

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #7: SUBMITTED PUBLIC COMMENTS

There are no recently submitted written public comments. Any new written public comments will be distributed as a handout at the meeting.

ITEM #8: PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public are invited to address the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission. Each speaker is limited to three minutes.

ITEM #9: APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A MINUTES

The Minutes of the HRPDC Executive Committee meeting of November 15, 2012 are attached.

Attachment 9-A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The HRPDC staff recommends approval of the minutes.

B: TREASURER'S REPORT

The Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for November 2012 activities are attached. This statement reflects the financial status of the HRPDC as a whole.

Attachment 9-B

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The HRPDC staff recommends the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

C: REGIONAL REVIEWS – PNRs

The HRPDC staff is routinely involved in the review of applications for grants to support projects involving federal or state funding. To ensure that all Commissioners are aware of projects being reviewed, brief summaries of these projects and anticipated review schedules are included in the Agenda. The HRPDC staff will continue to request comments directly from staff in localities that appear to be directly affected by a project. Review and comment by more than one locality is requested when a project may affect the entire region or a sub-regional area. There were no outstanding comments as of January 4, 2013 on these projects.

Attachment 9-C

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None required

D: REGIONAL REVIEWS - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT/STATEMENT REVIEW

The HRPDC staff is routinely involved in the review of environmental impact assessments and statements for projects involving federal funding or permits as well as state development projects. To ensure that all Commissioners are aware of projects being reviewed, brief summaries of these projects and anticipated review schedules are included in the Agenda. The HRPDC staff will continue to request comments directly from staff in localities that appear to be directly affected by a project. There were no outstanding comments as of January 4, 2013 on these projects.

Attachment 9-D

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None required.

**Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes of November 15, 2012**

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Regional Boardroom, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thomas Shepperd, Chairman (YK)
James O. McReynolds, Treasurer (YK)
Ella P. Ward (CH)*
Randy Martin (FR)*
Brenda Garton (GL)
Mary Jones (JC)
McKinley Price (NN)*

Selena Cuffee-Glenn (SU)
Tyrone Franklin (SY)
Louis R. Jones (VB)
Jackson C. Tuttle, II (WM)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Dwight L. Farmer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (ABSENT)

Christopher G. Stuart (HA)
Dee Dee Darden (IW)
Paul Fraim (NO)

Kenneth Wright, Vice Chairman (PO)
J. Randall Wheeler (PQ)
Michael Johnson (SH)

OTHER COMMISSIONERS

Amar Dwarkanath (CH)
Eric Martin (CH)
Debbie Ritter (CH)
Will J. Moffett (HA)
Douglas Caskey (IW)
Robert Middaugh (JC)
Neil Morgan (NN)

Sharon Scott (NN)*
Marcus Jones (NO)*
Brannon Godfrey (PO)
Robert Dyer (VB)
Harry Diezel (VB)
Barbara Henley (VB)
James Spore (VB)

*Late arrival or early departure

OTHERS RECORDED ATTENDING:

Brian DeProfio (HA); Jeff Raliski, (NO); Michael King (NN); Sherry Hunt, Eric Nielsen (SU); Wendy James, LeClair Ryan; John Gergely, Newport News Citizen; Ellis James, Sierra Club Observer; Cathy Aiello, Aiello Enterprises, Inc.; Eric Stringfield, (VDOT); Tony Kinn, (OTP3); Nicholas Nies, (WR&A) Staff: John Carlock, Camelia Ravanbakht, Curtis Brown, Melton Boyer, Rick Case, James Clary, Jennifer Coleman, Nancy Collins, Kathlene Grauberger, Greg Grootendorst, Julia Hillegass, Jim Hummer, Whitney Katchmark, Mike Long, Jai McBride, Brian Miller, Kelli Peterson, Tiffany Smith, Jennifer Tribo, Chris Vaigneur.

APPROVAL/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA

Chairman Thomas Shepperd asked if there were any modifications or additions/deletions to the agenda. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Commissioner James McReynolds Moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Mary Jones. The Motion Carried.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Commissioner Ward arrives

Mr. John Carlock, HRPDC Deputy Executive Director, informed the Commission of the changes made to the Legislative Agenda based on discussion and common themes from Legislative Agendas of the member localities.

