

**SUMMARY OF THE
MEETING OF THE
ELIZABETH RIVER STEERING COMMITTEE
May 3, 2013**

1. COE Project Status Report:

Mr. Pretlow, COE, planned to provide a 15 year overview of the Elizabeth River Restoration projects, but he had technical difficulties with his presentation prior to the meeting. Mr. Pretlow provided a brief history of the projects originally identified and how those projects have changed throughout the years. Mr. Pretlow will provide the full presentation at the November meeting.

2. Committee Reports:

DEQ: DEQ staff is currently working on the PCB TMDLs for the James and Elizabeth Rivers. Additional ambient water quality samples are being collected now. The schedule for TMDL development is included as Attachment 1B.

Chesapeake: Staff is conducting an outfall inventory at lead ditches. Parks and Recreation is adding a boat launch at Great Bridge Lock Park. Elbow road improvements are starting soon.

Norfolk: Norfolk is continuing to study opportunities for retrofits to meet the Bay TMDL requirements. Phase I of the Colley Bay restoration project will conclude in April 2013, and Phase II will begin next year. The Myrtle Park restoration is going out for bid soon and the Greenway Park project is still planned for 2013. The City is planning a kayak launch and wetlands restoration adjacent to the zoo. Utilities and public works are coordinating on work in Haven and Knitting Mill creeks. The stormwater division is planning to conduct dry weather screening.

HRSD: Construction for the replacement of the force main that runs under the Lafayette River near the zoo is scheduled to begin this summer and end next spring. Construction on the Virginia Initiative Plant is still scheduled to begin in 2017 to upgrade the nutrient removal technology.

3. Next Meeting:

The December meeting has been moved to November 1. Meeting materials will now be posted to the HRPDC website (www.hrpdcva.gov). Agendas, attachments, and presentations can be accessed through the calendar posting for the ER Steering Committee meeting.

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