% Chg.
FY2020****	\$ 9.4	\$ 3.8	(\$5.60)	-60%
FY2021	13.8	5.4	(\$8.40)	-61%
FY2022	19.5	11.5	(\$8.00)	-41%
FY2023	19.7	11.9	(\$7.80)	-40%
FY2024	19.4	17.8	(\$1.60)	-8%
FY2025	19.6	17.0	(\$2.60)	-13%
Total FY2020-2025	\$ 101.4	\$ 67.4	(\$34.00)	-34%
FY2026	\$ -	\$ 17.8		
*Presentation by VDOT CFO Laura Farmer to the CTB - June 18, 2019				
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****No update provided by VDOT, Calculated as 60% reduction				

b. FY2020 Distribution to localities (Attachment B)

- i. All jurisdictions have completed the required annual HB2313 certification to receive FY2020 Local Distribution Funds (30%).
- ii. As of April 2020, all Local Distribution funds have been distributed to member jurisdictions. The Local Distribution to member localities has continued to be disbursed, for two monthly cycles while NVTA staff have been working remotely.

c. FY2015 to FY2020 Year over Year Revenue Comparison (Attachment C). This chart reflects a month-to-month comparison of sales tax revenue and a year-to-year comparison of fiscal year to date revenues received through April 2020.

d. Sales Tax Forecast Model V. Projection (Attachment D). This chart reflects tracking of current fiscal year revenue on an actual to projection basis. A statistical packet called Palisade's Stat Tools is now used to improve the accuracy of the tracking. The reports from the tool are forecasting actual revenue to exceed NVTA projections prior to the COVID pandemic. However, the tool is unable to compensate for the loss of revenue resulting from the shuttering of businesses nor segregate usual annual growth in sales tax from the newly implemented internet sales tax receipts.

Attachments:

