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Mr. Lewis L. Lawrence

MEMORANDUM

TO: MPPDC Board of Commissioners

FROM: Lewis Lawrence, Executive Director 

DATE: June 17, 2015

RE: June Commission Meeting

The Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission will host a regional networking opportunity and seafood feast on Wednesday, June 24, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority Captain Sinclair's Landing Recreational Area on the Severn River in Gloucester County. A short business meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The June Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission summer meeting presents an exclusive opportunity to meet with elected officials, community leaders, and other stakeholders from across the region to network. As the seafood feast dinner will be an outside (weather permitting) Low County style event, please bring a folding chair and dress casually.

If you desire to kayak around the waterfront of the property, please arrive as early as you want. We have several kayaks or you may bring your own.

Enclosed are the June 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 June 24th!

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Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission
Meeting

7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Captain Sinclair Landing Recreational Area

9530 Whittaker Drive

Gloucester VA 23061

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of May Minutes
- III. Approval of May Financial Reports
- IV. Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for the Month of June
- V. Other Business
- VI. Adjournment

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MIDDLE PENINSULA PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

May 27, 2015
Saluda, Virginia

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, May 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. MPPDC Vice Chairman Otto Williams (King William County) called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.

Commissioners in attendance were: (Essex County) A. Reese Peck; (Gloucester County) Ashley Chriscoe, Dr. Maurice “Mo” Lynch, and Sanford “Sandy” Wanner; (King and Queen County) Thomas “Tom” Swartzwelder; (King William County) Eugene Rivara; (Mathews County) O. J. Cole, Jr., Thornton “Tim” Hill, and Charles Ingram; (Middlesex County) Trudy Feigum and Wayne Jessie, Sr.; (Town of Urbanna) Steve Hollberg; and (Town of West Point) Paul Kelley.

Vice Chairman Williams extended a special welcome to newly appointed Commissioners Paul Kelley, Town Council of West Point, and Sanford Wanner, Gloucester Interim County Administrator.

Guests in attendance were Matt Walker, Middlesex County Administrator, and citizen from the region. Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission staff in attendance were Executive Director Lewis Lawrence, Finance Director Beth Johnson, Secretary Rose Lewis, and Planner Harrison Bresee, III.

Approval of April Minutes

Vice Chairman Williams asked whether there were any corrections or changes to the April Minutes. There were no corrections or changes to the April Minutes. Vice Chairman Williams requested a motion to approve the April Minutes as distributed. Ashley Chriscoe moved that the April Minutes be approved as distributed. Tim Hill seconded the motion; motion carried.

Approval of April Financial Reports

Vice Chairman Williams asked whether there were any questions regarding the April financial reports before being approved subject to audit. There were no questions. Vice Chairman Williams requested a motion to approve the April financial reports subject to audit. Charles Ingram moved to approve the April financial reports subject to audit. Ashley Chriscoe seconded the motion; motion carried.

Executive Director’s Report on Staff Activities for the Month of May

Vice Chairman Williams requested Lewis Lawrence, Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission Executive Director, to review the Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for the month of May. 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 reviewed the Executive Director's Report for the month of May as follows:

Project 32010 Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority (MPCBPAA)

- Received word that the Commissioner of Revenue in Gloucester has acknowledged the fact that the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority is a political subdivision and thus tax exempt.

Project 32132 Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program

- Coordinated for the "Closing the Deal" Federal Flood Insurance real-estate workshop to be held at VIMS on May 19th. Over fifty real-estate, banking, and insurance representatives from across the Middle Peninsula registered to attend.

Mr. Tim Hill (Mathews County Realtor and MPPDC Citizen Representative) said the meeting was very informative and well received by all who attended.

Project 32134 Drainage and Roadside Ditching Authority

- Convened a public meeting in Mathews County to present the Drainage and Roadside Ditching study results and next steps for the project.

MPPDC Executive Director Lewis Lawrence said Mr. O J Cole, Jr. (Mathews County Board of Supervisor and MPPDC Treasurer) was outstanding in managing the meeting.

Project 302101 Transportation Demand Management (TDM) 6 Year Plan Update

- Designed survey to request public input into transportation services needed in the region. Posted link to survey on MPPDC (www.mppdc.com) and Middle Peninsula Rideshare (www.midpenrideshare.org) websites.

Project 30105 Middle Peninsula Broadband Study

- Convened a meeting of the MPBA Board to discuss the Virginia Telecommunication Planning Grant Initiative from DHCD. The Board decided to submit a Letter of Interest by the May 22, 2015 deadline. Due to the resignation of Brenda Garton, new officers were elected. Melinda Conner, Mathews County Administrator was elected Chair and Matt Walker, Middlesex County Administrator was elected Vice-Chair.

Project 30018 Local & Regional Technical Assistance

- Drafted and submitted the Middle Peninsula's comments to DEQ on the State Water Resource Plan.

Mrs. Trudy Feigum, Middlesex County/MPPDC Citizen Representative, requested a copy of the comments that were submitted to DEQ and a copy to be sent to the Local Government Administrators.

Public Comment

Vice Chairman Williams opened the meeting for public comments. There were no public comments.

Vice Chairman Williams closed the public comments period.

**Note: All handouts distributed at meeting or emailed are added to the Commission Meeting folder.*

Update of the Emergency Planning Program and Scope of Work—Harrison Bresee, III

Mr. Harrison Bresee, III, MPPDC Regional Planner, distributed a list of acronyms that is listed in the Emergency Operations Plan. Mr. Bresee said his role as the Regional Emergency Planner is to support the Middle Peninsula Emergency Coordinators in each locality by assisting and coordinating homeland security and disaster response preparedness, Rt. 17 evacuation planning, and resource data collection. In 2014, the All Hazards Mitigation Committee met on a regular basis and developed a list of needs for the region. A grant was submitted to the U S Homeland Security Grant Program and was approved. This grant, funded for 2014-2015 with no local match, is administered through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management.

Local Emergency Managers identified needs that include (1) develop a Rt. 17 Evacuation Plan, (2) local and regional shelters, (3) coordinate public outreach and education, (4) define and map evacuation zones for storm surge, (5) develop a regional Emergency Operations Center (EDC), and (6) coordinate meetings of Emergency Managers, Law Enforcement, Fire Departments, Rescue Squads, etc.. Needs that were identified by local administrators included (1) loss of volunteerism and recruitment, (2) study to show how to take care of local citizens first during an event when a mass influx of evacuees are expected, (3) regional shelters, (4) special needs sheltering, and (5) regional communication.

Mr. Bresee said the needs exist because (1) counties do not have Emergency Planners on staff, (2) Emergency Managers have many roles, (3) Rt. 17 has no written evacuation plan, (4) The Commonwealth requires local governments to develop evacuation plans that are Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and National Incident Management System (NIMS) compliant, and (5) evacuation through the Middle Peninsula could overwhelm the region's resources.

According to the 2010 Evacuation Behavioral Study, citizens believe that it is the government's responsibility to meet the needs of people in the event of a major storm.

Mr. Bresee said Year 1 deliverables include (1) Rt. 17 Evacuation Plan-the Plan will assist people to move from the path or threat of a disaster to an area of safety, (2) Resource Typing-NIMS Compliance, and (3) Regional Calendar-assist with coordination between VDEM and local training. Next year, Mr. Bresee said he will apply for an additional State Homeland Security Grant (SHSG).

Discussion was held regarding hurricane preparedness, evacuations, VDOT's role in case of evacuation, shelters, and role of the American Red Cross.

Report of the Budget Committee/Approval of FY16 Budget and Overall Program Design (OPD)

MPPDC Executive Director Lewis Lawrence said for the fiscal year 2016, the Commission is financially stable and represents a strong and well established relationship with State and Federal partners. MPPDC staff has obtained funding commitments to fully fund the Commission's work program for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Lawrence said the revenue available to support the Commission's Overall Program Design will increase by approximately 57.5%. The Budget & OPD Committee offers a budget document and a PDC Service Center budget document which identifies the following service centers to be operated in FY16:

- (1) Agency Administration
- (2) Environmental Coastal Community Development
- (3) Transportation
- (4) Local Projects/Staff Support
- (5) Local/Regional Planning
- (6) Direct Constituent Services
- (7) Mandates
- (8) Emergency and Hazard Management
- (9) Economic Development

MPPDC Financial Director Beth Johnson said the Budget and Overall Program Design Committee met and reviewed a draft FY16 budget.

Mrs. Johnson reviewed the draft FY16 budget of Revenues and Expenses. The FY16 draft budget anticipates \$957,281.00 in revenues and \$847,971.32 in expenses. Savings from VRS (decrease in liabilities) will be utilized to provide a 3% base salary increase for all staff – the first since 2007 and an increase of ~\$1,500 to offset increases in the family health insurance.

