

November 25, 2014

Memorandum #2014-162

TO: Regional Environmental Committee Members

BY: Jai McBride, HRPDC Principal Regional Planner

**RE: Regional Environmental Committee Meeting – December 4, 2014
RSVP – December 2, 2014**

The next meeting of the HRPDC **Regional Environmental Committee** will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2014**, in the **HRPDC Board Room, The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake**. The agenda and related materials are attached.

Please RSVP by December 2, 2014 so we may make appropriate logistical arrangements. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

Copy: Dave Evans, McGuire Woods

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Regional Environmental Committee – Voting:

Connie Bennett, YK	Melissa Lindgren P.E., IW
H. Clayton Bernick, VB	Carolyn Murphy, WM
Barbara Brumbaugh, CH	David Parks, SU
Fred Brusso, PO	Diane Quick, PO
Dennis Carney, Windsor	Scott Rae, GL
Anna Drake, YK	Angela Rivas, HA
Fran C. Geissler, JC	Ellen Roberts P.E., PQ
Emily Gibson, GL	Erin Roundtree, SU
Donald E. Goodwin, FR	Rhonda L. Russell AICP, SY
Wayne Griffin, SM	William Saunders, SM
Kim Hummel, IW	Justin Shafer, NO
David Imburgia, HA	Aaron Small, WM
William J. Johnston, VB	Scott Thomas, JC
Youssef Khalil, PO	Jennifer White, CH
David Kuzma, NN	June Whitehurst NO
Beth Lewis AICP, SH	Kevin Wyne, PQ

Regional Environmental Committee – Non Voting:

Mark Bennett, USGS	Kevin Landry
Stacey Bradshaw, SWCD	Nancy Miller
William S. Bullard, Navy/DOD	Jamie Mitchell, HRSD
David J. Cotnoir, Navy	Shep Moon, VDEQ
Sarah E. Diebel	Brian Noyes, SWCD
Roger K. Everton, DEQ	Tara Outland-Williams, SWCD
Chuck Griffin, SWCD	Kevin M. Parker, HRSD
Todd Herbert	Jennifer Reitz, HRSD
Noah Hill, DEQ	Joan Salvati
Jennifer Howell, VDEQ	Andrew B. Scott, VDOT
Will Hunley, HRSD	Shawn Smith, DCR
John Kennedy, VDEQ	Phillip S. Winslow Jr., NAVY
Arthur M. Kirkby	

Regional Environmental Committee – Interested Parties:

Lynn Allsbrook, HA
Beth Arnold
Mike Barbachem
Wayne Boy, William and Mary
Joseph Brogan, YK
W. Keith Cannady, HA
Darryl E. Cook, JC
Ken Dierks
Anne Ducey-Ortiz, GL
Melinda Dunlap YK
Joseph M. DuRant, NN
Suzanne Dyba, JC
Michael Faulk, USDA-NRCS
H. Reed Fowler Jr., NN
J. Arnie Francis, GL
Dana Gonzalez, DEQ
Frank Haltom, IW
Tim Hare, CH2M Hill
Ed Heide, SU
Kent Henkel, YK
Gayle E. Hicks, HA
Roy Hoagland, William and Mary
Karen Holloway, PQ
William T. Hopkins III, SM
Shereen Hughes, Wetlands Watch
Shannon Hulst, Wetlands Watch
Seshadri S. Iyer, URS
Donald Jennings, IW
Julien W. Johnson Jr., SH
Kari Lynch, PO
Casey Magruder NO
Eric J. Martin P.E., CH
Seamus McCarthy, NO
Mark McElroy

Stephen G. McLaughlin, VB
Whitney McNamara, VB
Tom McNeilan
Jenny McPherson, VB
Scott Mills, SU
Chris Moore, CBF
Ryan Nagel, ARCADIS
Steve Nesbitt, ARCADIS
Russell Pace, FR
John Paine, URS
Jeryl Phillips, VB
Richard Phillips
Meg Pittenger, PO
Stacy Porter, PO
Jennifer Privette, NN
Emily Rich
Lee Rosenberg, NO
Mary Carson Saunders Stiff, Wetlands Watch
Sam Sawan, CH
Liz Scheessele
Karen Shaffer, CH
Gina D. Shaw, NO
Noelle Slater, ARCADIS
Bob Speechley, PQ
Peter M. Stephenson AICP, SM
Skip Stiles, Wetlands Watch
David Stromberg, HA
Brian Swets, PO
Debbie Vest, PQ
Beverly Walkup, IW
Jack Whitney Jr., VB
Brian Woodward, YK
James Wright, PO

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AGENDA
MEETING OF THE
HAMPTON ROADS REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 4, 2014
10:00 A.M.

