




**MIDDLE PENINSULA
PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION**

MEMORANDUM

TO: MPPDC Board of Commissioners
FROM: Lewis Lawrence, Executive Director 
DATE: November 17, 2021
RE: November Commission Meeting

COMMISSIONERS

Essex County
Hon. Edwin E. Smith, Jr.
Hon. John C. Magruder
Ms. Sarah Pope
Mr. Michael A. Lombardo

Town of Tappahannock
Hon. Fleet Dillard

Gloucester County
Hon. Ashley C. Chriscoe
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Middlesex County
Hon. Wayne H. Jessie, Sr.
Hon. Reggie Williams, Sr.
Mr. Gordon E. White

Town of Urbanna
Hon. Marjorie Austin

Secretary/Director
Mr. Lewis L. Lawrence

The Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission will host its monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Regional Board Room at the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission office in Saluda.

*Dr Williams is encouraging the use of masks for all indoor gatherings. This is not a requirement of the CDC or the Governor, but it's still sound advice. If any Commissioner desires a mask for the meeting, staff will provide such.

Enclosed are the November meeting agenda and supporting materials for your review prior to the meeting.

If you have any questions concerning material in your agenda packet, please give me a call at 804-758-2311 or email me at LLawrence@mppdc.com.

I look forward to seeing you on **November 17th**!

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Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission Meeting

7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

125 Bowden Street

Saluda VA 23149

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of October Minutes
- III. Approval of Financial Report for October
- IV. Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for the month of November
- V. MPCBPAA Update
- VI. MPA Update
- VII. MPPDC Public Relations/Communications Update
- VIII. Public Comment

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- IX. Regional Dredging Program Presentation
- X. All Hazards Mitigation Plan Update
- XI. DCR Flood Fund Round 2 Update
- XII. Other Business
- XIII. Adjournment

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MIDDLE PENINSULA PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION
October 27, 2021

I. Welcome and Introductions

The monthly meeting of the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission was held in the Regional Board Room at the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission office in Saluda, Virginia on Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. MPPDC Vice-Chairman Chriscoe welcomed everyone in attendance.

Commissioners Present

Essex County: Edwin “Bud” Smith, Jr., John Magruder, Sarah Pope, Michael Lombardo

Gloucester County: Ashley Chriscoe, Carol Steele

King William County: Travis Moskalski, Otto Williams

Mathews County: Tim Hill, Mike Rowe

Middlesex County: Gordon White, Wayne Jessie, Reggie Williams

Town of Tappahannock: Fleet Dillard

Town of West Point: James Pruett, John Edwards

Commissioners Absent

Gloucester County: Michael Winebarger, Dr. Reay

King William County: Ed Moren

King and Queen County: Sharon Alsop, R.F. Bailey, Tom Swartzwelder

Mathews County: Melissa Mason

Town of Urbanna: Marjorie Austin

Also in Attendance

Lewis Lawrence, MPPDC Executive Director

Curt Smith, MPPDC Deputy Director (via telephone)

Dawn Mantell, MPPDC Executive Assistant

Guests

II. Approval of September Minutes

Vice-Chairman Chriscoe asked whether there were any corrections or changes to the September Minutes. There being no corrections to the Minutes, Vice-Chairman Chriscoe requested a motion to approve the September Minutes. Mr. Hill moved that the September Minutes be approved. Mr. White seconded the motion; motion carried.

III. Approval of Financial Report for September

In the absence of the Chief Financial Officer, Heather Modispaw, who was at GMS training in Florida, Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence reported the FY21 Audit took place on October 10th at the MPPDC office. Mr. Lawrence then drew the Commission’s attention to the Project Financial Report on p. 11 of their meeting packet and explained Project 30185 VDOT HITW Permitting & Procurement shows (\$4,232.66) for the month but noted this project has been changed to two separate elements for the Virginia Port Authority (VPA) and VDOT under Project 38809 HITW Dredging and expenses have also been moved from Project 30185 to the new project number 38809. Lastly, local annual MPPDC dues have been received from all localities except for Middlesex County. Ms. Modispaw has been in contact with Middlesex Assistant County Administrator, Betty Muncy who apologized for the oversight and stated a check will

be sent with their next run, November 3rd. Vice-Chairman Chriscoe asked whether there were any questions regarding the MPPDC financial report for September before being approved subject to audit. There being no questions, Vice-Chairman Chriscoe requested a motion to approve the financial report for September subject to audit. Mr. Smith moved to approve the financial report for September subject to audit. Mr. O. Williams seconded the motion; motion carried.

IV. Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for the Month of October

Vice-Chairman Chriscoe requested MPPDC Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence review the Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for the month of October. The Executive Director's Report on staff activities is developed at a monthly staff meeting, organized by PDC Service Centers, and the activities are used to report grant funding activities.

Mr. Lawrence directed the Commissioners' attention to several items:

- Provided MPPDC legal counsel an opportunity to review RISE Rural Coastal Community Resilience Challenge Applicant Guidelines to ensure that the MPPDC and MPCBPAA are following the procurement process correctly for the business design-build competition being released for the following topics:
 - Septic System Design
 - Buildings Water System Redesign
 - Use and Application of Dredge Materials
 - Integrated Coastal Property Design
 - Existing Building Rehabilitation
 - Property Accessibility
 - Living Shoreline Vegetation Production
 - Rural Drainage Improvement

Mr. Lawrence reported Virginia Sea Grant was awarded a ~\$6M GO Virginia grant to assist the Middle Peninsula and other coastal areas with developing resiliency solutions utilizing MPCBPAA properties as field stations. The MPPDC will be partnering with RISE who will be bringing businesses to the Middle Peninsula to address the longstanding issues listed above. Each of these bulleted items will have approximately \$100,000 to \$300,000 per award available for companies to access for creating solutions. An RFP should be ready for release in the near future.

- Consulted with the Town of Tappahannock and Town's legal counsel from Sands Anderson regarding an Intensely Developed Area designation under the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act to enable the Town to develop the landing area where the Captain Thomas once docked more responsibly and comprehensively.

Mr. Lawrence stated this designation was a long time in the making. When the Bay Act was passed over twenty years ago, it gave towns additional development opportunities. At that time, the Town of Tappahannock didn't elect to take

advantage of this opportunity. The MPPDC assisted the Town of Tappahannock in obtaining funding for the redevelopment of the site where the Captain Thomas once docked at Hoskins Creek. Mr. Lawrence recommended the consideration of rezoning a large portion of the county as an intensely developed area.

- Consulted with Lance Gregory, Director, Division of Onsite Sewage and Water Services, Environmental Engineering, and Marina programs at Virginia Department of Health regarding ARPA funding specific for septic infrastructure improvements.

Mr. Lawrence reported ARPA funding can be used to connect single family septic systems to municipal sewer. The MPPDC will receive some of this funding to supplement its current septic program which cannot fund this type of project. Mr. Lawrence stated he will be in contact with the MP localities to assist in getting those of need, connected to municipal sewer. The Commission will be kept up to date as this project progresses.

- SmartScale Round 5: Planning for SmartScale pre-application surveys were due October 15th to the District. Modified shared spreadsheet to coincide with required questions in the pre-application. Held numerous meetings and discussions with staff regarding process and how to receive information. Held meeting with VDOT Residency and District on September 28th to review needs. Discussed with localities at the Monthly Planners Meeting on September 29th to finalize assistance requests and identify MPPDC applications to focus on Route 17 corridor. Each locality can submit up to 5 applications and an additional 5 applications for the MPPDC. Project list finalized at the Planners Meeting with MPPDC submitting three surveys and assisting King William, King & Queen, Essex, and Middlesex Counties with 5 surveys each. Gloucester County staff did not request assistance and Mathews County staff did not respond to the offer for assistance. District staff will review each proposed location and determine which locations are to advance for full pre-application due in March 2022.
- OIPI GAP Performance-Based Planning Process: Continuing effort to establish a project screening and prioritization process to serve as a model for advancing CTB and VTrans priorities in rural areas and ensure that transportation projects adopted for the Regional Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) are competitive in funding programs to meet regional needs. Participated in the monthly meeting held September 27th with the project team (M. Baker, High Street Consulting) to review work progress which included development of a funding program metric assessment, data availability, linking VTrans Needs Areas and local priorities, and geolocating LRTP projects. The draft methodology and screening criteria are slated to be presented to the local planners at an upcoming meeting. A draft policy document stating when and why the MPPDC will apply for grant funding on behalf of the localities and when the MPPDC will offer a letter or resolution of support is under development and will be presented to the Commission during an upcoming meeting.