Discussion held was regarding rideshare commuter services and ownership and management of car pool lots.

Vice Chairman Williams requested a motion to adopt the draft Recommended Overall Program Design and Budget for FY16. Tim Hill moved to adopt the FY16 MPPDC draft Recommended Overall Program Design and Budget. Eugene Rivara seconded the motion; motion carried.

Report of the MPPDC Nominating Committee

MPPDC Treasurer O J Cole, Jr. said the MPPDC Nominating Committee recommended the current officers of the MPPDC be elected for another year. The following slate of officers for FY16 is:

Chairman- Edwin “Bud” Smith, Jr., Essex County
Vice Chairman- Otto Williams, King William County
Treasurer- O. J. Cole, Jr., Mathews County
Secretary- Lewis Lawrence, MPPDC Secretary

No other nominations were presented. Tom Swartzwelder moved that the recommended slate of officers be elected by acclamation; Ashley Chriscoe seconded the motion; motion carried.

Vice Chairman Williams requested all in favor by signifying Aye or Nay:

A. Reese Peck-Aye	Dr. Maurice Lynch-Aye	Sanford Wanner-Aye
Ashley Chriscoe-Aye	Tom Swartzwelder-Aye	Eugene Rivara-Aye
Otto Williams-Aye	O. J. Cole, Jr.-Aye	Tim Hill-Aye
Charles Ingram-Aye	Trudy Feigum-Aye	Wayne Jessie, Sr.-Aye
Steve Hollberg-Aye	Paul Kelley-Aye	

Vice Chairman Williams thanked the Nominating Committee for the FY2016 slate of MPPDC officers.

Virginia Resources Authority Financing Agreement-Septic Repair Program

MPPDC Executive Director Lewis Lawrence, said staff has been working with Virginia Resources Authority (VRA) for funding from the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund. Sands Anderson looked at the financing Agreement and questioned Section 9.8 Davis-Bacon Act. After discussing the questioned section, an amended Agreement was prepared and agreed upon by VRA, Sands Anderson counsel, MPPDC Executive Director Lewis Lawrence, and MPPDC Finance Director Beth Johnson.

MPPDC Finance Director Beth Johnson said the MPPDC has been repairing septic systems for 19 years. One hundred twelve (112) systems have been repaired or replaced. As of today, there is only \$4,000 left in septic repair funding. The funding agreement with VRA consists of an interest-free loan in the amount of \$200,000 with the payments on the loan to begin two and one-half years after loan closing for a term of 10 years.

Vice Chairman Williams asked Mrs. Johnson is there is a waiting list for septic repair. Mrs. Johnson said that there are two applications and one has been approved and the other is pending estimates, and there are several applications in varying states of completion. Forty-nine loans have been repaid and fifty-one clients are actively repaying their loans

Vice Chairman Williams requested a motion to adopt the Resolution of the MPPDC to accept the loan from the Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund and Providing for the Form, Details, and Payment Thereof. Tom Swartzwelder moved to adopt the Resolution. Ashley Chriscoe seconded the motion; motion carried.

Vice Chairman Williams requested all in favor by signifying Aye or Nay:

A. Reese Peck-Aye	Dr. Maurice Lynch-Aye	Sanford Wanner-Aye
Ashley Chriscoe-Aye	Tom Swartzwelder-Aye	Eugene Rivara-Aye
Otto Williams-Aye	O. J. Cole, Jr.-Aye	Tim Hill-Aye
Charles Ingram-Aye	Trudy Feigum-Aye	Wayne Jessie, Sr.-Aye
Steve Hollberg-Aye	Paul Kelley-Aye	

Other Business

- (1) MPPDC Executive Director Lewis Lawrence distributed a copy of an email he had received from Neil Zahradka, DEQ, regarding industrial waste regulatory amendments. DEQ is developing the regulations necessary to implement HB 1364 and SB 1413 regarding local ordinances for monitoring the land application of solid and semi-solid industrial waste and associated land application fees. DEQ is also seeking interested persons to serve on the Regulatory Advisory Panel (RAP) regarding the amendments.

King and Queen County Administrator Tom Swartzwelder said Mrs. Jackie Hart, King and Queen County citizen, would be an asset to the Middle Peninsula to serve on the Regulatory Advisory Panel (RAP). MPPDC staff could offer to serve on RAP if no other local names are suggested.

- (2) Dr. Maurice Lynch, Gloucester County Citizen Representative, said Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD) approved contract for wastewater reuse for Nestle Purina Pet Care (kitty litter plant) in King William County.

(3) Mr. Lawrence said the June dinner meeting will be held at Captain Sinclair's in Gloucester County. The MPPDC Board business meeting will be held, but there will be no speaker for the evening. The evening will be a social gathering.

(4) Mr. Lawrence announced the meeting of the Town Mayors and County Board of Supervisors Chairs with Delegate Hodges which will be held Thursday, May 28th, at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn

MPPDC Vice Chairman Williams requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ashley Chriscoe moved to adjourn the meeting. Charles Ingram second the motion; motion carried.

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Project Financial Report

Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission

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Period Ending: 05/31/15

		Expenditures						
Code	Description	Budget	Curr Month	Project Total	Un/Over	% Budget	Revenues	Balance
30010	Local PAA Stewardship/	17,000.00	0.00	16,619.18	380.82	97.76%	17,000.00	380.82
30013	EE&CBG Project	3,894.00	55.40	3,023.62	870.38	77.65%	3,080.66	57.04
30015	Tappahannock Comp Plan	11,200.00	-0.39	12,950.81	-1,750.81	115.63%	13,700.00	749.19
30016	Essex Comp Plan Update	27,675.00	-2.12	27,762.40	-87.40	100.32%	28,700.00	937.60
30017	King and Queen Fishing P	2,500.00	6.69	2,543.12	-43.12	101.72%	996.42	-1,546.70
30018	FY15 Local Programs	171,223.00	218.00	106,254.55	64,968.45	62.06%	189,660.78	83,406.23
30019	Urbanna Foundation	6,000.00	397.48	4,529.95	1,470.05	75.50%	3,000.00	-1,529.95
30020	Middlesex Boat Ramp	2,000.00	6.50	2,314.70	-314.70	115.74%	2,000.00	-314.70
30104	MP-VSG Univ. Partner	44,000.00	1,728.63	42,349.63	1,650.37	96.25%	35,892.26	-6,457.37
30105	EDA Broadband - In-kind	63,161.00	-44.73	63,205.24	-44.24	100.07%	40,901.15	-22,304.09
30106	MPRJ Flash Freeze Study	90,000.00	1,558.77	13,388.35	76,611.65	14.88%	10,318.01	-3,070.34
30108	Building Collaborative Co	34,275.00	6,584.92	13,905.78	20,369.22	40.57%	0.00	-13,905.78
30170	MPBDP FY12 Staff Sup	13,830.00	222.86	14,364.69	-534.69	103.87%	16,819.32	2,454.63
30210	FY15 Transportation Dem	94,000.00	8,029.15	81,978.29	12,021.71	87.21%	78,242.55	-3,735.74
30312	FY15 Rural Transportati	72,500.00	5,968.37	64,651.98	7,848.02	89.18%	52,677.06	-11,974.92
30420	Onsite Loan Management	118,932.85	394.98	115,623.34	3,309.51	97.22%	118,880.63	3,257.29
30423	VCWRFR Onsite Fund	82,500.00	0.00	79,970.21	2,529.79	96.93%	115,171.44	35,201.23
30441	Septic Pumpout & Ordinar	12,680.00	4,142.65	8,069.15	4,610.85	63.64%	1,833.88	-6,235.27
30502	Water Supply Planning	111,805.89	0.00	111,805.89	0.00	100.00%	153,950.00	42,144.11
31002	GA Lobby FY09	18,247.75	0.00	18,247.75	0.00	100.00%	24,000.00	5,752.25
31201	AHMP Update 2014	130,010.00	7,191.51	72,455.46	57,554.54	55.73%	26,821.46	-45,634.00
31202	Emergency Planner	110,000.00	9,277.73	40,660.85	69,339.15	36.96%	0.00	-40,660.85
32010	FY15 PAA Staff Support	7,000.00	338.16	8,329.41	-1,329.41	118.99%	7,984.49	-344.92
32011	PAA Altruistic Giving	40,000.00	1,337.67	19,318.31	20,681.69	48.30%	16,605.00	-2,713.31
32012	PAA Capt Sinclair Impr	39,977.00	988.69	14,244.76	25,732.24	35.63%	214.29	-14,030.47
32127	FY14_Coastal TA	60,000.00	0.00	60,047.29	-47.29	100.08%	60,000.00	-47.29
32128	LWQ III FY14	47,022.00	-15.04	47,879.39	-857.39	101.82%	47,022.00	-857.39
32129	Water Reuse	22,535.00	-0.86	21,685.26	849.74	96.23%	21,967.05	281.79
32130	Aberdeen TIF	40,000.00	-10.52	40,539.60	-539.60	101.35%	40,000.00	-539.60
32132	FY15 Coastal TA	43,602.00	1,124.68	27,104.67	16,497.33	62.16%	29,625.30	2,520.63
32133	NFWF Living Shorelines I	222,267.00	1,637.37	17,927.79	204,339.21	8.07%	1,456.18	-16,471.61
32134	309 Ditching	40,000.00	3,318.27	23,389.89	16,610.11	58.47%	16,733.65	-6,656.24
32207	Working Waterfronts Pl	50,000.00	3,448.78	25,051.03	24,948.97	50.10%	17,380.63	-7,670.40
32208	VIMS WWF	5,000.00	-6.68	4,868.33	131.67	97.37%	5,000.00	131.67
Totals:		<u>1,854,837.49</u>	<u>57,896.92</u>	<u>1,227,060.67</u>	<u>627,776.82</u>	<u>66.15%</u>	<u>1,197,634.21</u>	<u>-29,426.46</u>