Mr. Carlock indicated funding sources would be added to the emergency planning portion of the agenda and the issue with drainage easements required by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) was eliminated based on advice from the localities.

Additionally, the following items were crafted based on individual Legislative Agendas and various state agencies:

- The Commonwealth must be a reliable funding partner.
- Support funding to achieve 2015 goal of communications between all agencies using compatible communication interoperable systems.
- Oppose any legislation that would reduce local government planning and related authority.
- Support equal taxing authority for cities, counties and towns.
- Oppose any cap on local taxing authority or restrictions on local revenue sources.

Commissioners Martin, Scott and Marcus Jones arrive

Commissioner Harry Diezel inquired about the amount of time taken preparing the agenda in partnership with the General Assembly members to ensure the legislative priorities are addressed.

Chairman Shepperd commented that the reoccurring themes of the member-specific agendas, along with the localities meeting with their individual General Assembly members would be the best available option.

Commissioner Diezel reiterated the need to discuss the interoperability of communications with the Legislature because he believed every locality would see a dramatic price problem in the future.

Chairman Shepperd agreed and noted the HRPDC needs to consider a way to have more open ended discussions with the General Assembly in the future

Commissioner Mary Jones questioned the necessity of including the No Child Left Inside Act in the agenda and if it was included in the HRPDC's 2011 Legislative Agenda.

Mr. Carlock confirmed the No Child Left Inside Act was part of the legislative package in 2011 and was separately endorsed in 2010.

ANALYSIS OF ENERGY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES IN HAMPTON ROADS - PART II

Mr. James Clary, HRPDC Economist, stated there are not only economic concerns but also environmental and planning aspects that need to be taken into account for energy policy. With a regional policy, there are three goals: high energy surety, which is energy on demand and in locations where people require it, low energy costs and increasing energy jobs. Employment in the energy sector encompasses not only manufacturing and electricity generation, but a host of industries related to energy as well. .

In addition, the Hampton Roads area has been federally mandated to maintain a higher level of energy security for the federal facilities. This is a determining factor for long term Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).

Virginia ranks 27th in usage and pricing which makes building new generation difficult. Virginia imports a significant portion of the electricity it uses, second only behind California.

Currently, the sources available to fulfill capacity needs are: coal, biomass, natural gas, wind, oil and nuclear. Depending on the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations, the makeup of resources to achieve capacity will be altered for the years 2016 and 2022. The primary source of energy is nuclear followed by coal which account for 67% and 28%, respectively. Oil and gas are mainly reserved for high usage events such as extreme temperatures.

Mr. Clary identified various potential energy technologies but because of lack of resources, building sites and levelized costs, only coal, offshore wind, oil and natural gas, and nuclear energy were considered viable options. Currently, the U.S. has the largest share of coal reserves at 239 years. In reserves, offshore resources include an estimated 140 million barrels of oil and 1.14 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. Most of the potential economic benefit would come from the lease revenues generated from the state government. Offshore development could generate up to 16,000 jobs regionally.

Although the levelized cost of \$304 per MWh is high, Hampton Roads is enrolled in the Smart from the Start program for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM). All Mid Atlantic offshore wind projects are proceeding at the same pace. The earliest turbine construction would be 2018 by Dominion Power, followed by the Atlantic Wind Connection in 2021.

The majority of job creation would occur during the installation phase with 24,000 jobs and holding steady at 1,400 jobs for yearly operation and maintenance.

Nuclear energy is the largest producer of energy in the region originating from the Surry power plant, but AREVA in Newport News is in the design phase of nuclear energy capacity.

Mr. Clary indicated the following policy recommendations to the Commission:

- Avoid the temptation to pick winners.
- Energy Efficiency is the most cost effective way to meet energy needs.
- Maintain simple permitting processes for distributed energy technologies.
- Recognize that some questions are policy questions and not economic or energy questions.
- Support the Hampton Roads Energy Corridor

Chairman Shepperd applauded the study comprehensiveness and asked for clarification on levelized costs.

Mr. Clary explained levelized cost includes capital, installation, transmission, operation and maintenance, and projected fuel for the source in relation to the output of energy.

SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4) PERMIT COMMENTS

Ms. Jennifer Tribo, HRPDC Senior Water Resources Planner, indicated Poquoson, Suffolk, Williamsburg, Isle of Wight County, James City County and York County will be directly affected by the change in regulation immediately. Additional localities that will be indirectly impacted in the future include Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Virginia Beach.