- Participated in the VDOT STARS Study Committee meeting for the identification and advancements of improvements in Tappahannock.

Mr. Lawrence reported MPPDC Deputy Director, Curt Smith has been working on several programs such as: SmartScale Round 5; OIPI GAP Performance-Based Planning Process; and VDOT STARS to raise awareness of the transportation projects in the Middle Peninsula and to get project needs on VDOT's lists that aren't already being addressed.

V. MPCBPAA Update

None.

VI. MPA Update

MPA Chairman, Ashley Chriscoe reported the final tax filing documents have been submitted to the IRS. As soon as clearance is received by the IRS, the MPA Board will convene where they will determine the next steps. Mr. Chriscoe will keep the Commission updated as things progress.

VII. MPPDC Public Relations/Communications Update

Bay Direct App – Stephanie Heinatz, Consociate Media reminded those present that November is Oyster month. Everyone was encouraged to assist in getting their citizens engaged with the Bay Direct App. VIMS has received additional funding for their aquaculture program which includes training for local aquaculture businesses. Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence asked Consociate Media to identify additional local aquaculture businesses interested in bringing their products to market using the App. This would give buyers a year-round, diversified set of businesses to choose from.

MidPen Rideshare – Ms. Heinatz reported a survey is expected to be released in November to local citizens resurveying the commuting and telecommuting habits in the Middle Peninsula. Ms. Heinatz expects to see a significant change in results from three years ago due to the pandemic.

Ms. Heinatz announced January 2022 begins the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission's 50th year of service to the Middle Peninsula. In addition, Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence stated the MPPDC is tied for the second oldest Planning District Commission in the state of Virginia.

VIII. Public Comment

None.

IX. Middle Peninsula Dredging Discussion Part I

- MPPDC Dredging Plan Executive Summary
- Draft Middle Peninsula Local Government Dredging Implementation Plan [DRAFT 8-14-21 Dredging Implementation Plan \(Complete\).pdf](#)

Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence drew the Commission's attention to a handout of a map illustrating Virginia Port Authority (VPA) Waterway Maintenance Fund (WMF)

projects from 2019-2022. This map represents ~\$40M worth of dredging need in the Middle Peninsula. Also represented are shovel-ready projects and channel characterizations for other, but not all, dredging needs in the Middle Peninsula. This will be the work staff will continue to focus on to utilize current and future VPA funding. Mr. Lawrence then drew the Commission's attention to the Draft Executive Summary of the MP Local Government Dredging Implementation Plan provided in their meeting packet and reported staff has spent 1 ½ years developing this business plan to address the dredging needs of the Middle Peninsula. The MPPDC was awarded a grant from the VPA to research alternative ways to structure a business model for funding local dredging projects. The study determined an approximate 40% cost savings using a municipal model approach as compared to contracting the work with the private sector. MPPDC staff will continue to keep this on the Commission Agenda over the next few months to familiarize the Commissioners with how a municipal model can be structured and implemented in the Middle Peninsula.

X. Virginia Port Authority Waterway Maintenance Fund Priority

Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence stated the Virginia Port Authority (VPA) awards \$1.5M annually for the entire state with the last MPPDC award being applied to dredge the Hole-in-the-Wall in Mathews County. That project is now almost ready to go out for bid. Mr. Lawrence then drew the Commission's attention to a handout comparing two of the remaining projects from 2019, the Aberdeen Creek in Gloucester County and the Davis Creek in Mathews County. While applications for the next round of funding are due in February 2022, the \$1.5M is not enough to fund both the Aberdeen and Davis Creek projects. The VPA prioritizes projects that have a significant impact on working waterfronts and watermen. These two projects are almost identical in need and of equal value. In the past, it has been the Commission's practice of fairness and equity to not serve the same locality twice in a row if there are other localities with the same need. The Commission was asked to determine which dredging project they would like the MPPDC staff to apply for funding in February. After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Commission to apply for funding of the Aberdeen Creek project in Gloucester County this coming round.

XI. DCR Flood Fund Status and Open Discussion

Robert Crockett, Advantus Strategies provided a PowerPoint presentation which covered topics ranging from the Community Flood Preparedness Act (2020) and the allocation of Round 1 funding for the VA Community Flood Preparedness Fund (Flood Fund). Options for making improvements for future management of the Fund were discussed. The Virginia Flood Fund is estimated to make ~\$190M available this year alone for flood mitigation activities. The state made \$18M available for Round 1 yet only \$7.8M was awarded. The Joint Subcommittee on Coastal Flooding will meet on November 22nd and will likely discuss the potential and value in creating a board to execute and administer the distribution of funds (separate from DCR) and legislation which would refine audit language in the state budget to include assessment of whether funds are being used as prescribed since current audit language is only for accounts and administration.

At its September Meeting, the Commission was provided with a map by DCR illustrating the areas qualifying as low-income “communities” with household income below the 80% income threshold, which was most of the Middle Peninsula. In these areas, 90% state funding is provided for studies and 80% state funding is provided for construction of nature-based flood mitigation projects, such as living shorelines. Executive Director, Lewie Lawrence reminded the Commission of this map and reported staff had spent a total of 650 hours and 1,000 pages developing the 17 Construction and Design Project proposals and one Capacity and Planning proposal which were submitted to DCR under Round 1 of the Virginia Community Flood Preparedness Fund. All projects, except for 1, were placed on hold by DCR and the Governor’s office. According to DCR, they cannot recommend approval of the remaining Round 1 applications because they were submitted under the category of “low-income,” which would require lesser match than applications under the general category. DCR determined the subject properties that were applied for have an assessed value ranging from \$250,000 to more than \$5M with the mean assessed value of these homes being over \$800,000. Even though these properties fall within a zip code that meets the criteria for low income, DCR does not understand how properties valued with the range stated can be considered qualified as low income. An additional primary issue is regarding community-scale impacts. The Grant Manual for the Fund states that “priority shall be given to projects that implement community-scale hazard mitigation activities that use nature-based solutions to reduce flood risk.” Several of the MPPDC’s applications concern stand-alone properties or two neighboring properties and do not document how these projects would provide a benefit to the greater community. DCR provided the MPPDC with the opportunity to amend these applications to address each of these primary issues (low-income area and community scale impacts) but asked that the MPPDC develop its own standard for disallowing those that live in low-income geographic areas from requesting 80% state funding prior to resubmitting these applications to DCR. Mr. Lawrence contacted legal counsel with questions relating specifically to the withholding of Flood Fund grants to applicants in low-income geographic areas who themselves aren’t low-income individuals. The applications at issue involve proposed projects that will result in nature-based solutions. Per Flood Fund program guidance, the state would only fund such a project at 80% if it is located in and would serve “low-income geographic areas”; otherwise, the state will only fund 70% of the project. Mr. Lawrence stated that DCR requested MPPDC develop its own approach for determining income levels but has not provided which individual income levels were appropriate. Andrew McRoberts, Attorney, Sands Anderson responded by quoting Va. Code §§ 10.1-603.24 (Definitions) and -603.25(E). The statute and guidance are clear that the criteria deals with areas, not people. To ignore its plain language or utilize unreliable measures such as property value for grants would be arbitrary and certainly inconsistent with the law. The state may exercise discretion in choosing to reject grant applications, but it would be improper for the MPPDC to winnow the grant applicants based on unwritten criteria. Such an exercise could expose the MPPDC to potential liability and/or litigation. Mr. McRoberts found no legal basis for the MPPDC to develop criteria for, or otherwise exercise discretion in, rejecting applications. All Round 1 applicants have been contacted and are discontented but have voluntarily agreed to resubmit their application with a project budget which includes a 70 to 30

grant to match ratio, even though they are not required to do so per the Grant Manual. Category. This is also the approach being utilized for the new Round 2 proposals to be submitted by November 5, which includes a proposal for flood mitigation at the historic Antioch Rosenwald School, which is owned by an African American Church in Mathews County. Mr. Lawrence is unsure what DCR will do with the resubmitted applications, but a decision is expected soon. Currently, there are 15-20 applications being processed for submission in Round 2 and a dozen already in the queue for Round 3.