Balance Sheet by Category

Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission

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Assets:

Cash in Bank	571,206.75
Receivables	245,471.48
Property & Equipment	7,037.71

Total Assets:

\$823,715.94

Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	1,681.67
VRA Loan Payables	140,171.44
Payroll Withholdings	162.64
Accrued Leave	43,127.56
Cost Allocation Control	5,642.03

Total Liabilities:

\$190,785.34

Equity:

Local Initiatives/Information Resources	84,764.29
Economic Development	-40,212.65
Transportation Programs	-15,710.66
Emergency Management Projects	-40,660.85
Onsite Repair & Pumpout	32,226.14
Housing	57.59
Coastal Community & Environmental	-46,052.22
Public Access Auth Programs	-344.92
Mandates	-3,484.58
Temporarily Restricted	188,479.87
General Fund Balance	473,868.59

Total Equity:

\$632,930.60

Total Liabilities and Equity

\$823,715.94

Balance:

\$0.00

Agencywide R&E by Category

Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission

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Period Ending: 05/31/15
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 With Indirect Cost Detail

Code & Description	Budget	Current	YTD	Un/Ovr	% Bud
Revenues					
Local Match	76,319.00	0.00	54,063.55	22,255.45	70.84%
Local Annual Dues	109,899.00	0.00	109,899.00	0.00	100.00%
Local Other Revenues	5,926.01	0.00	56,225.79	-50,299.78	948.80%
Local Other Organizations	7,000.00	865.33	21,302.50	-14,302.50	304.32%
State Revenues	168,782.16	0.00	159,782.65	8,999.51	94.67%
Federal Revenues	291,618.00	214.29	224,903.54	66,714.46	77.12%
Miscellaneous Income	10,050.00	227.86	5,639.86	4,410.14	56.12%
RevolvingLoan Program Income	14,699.00	617.69	15,596.96	-897.96	106.11%
Revenues	684,293.17	1,925.17	647,413.85	36,879.32	94.61%
Expenses					
Personnel	410,566.00	43,516.91	444,727.99	-34,161.99	108.32%
Facilities	27,663.00	2,143.13	25,176.06	2,486.94	91.01%
Communications	3,925.00	337.53	3,748.84	176.16	95.51%
Equipment & Supplies	6,000.00	463.79	15,019.38	-9,019.38	250.32%
Travel	6,442.00	611.83	5,023.97	1,418.03	77.99%
Professional Development	14,715.00	612.41	12,740.55	1,974.45	86.58%
Contractual	61,750.00	6,460.78	70,599.17	-8,849.17	114.33%
Miscellaneous	49,535.00	3,750.51	45,182.89	4,352.11	91.21%
Regional Share	76,319.00	0.00	54,076.04	22,242.96	70.86%
	0.00	0.00	536.78	-536.78	0.00%
Expenses	656,915.00	57,896.89	676,831.67	-19,916.67	103.03%
Agency Balance	27,378.17	-55,971.72	-29,417.82		

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Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission



MPPDC General Fact Sheet

WHAT IS MPPDC?

The Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC) was established pursuant to the Virginia Area Development Act (Title 15.1, Chapter 34, Sections 15.1-1400, et seq., Code of Virginia (1950) as amended) and by joint resolutions of the governing bodies of its constituent member jurisdictions.

The "MPPDC" describes the geographic section of Virginia which encompasses the Counties of Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex and the Towns of Tappahannock, Urbanna and West Point.

BACKGROUND

The Agreement to organize a Planning District Commission was made on January 31, 1972, by and between the government subdivisions as authorized by the Virginia Area Development Act.

WHAT DOES MPPDC DO?

The purpose of the Commission is to promote the orderly and efficient development of the physical, social, and economic elements of the Planning District by planning and encouraging and assisting governmental subdivisions to plan for the future.

HOW ARE DECISIONS MADE AT MPPDC?

Decision-making occurs through the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission, a governing body comprised of elected officials, citizens, and chief administrative officers representing the six counties and three towns in the region.

QUICK FACTS

Region at Glance

- Six Counties: Essex, Gloucester, King & Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex
- Three Towns: West Point, Urbanna, and Tappahannock
- 1,387 Square Miles
- 1,055 Miles of Shoreline

➤ 888,064 Acres of Land

➤ 90,826 People

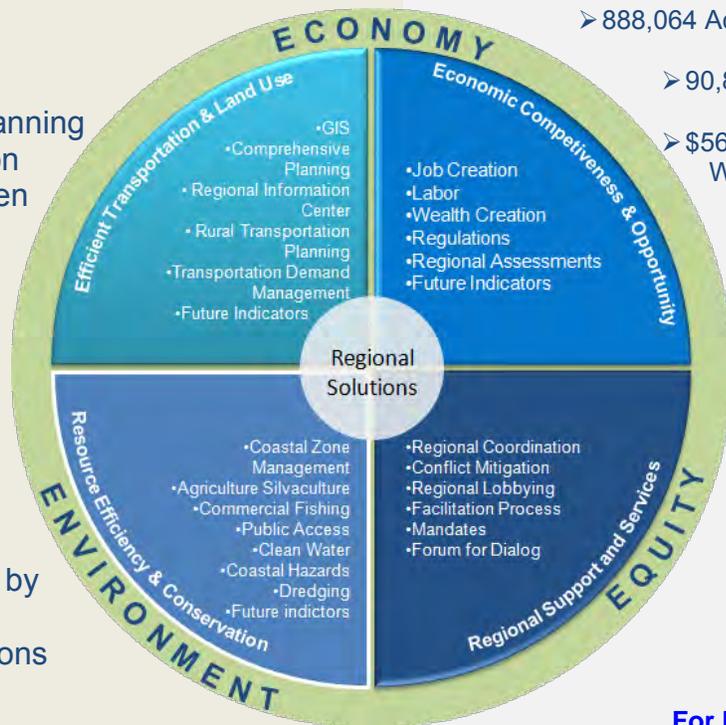
➤ \$567 Average Weekly Wage (State=\$952)

➤ 71% Out Commute Rate

By the Numbers

➤ 1.1% Total State Population

➤ \$50,001 Median Household Income



For More Information:

MPPDC
P.O. Box 286
Saluda Professional Center
125 Bowden Street
Saluda, Virginia 23149
Phone: 804-758-2311

Please visit the MPPDC website at:

www.mppdc.com

Regional Profile:

All data is from Census 2000 and Census 2010 unless otherwise stated

Population Trends				Median Household Income and Unemployment Rate ¹			
Locality	Total Population		Population Growth from 2000-2010	Median Income Estimates		Unemployment Rate Estimates	
	2000	2010		2006-2010	2007-2011	2006-2010	2007-2011
Essex	9,989	11,151	12%	\$46,235	\$44,581	9.0%	8.2%
Gloucester	34,780	36,858	6%	\$58,389	\$60,269	6.5%	5.9%
King & Queen	6,630	6,945	5%	\$44,442	\$48,170	8.6%	7.4%
King William	13,146	15,935	21%	\$64,964	\$64,982	7.3%	6.7%
Mathews	9,207	8,978	-2%	\$47,435	\$54,118	5.9%	6.0%
Middlesex	9,932	10,959	10%	\$50,207	\$53,615	7.4%	6.4%
Town of Tappahannock	2,138	2,375	11.1%	\$39,149	\$35,313	6.6%	7.6%
Town of Urbanna	543	476	-12.3%	\$44,813	\$45,682	1.5%	4.5%
Town of West Point	2,866	3,306	15.4%	\$51,979	\$52,768	7.4%	9.5%
Region Total	83,684	90,826	9%	\$49,735	\$51,055	7.6%	6.5%