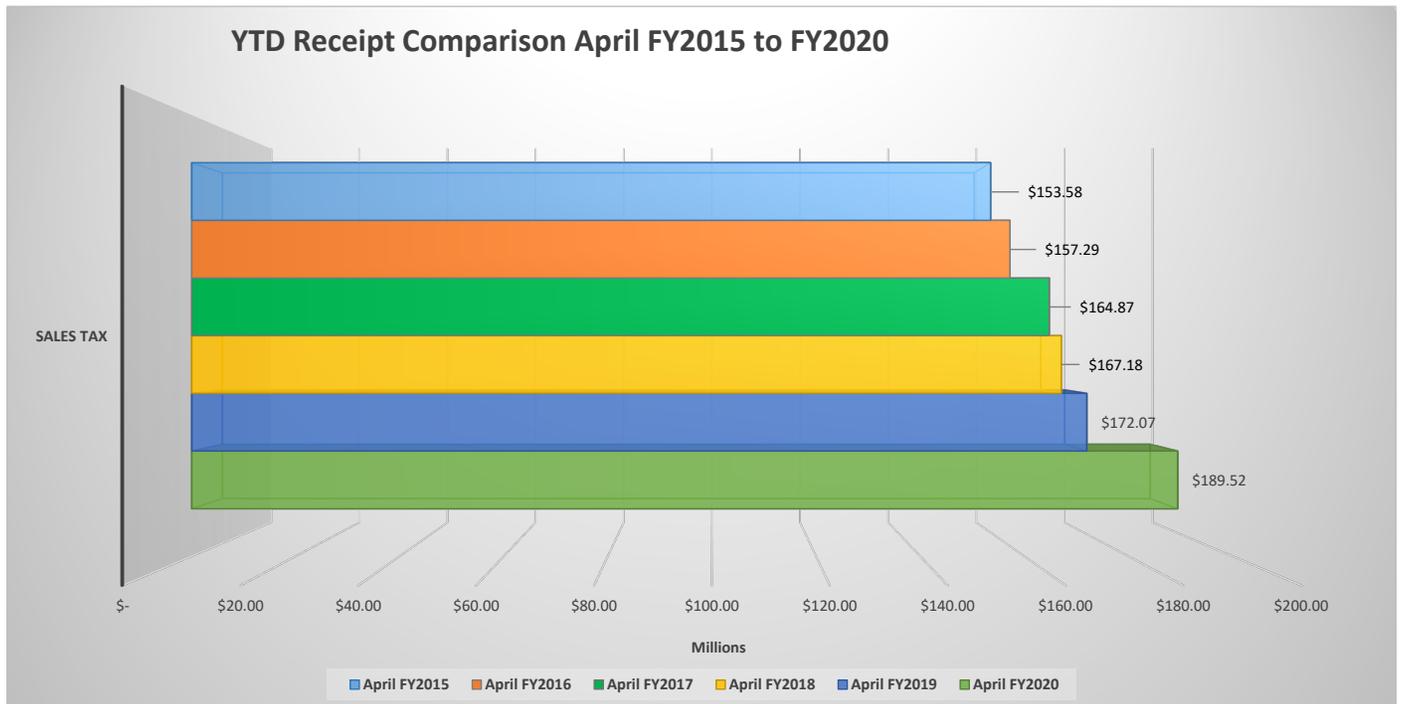
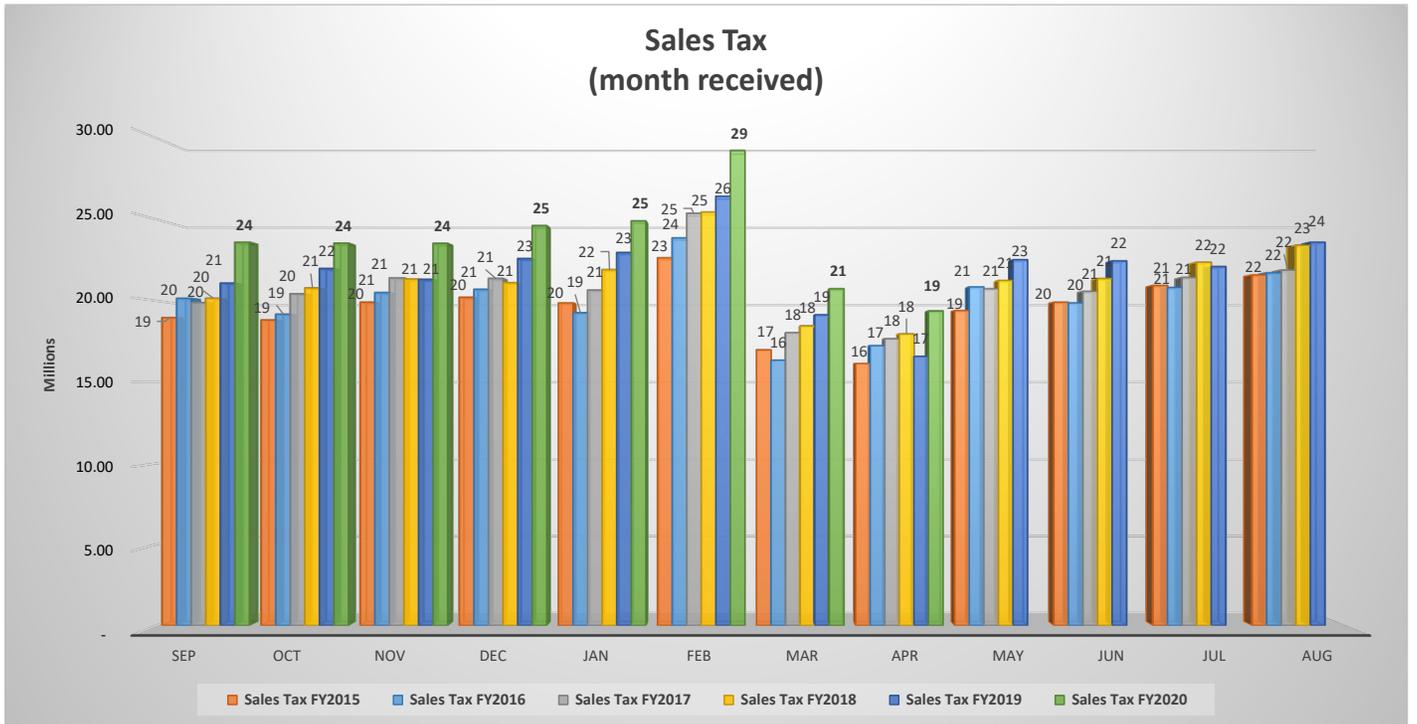
- A. Sales Tax Revenues Received Compared to NVTA Estimates, Through April 2020
- B. FY2020 30% Distribution by Jurisdiction, through April 2020
- C. Month to Month Comparison of Sales Tax Revenue and YTD Receipts for April 2015 to 2020
- D. Palisade's Stat Tool Analysis of FY2020 Revenue Actual to Projections