XII. General Assembly Update

Robert Crockett, Advantus Strategies reported the General Assembly will convene on January 11, 2022, at which time he will have more to report.

XIII. Other Business

None.

XIV. Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Chriscoe requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Otto Williams so moved, Mr. Smith seconded; motion carried.

**Note: All handouts distributed at a meeting are filed in the official MPPDC record book of the minutes. Copies of all PowerPoint presentations, if any, are filed with the official minutes.*

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Project Financial Report

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Expenditures

Code	Description	Budget	Curr Month	Project Total	Un/Over	% Budget	Revenues	Balance
30013	Housing Loan Admin - EE&CBG I	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00%	0.00	0.00
30122	PDC Staff Support for Admin of	0.00	(0.60)	212.80	(212.80)	0.00%	0.00	(212.80)
30170	Sm Bus Loan Admin - MPBDP St	23,867.21	55.63	23,425.25	441.96	98.15%	27,094.50	3,669.25
30184	Tappahannock Comp Plan	22,279.00	3,402.12	8,317.62	13,961.38	37.33%	0.00	(8,317.62)
30186	DHCD Elevated Septic Pilot (\$10	120,000.00	444.02	3,287.22	116,712.78	2.74%	120,000.00	116,712.78
30187	VHDA Housing Development	907,428.00	4,402.95	5,978.84	901,449.16	0.66%	20,000.00	14,021.16
30218	DRPT CAP Operating FY22	82,402.00	7,070.32	24,153.08	58,248.92	29.31%	854.17	(23,298.91)
30319	FY22 Rural Transportation Planr	72,500.00	9,256.71	29,219.39	43,280.61	40.30%	0.00	(29,219.39)
30420	Onsite Loan Management	167,058.11	94.18	165,264.83	1,793.28	98.93%	191,623.31	26,358.48
31002	GA Lobby	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00%	24,359.00	24,359.00
31212	Mid Pen AHMP Update	142,863.00	7,375.67	96,217.33	46,645.67	67.35%	70,463.21	(25,754.12)
31500	Living Shoreline Incentive Progr	31,950.96	30.90	24,570.73	7,380.23	76.90%	41,743.69	17,172.96
32015	PDC Staff Support for Admin of	8,000.00	20.97	1,392.62	6,607.38	17.41%	5,852.31	4,459.69
32019	PAA - VMRC Public Fishing Pier/	10,000.00	1,027.93	7,173.39	2,826.61	71.73%	8,565.74	1,392.35
32021	PAA GOVA Sea Grant Resilience	76,000.00	4,477.15	19,743.84	56,256.16	25.98%	0.00	(19,743.84)
32022	PDC Staff Support for Admin of	4,200.00	641.39	2,184.08	2,015.92	52.00%	3,600.00	1,415.92
32151	NFWF Ware River Landowners L	199,914.09	33,007.72	149,885.07	50,029.02	74.97%	71,444.41	(78,440.66)
32157	NFWF Mathews-\$70kMatchRLF,	310,377.80	960.94	11,022.07	299,355.73	3.55%	7,341.57	(3,680.50)
32158	DEQ CZM Coastal TA 21	129,000.00	1,082.52	131,772.84	(2,772.84)	102.15%	121,518.56	(10,254.28)
32159	DEQ Planner Yr2	72,500.00	15,045.91	49,412.33	23,087.67	68.15%	27,363.73	(22,048.60)
32160	DEQ CZM ANPDC EcoTourism 4	28,500.00	220.49	28,055.64	444.36	98.44%	19,520.57	(8,535.07)
32161	DEQ CZM Coastal TA FY22	129,000.00	7,179.34	7,179.34	121,820.66	5.57%	0.00	(7,179.34)
32163	DEQ 319(h) BMP Res Septic \$53	179,571.00	937.06	6,119.40	173,451.60	3.41%	0.00	(6,119.40)
32164	DEQ CZM Next Gen Shoreline Dr	50,000.00	824.16	824.16	49,175.84	1.65%	0.00	(824.16)
32165	DEQ CZM ANPDC EcoTourism 5	27,200.00	1,021.83	1,021.83	26,178.17	3.76%	0.00	(1,021.83)
32166	DCR FTF Applications	0.00	7,611.32	7,659.21	(7,659.21)	0.00%	12,500.00	4,840.79
32167	DEQ Flo Disaster (\$30k VPA HITV	120,000.00	743.80	743.80	119,256.20	0.62%	0.00	(743.80)
32168	DEQ CBPA Support Septic Pump	15,000.00	201.27	201.27	14,798.73	1.34%	0.00	(201.27)
38022	FY22 Local Projects	228,070.00	2,165.15	14,943.35	213,126.65	6.55%	116,026.77	101,083.42
38805	PAA - VPA Dredging Bus Plan	59,524.00	59.90	42,946.32	16,577.68	72.15%	56,660.98	13,714.66
38806	VPA Cedarbush (Gloucester)	175,000.00	24,190.19	171,478.44	3,521.56	97.99%	125,321.66	(46,156.78)
38807	VPA Parrots Creek (Middlesex)	150,000.00	20,080.84	134,234.39	15,765.61	89.49%	114,813.00	(19,421.39)
38808	VPA Winter Harbor (Mathews)	150,000.00	20,080.84	146,721.70	3,278.30	97.81%	109,230.30	(37,491.40)
38809	Mathews HITW Dredging (VDOT	174,364.00	6,108.46	42,457.19	131,906.81	24.35%	0.00	(42,457.19)
Totals:		3,891,819.17	179,821.08	1,357,819.37	2,533,999.80	34.89%	1,295,897.48	(61,921.89)

Balance Sheet by Category

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Assets:

Cash in Bank	425,583.15
Cash in Bank, Restricted	485,696.18
Receivables	393,661.87
Property & Equipment	1,090.84
Prepaid Pension (Deferred Outflows)	28,175.57

Assets:	\$1,334,207.61
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Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	66,623.74
VRA Loan Payables	486,461.24
Accrued Leave	50,655.65
Deferred Inflows (VRS)	67,268.00
Net Pension Liabilities	29,544.00
Cost Allocation Control	14,396.46

Liabilities:	\$714,949.09
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Equity:

Local Initiatives/Information Resources	294,753.23
Economic Development	4,471.83
Transportation Programs	(52,518.30)
Emergency Management Projects	(25,754.12)
Onsite Repair & Pumpout	26,762.36
Coastal Community & Environmental	(262,561.92)
Public Access Auth Programs	1,238.78
Temporarily Restricted	177,307.09
General Fund Balance	455,559.57

Equity:	\$619,258.52
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Total Liabilities and Equity	\$1,334,207.61
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Balance:	\$0.00
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Agencywide R&E by Category

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With Indirect Cost Detail

Code & Description	Budget	Current	YTD	Un/Over	% Bud
Revenues					
Local Annual Dues	135,099.00	0.00	115,799.00	19,300.00	85.71%
Local Other Revenues	228,758.06	0.00	25,029.00	203,729.06	10.94%
Local Other Organizations	68,000.00	23,207.66	27,238.21	40,761.79	40.06%
State Revenues	255,963.00	18,070.01	138,924.18	117,038.82	54.28%
Federal Revenues	675,215.00	29,475.61	35,973.77	639,241.23	5.33%
Miscellaneous Income	1,003,000.00	5,175.42	33,073.30	969,926.70	3.30%
RevolvingLoan Program Income	9,500.00	588.93	53,201.34	(43,701.34)	560.01%
Revenues	2,375,535.06	76,517.63	429,238.80	1,946,296.26	18.07%
Expenses					
Personnel	559,925.87	48,316.81	189,476.34	370,449.53	33.84%
Facilities	34,975.50	2,596.51	10,571.61	24,403.89	30.23%
Communications	8,443.00	590.11	3,541.26	4,901.74	41.94%
Equipment & Supplies	4,700.00	665.24	2,536.59	2,163.41	53.97%
Travel	5,531.00	380.64	1,441.60	4,089.40	26.06%
Professional Development	14,029.00	3,834.31	6,495.31	7,533.69	46.30%
Contractual	1,385,100.41	120,017.23	273,496.14	1,111,604.27	19.75%
Miscellaneous	11,782.00	260.18	2,182.58	9,599.42	18.52%
Expenses	2,024,486.78	176,661.03	489,741.43	1,534,745.35	24.19%
Agency Balance	351,048.28	(100,143.40)	(60,502.63)		

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**Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission
Executive Director's Report of Regional Progress
November 12, 2021**

Note: On May 23, 2018, the Commission voted to direct staff to email all future documents including the Commission meeting packets in an effort to save on postage. As we strive to make this report more informative and user friendly, some previously contained information may now be accessed by clicking on the following link(s):

- For Demographic Information:
http://virginialmi.com/report_center/community_profiles/5109000318.pdf

- For MPPDC Website: <http://www.mppdc.com/>

MPPDC Staff and Contact Information

Executive Director: Lewis Lawrence

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Programs: *Coastal Zone Technical Assistance, Local Initiatives, Public Access Authority*

Deputy Director: Curt Smith

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INFORMATION RESOURCES/ASSISTANCE

- Updated www.mppdc.com website – meeting notices, reports, news releases, GO Va meetings, and MPA notices, etc.

COASTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ ENVIRONMENTAL

Funding – VDEQ, VIMS, VDCR, local match from MPPDC General Fund & partners

Project 30186 – Elevated Septic Pilot FY22

Construction of a vertically elevated septic system will occur at the King & Queen Telehealth and Business Development Center as part of a three-year pilot program to analyze an engineered septic unit that houses and treats all sewage effluent in a vertically elevated, self-contained unit suitable for areas with high water tables and flooding in Coastal Virginia.

- Virginia Sea Grant, Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority and RISE issued the business competition titled: *Be a Solution Builder for Rural Coastal Communities*. The Rural Coastal Community Resilience Challenge represents a rare opportunity for game-changing entrepreneurs. The chance to pilot innovative solutions in the living laboratory of coastal Virginia and make a positive impact, quickly. Elevated septic system is included in the challenge.
- Rural Coastal Community Resilience Challenge topics focus on Flood Management, Protection of Buildings and Property, and Water Quality Management. <https://riseresilience.org/rural-resilience-challenge/>

Project 31500 – Living Shoreline Incentive Program RLF

The MPPDC Living Shoreline Incentive Program Revolving Loan Fund provides low interest loans to local homeowners to implement living shorelines. These funds will be used for erosion prevention and water quality control and to protect and enhance natural shoreline habitats using strategically placed plants, stone, sand fill and other structural and organic materials.

- Continued discussion with VRA and DEQ staff regarding the MPPDC \$3M line of credit request to be funded by the State Water Control Board.
- ***Remaining uncommitted funds - \$0***

Project 32019 – Sinclair’s Public Fishing Pier

The MPCBPAA has contracted the MPPDC to administer a grant from the VA Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund to rehabilitate the public fishing pier at the Captain Sinclair’s Recreational Area, which had fallen into a state of disrepair. The project will consist of procuring a qualified contractor to rebuild a traditional wooden framed open pile 400-foot long public use fishing pier that will provide year-round opportunities for saltwater fishing and recreational viewing.

- Closed RFP request for bids on the new public fishing pier at Captain Sinclair’s Recreational Area. Received one responsive bid.

Project 32021 – PAA GO Va Sea Grant Resilience Economy

Virginia Sea Grant was awarded a GO Virginia award to assist the Middle Peninsula and other coastal areas with developing a water management economy to combat flooding and sea-level rise. This project will utilize land owned by the MPCBPAA as field stations to encourage business innovation in the flood resiliency space.

- Participated in multiple meetings with the project management team to develop the terms and conditions for business plan competitions.
- Coordinated with prospective businesses with interest in the resilience topical areas including a company with interest of utilizing dredged material for the construction of concrete.

Project 32151 – NFWF Landowners Living Shorelines & Shoreline Management – Ware River Yr2

This is a two-part project that focused on continuing coastal resiliency and mitigation efforts, while simultaneously improving water quality, managing shoreline erosion and marsh loss. First, MPPDC staff will work directly with FEMA National Flood Insurance repetitive loss property owners to offer grant and loan funds through the MPPDC Living Shorelines Incentives Revolving loan to install living shorelines. Second, MPPDC will contract with VIMS to create a grant template to be used by localities to receive funding through the Virginia Waterway Maintenance Fund.

- Received invoice #2 and #3 for construction of the living shoreline on the Ware River. The project is advancing and nearing completion.



Project 32157 – NFWF Mathews – East River Yr2

This project will design, permit, construct and monitor living shoreline in targeted shorelines on the East River.

- Convened a meeting with a Mathews County waterfront landowner and staff from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science Shoreline Studies Program to discuss final shoreline design concepts and locations for both NATRX and traditional living shoreline.
- Received notification NATRX has established a relationship with a marine contractor to be the sole source contractor for shoreline solutions associated with this project.

Project 32159 – DEQ Chesapeake Bay WIP Technical Assistance (Yr2)

MPPDC will continue to engage localities and regional and state partners regarding Bay WIP III programmatic actions and implementation activities with funding provided by DEQ.

- Attended the October 7th CBPA Regulatory Amendment Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG) meeting to learn about and discuss the GIS models used for future RPA determinations and to discuss new CBPA regulations and definitions.
- Participated in the October 12th DEQ discussion regarding finalizing the FY2022 WIP Phase III scopes and training and feedback on Clean Water Finance Assistance programs and additional grant funding for CBPA assistance.
- Joined the standing monthly planners meeting on October 27th to provide updates on statewide 2025 TMDL progress and VIMS' data efforts for the Wastewater Infrastructure Policy Working Group focused on septic systems affected by flooding and sea level rise
- Awaiting feedback from DEQ for the proposed FY2022 scope submitted in September.

Project 32161 – Virginia Coastal TA FY22

This project provides ongoing support to member localities of the Planning District Commission and other stakeholders committed to improving community development and coastal management within the coastal zone.

- Worked with Fight the Flood participants to support the development of Round 2 applications to Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Community Flood Preparedness Fund. Applications were due November 5th.
- Consulted with Jason Bulgin, owner of CJC Services regarding bush-hogging and removal of a small pile of debris at the Captain Sinclair’s Recreational Area. Commissioned to cutting of the year and field.
- Consulted with numerous citizens from Gloucester, Mathews, Middlesex, King and Queen, Essex Counties and the Town of Tappahannock regarding submitting applications to the Department of Conservation and Recreation Community Flood Preparedness Fund under Round 2 of application requests. The table below is a representation of current applications submitted under Round 1 and 2 for design and construction.

	Resubmittals from Round 1	New Proposals	Grand Total
# of proposals	16	21	37
Total Project Costs	\$696,805	\$1,693,962	\$2,390,767
Total Grant \$ Requested	\$487,785	\$1,286,811	\$1,774,596

- Participated in the Rappahannock River Basin Committee meeting to discuss septic failure issues within the Rappahannock watershed.
- Consulted with a reporter from WHRO regarding failing septic systems in the Middle Peninsula.
- Agreed to participate in a resiliency themed session at the Governor’s Housing Conference. Will present on how the Middle Peninsula Fight the Flood addresses all elements of climate and resilience impacts to coastal communities.
- Participated in a joint meeting with the Department of Environmental Quality and Virginia Resource Authority regarding closing on the MPPDC \$3M water quality line of credit extended to the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission to finance living shorelines and septic repairs.
- Attended Middlesex County Board of Supervisors Meeting on November 3rd to discuss recent DCR Flood Fund award.
- CZM Reporting - FY21 Semiannual Report: Prepared the FY21 Semiannual Report for submission by MPPDC staff on October 15, 2021.
- CZM Reporting - FY21 Final Report: Preparing the final report and final report summary to be submitted by MPPDC staff on November 15, 2021.
- Reviewed and provided comments to the draft VA Coastal Resilience Master Plan.

Project 32164 – CZM 306 Next Generation Shoreline Plan (Pilot Project – Yr1)

VIMS Shoreline Studies Program will develop a whitepaper to examine the use of technology, modeling, alternative materials, proprietary products, and innovative nature-based mitigation measures in the planning process for “next generation shorelines” which are intended to provide an enhanced level of shoreline resilience and water quality in response to more frequent and severe flooding and accelerated sea-level rise. One design of a next generation shoreline for a publicly-owned property in a high energy wave environment will be completed. Year 2 will involve further development of the whitepaper and a next generation shoreline design for a moderate wave energy publicly-owned site.