Race in the Middle Peninsula												
Locality	White			Black			Asian			Other		
	2000	2010	Percent Change	2000	2010	Percent Change	2000	2010	Percent Change	2000	2010	Percent Change
Essex	5,790	6,370	10%	3,900	4,247	9%	81	86	6%	218	448	106%
Gloucester	30,148	32,149	7%	3,585	3,197	-11%	240	286	19%	807	1,226	52%
King and Queen	4,059	4,663	15%	2,365	1,975	-16%	18	17	-6%	188	290	54%
King William	9,703	12,297	27%	2,999	2,819	-6%	48	118	146%	396	701	77%
Mathews	8,038	7,898	-2%	1,036	823	-21%	17	31	82%	116	226	95%
Middlesex	7,797	8,680	11%	1,999	1,978	-1%	12	37	208%	124	264	113%
Regional Total	65,535	72,057	10%	15,884	15,039	-5%	416	575	38%	1,849	3,155	71%

FY15 Locality Budget Data							
Locality	Raise %	Compensation Notes	Real Property Increase	Real Property Rate	Personal Property Increase	Personal Property Rate	Other
Essex	2%		\$0.02	\$0.86	\$0.25	\$3.75	\$35/\$25 Vehicle tax
Gloucester	3%	Bonus for lower scale employees only	None	\$0.65	None	\$2.95	
King and Queen	0%		None	\$0.54	None	\$3.94	
King William	2%		\$0.03	\$0.82	None	\$9.65	
Mathews	2%		\$0.07	\$0.54	\$0.05	\$3.70	
Middlesex	2%	Step Inc. w/ evaluation; No COLA	\$0.05	\$0.53	None	\$3.50	

¹ Data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics Local Area Unemployment data & the American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

MIDDLE PENINSULA PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

Staff Activities Service Summary of Regional Progress

Locality	Core Services Administered by the MPPDC							
	Information Resources/ Assistance	Coastal Community Development/ Environmental	Transportation	Onsite Repair and Pumpout	Economic Development	Local Initiatives	Housing	Emergency Management
Region-wide	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Essex				✓	✓	✓		✓
Gloucester		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
King & Queen		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
King William			✓	✓	✓			✓
Mathews		✓		✓	✓			✓
Middlesex		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
Town of Tappahannock					✓			✓
Town of West Point					✓			✓
Town of Urbanna					✓	✓		✓
Other	✓	✓	✓					✓

Report on Mandated Initiatives

Locality	Water Supply Plan Support Staff: Lewie Lawrence Start Date: 7/2008 Completion Date: 6/2011		All-Hazards Mitigation Plan Update Support Staff: Jackie Rickards Start Date: 1/2014 Completion Date: 12/2016	
	<i>Participating</i>	<i>Current Status</i>	<i>Participating</i>	<i>Current Status</i>
Essex	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Gloucester	NA	NA	✓	In Progress
King & Queen	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
King William	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Mathews	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Middlesex	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Town of Tappahannock	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Town of West Point	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress
Town of Urbanna	✓	Found Compliant	✓	In Progress

Opportunities Identified to Implement Commission Priorities

Service Center	Project Title and Description	Funding Requested	Status
Transportation	DRPT – Update Long Range TDM Plan	\$16,000	Funded
Environmental	CZM – Working Waterfronts Coalition	\$50,000	Funded
Environmental	CZM –FY15 Coastal Technical Assistance	\$30,000	Funded
Environmental	River Counties Community Foundation Septic Repair Assistance Grant to LMI homeowners	\$5,000	Not Funded
Environmental	NFWF – CBSF – SWG - Septic Repair Funding	\$115,753	Not Funded
Environmental	NFWF –CBSF – SWG - Living Shorelines Incentive Program	\$200,000	Funded
Environmental	NFWF – CBSF - SWG	\$170,000	Not Funded
Environmental	NFWF TA Service Provider	n/a	Approved
Environmental	CZM – Sinclair Landing Improvements – Pier & Landscaping	\$40,000	Funded
Environmental	USDA RD HPG –Septic Repair Funding	\$150,000	Not Funded
Economic Dev	USDA – Farmers Market Marketing Plan	\$48,016	Not funded
Emergency Mgmt	VDEM – Regional Emergency Planner	\$110,000	Funded
Environmental	VMRC – King and Queen Fishing Pier	\$136,853.25	Funded
Environmental	Dominion Foundation – Urbanna Creek Living Shoreline	\$25,000	Funded
Economic Dev	USDA RBEG – Flash Freeze Program – MPRJA	\$90,000	Funded
Environmental	VASG/ODU/MPPDC – Real Estate Training	n/a	Awarded
Economic Dev	DHCD – BCC – Middle Peninsula Regional Economic Development Organization	\$18,750	Funded
Environmental	CZM – PAA Altruistic Giving	\$40,000	Funded
Environmental	License Plate Grant - signage	\$900	Submitted
Environmental	DEQ -Septic Pumpout and Ordinance Updates (Essex and Tappahannock)	\$12,688	Funded
Environmental	DEQ - WQIP for Gwynns Island, Milford Haven and Piankatank Phase I IP Residential	\$257,420	Not Funded
Environmental	CZM – Project of Special Merit – Mathews Ditching	\$115,000	Not Funded
Economic Dev	VA Coop. Ext. – SET Grant – Capacity Building for Economic Development	n/a	Awarded
Economic Dev	EPA – Brownfields Grant	\$208,200	Not Funded
Environmental	River Counties Community Foundation Septic Repair Assistance – Middlesex LMI homeowners	\$10,000	Not Funded
Environmental	CZM – Flooding and Sea Level Rise	\$14,792	Submitted
Environmental	CZM – MP Public Access Master Plan	\$40,000	Submitted
Environmental	CZM – Ditch Mapping Database – Mathews	\$60,524	Submitted
Environmental	CZM – Working Waterfronts – State Plan	\$50,000	Submitted
Environmental	VDOF -Virginia Trees for Clean Water – Capt Sinclair Maritime Forest Edge Demo Garden	\$1,350	Funded
Environmental	DEQ/VRA – Virginia Water Facilities Revolving Fund	\$200,000	Approved
Economic Dev	USDA – Farmers Market Sustainability Initiative	\$77,537	Submitted
MPCBPAA	River Counties Community Foundation - Land Acquisition Assistance	\$4,000	Not Funded
MPCBPAA	License Plate Grant - signage	\$1,500	Submitted
MPCBPAA	NEEF PAA GRA Capacity Building	\$5,000	Submitted
MPCBPAA	VEE – Land Acquisition Assistance	\$12,000	Funded

MPPDC 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	RLF	Revolving Loan Fund
BCC	Building Collaborative Communities Project	RTP	Rural Transportation Planning
BOS	Board of Supervisors	SERCAP	Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project
CBPA	Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area	SHSG	State Homeland Security Grant
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	SWCD	Soil and Water Conservation District
CEDS	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy	SWRP	State Water Resource Plan
CIP	Capital Improvement Plan	TIF	Tax Increment Financing
CZMP	Coastal Zone Management Program	TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Loads
DEQ	Department of Environmental Quality	USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
DGIF	Department of Game and Inland Fisheries	VAPA	Virginia Planning Association
DHR	Department of Historic Resources	VAPDC	Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions
DHCD	Department of Housing and Community Development	VAZO	Virginia Association of Zoning Officials
DMME	Department of Mines Minerals and Energy	VCP	Virginia Coastal Program
DOE	Department of Energy	VCZMP	Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program
DRPT	Department of Rail and Public Transportation	VDEM	Virginia Department of Emergency Management
EDA	Economic Development Administration	VDH	Virginia Department of Health
EECBG	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	VDOT	Virginia Department of Transportation
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	VDMME	Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	VEE	Virginia Environmental Endowment
Fracking	Hydraulic Fracturing	Vertical Assets	"Towers or other structures that hold cell, broadband and other equipment"
GIS	Geographic Information System	VHB	Vanasse Hangen Brustlin
HRPDC	Hampton Roads Planning District Commission	VIMS	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
LGA	Local Government Administrators	VMRC	Virginia Marine Resources Commission
LPT	Local Planning Team	VOP	Virginia Outdoors Plan
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding	VRA	Virginia Resources Authority
MPBA	Middle Peninsula Broadband Authority	VASG	Virginia Sea Grant
MPCBPAA	Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority	VSMP	Virginia Stormwater Management Program
MPRSC	Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center	VTA	Virginia Transit Association
NHD	Natural Heritage Data	VWP	Virginia Water Protection
NIMS	National Incident Management System	VWWR	Virginia Water Withdrawal Reporting
NFWF	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	WIP	Watershed Implementation Plan
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	WQIF	Water Quality Improvement Fund
NPS	National Park Services	WSP	Water Supply Plan
OLGA	On-line Grant Administration		
PAA	Public Access Authority		
RBEG	Rural Business Enterprise Grant		

