VDOT RESEARCH LIBRARY: POLICY ON INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM

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Intellectual Freedom is an individual’s right to seek and receive information from all points of view without restriction. It provides for free access to all expressions of ideas through which any and all sides of a question, cause or movement may be explored. Intellectual freedom encompasses the freedom to hold, receive and disseminate ideas.

The VDOT Research Library adheres to the general principles set forth in the American Library Association’s (ALA) "Library Bill of Rights." As a state-sponsored library (created to support the specific research program at the Virginia Transportation Research Council and the general business needs of VDOT) the VDOT Research Library’s collections have always focused on transportation research, with an emphasis on research explored by VTRC on behalf of VDOT.

Budgetary, staffing, space and other constraints require the library to focus collection development and management activities in ways that help fulfill the VTRC and VDOT missions. The presence or absence of materials in the library’s collections, and the accessibility of content in its online collections does not imply or constitute the library’s endorsement of any particular policies or beliefs.

For questions related to the library’s collection development activities consult the collection development policy.

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