- Advised VIMS Shoreline Studies Program of the grant award and initiated sub-contract documents.

Project 32165 – DEQ CZM ANPDC Eco Tourism V

This project will build on the efforts completed between 2020-2021. During this project, PDC’s will focus on implementing actions identified in the 36-month Marketing Strategy and Action Plan. PDC’s will also focus on Public Access Site Resiliency for public access locations within the region, including assessments, implementation strategies, and signage.

- Met with staff to coordinate project deliverables for the region.
- Attended the quarterly meeting of the Coastal Virginia Ecotourism Alliance on November 9th, to review the new project scope of work and timeline.
- Attended the DCR Virginia Outdoors Plan: Fall Regional Input Meeting for the Middle Peninsula Recreation Region on November 8th. The regional projects in the VOP were reviewed.
- Participated in the project steering committee meeting on November 9th.
- Initiated development of water safety and educational signage to be constructed for PAA properties.
- Determined strategy for coastal resilience needs assessments of PAA properties.

Project 32167 – DEQ Florence Disaster

This project will offer grant funds as micro grants to property owners in the Piankatank River, Gwynns Island, Milford Haven Implementation Plan area to install living shorelines and other eligible BMPs to improve water quality and coastal resilience. It is estimated that four micro grants of \$20,000 each will be accomplished under this project.

- Initiated coordination with Consociate Media regarding geo-fencing of targeted areas in Mathews County to advertise grant funding availability.

Project 320154 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority (MPCBPAA)

Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority Special Project – Support of Executive Order 23, Goal 8 Coastal Management Coordination Public Access: Continue implementation of adopted annual work program, including identifying land, either owned by the Commonwealth or private holdings that can be secured for use by the general public as a public access site; researching and determining ownership of all identified sites; determining appropriate public use levels of identified access sites; developing appropriate mechanism for transferring title of Commonwealth or private holdings to the Authority; developing appropriate acquisition and site management plan. This Program allows the Authority to function by supporting the individual projects and operations of the Authority, as well as, by responding to daily requests for assistance from local government staff.

- Prepared vouchers, processed A/P, reconciled bank statements. Prepared monthly financial statements. Billed Gloucester Rowing Club for PAA pool electric bill.
- Received delinquent and current pool electric bill payments. Gloucester Rowing Club is now current.

- Issued a grant request to DCR Flood Fund to address stormwater and tidal flooding on the dirt road leading to the Captain Sinclair’s Recreational Area. The request proposes to add a 4” base of gravel to the road.

Project 38805 – VPA Local Government Dredging Implementation Business Plan Development

This project will study and determine the most cost effective and efficient alternative for local government dredging operations using existing and new channel survey information.

- Finalize the report and recommendations. Continue preparing presentations for the PDC November meeting and the PAA during its Fall/Winter 2021 meeting (date TBD) to discuss the findings and recommendations.
- Finalize VIMS channel assessment reports and incorporate data into MPPDC staff GIS dashboard where data may be easily viewed, accessed, and managed with the objective to assist with enhanced project development and management.

Project 38806 – VPA Cedarbush Creek Dredging Design

This project will focus on the pre-planning activities to dredging Cedarbush Creek in Gloucester County. Pre-planning includes surveying the channel, conducting sediment sampling, and a benthic, marine and fishery assessment as well as gathering information for the permitting of the dredging project.

- Design Report is slated for completion during November with project to closeout soon thereafter.

Project 38807 – VPA Parrots Creek Dredging Design

This project will focus on the pre-planning activities to dredging Parrots Creek in Middlesex County. Pre-planning includes surveying the channel, conducting sediment sampling, and a benthic, marine and fishery assessment as well as gathering information for the permitting of the dredging project.

- Design Report is slated for completion during November with project to closeout soon thereafter.

Project 38808 – VPA Winter Harbor Dredging Design

This project will focus on the pre-planning activities to dredging Winter Harbor in Mathews County. Pre-planning includes surveying the channel, conducting sediment sampling, and a benthic, marine and fishery assessment as well as gathering information for the permitting of the dredging project.

- Design Report is slated for completion during November with project to closeout soon thereafter.

Project 30185 – VDOT Mathews Co. Hole-in-the-Wall Permitting

Providing technical assistance to Mathews County regarding permitting and procurement development related to the dredging project at Hole in the Wall.

- Coordinated with VDOT, Mathews County and VIMS regarding channel alignment and strategies to limit SAV mitigation impacts.
- Coordinated with VIMS, VDOT and Mathews County staff on continued edits to JPA requested by USACE and VMRC.
- VMRC possibly taking JPA to public hearing in December.
- Coordinated with legal counsel regarding development of procurement process. Edits to procurement documents are underway and slated to be published once permit is approved.

Project 38809 – VPA Hole-in-the-Wall Dredging Implementation

Mathews County was awarded VA Port Authority Waterway Maintenance Funding to dredge the Hole in the Wall channel to –7 feet Mean Low Water and place the dredged sand at the county-owned Haven Beach property. MPPDC is administering the grant on behalf of the County with procurement and permitting assistance and project oversight.

- Project awaiting completion of permitting and procurement.

TRANSPORTATION

Funding – VDRPT, VDOT, local match from MPPDC General Fund

Project 30218 – Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) Operating FY22

This program assists local commuters and employers with transportation issues. The main emphasis is on lowering the number of single occupancy vehicle commutes within and from the Middle Peninsula region through marketing and promotion of the program through local media and provision of ride matching services to commuters.

- Updated TDM Detail Report in OLGA.
- Submitted quarterly reimbursement request.
- Participated in monthly conference call with Kathy Molin of DRPT.
- Discussed partnering with NNPDC and Bay Transit regarding application for Transit Recovery Marketing Initiative. NNPDC decided they were not going to submit, but Bay Transit provided details of interest and pricing. Discussed options for matching funds with Kathy Molin, DRPT but due to the timeframe of the King and Queen Telework Center construction, we did not submit an application.
- ***Current commuter database – 413***
- ***Number of Commuters with logged alt mode trips in October – 74***
- ***Number of logged alt trips in October – 110***
- ***Reduced miles (VMT) in October – 782***
- ***Commuter Savings in October – \$438***

Project 30319 – Rural Transportation Planning FY22

This program provides rural transportation planning services through the Rural Transportation Planning Work Program which outlines specific tasks and goals to guide the rural planning of transportation services.

- SmartScale Round 5: Continued work toward completing SmartScale pre-application surveys and assisted with submission to VDOT Fredericksburg District Staff prior to the October 15th deadline. Developed pre-applications for each requesting locality (Essex, King & Queen, King William, Middlesex), coordinating project information with the localities and VDOT. Completed VTRANS worksheets for projects as required for pre-application surveys. Shared information with the individual localities, as the process required they submit the actual preapplications. Total 29 preapplication surveys (26 county and 3 MPPDC) submitted to VDOT District for consideration. VDOT District staff will review each proposed location and determine which locations are to advance for full pre-application due in March 2022.
- OIPI GAP-TA FY21 Project Identification and Screening Criteria – Continuing effort to establish a project screening and prioritization process to serve as a model for advancing CTB and VTrans priorities in rural areas and ensure that transportation projects adopted for the regional long-range transportation plan (LRTP) are competitive in funding programs to meet regional needs. Participated in the monthly project team meeting in October to review work progress which included development of a funding program metric assessment, data availability, linking VTrans Needs Areas and local priorities, and

geolocating LRTP projects. A new map showing locations of existing LRTP projects was developed and distributed to local planners to review for accuracy. The map was finalized and will be incorporated into a future update of the LRTP. The draft methodology and screening criteria are slated to be presented to the local planners at the November 17 meeting. A draft policy document stating when and why the MPPDC will apply for grant funding on behalf of the localities and when the MPPDC will offer a letter or resolution of support is under development and will be presented to the Commission during an upcoming meeting.