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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 13 years +)

Congressman Robert Wittman's Fisheries Advisory Committee and Environmental Advisory Committee (MPPDC Staff 6 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 7 years+)

General Assembly Directed Study Panel: Aquaculture production activities; authority of local governments (MPPDC Staff- current)

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 composed of employer representatives, regional transportation, air quality and planning officials, as well as state and local government officials concerned with promoting telework and providing telework information and technical assistance to employers (MPPDC Staff 8 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 10 years)

The National Working Waterfront Networks- Outreach and Education committee: Provided education and outreach on national, state and local matters related to the preservation of working waterfronts.

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)

Bio Solid-Industrial Residual Regulatory Advisory Panel – The purpose of this panel is the development of regulatory amendments needed to implement the provisions of House Bill 1364 and Senate Bill 1413 related to fees for the land application of industrial wastes and reimbursement for compliance monitoring conducted by local governments

Hurricane Evacuation Coordination Workgroup - The Hurricane Evacuation Coordination Workgroup is comprised of state and local emergency representatives tasked with finding solutions to fill in the gaps in the Commonwealth's and Locality's plans to respond to a Major Hurricane Evacuation.

Shelter Location Identification Subcommittee of the Hurricane Evacuation Coordination Workgroup -local and state experts tasked with identifying state and local shelter locations that can meet the needs of individuals with access and functional needs. A recent federal court ruling indicates that prior knowledge of shelter locations allows for more complete personal preparedness planning

Shelter Staffing Subcommittee of the Hurricane Evacuation Coordination Workgroup -local and state experts tasked with recommending solutions to alleviate staffing limitations in emergency shelters

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Project 30502 Water Supply Planning

9 VAC 25-780 establishes a planning process and criteria that all local governments will use in the development of local or regional water plans. The plan will be reviewed by the Department of Environmental Quality and a determination will be made by the State Water Control Board on whether the plan complies with this regulation. Within five years of a compliance determination by the board, the plan will be reviewed to assess adequacy and any significant changes will require the submission of an amended plan and review by the board. All local programs will be reviewed, revised, and resubmitted to the Department of Environmental Quality every 10 years after the last approval. The jurisdictions of Essex, King and Queen, King William, Mathews, Middlesex, Tappahannock, Urbanna and West Point opted to prepare a regional plan with assistance from Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission staff and EEE Consulting, an environmental consulting firm. The Regional Plan was completed and submitted to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality for compliance review by the November 2, 2011 deadline for Regional Plan submission.

Project 31201 Middle Peninsula All-Hazards Mitigation Plan Update

As a mandated requirement of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, the 2016 All Hazards Mitigation Plan Update is designed to update the 2011 Middle Peninsula All Hazards Mitigation Plan (AHMP). The plan will address several natural hazards, including hurricanes, winter storms, tornadoes, coastal flooding, coastal/shoreline erosion, sea level rise, winter storms, wildfire, riverine flooding, wind, dam failures, drought, lightning, earthquakes, shrink-swell soils, extreme cold, extreme heat, landslides, land subsidence/karst, tsunami, and volcanoes.

- As the All Hazards Mitigation Plan is updated, Committee members from Middle Peninsula localities will have the opportunity to review the updates and provide feedback. Below is table that depicts the plan’s sections, section feedback from localities is due, and the localities that have provided feedback (marked with an “X”).

SECTION	TITLE	Status	Counties						Towns			
			Essex	Mathews	Middlesex	King William	King & Queen	Gloucester	West Point	Urbanna	Tappahannock	
1	Intro	Completed 3/24/2015		X						X		
2	Planning Process	Underway										
3	Community Profile	Completed 2/20/2015		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
4	Hazard Identification	Completed 6/19/2015								X		X
5	Risk Assessment Analysis (HAZUS)	Completed 5/27/2015								X		
6	Capability Assessment	TBD										
7	Review of 2010 Strategies	TBD										
8	Mitigation Goals, Objects and Strategies	TBD										
9	Implementation Plan	TBD										
10	Plan Adoption	TBD										
11	Plan Maintenance	TBD										
12	Appendices	Underway										

- Completed the HAZUS and Hazards Identification section of the plan and sent the sections to Committee members to review.

- As there is a public participation aspect of the All Hazards Mitigation Plan development, advertisements for local newspapers and county websites are under development and will inform the public of how they may participate in the Plan update.
- Scheduled public meetings for the All-Hazards Mitigation Plan for July 29, 2015 in Saluda and July 30, 2015 at the King & Queen Public Library from 5-7pm.
- Received and reviewed all HAZUS deliverables from Dewberry. Worked with James Mawby, Dewberry, to clarify sea level rise sections and analysis.
- Scheduled the next meeting of the All-Hazards Mitigation Plan for June 25, 2015 at 10 a.m. in Saluda.
- Contacted Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) to update them about the progress made on the plan.
- According to the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, “All jurisdictions in Virginia have a Local Emergency Planning Committee that identified local industrial hazardous materials and keeps the community informed of the potential risks.” Therefore as local emergency planning committees were contacted, Gloucester County provided access to E-planning site that provides a database of hazmat within the locality.
- Developed flood plain maps with the new data from the Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) that highlighted the impacted structures within the floodplain.
- Attended a webinar hosted by NOAA titled, “Water, Disasters, and Resilient Recovery and Reconstruction” that focused on hazard mitigation, post-disaster recovery as well as climate change mitigation and ways to utilize local policies to mitigate.
- Met with James Mawby and James Latchaw of Dewberry to review the HAZUS deliverables as well as discussion of future work for the MPPDC.
- Preparing the draft of the All-Hazards Mitigation Plan for public comment.

INFORMATION RESOURCES/ASSISTANCE

Services to provide critical assessment and thinking.....

- Updated www.mppdc.com website –meeting notices, TDM Plan survey, USDA grant public comment announcement, reports.
- Met with representatives from USDA Rural Development to discuss Middle Peninsula needs and possible USDA program assistance available – economic development, community facilities, water and wastewater, and multi-family housing programs.
- Consulted with Pam Hazelgrove, Aon Consulting, regarding data request for actuarial study pursuant to 2015 Virginia Acts of Assembly Chapter 665.82. H– impact of including local governments and political subdivisions in state employee health plan.

- Reviewed changes to the 2015 Specifications for Audits of Authorities, Boards, and Commissions. Submitted MPPDC and MPCBPAA FY14 audits to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

COASTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ ENVIRONMENTAL

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

Project 32010 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.

- Consulted with two neighbors near Perrin Wharf who have requested a trash can and trash bags to be provided to assist with neighborhood wharf clean up. Purchased trash can and bags and delivered to Perrin Wharf with signage.
- Prepared vouchers, processed A/P, reconciled bank statements. Prepared monthly financial statements.
- Invoiced Gloucester Rowing Association for utility bills at Captain Sinclair Landing.
- Received notice from Virginia Department of Forestry of grant award of \$1,350 to MPPDC for installation of a Virginia Coastal Maritime Forest Edge Demonstration Project at Captain Sinclair Landing. The Forest Edge Project will protect an area of non-tidal wetlands and will be incorporated into the Native Plant Landscape design.

Project 32011 Public Access Authority Giving

This project proposes to develop a targeted land donation marketing campaign for Essex County and, secondarily, other Middle Peninsula localities. Further, the project proposes to research and develop a white paper detailing the costs and benefits (pros and cons) to localities for property that is donated.

- Continued to research and promote the concept of private giving of waterfront land for public benefit. Met with Clyde Christman, Director for the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, to discuss the project success and ways to broaden the program.
- Researched and compiled information from various sources quantifying the economic benefit of public land donations to the communities that they serve.

