

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM #3 PHASE I MS4 PERMIT RENEWALS BRIEFING

SUBJECT:

The HRPDC staff will provide a brief overview on the status of the MS4 permit renewals for the cities of; Chesapeake, Hampton, Portsmouth, Norfolk, Newport News, and Virginia Beach.

BACKGROUND:

Phase I MS4 permits for Hampton Roads localities have been administratively continued since 2005. Revised permits will advance stormwater programs and incorporate Chesapeake Bay and local TMDL requirements.

The DEQ has made a commitment to the EPA, that all draft permits for Phase I MS4s in Virginia will be submitted by the end of 2014. The public review period for Prince William County and Chesterfield permits closed November 3, 2014. Fairfax County and Henrico County are currently reviewing draft permits. DEQ has informed Hampton Roads localities of its intent to send localities draft of their permits by Thanksgiving and ask for comments by mid-December.

HRPDC staff will review the main elements of the MS4 permits based on the Northern Virginia draft permits, and discuss major issues that should be resolved prior to permit issuance.

NOTE: This item is for informational purposes only.