Attachment A

NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
SALES TAX REVENUES RECEIVED BY JURISDICTION, COMPARED TO NVTA ESTIMATES
 Based on: Revenue Data Through April 2020
 FYE June 30, 2020

Regional Sales Tax		Received	Annualized Revenue based	FY2020	Annualized - Actual	
Transaction Months	8	To Date	on YTD Receipts	Budget	To Budget	
City of Alexandria		\$ 12,225,645	\$ 18,338,468	\$ 16,379,177	\$ 1,959,291	
Arlington County		19,293,160	28,939,739	25,943,302	2,996,437	
City of Fairfax		5,154,006	7,731,008	7,506,931	224,077	
Fairfax County		80,443,095	120,664,642	114,583,396	6,081,246	
City of Falls Church		2,069,908	3,104,862	2,777,700	327,162	
Loudoun County		36,586,222	54,879,333	52,470,000	2,409,333	
City of Manassas		4,285,663	6,428,494	5,202,000	1,226,494	
City of Manassas Park		1,066,721	1,600,082	1,469,727	130,355	
Prince William County		28,400,429	42,600,644	39,514,160	3,086,484	
Total Sales Tax Revenue		\$ 189,524,849	\$ 284,287,273	\$ 265,846,393	\$ 18,440,880	6.9%

Vehicle License-Registration Fees		Received	Annualized Revenue based	FY2020	Annualized - Actual	
Transaction Months	8	To Date	on YTD Receipts	Budget	To Budget	
City of Alexandria		\$ 131,075	\$ 196,612	\$ 564,162	\$ (367,550)	
Arlington County		\$ 204,121	306,182	932,871	(626,689)	
City of Fairfax		\$ 55,366	83,049	248,699	(165,650)	
Fairfax County		\$ 852,450	1,278,674	3,850,016	(2,571,342)	
City of Falls Church		\$ 21,778	32,666	88,448	(55,782)	
Loudoun County		\$ 388,683	583,024	1,768,831	(1,185,807)	
City of Manassas		\$ 46,168	69,252	170,283	(101,031)	
City of Manassas Park		\$ 11,355	17,033	52,506	(35,473)	
Prince William County		\$ 298,986	448,479	1,324,184	(875,705)	
Total Vehicle License-Registration Fees		\$ 2,009,981	\$ 3,014,971	\$ 9,000,000	\$ (5,985,029)	-66.5%
Total Revenue Received		\$ 191,534,829	\$ 287,302,244	\$ 274,846,393	\$ 12,455,851	4.53%
		\$ 191,534,829				