32012 PAA Captain Sinclair Improvements

The Captain Sinclair’s Recreational Area, with approximately 1 mile of waterfront on the Severn River in Gloucester County, VA, is a recent gift from a private landowner to the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority (MPCBPAA). The MPCBPAA is partnering with the MPPDC to develop an overall use plan for the property that is compatible with the existing natural coastal landscape. The project is centered around protecting and enhancing the local coastal landscape and minimizing wetland impacts associated with constructing a new public pier to improve the current “walk in and over the wetlands” as part of the existing

public access to public waters on the site. A Native Coastal Landscape Design (NCLD) will radiate away from the public access pier. The design will include the purchase and installation of native plants to enhance the coastal landscape around the project site and an educational exhibit on native plants in the main house.

- Received notice from Virginia Department of Forestry of grant award of \$1,350 to MPPDC for installation of a Virginia Coastal Maritime Forest Edge Demonstration Project at Captain Sinclair Landing Recreation Area. The Forest Edge Project will be incorporated into the Native Plant Landscape design.
- Consulted with Denise Greene, Sassafras Farm, regarding scope of work and contract for Landscape Design, plants and plantings. Discussed inclusion of Maritime Forest Edge Demo Garden in landscape design.

32013 PAA Maritime Forest Edge Demonstration Garden

The Captain Sinclair's Recreational Area, 100 acres with approximately 1 mile of waterfront on the Severn River in Gloucester County, VA, was a gift to the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority. The MPCBPAA is partnering with the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC) to develop an overall use plan for the property compatible with the existing natural coastal landscape. An area of approximately 14,000 square feet to the northwest of the main house has been delineated by the Army Corps of Engineers as nontidal wetlands. This area is adjacent to the area utilized for parking. This project funded by the Virginia Department of Forestry will provide protection for that sensitive area by converting the mowed lawn/ parking area into a demonstration Maritime Forest Edge garden. Approximately 400 seedlings will be planted in the area to provide a small Maritime Forest Edge demonstration garden for viewing by visitors to the site.

- Received notice from Virginia Department of Forestry of grant award of \$1,350 to MPPDC for installation of a Virginia Coastal Maritime Forest Edge Demonstration Project at Captain Sinclair Landing Recreation Area.

Project 32132 Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program

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.

- Consulted with Andy Lacatell, Director of the Chesapeake Bay Rivers Program at the Nature Conservancy, concerning several private land donations to the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority.
- Coordinated with Gary Christie, Executive Director for Region 2000 PDC, concerning a meeting with the Virginia Resource Authority Director to discuss ways PDCs may assist VRA with delivering services.
- Discussed conservation land needs for mitigation credit with Peggy Sanner, Senior Legal Attorney for Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF). CBF is considering providing financial assistance to the PAA for assistance conserving land.
- Consulted with Bill Meagher, local Authorized On-site Soil Evaluator, concerning possible donated lots to the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority.

- Received notification that staff from the Middle Peninsula PDC has been appointed to serve on the Bio Solid-Industrial Residual Regulatory Advisory Panel (RAP). First meeting of the RAP is scheduled for June 19th at DEQ.
- Consulted with James Adams, Department of Game and Inland Fisheries- Recreational Boating Access Program, concerning a site visit to the proposed King and Queen County public fishing pier to discuss kayak launch locations.
- Discussed dewatered dredge spoil management and options for turning the spoil into a financial asset with Matt Walker, Middlesex County Administrator.
- Received examples of RFPs issued by the Florida Navigation district for spoil disposal offering dewatered spoil for bid.
- Participated as a member of the Virginia Sea Grant External Advisory Committee to interview several final candidates for Assistant Director of Extension and Knowledge Management for Virginia Sea Grant.
- Met with Delegate Keith Hodges and Melanie Davenport, Director of the DEQ Water Division, concerning Stormwater program requirements, Chesapeake Bay Act requirements, DEQ's consolidation efforts and the resulting impact to Chesapeake Bay Act local governments.
- Discussed new partnerships ideas with citizens, Janice Moore, Middlesex County, and Eric Rionholdt, Mathews County who are interested in forming a community group: Friends of the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority.

Project 32133 NFWF Living Shoreline

MPPDC received a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to facilitate citizen-based resource stewardship to enhance coastal resilience and reduce vulnerability to growing risks from coastal storms, sea level rise, flooding and other threats to shorelines by encouraging Middle Peninsula waterfront homeowners, through access to low interest loans and/or grants and through education about living shorelines, to make informed decisions to install living shorelines to protect waterfront properties. The main emphasis of the project will be to design and implement a Living Shoreline Incentive Program (LSIP) to provide loans and/or grants to homeowners to install living shorelines on suitable waterfront properties. The project also includes the design of a Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) for the entire Captain Sinclair's Recreational Area shoreline and the design and installation of one lower Chesapeake Bay public waterfront demonstration project to provide consumers easily accessible publically owned living shoreline examples to inform their decision making. The investment of effort and resources in producing a Shoreline Management Plan will yield substantial benefits in facilitating decision-making on a variety of potential issues and uses of the site. A Living Shorelines Education Program will be developed to educate the public about the benefits of living shorelines. The Captains Sinclair's Recreation area site boasts an 8,000 sq. ft. waterfront home within 200 feet of the demonstration site that will house the Living Shorelines Education Program.

- Set date to meet with Walter A. Gills, Program Manager of Department of Environmental Quality Clean Water Financing & Assistance Program, DEQ staff, VIMS staff, and VRA staff to form stakeholder group to begin development of program guidelines per § [62.1-229.5](#) for establishing funds for financing living shorelines. Stakeholder group will meet on July 20, 2015 at VIMS.
- Consulted with Donna Milligan, Shoreline Studies Program Virginia Institute of Marine Science, regarding location of new dock. Provided dock permit and design.

Project 32134 Drainage and Roadside Ditching Authority

To build on past efforts, MPPDC staff will explore the enabling mechanism in which a Drainage and Roadside Ditching Authority may be developed. As this Authority would be responsible for prioritizing ditch improvement needs, partnering with and leveraging Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) funding, and ultimately working toward improving the functionality of the region's stormwater conveyance system, MPPDC staff will address the policy questions and create a framework for Drainage and Roadside Ditching Authority that can be scalable to the local or regional level depending on the need.

- Researched and discussed the concept of using nitrogen credit by retrofitting public and private ditches to assist with nitrogen, phosphorus, and suspended sediment removal. The concept could make an environmental negative an environmental asset.
- Developed a format for the final report and began to organize report content.
- Researched stormwater authorities for policies, tools and program structures applicable to the development of a ditching authority.

Project 32207 Working Waterfront Plan

MPPDC staff will build on previous efforts to establish a coastal zone-wide Working Waterfronts Plan for Virginia that will serve to guide communities in protecting, restoring and enhancing their water dependent commercial and recreational activities. This plan will help communities with existing water-dependent commercial infrastructure, understand the long-term costs associated with the loss of working waterfronts, develop new policy tools to help them manage the increasing growth pressures, and build capacity to develop working waterfronts as thriving components of local economic development.

- Assisted in the development of the Coastal Zone Management Program Cumulative and Secondary Impacts (FY 2016-2020) focused on Virginia Working Waterfronts Plan implementation and local and state policy.
- Continued to research working waterfront policies to be implemented within Tidewater Virginia.

TRANSPORTATION

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

Project 30210 Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Services/TDM Plan Update

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. In addition MPPDC staff will update the TDM Six Year Plan with additional funding from DRPT.

- Updated website – www.midpenrideshare.org - 2015 Dump the Pump Day notice, Public survey link.
- Attended VTA Conference in Williamsburg May 20-21.
- Received online registration from White Stone resident commuting to Chesterfield. No match available. Referred to NeckRide for further assistance.

- Received phone call from King William County resident whose son got a new job in Chester, but lost transportation. No match available. Researched other options. Noted that a vanpool from St. Stephens Church to downtown Richmond could have a vacancy. Referred client to Ridefinders to see if they have options from downtown to Chester that could be combined with the vanpool.
- Posted notice regarding 2015 Dump the Pump Day – June 18th on rideshare website.
- Consulted with Ken Pollok, Bay Transit regarding bus wrapper ads.
- Attended Ribbon-cutting and Open House at the new Bay Transit Offices and Maintenance Facility in Gloucester County.
- Current commuter database – 161

Project 302101 Transportation Demand Management (TDM) 6 Year Plan Update

MPPDC received funding from DRPT to update its Long Range TDM Plan. DRPT is requesting all TDM agencies update their plan every six years to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of transportation demand programs and services; to serve as a management and policy document for the program; to maximize investment of public funds to achieve the greatest possible public benefit ; and to provide a basis for inclusion of operating and capital programs in planning and programming documents such as the Six Year Improvements Program, Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, Transportation Improvement Program and the Constrained Long Range Transportation Plan.

