

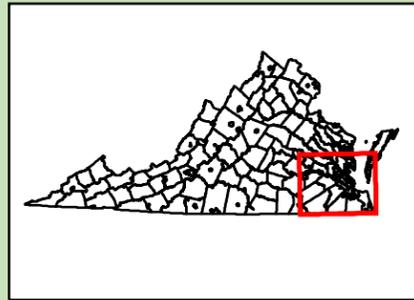
Figure 8

The Hampton Roads Conservation Corridor Study

& Currently Protected Lands

Legend

-  Opportunities for Connectivity
-  Protected Lands - Inside of Corridor
-  Protected Lands - Outside of Corridor
- Suitability for Conservation**
-  Low suitability
-  High suitability - WATER QUALITY
-  High suitability - HABITAT
-  High suitability - BOTH



Notes:

The Suitability for Conservation information identifies areas that are potentially most suitable for protection based on a wildlife habitat or water quality protection perspective. The suitability information was derived through weighted overlay analysis in GIS using the following data sources: National Land Cover Dataset, National Wetlands Inventory, riparian corridors, and the Virginia Land Conservation Needs Assessment habitat cores. The map was refined based on the input from natural resource experts in the Hampton Roads region.

The Opportunities for Connectivity information highlights areas where there are opportunities to create a linked network of green infrastructure in Hampton Roads. Protected and unprotected greenspaces can be linked to each other, as well as to existing recreational areas.

This map is intended as a tool to aid the regional planning process and does not necessarily reflect the actual future land use plans of individual Hampton Roads localities.



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