MS4 permits allow localities to discharge stormwater into local waterways and provide an approach to enforce reductions and create implementation plans for Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL).

Next steps include three public hearings in December 2012, followed by the Soil and Water Conservation Board taking final action in March 2013. Registration statements will be submitted by the localities in April 2013 and the new permits will become effective in July 2013.

Supplemental requirements for this permit cycle include:

- Requires more stringent local government programs
- Requires permittees to create Action Plans for all TMDLs for impaired waters receiving drainage from the permitted area
- Details how localities must calculate pollutant load reduction requirements to comply with the Chesapeake Bay TMDL

The HRPDC staff comments are based on two major concerns: First, localities receive credit for all Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP) from 2006 forward, and secondly, the State should provide guidance on ambiguous permit requirements. Existing language in the draft permits notes localities must calculate TMDL reductions; however, the formula is not included. Staff would prefer the State develop a methodology for TMDL calculations and assist the localities.

Commissioner Jackson Tuttle mirrored the staff's disappointment with the State's dismissive stance in addressing the HRPDC concerns.

Commissioner Debbie Ritter stated the multi-jurisdictional board for the Chesapeake Bay has three representatives from the region and maintained the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is creating difficulties with the new legislation and restricting the State.

Chairman Shepperd commended the HRPDC staff on a superb work product and reiterated his disappointment with the State's approach towards the HRPDC concerns.

Commissioner Ritter reminded the Commission consent orders for the localities will be due in the near future and stated the MS4 permit coverage will expand.

Ms. Tribo noted the Stormwater regulations development has been delayed but a new timeline is expected in the summer.

GROUNDWATER REGULATIONS COMMENTS

Commissioner Price arrives

Ms. Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC Principal Water Resources Planner, reported the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has published its revised Groundwater Regulations for public comment. She stated the Directors of Utilities Committee responded to DEQ's request and those comments are included in the agenda packet.

Groundwater management determines the amount of water localities or businesses can withdraw, thus allowing the cost of water to be varied because alternatives such as surface water have a higher price and the total volume of water available can lead to additional water use restrictions in drought conditions and prioritize who obtains water first.

She informed the Commission the referenced groundwater map with 170 permits and changes over the last seven years will be sent out as a special report to the members.

The purposes of these regulations are to address conflicts among users and monitoring water use to ensure the system is not overdrawn. Common problems associated with an overdrawn well can be saltwater replacing the fresh water completely, and the soil compacting; therefore permanently reducing the volume of water that can be stored.

DEQ has revised the regulations because the new data shows water levels lower than expected. New permit requirements will only apply in groundwater management areas,

which include all localities except Gloucester. A proposal is included in the draft regulations for the management area to include Gloucester and all areas east of I-95.

Ms. Katchmark reviewed the Directors of Utilities Committee comments which focused on public water system demands being the highest priority. These permits need to be grandfathered in and should not be required to purchase surface water in lieu of renewing them. The term for permits should be extended to 30 years to better align with infrastructure financing and planning purposes.

Additional recommendations include drought permits which should be evaluated on typical use and innovative practices should be encouraged.

Commissioner Tyrone Franklin asked when the changes will become effective.

Ms. Katchmark responded the comment period ends on January 11th and she needs to reference the timeline for the State Water Control Board, but would speculate within the year.

REGULAR AGENDA

SUBMITTED PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Shepperd noted there were not any submitted public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Two people requested to address the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission.

Ellis W. James

Thank you, Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission. My name is Ellis W. James, I reside in the City of Norfolk, and I'm a lifelong resident of Hampton Roads. The energy report that you have just heard from Mr. Clary was very interesting, but I find several things disturbing that I want to comment on. At the end of the report, it talks about specifically policy recommendations. Avoid the temptation to pick winners, and yet during the report, potential energy technologies in Hampton Roads: biomass, no; coal, yes; onshore wind, no; offshore wind, yes. And so on. For those of you who might have missed it, the United States of America is about to embark on a new direction in my opinion when it comes to energy. The information is interesting and significant to our future here in Hampton Roads. I would hope that included in this energy review there would be more attention made and paid to the question of impact of health issues on the residents of this area. One of the major costs of providing energy to our citizens is the question of dirty air, dirty water, and the impacts health wise that are significant to our existence here. One last item: There is a push afoot to gin back up the offshore drilling issue. That is the most ridiculous in the face of this information and this report item to push in the state of Virginia in my opinion. We have enough problems in trying to deal with the issues of clean air and clean water, and we don't need to have something that would be detrimental to the cities in Southside especially. I can imagine Virginia Beach's economy if the first oil spill were to occur off the coast and then people who flock to Virginia Beach and Hampton Roads for vacations, Williamsburg, all of those areas would then be confronted with the kind of craziness that existed in the gulf. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

