

MEETING SUMMARY
REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

The Regional Environmental Committee met on January 2, 2014. The following items were discussed.

- Ms. Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC, briefed the Committee on the findings of a recent report issued by the U.S. Geological Survey, "Land Subsidence and Relative Sea-Level Rise in the Southern Chesapeake Bay Region." HRPDC staff collaborated with USGS staff on the report.
- Mr. Benjamin McFarlane, HRPDC, briefed the Committee on the status of HRPDC Coastal Zone Management Program grant projects.
- Mr. McFarlane briefed the Committee on a proposal concept by HRPDC staff for funding under the Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grant Program, and local staff discussed various potential projects from localities.
- Ms. Julia Hillegass, HRPDC, briefed the Committee on the HRPDC's legislative agenda and led a discussion on local legislative concerns.
- Ms. Jai McBride, HRPDC, and Ms. Hillegass led a listening session with the Committee for the Envision Hampton Roads Regional Strategic Plan.
- Several committee members and guests provided status reports.