

January 30, 2020

Memorandum #2020-20

TO: Regional Environmental Committee Members

BY: Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC Principal Water Resources Engineer

RE: Regional Environmental Committee Meeting – February 6, 2020

The next meeting of the **HRPDC Regional Environmental Committee** will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 6, 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
FEBRUARY 6, 2020
10:00 A.M.

1. Summary of the December 5, 2019 Meeting of the Hampton Roads Regional Environmental Committee (REC).

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

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

ACTION: Accept the Meeting Summary

2. Public Comments

3. Featured Resource – New MOST Course: Landscaping for Resilience in a Changing Climate

The [Municipal Online Stormwater Training \(MOST\) Center](#) provides free resources to help enhance local stormwater programs, including online courses, videos, reports, and toolkits. The site, which is sponsored by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, offers ten stormwater courses including those that cover financing, construction site management, integrating green infrastructure into capital improvement planning, and designing for a changing climate. Ms. Jill Sunderland recently completed the newest course, “Landscaping for Resilience in a Changing Climate” and will provide an overview. The course covers impacts of climate change on the Chesapeake Bay and sustainable landscape strategies that can be used to promote resilience.

ACTION: None required

4. Norfolk Thrive and Harbor Park Redevelopment – Mr. Tim Stromberg of Stromberg/Garrigan & Associates is the lead designer and planner for the revitalization of Harbor Park in Norfolk. Mr. Stromberg will present design recommendations that includes a mix of green and gray infrastructure for the project. EPA awarded a Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant to Norfolk for this work.

ACTION: None required

5. Virginia Beach Participation in the Community Rating System

The City of Virginia Beach joined the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS) in May 2019. The City entered at a Class 7, earning residents a 15% discount on flood insurance policies in the Special Flood Hazard Area. Activities that qualify for points include open space preservation, higher regulatory standards, and floodplain management planning. Ms. Whitney McNamara, Environmental Planner who led the City's efforts to join the CRS, will present on Virginia Beach's current participation in the program and next steps.

ACTION: None required

6. Legislative Update

HRPDC staff will provide an update on bills under consideration in the 2020 General Assembly legislative 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

7. Regional Environmental Committee Meeting - Assessment and Planning

HRPDC staff will discuss the results of the survey of local staff priorities for Regional Environmental Committee meetings.

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