John Gergely

I'll be quick. I didn't mean to speak here, but Mr. Clary gave his presentation. He knows what's he's talking about. I was very impressed with the presentation, and Mr. Shepperd you asked this question about level loading, that I forgot the exact term was, but how that worked. I want to add a little bit to that, and I'm not sure if it's in his numbers or not, but for every wind turbine, every solar panel that's ever put online, there has to be an equal conventional power source sitting idle, waiting when that doesn't work. So when you put to really level load, and like I said I am not sure whether he has in in there or not, I'd like to get a copy of his report, when you really level load, when you look at the cost of wind and solar, you have to include the cost of a nuclear plant, a coal plant, a natural gas plant, a gas turbine somewhere sitting idle being unused, all that capital being invested just to back up that so-called clean energy So any cost you have in that, any level loading has to include that. So this stuff is really, really expensive. Basically, and any of the great ecological, green energies really, really cost money in the long run. And my field is thermodynamics I was educated at Old Dominion field of engineering. My expertise is power generation, and believe me, that stuff doesn't work, isn't worth the money. Thank you very much.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Minutes of October 18, 2012 Meeting
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Regional Reviews – Monthly Status Report
 - a. PNRS Reviews
 - b. Environmental Impact Assessment/Statement Review
- D. FY 2013 Budget Amendment
- E. Legislative Agenda
- F. Analysis of Energy Development Strategies in Hampton Roads – Part II
- G. PDC Boundaries
- H. Appointment to MMRS Oversight Committee
- I. Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Comments
- J. Goundwater Management Area Regulations Comments
- K. State Homeland Security Grant Application
- L. Reallocation of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant Funding
- M. National Fish and Wildlife Grant for Chesapeake Bay TMDL Watershed Implementation Plan Development in Hampton Roads
- N. Hampton Roads Adaptation Forum – Sea Grant Application

Chairman Shepperd asked Commissioner Mary Jones if she would prefer to pull the Legislative Agenda item.

Commissioner Mary Jones responded because of lack of discussion in the workshop agenda there was not any necessity to pull the item.

Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn Moved to approve the consent items; seconded by Commissioner Louis Jones. The Motion Carried.

HRPDC THREE MONTH TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Chairman Shepperd commented on the absence of a meeting in December, acknowledged the high volume of topics covered in January and the retreat in February.

Chairman Shepperd asked Commissioner Diezel if he would return in January to receive a Resolution of Appreciation from the Commission.

Commissioner Diezel expressed his thanks to the Commission.

CORRESPONDENCE OF INTEREST

Chairman Shepperd noted the Correspondence of Interest section of the agenda

PROJECT STATUS REPORTS

Chairman Shepperd discussed the Project Status Reports section of the agenda.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Chairman Shepperd acknowledged the For Your Information section of the agenda, and underscored the economic impact report from the Navy.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

No Old or New Business was brought before the Commission

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr.
Chairman

Dwight L. Farmer
Executive Director/Secretary

**FISCAL YEAR 2013
11/30/2012
BALANCE SHEET**

| ASSETS | | LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Cash & Cash Equivalents | 274,855 | Current Liabilities | 1,311,718 |
| Accounts Receivables | 1,154,519 | Net Assets | 4,351,568 |
| Investments | 2,844,760 | | |
| Other Current Assets | 664 | | |
| Net Capital Assets | <u>1,388,488</u> | | |
| Total Assets | <u><u>5,663,286</u></u> | Total Liabilities & Equity | <u><u>5,663,286</u></u> |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

