

October 26, 2017

Memorandum #2017-132

TO: Regional Environmental Committee Members

BY: Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC Principal Water Resources Planner

RE: Regional Environmental Committee Meeting – November 2, 2017

The next meeting of the **HRPDC Regional Environmental Committee** will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2017** in the **HRPDC Board Room, The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake**. The agenda and related materials are attached.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

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Regional Environmental Committee – Voting:

Chesapeake

Barbara Brumbaugh
John Harbin

James City

Fran C. Geissler
Michael Woolson

Smithfield

Wayne Griffin
William Saunders

Windsor

Vacant
Vacant

Franklin/Southampton

Donald E. Goodwin
Beth Lewis, AICP

Newport News

Joe Grist
Allison Watts

Suffolk

David Parks
Erin Rountree

York

Joseph Brogan
Anna Drake

Gloucester

Garrey Curry
Vacant

Norfolk

Justin Shafer
June Whitehurst

Surry

Rhonda Russell
Vacant

Hampton

David Imburgia
Sharon Surita

Poquoson

Dannan O'Connell
Ellen Roberts, PE

Virginia Beach

Melanie Coffey
Diana St. John

Isle of Wight

Kim Hummel
Melissa Lindgren

Portsmouth

Vacant
Vacant

Williamsburg

Carolyn Murphy
Aaron Small

Regional Environmental Committee – Non-Voting:

HRSD

Will Hunley
Jamie Mitchell
Kevin M. Parker
Jennifer Reitz

Tara Fisher

Shawn Fluharty
Brian Powell
Phillip S. Winslow, Jr.
Adam Wright

VDCR

Arthur M. Kirkby

VDEQ

Roger K. Everton
Noah Hill
John Kennedy
Kevin Landry
Elizabeth Polak
Joan Salvati

VDOT

Jennifer Dail
Andrew B. Scott

NASA Langley

Todd Herbert

SWCD

Stacey Bradshaw
Chuck Griffin
Tara Outland-Williams
Jim Wallace

Navy

David J. Cotnoir
Sarah E. Diebel

USGS

Mark Bennett

HRPDC Staff:

Keith Cannady
Katie Cullipher
Robert Crum
Rebekah Eastep
Katherine Filippino
Ashley Gordon
Greg Grootendorst

Whitney Katchmark
Sara Kidd
Ben McFarlane
Matt Smith
Tiffany Smith
Jill Sunderland
Joe Turner

**AGENDA
MEETING OF THE
HAMPTON ROADS REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 2, 2017
10:00 A.M.**

1. Summary of the October 5, 2017 Meeting of the Hampton Roads Regional Environmental Committee (REC).

The summary and attendance sheets of the above meeting are attached.

Attachments: 1A – October REC Meeting Summary
1B – October REC Meeting Attendance

ACTION: Accept the Meeting Summary

2. Public Comments

3. Living Shorelines Survey

Casey Shaw, Grassroots Coordinator for the Elizabeth River Project, will highlight findings from a survey conducted with homeowners in the Elizabeth River watershed. To gain insight on how living shoreline restoration can best be targeted, Water Words that Work targeted Hampton Roads waterfront property owners that were known ERP supporters and those that were not in their database. Findings will help ERP and other restoration initiatives determine what impediments may exist when working with waterfront property owners to establish living shorelines.

ACTION: None required

4. “Catch the King” Event

Several media companies, non-profit organizations, and academics are promoting a citizen engagement effort to collect data on flooding in Hampton Roads. The “Catch the King” event is being held on Sunday, November 5th, to correspond with the highest astronomical tide of the year, which will occur at 9:28 a.m. Mr. Skip Stiles, Wetlands Watch, will provide the Committee with an overview of the project.

ACTION: None required

5. City of Hampton Green Infrastructure Study

Staff from the City of Hampton will present the results of the recently completed green infrastructure study. The City worked with the Green Infrastructure Center (GIC) on the study which was funded by a grant from the Virginia Department of Forestry.

ACTION: None required

6. City of Chesapeake Solar Farms Report

John Harbin, Principal Planner with the City of Chesapeake, will speak about the City's approach to evaluating the impacts of utility-scale solar energy facilities (solar farms). City staff recently developed a comprehensive report on solar farms intended to provide background information and policy guidance to assist in review of solar project applications.

ACTION: None required

7. Southampton Solar Project

Beth Lewis, Deputy Director of Community Development with the City of Franklin and Southampton County, will share lessons the County has learned from the ongoing development of Southampton Solar, Virginia's largest solar energy project. Beth and Stormwater Manager, Regan Prince, will address permitting, inspections, and initial outcomes related to development of the 100-megawatt project.

ACTION: None required

8. Status Reports

- A. Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
- B. Hampton Roads Sanitation District
- C. Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- D. Department of Conservation and Recreation
- E. Department of Environmental Quality
- F. U.S. Geological Survey
- G. Department of Transportation
- H. U.S. Navy
- I. Local Programs

ACTION: None required

9. Other Matters