



# HAMPTON ROADS REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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## LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



### Recurrent Flooding/Sea Level Rise

The HRPDC supports the pursuit of **federal/state funding for recurrent flooding/sea level rise projects**, particularly those projects that protect the mission of our region's military installations.

The HRPDC supports the appropriation and retention of **matching funding for US Army Corps of Engineers 3X3X3 Studies** for flood mitigation and other resiliency projects.



The HRPDC supports state **funding in the amount of \$500,000 for the Virginia Shoreline Resiliency Fund that was created during the 2016 General Assembly session but received no appropriations.**



### Chesapeake Bay

The HRPDC recommends **increasing state funding to the Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF)** to support localities' work to implement stormwater controls that have been instrumental in reducing pollution to the Chesapeake Bay.

The HRPDC requests the Commonwealth consider **new state funding sources to assist localities in addressing Chesapeake Bay nutrient reduction requirements.**

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### Affordable Housing

The HRPDC supports legislation that continues to **appropriate funding of the Virginia Housing Trust Fund (VHTF)** for housing programs and projects.



### Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)

The HRPDC requests assistance from our state and federal partners to increase the level of **Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) funding** provided to the Hampton Roads region.

### Impact Fees and Conditional Zoning

The HRPDC supports the ability of localities to ensure orderly, rational, and fiscally prudent growth appropriate for their communities by **restoring a viable process for conditional zoning and enabling the use of impact fees to offset the capital costs created by new development.**



### K-12 Education

The HRPDC supports the continuation of efforts to provide **increased state funding for K-12 Public Education.**

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## HRBT Funding

The HRTPO requests **federal and state funding for the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel Expansion Project.**

## Passenger Rail

The HRTPO supports efforts to promote **higher-speed passenger rail service between Hampton Roads and Richmond**, including the completion of a TIER II Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Southside and Peninsula corridors.



## Closing the I-64 Gap

The HRTPO supports the pursuit of **federal and state funding for the widening of I-64 between Hampton Roads and Richmond** from Exit 205 (Bottoms Bridge) to Exit 234 (Route 199 – Lightfoot).

## Transportation Funding

The HRTPO recommends the Commonwealth **increase funding to the Virginia SMART SCALE Program.**



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