

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #7: REGIONAL REVIEWS – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

A. PNRS Items (Initial Review)

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 April 6, 2012 on these projects.

Attachment 7A - PNRS

B. 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. Attached is a listing and summary of projects that are presently under review.

Attachment 7B – Environmental Impact Assessment/Statement Review

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None required.

Project Notification and Reviews

Date 4/5/2012 **CH #** VA120404-1523095

Title Neighbors Drive/Richmond Road Neighborhood Improvements Grant Application

Applicant James City County

State/Federal Program Virginia Community Development Block Grant

Type of Impact James City County

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

James City County is requesting VCDBG funds to improve housing and infrastructure conditions in the Neighbors Drive/Richmond Road neighborhood through construction of a public street, storm sewer, a storm water drainage basin, paved multi-use trail, rehabilitation of owner occupied homes, demolition of dilapidated vacant structures, clean-up and removal of debris, and construction of new affordable homes for LMI purchase.

Federal	\$38,400.00	Local	\$818,330.00
Applicant	\$0.00	Other	\$0.00
State	\$1,070,000.00	Income	\$0.00
TOTAL \$1,926,730.00			

Date 4/5/2012 **CH #** VA120312-1423760

Title Section 103 PM 2.5 Air Monitoring Program

Applicant Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

State/Federal Program Air Pollution Control Program Support (EPA)

Type of Impact Statewide

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

DEQ will utilize this funding mechanism for the operation and maintenance of the existing PM 2.5 monitoring network (particulate monitoring) between 4/1/12 and 3/31/13.

Federal	\$487,631.00	Local	\$0.00
Applicant	\$0.00	Other	\$85,052.00
State	\$0.00	Income	\$0.00
TOTAL \$572,683.00			

Environmental Impact Reviews

Received 3/5/2012 **Number** 12-046F

Name Pierside Testing of Signal Analysis System

Sponsor DOD/U.S. Navy

Description

Pierside Testing of Signal Analysis System

Affected Localities Newport News Norfolk Portsmouth

Finding

The proposal appears to be consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 3/27/2012 **Final State Comments Received**

Received 3/5/2012 **Number** 12-047F

Name Reissuance of Nationwide Permits & Virginia Regional Conditions

Sponsor DOD/U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Description

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is reissuing certain Nationwide Permits.

Affected Localities HRPDC

Finding

The proposal appears to be consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 4/2/2012 **Final State Comments Received**

Received 3/6/2012 **Number** 12-050F
Name Management of Vulture Damage in Virginia
Sponsor USDA/Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service/WS
Description

USDA has proposed a plan to manage damage from vultures in Virginia.

Affected Localities HRPDC

Finding

The proposal appears to be consistent with local and regional plans and policies.

Comments Sent 4/2/2012 **Final State Comments Received**

Received 3/26/2012 **Number** 12-061S
Name University Entrance/Interior Roads
Sponsor Christopher Newport University

Description

Christopher Newport Univesrity proposes to construct a new plaza as a vehicular entrance into the campus. The proposed site consists of the northernmost end of the Avenue of the Arts and a portion of University Place. The roadway will be re-worked with new pavers and landscaping to match adjacent structures. The construction of this project is completely within the boundaries of the campus, and is wholly owned by CNU. There were no open waterways, streams, ponds, or creeks observed on the site, or adjacent to the site, at the time of this assessment. There is waterway east of the Avenue of the Arts, approximately one-quarter mile away from the project site. The site encompasses approximately 31,000 square feet (0.71 acres) of existing roadways, sidewalks, and landscaped areas. It is located just northwest of the newly-constructed Chapel at the northernmost end of the Avenue of the Arts.

Affected Localities Newport News

Finding

Comments Sent **Final State Comments Received**

Received 4/4/2012 **Number** 12-066F
Name The Grove at Arboretum
Sponsor U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Description

The Grove at the Arboretum is a proposed residential development located off of Green Tree Road in Chesapeake, Virginia. The property is 10.75 acres in size. The project will construct 112 two story condominiums, pool, clubhouse, pond, and walking trails. No negative effects on the land or water uses or natural resources of Virginia were identified during the review of the Grove at the Arboretum. No significant impacts to the human or natural environment are anticipated from the proposed project.

Affected Localities Chesapeake

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 4/5/2012 **Number** 12-065F
Name Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail and Scenic Byway
Sponsor Department of the Interior: National Park Service

Description

The National Park Service is preparing a Comprehensive Management Plan/Environmental Assessment (CMP/EA) for the Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail as documentation for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The CMP/EA is being developed as a NEPA Environmental Assessment. The CMP/EA will be the major planning document, guiding trail management and development for the next 15-20 years.

Affected Localities HRPDC

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received