- Designed survey on Survey Monkey to elicit ideas from public on needed transportation services. Posted link to survey on MPPDC and Midpenrideshare websites. Sent email notices to current year rideshare database requesting participation in the survey.
- Received permission to extend project until September 30, 2015.

Project 30312 Rural Transportation Planning

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.

- Convened the Local Planners meeting on June 10th. Topics discussed include sidewalk extension and improvement projects, Chesapeake Bay Local Ordinance update, and current funding opportunities.
- Attended VDOT Sharepoint training on May 27th. Sharepoint is a program that allows VDOT partners access to limited transportation information in VDOT's database.
- Attended the VAPDC Training Conference in Charlottesville on June 16th which included a session on integrating transportation into land use tools hosted by VDOT.
- Discussed the Sidewalk Gap Project report submission requirements with Darrel Johnson, Rural Program Manager with VDOT.
- Compiled information and completed a preliminary draft of the Sidewalk Gap Report required under the 2015 Rural Transportation Work Program.
- Executed contracts for FY16 program funds and returned to VDOT.

ONSITE REPAIR & PUMPOUT

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

Project 30420, 30423 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.

- Received phone call from Liz Whitley, Mathews County, regarding assistance available for septic repairs. Discussed current funding and emailed application.
- Consulted with Camille Dean and Dan Siegel, Sands Anderson, and Shawn Crumlish, VRA regarding closing documents and MPPDC Resolution for closing on new funding from the Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan fund. Closing is tentatively scheduled for July 1, 2015.
- Discussed new loan funding with Bill Nachman, *Gloucester Mathews Gazette-Journal*. The GJ ran an article on the program which has generated considerable interest by the public. Numerous applications have been mailed to Gloucester County, Mathews County, and Middlesex County homeowners.
- Met with Tara Delaney, USDA Rural Development, to discuss pre-application for a Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) to provide grant funding to low income homeowners for septic repairs.
- Requested feedback on FY14 HPG pre-application submission to USDA from CJ Michels.
- Began preparation of an HPG pre-application for \$90,000 to assist low and very low income homeowners in the Middle Peninsula with septic repairs.
- Executed ACH loan payments for septic 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.

Note: All WQIF grant funds have been spent and all VRA grant funds have been committed. MPPDC staff are continuing to search for additional grant funding for this program. The ability to blend loans with grants is crucial in assisting low income homeowners in correcting failing septic systems.

Remaining uncommitted funding – \$4115 loan funds.

30441 Septic Pump-out and Technical Assistance Project

This program, with funding from EPA Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grant through the Department of Environmental Quality, will provide septic pump-out financial assistance to low income homeowners and technical assistance to the Town of Tappahannock and Essex County to develop land use ordinance provisions that address the water quality requirements of Phase III of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Designation and Management Regulations (9VAC25-830.10 – 280).

- Discussed with Joan Salvati, DEQ, the coordination of a meeting with local planners and administrators on the Chesapeake Bay Local Ordinance changes. Ms. Salvati is tentatively scheduled to be present at the Local Government Administrators meeting on July 10th.
- Requested project extension from DEQ which was denied. Several King William County homeowners had difficulty finding anyone willing to come out to pump their septic tanks within the time limit.
- Attempted to contact all homeowners with outstanding vouchers to determine if they have had their tanks pumped or have scheduled pump-outs prior to June 20th
- Contacted Essex Concrete to request copy of missing invoice and to find out if they have any clients scheduled for pump-outs after June 20th.
- Septic Pump-outs as of June 15, 2015

Applications Mailed	115
Approved Vouchers	51
Completions	35

Pumpout Vouchers by County

Essex	09
Gloucester	03
King and Queen	02
King William	31
Mathews	00
Middlesex	06

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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

Project 30104 DHCD Planning Grant—VA Sea Grant Universities MP Partnership

This initiative looks to develop new partnerships with Virginia Universities participating within the Virginia Sea grant Network to enhance Virginia Universities’ impacts and value-added services to Middle Peninsula private businesses and coastal localities.

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.

Project 30108 Building Collaborative Communities (BCC) Grant

This project, with funding from the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development, is a collaborative effort with regional and local, public and private stakeholders to create an organizational structure with the capacity and resources to lead regional economic development initiatives in the Middle Peninsula. The project will seek to provide education, training and outreach to local officials on regional economic development partnerships, re-establish the Tidewater Resource Conservation and Development Council, update the River County Economic Development study, as well as draft policies, bylaws and a conceptual work plan for the newly created economic development organization.

- Consulted with Delegate Keith Hodges concerning economic development across the Middle Peninsula and strategies for starting an Economic Development Organization for the Middle Peninsula.
- Researched various approaches and concepts for possible consideration by the Virginia General Assembly to financially compensate the Middle Peninsula for loss of economic opportunities due to state and federal regulations.
- Consulted with Keith Ruse, owner of Deltaville Boat Yard, concerning interest in Governor Terry McAuliffe Talent Solutions Grant Competition for Economic Development intended to assist:
 - A group of businesses operating in the same industry sector that comes together out of a shared commitment to design and execute an innovative and highly effective training program to develop a talent pipeline of skilled workers for entry level jobs that can lead to career positions.
 - A group of businesses from different industry sectors that have a common workforce development need and join together to design and execute training to develop shared skill requirements in new job applicants or incumbent workers.
 - An individual employer who has identified a need to lead a skills development initiative with companies who comprise that employer's supply chain. In this type of grant application, the large employer takes the lead in working with members of its supply chain to identify common critical workplace skills that can be developed through incumbent or pre-employment training.
- Coordinated and convened a Mayors and Chairs meeting on May 28th hosted by Delegate Keith Hodges. Neal Barber, Community Futures, and Liz Povar, Vice President of Business Expansion with Virginia Economic Development Partnership, presented information to attendees on Economic Development Organizations in the Commonwealth. Representatives from Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews, Middlesex Counties, and the Towns of Tappahannock, Urbanna and West Point were invited to participate.
- Researched and prepared draft bylaws and work program for the EDO as guidance tools for the Mayors and Chairs meetings.
- Drafted a quarterly status report and request for an extension for the BCC grant and submitted to Michele Jones, Program Manager with Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.
- Discussed professional and technical assistance on procedural documents and other resources for an EDO that are available through the SET Expansion Program with Martha Walker, Extension Specialist with the Virginia Cooperative Extension. Also provided Ms. Walker a timeline and update of the status and needs of the project.

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 30106 Middle Peninsula Regional Jail Flash Freeze Feasibility Study

The Middle Peninsula Regional Jail Authority will use funds from the USDA RBEG program to contract with the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC) to conduct a feasibility study to evaluate whether, and to what degree, the Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center, local economies, and small scale emerging farms across the Middle Peninsula can benefit from a flash freezing produce program. The feasibility study will assist with exploring and addressing both the infrastructure and capital needs for establishing a freezing program as well as the larger community implications of supporting and enhancing economic growth and community vitality.

- Provided Neal Barber, Community Futures, and Scott Tate with a list of committee members for the kick-off meeting of the Flash Freeze Working Group.
- Hosted the kick-off meeting of the Flash Freeze Working Group on May 26 in Saluda. Agenda items included the background and benefits to the Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center, Project Design and Role of the Working Group, and overview of the Deerfield Correctional Facility flash freeze operation, as well as, discussion of produce market within the Middle Peninsula.
- Researched other flash freeze produce facilities that could be used as a reference for the Middle Peninsula Regional Security Center. For instance, in Elkhart County, Indiana a pilot project began focused on processing fruits and vegetables grown in the area by the Elkhart County Jail inmates in the jail's large commercial-grade kitchen.

Project 30018 Local & Regional Technical Assistance

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

- Met with Matt Weaver and Tamara Holmes of DHCD and Carlton Revere and Matt Walker of Middlesex County Water Authority to discuss the proposed Deltaville Water project and possible funding opportunities.
- Coordinated a meeting with Tara Delaney, Program Manager with USDA, and Matt Walker, Middlesex County Administrator, to discuss funding opportunities for the proposed Deltaville Water project.
- Discussed potential funding sources for Urbanna Creek waterfront property with Steve Hollberg, Mayor of Town of Urbanna.
- Discussed the DHCD Enterprise Zone application with Trent Funkhouser, Essex County Economic Development Coordinator, and provided application submittal information.
- Discussed the Housing Preservation grant with CJ Michels and Tara Delaney of USDA Rural Development who provided guidance on the application submittal process.
- Provided information to local planners on several grant opportunities that are available including DHCD Industrial Revitalization Fund and Rural Housing Preservation Grant.
- Discussed funding opportunities for renovation and repair to the Woodville School in Gloucester County with Dr. Wesley Wilson, Chairman of the Woodville/ Rosenwald School Foundation.

