

February 27, 2020

**Memorandum #2020-35**

**TO: Regional Environmental Committee Members**

**BY: Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC Principal Water Resources Engineer**

**RE: Regional Environmental Committee Meeting – March 5, 2020**

The next meeting of the **HRPDC Regional Environmental Committee** will be held at **10:00 a.m.** on **Thursday, March 5, 2020** in **HRPDC Board Room A/B, 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.

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Attachments

**AGENDA  
MEETING OF THE  
HAMPTON ROADS REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE  
MARCH 5, 2020  
10:00 A.M.**

**1. Summary of the February 6, 2020 Meeting of the Hampton Roads Regional Environmental Committee (REC).**

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

**Attachments:** 1A – February REC Meeting Summary  
1B – February REC Meeting Attendance

**ACTION:** Accept the Meeting Summary

**2. Public Comments**

**ACTION:** None required

**3. Featured Resource – Making the Connection of Stormwater to Oceans**

Jill Sunderland, HRPDC Water Resources Planner, recently attended the Virginia Clean Waterways Stormwater and Litter Workshop in Ashland, VA. The workshop was focused on various strategies to reduce urban trash and intercept litter before it reaches waterways. One of the primary goals identified in the Virginia Marine Debris Reduction Plan is to intercept litter at storm drains, which presents unique challenges for stormwater management programs. Ms. Sunderland will present highlights from the discussion.

**ACTION:** None required

**4. Recycling Adaptations for a Changing Market – Experiences from James City County**

Weak markets for recyclable materials have placed an increasing financial burden on local recycling programs. The underlying causes of these market conditions are systemic, leaving communities to plan for a “new normal” of recycling economics. Despite these changes, the public continues to value recycling as an important service. Dawn Oleksy, James City County Environmental Sustainability Coordinator, will discuss adaptations James City County has made to continue to provide recycling services to residents.

**ACTION:** None required

**5. Legislative Update**

HRPDC staff will provide an update on bills under consideration in the 2020 General Assembly session relevant to the Committee's work in the areas of environmental planning, land use, water quality, stormwater, and coastal zone management.

**ACTION:** None required

**6. Social Coast Conference Highlights**

HRPDC staff had the opportunity to attend and present work coordinated through the HRPDC at the 2020 Social Coast Forum in Charleston, SC. The forum, hosted by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, explores how social science tools and methods are being used to address the nation's coastal issues. HRPDC staff will review highlights from the conference.

**ACTION:** None required

**7. Resources for Brownfields Redevelopment**

At the February meeting, the Committee heard from Tim Stromberg of Stromberg/Garrigan & Associates about how the City of Norfolk is using EPA brownfields grants to plan for redevelopment of Harbor Park with a focus on improving resilience and water quality. This month, Vince Maiden, DEQ Brownfields Program Coordinator, will provide additional information on DEQ and EPA brownfields programs, how to take advantage of state and federal resources, and share other success stories of brownfields redevelopment in Virginia.

**ACTION:** None required

**8. Other Matters**

**Regional Environmental Committee – Voting:**

**Chesapeake**  
Barbara Brumbaugh

**James City**  
Toni Small  
Michael Woolson

**Smithfield**  
Wayne Griffin  
William Saunders

**Windsor**  
Vacant  
Vacant

**Franklin/Southampton**  
Donald E. Goodwin  
Beth Lewis

**Newport News**  
Vacant  
Allison Watts

**Suffolk**  
Erin Rountree

**York**  
Joseph Brogan  
Anna Drake

**Gloucester**  
Mike Hudgins  
Kevin Landry

**Norfolk**  
Justin Shafer  
June Whitehurst

**Surry**  
Vacant  
Vacant

**Hampton**  
David Imburgia  
Greta Hawkins

**Poquoson**  
Dannan O’Connell  
Ellen Roberts

**Virginia Beach**  
Melanie Coffey  
Diana St. John

**Isle of Wight**  
Kim Hummel  
Melissa Lindgren

**Portsmouth**  
Meg Pittenger  
Thomas Quattlebaum

**Williamsburg**  
Heather Markle  
Aaron Small

**Regional Environmental Committee – Non-Voting:**

**HRSD**  
Jamie Mitchell  
Kevin M. Parker  
Jennifer Reitz

**NAVY**  
Sarah E. Diebel  
Tara Fisher  
Brian Powell  
Phillip S. Winslow, Jr.

**SWCD**  
Stacey Bradshaw  
Tara Outland-Williams  
Jim Wallace

**VDEQ**  
Noah Hill  
John Kennedy

**VDOT**  
Jennifer Dail  
Andrew B. Scott

**VDOF**  
Molly O’Liddy

**USGS**  
Mark Bennett

**NOAA**  
Andrew Larkin

**James City**  
Trevor Long

**Virginia Beach**  
Shawn Fluharty