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HAMPTON ROADS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION HOSTS PUBLIC MEETING ABOUT RESILIENCY ISSUES NEAR NORFOLK AND VA BEACH NAVY FACILITIES

CHESAPEAKE, VA (APRIL 23, 2018) – The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC), is hosting the first of three public meetings for its Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at its Regional Office, 723 Woodlake Drive in Chesapeake.

This study is a cooperative planning process between Norfolk, Virginia Beach and the military to create a long term partnership that sustains the military missions associated with the following four military installations:

- Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story;
- Naval Air Station Oceana (including Dam Neck Annex and excluding Naval Auxiliary Landing Field Fentress);
- Naval Station Norfolk;
- Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads.

The HRPDC is serving as the primary project sponsor. The JLUS is funded by a grant from the Department of Defense (DOD), Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) and from local match contributions of participating jurisdictions and the HRPDC. OEA provides grant assistance to state and local governments to mitigate or prevent incompatible community activities that are likely to impair the long-term sustainability and operational utility of the military installation complex.

The JLUS will include an evaluation of various compatibility factors associated with interagency coordination and communication, transportation capacity, community infrastructure, recurrent flooding, coastal storms, and other factors that have the potential to create adverse impacts to military readiness. Overall, the JLUS seeks to strengthen the relationships among community and military interests.

The public is encouraged to attend this meeting and share their perspective on these issues whose impacts are jointly shared by the military and the community. Interested parties may also visit the project web site at www.hamptonroadsjlus.com and can email comments for consideration at info@hamptonroadsjlus.com. For more information or if you need special assistance, please contact 757-420-8300.

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