- OIPI GAP-TA Program Application: From October 19, 2021, through October 26, 2021, developed a scope and draft application for technical assistance under the Virginia Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment's Growth & Accessibility Planning Technical Assistance Program. The developed scope defined a project intending to update elements of the Planning District's 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan ("the LRTP") pertaining to bicycle and pedestrian facilities, incorporating such updates throughout the LRTP, and additionally, explore where additional UDAs may be established. The project was identified as focusing on areas within the Planning District outside of the Gloucester County MPO and UDA areas, as those areas were the subject of a similar FY21 GAP-TA selected project. The scope was presented at the Planning District's Monthly Planners' Meeting; no objections or comments were made, and the application was submitted.
- Began preparing VPA Waterway Maintenance Fund application for dredging of Aberdeen Creek in Gloucester.
- Developed and submitted three transportation flood resilience-related proposals for DCR Community Flood Preparedness Funding for a road elevation project at the PAA Captain Sinclairs property, a bridge study at a Town of West Point property, and a dredging and beneficial reuse design for projects at Broad and Jackson Creek in Middlesex County.
- Developed and resubmitted a revised scope and budget for the USDOT RAISE proposal.
- Held a local planners meeting on October 27th covering transportation, coastal resilience, and environmental matters.

ONSITE REPAIR & PUMPOUT

Funding –VRA Loan Funds, local match from MPPDC General Fund, cost sharing

Project 30450 – Septic Pumpout Program

This project will provide grants to 32 LMI Middle Peninsula homeowners to assist them in complying with the Chesapeake Bay Act requirement to have their septic tanks pumped out or inspected every 5 years.

- Continue to receive phone calls and maintain a waiting list of citizens interested in applying for pumpout assistance once program contract is executed.
- Reviewed contract and submitted questions and revisions to project budget to Susan Hale, Chesapeake Bay Grant Administrator, DEQ.
- Received amended contract from Carol Papazian at DEQ. Executive Director signed contract and returned.
- Received executed contract from DEQ.
- Began preparing applications, vouchers, hauler agreements, notices to LGA, Health Departments, Social Services and press release information for Consociate Media.

Project 30420/30428 – On-Site Technical Guidance Assistance and Revolving Loan Program

The On-Site Technical Guidance Program aids the Middle Peninsula localities and residents in the technical understanding and implementation of approaches to address On-Site Disposal Systems and improve water quality by assisting local homeowners with repairing failing septic systems through low-interest loans and/or grants. In addition, MPPDC received funding under the Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF) to provide grants to low to moderate income Middle Peninsula and New Kent County homeowners to repair failing septic systems impacting water quality and health in the region. Grants can be paired with loans from the MPPDC Onsite Wastewater Revolving Loan Fund to provide matching funds as required. It is anticipated this funding will be used to provide assistance to 20-27 homeowners.

- Continuing to receive phone calls from homeowners and contractors regarding assistance for septic repairs. Discussed our program and instructed how to apply.
- Contacted Glenda and Rob Brooks of Middlesex Title for the next steps regarding loan #0123 whose Power of Attorney has revoked our ACH authority for \$56.17 monthly repayment of the loan.
- *Executed ACH loan payments for septic repair loans. All MPPDC loan funding programs require that loan recipients authorize loan payments to be made automatically from loan recipients' bank accounts. Loan clients authorize the payments at loan closing (ACH Authorizations). These payments occur on the 15th of each month. This places the onus to not make a payment on the loan client contacting MPPDC staff prior to the loan processing date of the 12th of the month to request a payment be held. This has significantly reduced defaults and delinquent repayments of MPPDC loans as well as collections efforts.*
- **Remaining uncommitted septic repair funding \$175,028 in loan funds – \$0 in grant funds.**

Project 32163 – DEQ 319(h) NPS IP for BMP Residential Septic 2021

Provides cost-share assistance to landowners, homeowners, and agricultural operators as an incentive to voluntarily install nonpoint source (NPS) best management practices (BMPs) in designated watersheds.

- Contract for this project has been received. Staff are reviewing and preparing for signature and return to DEQ.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Funding – EDA, local match from MPPDC General Fund, BDP Loan Program Income

Project 30122 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Alliance (MPA) FY22

MPPDC staff are providing clerical and fiscal assistance to the Middle Peninsula Alliance.

- Prepared vouchers, processed A/P, processed deposits, and balanced bank account. Prepared monthly financial statements.

Project 301702 – Small Business Revolving Loan Fund

MPPDC agreed to service Middle Peninsula Business Development Partnership's (MPBDP) Small Business Loan Portfolio after MPBDP's dissolution November 30, 2011. MPPDC established a revolving loan fund and staff initiate ACH loan payments from clients' bank accounts and manages the accounts. Principal repaid will be held until the Commission determines the best use for these funds as allowed by the USDA (RBEG) original lending restrictions. Interest earned will be used to offset administration costs.

- *Executed ACH loan payments for MPBDP loans. All MPPDC loan funding programs require that loan recipients authorize loan payments to be made automatically from loan recipients' bank accounts. Loan clients authorize the payments at loan closing (ACH Authorizations). MPPDC staff process these payments on the 15th of each month. This places the onus to not make a payment on the loan client contacting MPPDC staff prior to the loan processing date of the 12th of the month to request a payment be held. This has significantly reduced defaults and delinquent repayments of MPPDC loans.*
- **Funds available – \$145,506**

LOCAL INITIATIVES

Funding - local dues, PDC base-funding from VDHCD and/or MPPDC General Fund. Funding for specific projects may come from locality requesting assistance.

Project 380221 – Local & Regional Technical Assistance

This program responds to daily requests for technical assistance which other commission programs are unable to provide.

- Discussed with VA Tourism staff the steps necessary for designating a regional Destination Marketing Organization which could provide tourism-related assistance to localities and be eligible for tourism-related grants.

Project 30184 – Tappahannock Comprehensive Plan & GIS Mapping

Technical assistance for reviewing and updating data in the Town Plan and digitizing with GIS and printing the Town Zoning and Land Use maps.

- On October 4th, provided digitized future land use and zoning maps, with questions for staff.
- On October 20th, participated in Virtual Meeting #2 with Tappahannock Town staff to review changes to the draft zoning map. During this meeting, Tappahannock Town staff indicated the future land use map to be acceptable with no comments or changes recommended.
- On October 25th, provided follow-up questions and a draft historic district map for Town review and participated in a follow-up phone call to address remaining questions and issues with zoning district boundary lines.

HOUSING

Funding –Housing Loan Program Income

Project 30187 – VHDA Affordable Workforce Housing Development

The three-year project will involve planning, designing and constructing approximately ten affordable workforce housing units on property owned by the Middle Peninsula Public Access Authority. The project goals involve creating resilient and safe housing for citizens who need to live and work on or near the water. The designs will involve long-range planning for increased flooding and sea-level rise where the units can be readily moved once a site becomes unsafe for continued residential use.

- Continued to work with local contractors to obtain cost estimates for rehabbing structures owned by the Middle Peninsula Public Access Authority.

Project 300132 – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Revolving Loan Fund

The program emphasizes a community-based approach to help meet energy and climate protection goals. MPPDC was awarded a contract to provide weatherization renovations to 12 homeowners ineligible for LMI weatherization programs in each of the 6 counties. MPPDC subcontracted the promotion and construction portions of this project to Bay Aging but was tasked with administering the overall project. MPPDC is administering the revolving loan program per DMME.

- **Funds available – \$45,442**

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Funding – VDEM/FEMA/Homeland Security

Project 31212 – Middle Peninsula All-Hazards Mitigation Plan Update Yr2

MPPDC staff will work with participating localities to update the 2016 All-Hazards Mitigation Plan. The plan will address mitigation of several natural hazards impacting the region.

- The Local Planning Team (LPT) will meet throughout the All-Hazards Mitigation Plan (AHMP) update. Below is a table that shows LPT meeting date and attendance.

Locality	Meeting 1 (012521)	Meeting 2 (020821)	Meeting 3 (022221)	Meeting 4 (032921)	Meeting 5 (042621)	Meeting 6 (062621)	Meeting 7 (072621)	
Essex County	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Mathews County	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Middlesex County		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
King William County	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
King & Queen County	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Gloucester County	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Town of West Point	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Town of Urbanna				✓			✓	
Town of Tappahannock			✓	✓				
Missed meeting and no follow up					Missed meeting but followed up		Attended meetings	

- Worked to complete the draft of the AHMP. Middle Peninsula localities were provided with the opportunity to review the updates and provide feedback.
- Below is a table that depicts the plan's sections, section feedback due date for Middle Peninsula localities, and the localities that are satisfied with the draft document as provided.