- Continued discussions with SCORE of Williamsburg regarding entrepreneurial workshop to be held at MPPDC offices in September.

Project 30019 Urbanna Oyster Festival Project

This is a shoreline restoration project for Urbanna Creek that proposes collaboration with the MPPDC, VDOT, Urbanna Oyster Festival Foundation, Christchurch School and VIMS. The project proposes to reduce the amount of sediment and nutrients released into Urbanna Creek caused by an enormous hole underneath the bridge that is allowing ground and surface water runoff from public right of way and private property to deposit into the Creek. The project includes filling the hole and design of a shoreline restoration method.

HOUSING

Funding –Housing Loan Program Income

Project 300132 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

Summary: Governor Timothy Kaine announced on October 6, 2009 that \$9.7 million in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) would be distributed on a competitive basis to small local governments. Virginia's 21 Planning District Commissions administered the program and assisted localities in the development of proposals which were ranked and awarded by the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME). 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 is tasked with administering the overall project. MPPDC is administering the revolving loan program per DMME.

- 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.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Funding - Pending

Project 31201 Middle Peninsula All-Hazards Mitigation Plan Update (Reported under Mandates)

Project 31202 Regional Emergency Management Planner

Regional Emergency Planner position housed at the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC) in Saluda. The Middle Peninsula crosses VDEM Region 1&5 boundaries. Position will support local Emergency Coordinators by assisting/coordinating homeland security & disaster response preparedness; Rt. 17 evacuation planning; & resource data collection.

- Participated in the May 20 Hurricane Evacuation Coordination Workgroup meeting in Newport News. Joined the Shelter Location Identification and Shelter Staffing subcommittees which are intended to design a plan to solve issues identified with Shelter Location and Staffing during a Mass Evacuation.
- Developed MOU's for Essex, King and Queen, King William, Mathews, and Middlesex Counties and the Towns of West Point, Tappahannock, and Urbanna, and a Letter of Intent for Gloucester County. The documents outline the terms of agreement between the Middle Peninsula Planning District

Commission and the Counties/Towns concerning the expected outcomes from the Regional Emergency Planning Position from VDEM Grant Number 14VA-HSGP-368.

- Gave a presentation describing the objectives, goals, and benefits of the Regional Emergency Planner Position to the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission Board at the May 25th Board Meeting.
- Provided a draft of the American Red Cross (ARC) Sheltering Agreement for review by the local Emergency Managers. The draft will be discussed at the next meeting of the Emergency Managers in June.
- Attended participated in the Region V and Region I State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP) strategy meetings in Norfolk and Chesterfield, VA on June 1 and 5 respectively. The meetings described the funding available and the funding priorities for the SHSP and received feedback from the attendees on the needs of the regions attending. The application deadline is July 20.
- Scheduled an Emergency Managers meeting for June 25 in Saluda. Agenda items include: a discussion with invited guest Kay Karstaedt from the American Red Cross who will discuss the Virginia Capital Region's process with sheltering in the Middle Peninsula localities' needs for funding from the State Homeland Security Grant Program, Resource Typing, and grant programs available for Emergency Services in localities.

AGENCY ADMINISTRATION

Funding - Indirect cost reimbursements from all PDC projects

Project 300181 MPPDC Administration

Administrative services provided to MPPDC programs. Planned FY13 Indirect Cost rate =50%.

- Prepared vouchers, processed A/P, processed payroll, processed deposits and balanced bank accounts. Prepared MPPDC monthly financial statements.
- Attended VAPDC Training Workshop in Charlottesville. Michael Aukamp, Dunham, Aukamp & Rhodes gave a presentation on the federal Supercircular and how it changes federal contracts, direct and indirect costs and project management especially as pertains to contractual and sub recipient determinations and obligations. Several PDC's presented on communication best practices and the importance of having constituents informed of the work of the PDC's.
- Received certification acceptance of FY14 Indirect Cost Plan and rate by US Dept. of Commerce.

CLOSED FY15 PROJECTS

Project 30017 King & Queen Fishing Pier Funding

Provide King & Queen County with a contract for services to prepare and submit grant applications to fund the construction of a fishing pier on the Mattaponi River.

- Billed King and Queen County for services provided to prepare, submit, and defend application for grant to build fishing pier at old Mattaponi River bridge abutment.

Project 32128 Land and Water Quality Protection

In light of changing Federal and State regulations associated with Bay clean up-nutrient loading, nutrient goals, clean water, OSDS management, storm water management, TMDLs, etc, staff from the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC) will develop a rural pilot project which aims to identify pressing coastal issue(s) of local concern related to Bay clean up and new federal and state legislation which ultimately will necessitate local action and local policy development. Staff has identified many cumulative and secondary impacts that have not been researched or discussed within a local public policy venue. Year 1-3 will include the identification of key concerns related to coastal land use management/water quality and Onsite Sewage Disposal System (OSDS) and community system deployment. Staff will focus on solution based approaches, such as the establishment of a regional sanitary sewer district to manage the temporal deployment of nutrient replacement technology for installed OSDS systems, assessment of land use classifications and taxation implications associated with new state regulations which make all coastal lands developable regardless of environmental conditions; use of aquaculture and other innovative approaches such as nutrient loading offset strategies and economic development drivers.

Project 32129 Water Reuse

As recent changes to Virginia Water Regulations have tightened water protection and management, there is a strong need to consider maximizing local and regional water resource that may have financial benefits to localities. This project will explore water reuse, how other localities in Virginia and Nation-wide are utilizing this technique and potential economic impacts to Middle Peninsula localities. MPPDC staff will organize a Water Reuse Stakeholder Committee to discuss associated policy needs and opportunities.

Project 32130 Aberdeen TIF

The Aberdeen Creek TIF project will explore Tax Increment Financing as a strategy to generate revenue to finance dredging and other maintenance issues associated with Aberdeen Creek. The project will entail researching TIF policies and programs implemented in Virginia and defining parameters of the program that will achieve the overall objective. The project proposes a partnership with Virginia Sea Grant to determine cost and revenue projections for proposed maintenance and subcontracting with VIMS on project design.

Project 30015 Tappahannock Comp Plan Update/ Project 30016 Essex Comp Plan Update

The Town of Tappahannock has contracted for the Planning District Commission to provide technical planning support for the Town of Tappahannock's Planning Commission as they go through their 2014 Comprehensive Plan Update Process. Every jurisdiction in Virginia is mandated by Virginia Code Section 15.2-2223 to create and adopt a comprehensive plan that outlines a vision for the future of the community with a twenty year planning horizon. Essex County has contracted for the Planning District Commission to provide technical planning support for the Essex County Planning Commission as they go through their 2014 Comprehensive Plan Update Process. Every jurisdiction in Virginia is mandated by Virginia Code Section 15.2-2223 to create and adopt a comprehensive plan that outlines a vision for the future of the community with a twenty year planning horizon. Along with the Comprehensive Plan, Essex County has contracted for the Planning District Commission to lead the Planning Commission in discussions regarding the future preparation of a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and prepare a Virginia Enterprise Zone Designation (VEZD) application for the County. The Virginia Enterprise Zone (VEZ) program is a partnership between state and local government in which both parties seek to improve economic conditions within designated localities. The program is meant to complement additional local, state, and federal economic development activities to create an improved climate for private sector investment and to focus limited resources on strategically targeted areas. A proposal will be submitted on behalf of the locality by the deadline of June 28th, 2013 using the Department of Housing and Community Development Centralized Application Management System (CAMS).

Project 32208 Working Waterfront-VIMS

This effort will assist VIMS, Marine Advisory Services in the delineation of prevailing economic, zoning and property ownership directly related to Aberdeen Creek. Investigate any existing institutional impediments or legacy constraints to future redevelopment of a seafood related infrastructure on the Creek.

Project 30105 Middle Peninsula Broadband Study

The EDA Broadband Initiative is a project designed to bring together Middle Peninsula counties and towns in a series of workshops with the intent of determining the proper model to follow in developing and running a broadband service in the MPPDC region.

Project 30020 Middlesex Boat Pier

Middlesex County requested MPPDC/PAA staff to perform the necessary work to develop project proposal for Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fishery grant funding. The proposal would seek funding for the planning, design and potential construction of a new public access site on Mill Creek in Deltaville that would include a double boat ramp, a courtesy pier and a parking lot that could accommodate trucks with boat trailers