| REVENUES | <u>Annual Budget</u> | <u>Current Month</u> | <u>YTD</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Grant and Contract Revenue | 6,583,611 | 132,658 | 1,762,288 |
| VDHCD State Allocation | 151,943 | - | 75,971 |
| Interest Income | 18,000 | 1,842 | 6,611 |
| Local Jurisdiction Contributions | 1,329,440 | - | 664,719 |
| Other Local Assessment | 1,661,727 | - | 684,414 |
| Sales and Miscellaneous Revenue | 18,150 | 1,162 | 17,201 |
| Special Contracts/Pass thru | 1,476,185 | - | - |
| Total Revenue | <u><u>11,239,056</u></u> | <u><u>135,662</u></u> | <u><u>3,211,204</u></u> |
| EXPENDITURES | | | |
| Personnel | 4,532,387 | 341,904 | 1,777,206 |
| Standard Contracts | 205,405 | 5,815 | 80,228 |
| Special Contracts / Pass-Through | 5,892,155 | 316,312 | 1,394,890 |
| Office Services | 609,109 | 56,627 | 227,635 |
| Capital Assets | - | - | - |
| Total Expenses | <u><u>11,239,056</u></u> | <u><u>720,657</u></u> | <u><u>3,479,959</u></u> |
| Agency Balance | <u><u>-</u></u> | <u><u>(584,996)</u></u> | <u><u>(268,755)</u></u> |

Project Notification and Reviews

Date 1/2/2013 **CH #** VA121217-2823760

Title Pesticide Performance Partnership Grant Application FY14

Applicant VA Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services

State/Federal Program EPA National Pesticide Program

Type of Impact Statewide

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

This project will assist Virginia in its continuing efforts to protect human health and the environment from unreasonable adverse effects resulting from pesticide use and ensure that pesticides are available for use in the state. This is done through education, compliance assistance, and appropriate enforcement action.

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|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------|
| Federal | \$462,624.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$0.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$124,463.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL \$587,087.00 | | | |

Date 1/2/2013 **CH #** VA121217-2723760

Title VADEQ NOAA Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEE) Application

Applicant VA Dept. of Environmental Quality

State/Federal Program Chesapeake Bay Program

Type of Impact Statewide

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

The proposed project's funds would continue to strengthen and expand the network of highly trained, non-formal educators throughout Virginia who support formal educators in implementing successful Meaningful Watershed Educational Experiences (MWEE) at the K-12 level. This project build capacity by training highly qualified watershed education leaders, coordinating their work with school divisions and cultivating a strong network of schools and local service providers.

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|---------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------|
| Federal | \$224,907.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$83,331.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$0.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL \$308,238.00 | | | |

Date 1/2/2013 **CH #** VA121220-2923760

Title FY2013 State Revolving Load Funds Capitalization Application

Applicant VA Dept. of Environmental Quality

State/Federal Program EPA Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds

Type of Impact Statewide/Norfolk

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

Virginia has the opportunity to fund clean water projects throughout the Commonwealth. This proposal plans to fund 14 projects to localities through wastewater and stormwater loans. One of the 14 proposed projects is \$10,000,000 for sewer system improvements for the City of Norfolk. The improvements will reduce Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) in accordance with the regional Consent Order.

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|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| Federal | \$28,924,000.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$5,784,800.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$0.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$34,708,800.00 | |

Date 1/2/2013 **CH #** VA121227-3023xxx

Title Chesapeake Media Service - Bay Journal

Applicant Chesapeake Media Service, Inc.

State/Federal Program Chesapeake Bay Program

Type of Impact Statewide

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

Chesapeake Media Service is requesting continuing funds to produce 10 issues of the Bay Journal, maintain the Bay Journal website, and distribute articles. The Bay Journal is the principal public information tool of the Chesapeake Bay Program.

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|------------------|--------------|---------------|--------|
| Federal | \$327,000.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$86,528.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$0.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$413,528.00 | |

Environmental Impact Reviews

Received 11/9/2012

Number 12-193F

Name Dam Neck Car Care Center Expansion

Sponsor DOD/Army/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Description

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is reviewing an application from Reed Enterprises, Inc. for a Section 404 Clean Water Act individual permit (NAO-2006-7731/12-V0974) for proposed impacts to jurisdictional Waters of the United States from the expansion of the Dam Neck Car Care Center in the City of Virginia Beach. The project site is located south of the intersection of Holland Road and Dam Neck Road. The project includes the expansion of an existing commercial automobile maintenance operation with the construction of two 6,000 square-foot collision repair buildings and associated parking, and the relocation of an existing stormwater pond. The site drains into West Neck Creek, a tributary to North Landing River, a navigable water of the U.S. The proposed project will result in impacts to 1.07 acres of forested wetlands and 0.66 acre of emergent wetlands. Reed Enterprises, Inc. has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed project consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Virginia Beach