SECTION	TITLE	Section Feedback Due	Counties						Towns		
			Essex	Mathews	Middlesex	King William	King & Queen	Gloucester	West Point	Urbanna	Tappahannock
1	Intro	4/23.2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Planning Process	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Community Profile	2/5/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Hazard Identification	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Risk Assessment Analysis (HAZUS)	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Capability Assessment	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Review of 2016 Strategies	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Mitigation Goals, Objects and Strategies	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Implementation Plan	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Plan Adoption	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Plan Maintenance	9/15/2021	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

SECTION	TITLE	Section Feedback Due	Tribes		
			Rappahannock	Pamunkey	Upper Mattaponi
1	Intro	4/23.2021	✓	✓	✓
2	Planning Process	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓
3	Community Profile	2/5/2021	✓	✓	✓
4	Hazard Identification	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓
5	Risk Assessment Analysis (HAZUS)	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓
6	Capability Assessment	10/15/2021	✓	✓	✓
7	Review of 2016 Strategies	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓
8	Mitigation Goals, Objects and Strategies	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓
9	Implementation Plan	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓
10	Plan Adoption	10/1/2021	✓	✓	✓
11	Plan Maintenance	9/15/2021	✓	✓	✓

- The public outreach and comment period for the draft AHMP closed on November 1st. After a two-week comment period, there were no comments from the public. With this, MPPDC staff updated the draft AHMP and submitted it to VDEM on November 5th for review.
- Received data from Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) regarding flood insurance claims within the Middle Peninsula region.

AGENCY ADMINISTRATION

Funding - Indirect cost reimbursements from all PDC projects

MPPDC Administration

Administrative services provided to MPPDC programs. Planned FY22 Indirect Cost rate = 27.92%.

- Prepared vouchers, processed A/P, processed deposits and balanced bank account. Prepared monthly payroll run. Prepared monthly financial statements.
- Prepared financial reports and/or reimbursement requests for all projects requiring them.
- Kept staff informed as each Fight the Flood application fee was received.
- Reminded staff to complete timesheets and update award/grant Master File.
- Updated quarterly staff allocations.
- Reviewed and prepared incoming contracts for signature by Executive Director; and Chair as required.
- Contacted funders as needed for questions/and or corrections regarding new contracts.
- Created new project numbers and project files for new FY22 awards.
- Assisted Executive Director with complex budget preparations for submission of DCR Flood Fund applications.
- Provided Executive Director with financial notes for presentation of the September Financials at the October Commission meeting.
- Attended (3 day) GMS Accounting and (2) GMS RLSS conferences in St. Petersburg, Florida.
- Requested expediting of vouchers from contractors for inclusion in the October financial reports for this month's Commission meeting.

Closed Projects

Project 30121 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Alliance (MPA) FY21

MPPDC staff are providing clerical and fiscal assistance to the Middle Peninsula Alliance.

Project 30217 – Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Operating FY21

This program assists local commuters and employers with transportation issues. The main emphasis is on lowering the number of single occupancy vehicle commutes within and from the Middle Peninsula region through marketing and promotion of the program through local media and provision of ride matching services to commuters.

Project 30318 – Rural Transportation Planning FY21

This program provides rural transportation planning services through the Rural Transportation Planning Work Program which outlines specific tasks and goals to guide the rural planning of transportation services.

Project 32018 – GoVA Bay Direct

This project is a special COVID economic development project that will facilitate electronic commerce between those who want to purchase “local” seafood/agricultural products and those who can sell “local” seafood/agricultural products by customizing an established mobile and web application to address the unique economic pandemic challenges facing the Middle Peninsula.

Project 32158 – Virginia Coastal TA FY21

This project provides ongoing support to member localities of the Planning District Commission and other stakeholders committed to improving community development and coastal management within the coastal zone.

Project 32159 – DEQ Planner Yr2

MPPDC will continue to engage localities and regional and state partners regarding Bay WIP III programmatic actions and implementation activities with funding provided by DEQ.

Project 32160 – ANPDC Eco Tourism IV Promoting Ecotourism to Support Conservation of Conserved Lands and Resilient Communities

This project will build on the efforts completed between 2017 – 2019. During this project PDC’s will focus on implementing actions identified in the 36-month Marketing Strategy and Action Plan. PDC’s will also organize a business resiliency training for local businesses. Finally, PDCs will create a tiered priority list for paddling launch sites that need signage enhancements and will begin the development of graphic design content for the selected launch sites.

MPPDC: Membership, Appointments, Committee Assignments, and Networks

Coastal Policy Team (CPT): The CPT, whose members and alternates represent the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program's key partners and eight planning district commissions, provides a forum for discussion and resolution of cross-cutting coastal resource management issues. Members serve on the team at the discretion of their agency or planning district commission director. The CPT recommends funding levels to the DEQ Director for coastal zone management projects. (MPPDC Staff 15 years +)

Virginia Coastal Resilience Technical Advisory Committee: As appointed by the Governor in EO-71, a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) with representatives of state agencies, coastal planning districts and regional commissions, and academic advisors, among others will facilitate the coordination and the development of the Virginia Coastal Resilience Master Plan. The Commonwealth's Chief Resilience Officer, Special Assistant to the Governor for Coastal Adaptation and Protection, and TAC will work with localities, regional entities, citizens, and stakeholder groups to identify critical infrastructure, at-risk communities, adaptation strategies, and specific resilience projects for inclusion in the Plan.

Congressman Robert Wittman's Fisheries Advisory Committee and Environmental Advisory Committee: (MPPDC Staff 8 years +)

Virginia Sea Grant Program External Advisory Committee (EAC): The EAC provides stakeholder input on the strategic planning process, the research proposal review process, and on Commonwealth-wide trends and needs. The EAC is a diverse group of end-users including representatives from state agencies, the education community, coastal planning and management, the private sector, and NGOs. (MPPDC Staff 9 years+)

The Association for Commuter Transportation (ACT) (Telework Council Secretary): ACT is the premier association for professionals and organizations whose focus is the delivery of commuting options and solutions for an efficient transportation system. The Telework Council is concerned with promoting telework and providing telework information and technical assistance to employers (MPPDC Staff 10 years+)

Middle Peninsula Northern Neck Coordinated Human Services Mobility Committee: Provides direction for a unified comprehensive strategy for transportation service delivery in the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck Planning Districts focused on unmet transportation needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and people with low incomes. (MPPDC Staff 12 years)

The Coastal Society: The Coastal Society is an organization of private sector, academic, and government professionals and students. The Society is dedicated to actively addressing emerging coastal issues by fostering dialogue, forging partnerships, and promoting communications and education. (MPPDC staff serves as a Director)

Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Advisory Committee (EVGMAC) Workgroup #2B: EVGMAC is charged with assisting the State Water Commission and DEQ in developing, revising and implementing a management strategy for groundwater in Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Area. Group #2B will identify trading options and programs used in other states; evaluate how trading programs might help with future growth and development, and individual and regional solutions; and evaluate feasibility, data needs, cost and possible participants.

