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SUBJECT: Right-of-way dedication for width deficiencies

Section 15-19 and Section 15-41 of the Subdivision Ordinance refer, in part, to minimum rights-of-way widths. During implementation of these Sections, it was recognized that clarification was needed regarding right-of-way dedication for width deficiencies. In keeping with present practices and in upholding the intent of the Ordinance, the following practice will be used:

Where a subdivision abuts an existing public right-of-way which has a width deficiency because it is less than 50' in width, the subdivider is required to dedicate half of the right-of-way deficiency along the frontage of the subdivision. The subdivider is required to show this dedication on associated plans and plats, and the dedication strip should be labeled in accordance with the following example: "10' Strip Dedicated to the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Transportation, for Right-of-Way Purposes."