Finding

The proposed project is consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 12/3/2012

Final State Comments Received

Received 11/13/2012

Number 12-196F

Name Transfer of Interest in Real Property of the U.S. to the Commonwealth for Highway Constru

Sponsor DOD/Department of the Navy

Description

The Department of the Navy (Navy) proposes to grant multiple interests in real property (in the form of easements and licenses) to the Commonwealth of Virginia for construction of a new I-564 Intermodal Connector at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Norfolk and Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads (NSA HR). The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and its representatives will administer and construct the transportation improvements in accordance with final highway plans approved by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The proposed real estate transactions would allow VDOT to construct: (1) a new four-lane divided highway (I-564 Intermodal Connector) connecting the existing I-564 to NIT and NAVSTA Norfolk, including a relocated gate 6 and reconfigured commercial vehicle inspection station (CVIS) at the western end of the corridor; (2) Air Terminal Interchange (ATI) providing access to Hampton Boulevard, Seabee Road, Gates 1, 2, 3A and 5 of NAVSTA Norfolk, PPV Housing, NSA HR, Camp Allen and Helmick Street; and (3) relocation or mitigation for Navy facilities and infrastructure impacted by construction of the I-564 Intermodal Connector or ATI. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposal consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

The proposed project is consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 12/4/2012

Final State Comments Received

Received 11/13/2012

Number 12-194F

Name Airfield Electrical Improvements, Norfolk International Airport

Sponsor USDOT/Federal Aviation Administration

Description

The Norfolk Airport Authority (Authority) proposes to make airfield electrical improvements at the Norfolk International Airport in the City of Norfolk. The proposal includes: replacing all airfield electrical wiring with new wiring; installing taxiway light emitting diode (LED) lighting; replacing an existing rotating beacon; replacing an existing tower and obstruction light; and installing of two new airfield signs. The Authority has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed project consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

The proposed project is consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 12/4/2012

Final State Comments Received

Received 11/20/2012

Number 12-204F

Name Woodlake Drive Extension, City of Chesapeake

Sponsor DOD/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Description

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is reviewing an application from the City of Chesapeake for a Section 404 Clean Water Act individual permit (NAO-2012-0669) for proposed impacts to jurisdictional Waters of the United States from the extension of Woodlake Drive in the City of Chesapeake. The proposed extension is Phase II of a project to connect Woodlake Drive to Debaun Avenue. The extension consists of the construction of approximately 2,900 linear feet of new roadway west of the existing Woodlake Drive which will complete the 1.4-mile connection between Greenbrier Parkway and Battlefield Boulevard. The extension will have two lanes at its connection to Woodlake Drive and will transition to four lanes at Debaun Avenue. The extension will contain turn lanes, raised medians, curb and gutter, a closed storm sewer system, and a 10-foot wide multi-use path. In addition, the roadway design will apply access management principles to accommodate future development. The City of Chesapeake has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed project consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Chesapeake

Finding

The proposed project is consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 12/20/2012

Final State Comments Received

Received 12/7/2012

Number 12-212F

Name PER Properties, Inc.

Sponsor DOD/Army/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Description

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is reviewing an application from PER Properties, Inc. for permits required pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for proposed impacts to jurisdictional Waters of the United States from the construction of an intermodal facility for receiving agricultural products for export via oceangoing vessels at 3991 Elm Avenue in the City of Portsmouth. Construction of the facility will require dredging and filling which will impact 14,504 square feet of non-vegetated wetlands and 55,722 square feet of subaqueous land on the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River. A 945 foot long steel sheetpile bulkhead will be installed to allow for loading equipment to support the waterfront activities necessary for terminal operations. The project will require dredging of 118,039 cubic yards of material to provide deepwater access to the federally-maintained shipping channel in the Elizabeth River. PER Properties, Inc. has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed project consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Portsmouth

Finding

The proposed project is consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 12/28/2012

Final State Comments Received