

**Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable Meeting**  
**April 1, 2013**  
**1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
**The Virginia Living Museum**  
**524 J. Clyde Morris Blvd., Newport News, VA 23601**

## **Agenda**

- 1. Welcome and introductions by meeting attendees**
- 2. Backgrounder on the Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable**  
HRPDC staff will review the background of the Roundtable.  
  
*Attachment: 2-Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable Backgrounder*
- 3. Discussion of the path forward for the Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable**  
HRPDC staff will lead a discussion amongst participants about the path forward for the Roundtable, including consideration of using the Roundtable to:
  - share technical information regarding Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved private property best management practices (BMPs), tracking and crediting;
  - utilize the askHRgreen.org website to direct private property owners to local nonprofit water quality improvement groups for more information about implementing BMPs; and
  - share lessons learned and exchange ideas for what works with private property BMPs.

*Attachment: 3-Private Property BMP Information Sharing*

**Action:** Determine the goals for the 2013 Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable.

**Participants are encouraged to tour the Virginia Living Museum after the meeting.**

## Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable Backgrounder

### **Intent:**

The Roundtable is intended to provide a forum for education and information exchange among local organizations, local government, the public and the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) on a range of issues including water quality, water resources and Chesapeake Bay regulatory programs, local environmental issues, land conservation and green infrastructure.

### **Funding:**

The Hampton Roads Watershed Roundtable is grant funded by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation.

### **Meetings:**

There will be four roundtable meetings during calendar year 2013.

### **Topics to be addressed:**

Topics will include, but are not limited to: the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL); water quality issues, including local TMDLs; and other state and regional environmental issues.

### **Outreach:**

A major focus will be Chesapeake Bay TMDL outreach to citizens and businesses. Efforts will include collaboration with the environmental education and outreach campaign [askHRgreen.org](http://askHRgreen.org), participation in the spring 2013 Great American Cleanup and the writing of content about the Chesapeake Bay TMDL for the annual publication of *Green Living* - a comprehensive guide to living a greener life in Hampton Roads.

## Private Property BMP Information Sharing

- **Share technical information regarding Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved private property best management practices (BMPs), tracking and crediting.**
  - Information sharing would include findings/decisions/guidance from:
    - Chesapeake Stormwater Network – developing technical implementation guidance and training about private property BMPs
    - Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay – identifying protocol of crediting private property BMPs
    - State – setting Virginia specific guidelines
    - Other information of bay-wide/state-wide significance
- **Utilize the askHRgreen.org website to direct private property owners to local nonprofit water quality improvement groups for more information about implementing BMPs.**
  - Information on askHRgreen.org could include:
    - A brief overview and links to local nonprofit water quality improvement groups
    - Information for groups that want to start a water quality improvement program
- **Share lessons learned and exchange ideas for what works with private property BMPs.**
- **Participate in follow-up workshops/discussions/meetings from the February 13-14 Collaborative Summit in Williamsburg.**
  - Presentation from Nissa Dean, Virginia Director, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay about the RiverWise program (fall)
  - Presentation from Shereen Hughes, Wetlands Watch about the “Summit” final report (summer)
  - “Summit” steering committee location for one meeting (round robin style)
  - Native plants workshop for Hampton Roads (winter)