1. Summary of the November 6, 2014 Meeting of the Hampton Roads Regional Environmental Committee (REC).

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

Attachments: 1-A – November REC Meeting Summary
1-B – November REC Meeting Attendance

ACTION: Accept the Meeting Summary

2. Public Comments

3. VDGIF Wildlife Action Plan (Invited)

The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries is preparing an update to the Virginia Wildlife Action Plan. One of the goals of the Wildlife Action Plan is to identify wildlife at risk of meeting the criteria to be designated as threatened or endangered and to develop strategies to reduce that risk. DGIF has expressed a desire to make the Wildlife Action Plan more directly useful for local and regional decision makers, similar to the Virginia Outdoors Plan. Mr. Chris Burkett, DGIF, will brief the Committee on the proposed update.

ACTION: None required

4. Impaired Waters report from Secretary of Natural Resources

Ms. Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC staff, will summarize the findings in the annual report from the Secretary of Natural Resources to the General Assembly on Virginia's impaired waters and Chesapeake Bay TMDL Implementation progress.

Attachment: 4-A – FY2014 Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Waters Clean-up Plan

ACTION: None required

5. **The State of Recycling in Hampton Roads White Paper**

The askHRgreen.org Recycling & Beautification Committee recently released “The State of Recycling in Hampton Roads” white paper, an overview of recycling in the region that also highlights manufacturers and provides insight into the economic impact of recycling, recent trends and growth potential.

The HRPDC staff will provide a brief overview of the report which is available for download through the askHRgreen.org website.

Attachment: 5-A – The State of Recycling in Hampton Roads

ACTION: None required

6. **Land Subsidence Update**

Ms. Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC staff, will review the need for additional land subsidence measurements and the proposal presented to the Commission on November 20th. The HRPDC staff discussed this issue with the regional Recurrent Flooding and Sea-Level Rise Committee on September 26, 2014. The HRPDC Staff suggested developing a specific project proposal defining the best method of monitoring and predicting future land subsidence. The Committee agreed that the proposal was needed along with a cost estimate to implement the recommendations.

The Commission was presented the following two options:

1. The HRPDC could fund USGS to assess the methods of monitoring land subsidence and develop cost estimates. The resulting report could be used to support a state budget request or future grant opportunities. Estimated costs = \$50,000.
2. The HRPDC could issue a request for proposals for InSar analysis. The analysis would compare land elevations from the 1990s to 2000s to create a map of historic land subsidence across the region. Estimated costs = \$250,000.

3.

The Commission requested that staff return with a specific recommendation, instead of options.

ACTION: None required. The HRPDC staff will ask the Recurrent Flooding and Sea-Level Rise Committee to endorse an option at the December 19th meeting. The endorsement will be briefed at the January 8th meeting of the Regional Environmental Committee.

7. Sea Level Rise Update

The HRPDC staff will update the Committee on matters related to sea level rise and recurrent flooding, including proposed updated sea level rise inundation maps, a discussion on holding a Dutch Dialogues workshop in Hampton Roads, and a FEMA-led exercise on sea level rise and flooding held in conjunction with the ODU Pilot Project.

ACTION: None required

8. Coastal Zone Management Program Update

The HRPDC staff will provide an update to the Committee on matters related to the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program, including FY15 PDC competitive and Section 309 grants.

ACTION: None required

9. Status Reports

- A. Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
- B. Hampton Roads Sanitation District
- C. Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- D. Department of Conservation and Recreation
- E. Department of Environmental Quality
- F. U.S. Geological Survey
- G. Department of Transportation
- H. U.S. Navy
- I. Local Programs

ACTION: None required

10. Other Matters