Opportunities Identified to Implement Commission Priorities
Proposals Status

Service Center	Project Title and Description	Date	Funding	Status
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - FTF Tools	Nov. 2021	\$64,509	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - West Point Road Study (K&Q Co)	Nov. 2021	\$66,574	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Bowditch Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Childress Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$6,807	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Jones Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Karyn Harvey Shoreline Construction (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$204,718	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Lawrence Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$9,836	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Parker Shoreline Construction (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$93,569	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Roddy Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Tabb Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$6,807	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Vida Shoreline Design (GC - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Hodges Multiparcel Shoreline Construction (KQ- resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$156,264	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Carr Shoreline Design (MatCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Gray Keeling Shoreline Design (MatCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Long Green Plains Shoreline Design (MatCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$24,923	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Robinson Shoreline Construction (MatCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$65,281	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Wuckovich Shoreline Design (MatCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$6,807	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Kimbrough Shoreline Design (MidCo - resubmittal)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - PAA Sinclairs Road Elevation and Berm construction (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$180,993	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Altemus Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Abbassi Shoreline Design (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Antioch Rosenwald School Construction (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$141,438	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Blackburn Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$19,671	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Doyel Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Meeker Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Fletcher Shoreline Design (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Morgan Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Morley Shoreline Design (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Stanley Shoreline Design (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$24,963	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Gallimore Shoreline Design (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Lively Shoreline Design (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$17,399	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Sandbach Shoreline Design (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$24,963	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Stone Shoreline Design (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$24,963	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Tappahannock Hoskins Creek Shoreline Design (Essex Co)	Nov. 2021	\$144,172	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Marron Shoreline Construction (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$86,652	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Wuckovich Shoreline Construction (Mat Co)	Nov. 2021	\$125,715	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Rhodes Shoreline Design (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$16,090	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Robens Shoreline Construction (Glo Co)	Nov. 2021	\$161,686	Submitted
Environmental	DCR CFPF Round 2 - Deltaville Dredging Design (Mid Co)	Nov. 2021	\$586,065	Submitted
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Fight the Flood Tools & Staff Capacity	Sep. 2021	\$1,495,990	Submitted
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Mathews Co. Shoreline Project Designs (4)	Sep. 2021	\$66,226	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Middlesex Co. Shoreline Designs (2)	Sep. 2021	\$76,160	1 of 2 awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Gloucester Co. Shoreline Designs (7)	Sep. 2021	\$92,565	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Shoreline Construction – Brednin/Karyn-Harvey	Sep. 2021	\$202,629	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Shoreline Construction - Parker	Sep. 2021	\$91,564	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Shoreline Construction - Hodges	Sep. 2021	\$154,210	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Shoreline Construction - Robinson	Sep. 2021	\$63,279	Not awarded
Environmental	DCR Flood Fund Round 1 – Gloucester Co. Shoreline Designs (7)	Sep. 2021	\$92,565	Not awarded

MPCBPAA	VTC Virginia Coastal Wilds Marketing	June 2021	\$12,500	Submitted
Transportation	UDOT RAISE WWF Enhancement (Try 2)	July 2021	\$2,635,476	Submitted
Emergency	VDEM SHSP – Cybersecurity	April 2021	\$246,556	Submitted
Community	VCZMP ANPDC Ecotourism Year 5	Mar. 2021	\$13,600	Awarded
Environmental	FEMA BRIC Fight The Flood Project Scoping	Nov. 2020	\$100,000	Submitted

ACRONYMS

ACH	Automated Clearing House	RBOG	Rural Business Opportunity Grant
AFID	Agricultural and Forestry Industries Development	RFP	Request for Proposal
AHMP	All Hazards Mitigation Plan	RFQ	Request for Qualifications
BCC	Building Collaborative Communities Project	RLF	Revolving Loan Fund
BOS	Board of Supervisors	RTP	Rural Transportation Planning
CBPA	Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area	SERCAP	Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	SHSG	State Homeland Security Grant
CEDS	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy	SWCD	Soil and Water Conservation District
CIP	Capital Improvement Plan	SWM	Storm Water Management
COI	Conflict of Interest	SWRP	State Water Resource Plan
CZMP	Coastal Zone Management Program	THIRA	Threat & Hazard Identification & Risk Assessment
DEQ	Department of Environmental Quality	TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Loads
DCR	Department of Conservation & Recreation	USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
DGIF	Department of Game and Inland Fisheries	USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
DHR	Department of Historic Resources	USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
DHCD	Department of Housing and Community	VACORP	Virginia Association of Counties Risk Pool
DMME	Department of Mines Minerals and Energy	VAPA	Virginia Planning Association
DOE	Department of Energy	VAPDC	Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions
DRPT	Department of Rail and Public Transportation	VASG	Virginia Sea Grant
EDA	Economic Development Administration	VAZO	Virginia Association of Zoning Officials
EDO	Economic Development Organization	VCP	Virginia Coastal Program
EECBG	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	VCRMP	Virginia Coastal Resilience Master Plan
EOC	Emergency Operation Center	VCWRLF	Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	VCZMP	Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	VDEM	Virginia Department of Emergency Management
Fracking	Hydraulic Fracturing	VDH	Virginia Department of Health
GIS	Geographic Information System	VDOT	Virginia Department of Transportation
HRPDC	Hampton Roads Planning District Commission	VEE	Virginia Environmental Endowment
LGA	Local Government Administrators	Vertical	“Towers or other structures that hold cell, broadband and other equipment”
LPT	Local Planning Team	VIMS	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
LSIP	Living Shoreline Incentive Program	VLCF	Virginia Land Conservation Fund
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding	VMRC	Virginia Marine Resource Commission
MPA	Middle Peninsula Alliance	VOAD	Volunteer Organization Active in Disasters
MPBA	Middle Peninsula Broadband Authority	VOP	Virginia Outdoors Plan
MPCBPAA	Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access	VRA	Virginia Resources Authority
MPEDRO	Middle Peninsula Economic Development and Resource Organization	VSMP	Virginia Stormwater Management Program
NIMS	National Incident Management System	VTA	Virginia Tourism Association
NFWF	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	VTC	Virginia Tourism Corporation
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	VWP	Virginia Water Protection
NPS	National Park Services	VWWR	Virginia Water Withdrawal Reporting
OCVA	Oyster Company of Virginia	WIP	Watershed Implementation Plan
OLGA	Online Grant Administration	WQIF	Water Quality Improvement Fund
PAA	Public Access Authority		
RBEG	Rural Business Enterprise Grant		

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Middle Peninsula Regional All Hazards Mitigation Plan Update



WHY do we have a plan and WHY is it being updated?

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA 2K) legislation established the Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Program and created requirements for the Post-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). DMA 2K requires local governments to develop and submit mitigation plans that demonstrate “a jurisdiction’s commitment to reduce risk from natural hazards, serving as a guide for decision makers as they commit resources to reducing the effects of natural hazards.” Upon completion, the final plan must be reviewed by Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) and approved Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and then adopted by each participating jurisdiction. An update must be completed/updated every five years to remain compliant with FEMA.

For Middle Peninsula citizens to receive Hazard Mitigation Assistance funding from FEMA, communities must be in good standing with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and be a participating part of a hazard mitigation plan. For instance, if a locality/tribe does not participate and adopt a hazards mitigation plan, then that locality and its citizens will not be eligible to receive pre- or post-disaster hazard mitigation funding through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program (the new pre-disaster mitigation program) and the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) for post-disaster funding from FEMA funding.

WHO is involved in this effort?

This plan encompasses the nine localities of the Middle Peninsula including Essex, Gloucester, King & Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex Counties and the Towns of West Point, Tappahannock, and Urbanna. Additionally, for the first time, the region’s three federally recognized Tribes, including the Upper Mattaponi, Rappahannock, and the Pamunkey Tribes were invited to participate in this plan update.

WHAT has been completed to-date?

- Each locality and tribe appointed representatives to serve on the AHMP’s Local Planning Team (LPT).
- The LPT met on 7 occasions to discuss the AHMP process, local risk to hazards, local capabilities (ie. staff, policies, education, etc.) to reduce risk, review of

mitigation strategies, risk assessment, public outreach strategy, and annual maintenance of the plan.

- Contracted with Dewberry to conduct a hazard assessment using HAZUS to estimate losses due to hurricane wind, sea level rise, and flooding. HAZUS is GIS-based risk modeling methodology that identifies areas with high risk for natural hazards and estimates physical, economic, and social impacts.
- Public Outreach efforts included press releases, MPPDC Facebook posts, creation of a project page on the MPPDC website, a public survey requesting information on hazards and mitigation efforts (March 1st to March 15th), and a public comment period (October 27th to November 1st).
 - Public Survey Respondents – 106
 - Public Comments - 0
- Each section of the AHMP was updated and shared with the LPT for review and feedback.
- MPPDC staff organized the draft of the AHMP updates and sent to VDEM for review.

Next Steps

- Upon review of the AHMP by VDEM, MPPDC staff and the LPT will make any necessary recommended changes to the Plan. Once changes are made the final AHMP update will be sent to FEMA for review and approval.
- Upon FEMA approval the plan will need to be adopted by local governments and Tribes.
- Please note that the current plan expired February 1, 2022. Therefore, in order to remain in compliance with FEMA, at least one Middle Peninsula locality will need to adopt the plan before the expiration date.

Link to Draft Plan on MPPDC website

https://www.mppdc.com/articles/service_centers/mandates/All%20Hazards%20Mitigation%20Plan%20Update/DRAFT_Middle%20Peninsula%20AHMP_for%20VDEM%20Review_RED.pdf



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