ATTACHMENT D

NVTA Sales Tax Revenue Forecast: Model vs Actual vs Projection											
FY	Forecasting Data	Monthly Actual	Model Factors			Monthly Model Forecast	Statistical Variance	End of Year		Actual YTD	
			Level	Trend	Season			Model Forecast	NVTA Projected		
	Sep-2017	\$20,154,895.20	20,838,319.09	63,803	0.99	\$20,758,237	-\$603341.50			\$20,154,895	
	Oct-2017	\$20,786,302.49	20,906,784.17	63,803	0.99	\$20,770,538	\$15764.69			\$40,941,198	
	Nov-2017	\$21,343,035.02	20,988,250.63	63,803	1.01	\$21,282,031	\$61004.30			\$62,284,233	
	Dec-2017	\$21,115,954.89	20,912,958.05	63,803	1.03	\$21,601,693	-\$485738.41			\$83,400,188	
	Jan-2018	\$21,915,158.59	21,180,257.85	63,803	1.01	\$21,214,752	\$700406.69			\$105,315,346	
	Feb-2018	\$25,453,242.98	21,208,346.05	63,803	1.21	\$25,599,712	-\$146469.07			\$130,768,589	
	Mar-2018	\$18,454,177.89	21,350,022.26	63,803	0.86	\$18,227,094	\$227083.53			\$149,222,767	
	Apr-2018	\$17,961,787.93	21,535,990.82	63,803	0.82	\$17,619,694	\$342093.94			\$167,184,555	
	May-2018	\$21,248,451.07	21,482,138.58	63,803	1.00	\$21,649,790	-\$401339.05			\$188,433,006	
	Jun-2018	\$21,365,953.89	21,534,162.40	63,803	0.99	\$21,405,782	-\$39828.43			\$209,798,960	
	Jul-2018	\$22,367,630.32	21,670,283.13	63,803	1.02	\$22,115,618	\$252012.61			\$232,166,590	
FY18	Aug-2018	\$23,408,268.73	21,825,303.27	63,803	1.06	\$23,078,631	\$329637.80	\$255,323,572	\$255,571,902	\$255,574,859	
	Sep-2018	\$21,094,228.16	21,733,051.98	63,803	0.99	\$21,618,763	-\$524534.58			\$21,094,228	
	Oct-2018	\$21,988,380.92	21,894,064.07	63,803	0.99	\$21,659,638	\$328742.82			\$43,082,609	
	Nov-2018	\$21,319,898.61	21,678,732.83	63,803	1.01	\$22,283,973	-\$964074.53			\$64,402,508	
	Dec-2018	\$22,602,475.35	21,826,231.45	63,803	1.03	\$22,310,203	\$292272.34			\$87,004,983	
	Jan-2019	\$22,970,788.81	22,131,881.19	63,803	1.01	\$22,138,387	\$832402.04			\$109,975,772	
	Feb-2019	\$26,427,800.56	22,117,985.63	63,803	1.21	\$26,746,446	-\$318645.32			\$136,403,572	
	Mar-2019	\$19,145,453.91	22,229,432.65	63,803	0.86	\$19,006,521	\$138932.61			\$155,549,026	
	Apr-2019	\$16,589,175.00	21,666,824.94	63,803	0.82	\$18,343,289	-\$1754114.21			\$172,138,201	
	May-2019	\$22,525,822.45	21,949,000.44	63,803	1.00	\$21,780,927	\$744895.37			\$194,664,024	
	Jun-2019	\$22,453,420.16	22,185,472.74	63,803	0.99	\$21,869,607	\$583813.00			\$217,117,444	
	Jul-2019	\$22,103,784.06	22,054,501.71	63,803	1.02	\$22,782,538	-\$678754.34			\$239,221,228	
FY19	Aug-2019	\$23,605,506.73	22,151,203.67	63,803	1.06	\$23,486,619	\$118888.15	\$264,026,911	\$258,926,224*	\$262,826,735	
	Sep-2019	\$23,603,917.67	22,709,851.05	63,803	0.99	\$21,940,638	\$1663279.59			\$23,603,918	
	Oct-2019	\$23,492,820.82	23,028,703.80	63,803	0.99	\$22,630,288	\$862532.88			\$47,096,738	
	Nov-2019	\$23,534,125.70	23,121,073.49	63,803	1.01	\$23,435,464	\$98661.82			\$70,630,864	
	Dec-2019	\$24,619,413.33	23,422,330.23	63,803	1.03	\$23,790,201	\$829212.20			\$95,250,278	
	Jan-2020	\$24,912,972.81	23,823,270.42	63,803	1.01	\$23,752,594	\$1160378.84			\$120,163,250.33	
	Feb-2020	\$29,246,546.40	23,999,711.11	63,803	1.21	\$28,784,619	\$461927.29			\$149,409,796.73	
	Mar-2020	\$20,741,063.97	24,105,413.75	63,803	0.86	\$20,618,882	\$122181.51			\$170,150,860.70	
	Apr-2020	\$19,372,596.91	23,985,561.28	63,803	0.82	\$19,886,881	-\$514284.43			\$189,523,457.61	
	May-2020					\$24,105,030					
	Jun-2020					\$23,956,308					
	Jul-2020					\$24,756,436					
FY20	Aug-2020	*Current Fiscal Year Projection					\$25,740,392		\$283,397,735	\$265,846,393*	

NVTA Sales Tax Revenue Forecast 2014-2020: Model Observations

Winters' Exponential Smoothing Forecast

Forecasting Constants (Optimized)

Level (Alpha)	0.294
Trend (Beta)	0.000
Season (Gamma)	0.000

Winters' Exponential

Mean Abs Err	\$450,553.38
Root Mean Sq Err	\$585,092.63
Mean Abs Per% Err	2.17%

Description:

The Holt-Winters models three aspects of a time series: a typical value (average), a slope (trend) over time, and a cyclical repeating pattern (seasonality). Holt Winters uses exponential smoothing to encode values from the past and use them to predict "typical" values for the present and future.

Forecast and Original Observations



Original Observations

