Lakeshia Wright
Interim Executive Director

MIDDLE PENINSULA
PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

Hon. John Magruder
Chairman

MEMORANDUM

TO: **MPPDC Board of Commissioners**

FROM: **Lakeshia Wright, Interim Executive Director**

DATE: **November 16, 2026**

RE: **October Commission Meeting**

The Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission will host its monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the HUB33 Mattaponi Conference Room at the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission office located at 4521 Lewis B. Puller Memorial Highway in Mattaponi, VA 23110.

Enclosed are the October meeting agenda and supporting materials for you to review before the meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on **November 18, 2026 at 6:30pm.**

We also invite you to join us at 5:30 p.m. for our CEDS public meeting, which will take place just before the regular meeting.

Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission Meeting

6:30 P.M.

Wednesday, November 18, 2026

4521 Lewis B. Puller Memorial Highway

Mattaponi, VA 23110

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Approval of Minutes

   a. October 28, 2026 Regular Meeting

IV. Financial Update

   a. Finance Team Report

V. Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for October

   a. Project Updates

   b. FY 27 Budget Review

   c. MPPDC Vision Review

VI. MPCBPAA Update

VII. MPA Update

VIII. MPPDC Public Relations/Communications Update

   a. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Draft – Release for 30-Day Public Comment Reminder

   b. Estimated Attendance Update on Public Meetings

IX. Public Comment

X. Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matters pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1) – If Required

   a. Staffing Updates

XI. Other Business

XII. Adjournment

MIDDLE PENINSULA PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

October 28, 2026

Mattaponi, Virginia

I. Welcome and Introductions

The monthly meeting of the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission was held in the Mattaponi Board Room at the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission office in Mattaponi, Virginia on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. MPPDC Chairman, John Magruder welcomed everyone in attendance.

Commissioners Present

Essex County: J. Calvin Haile, John Magruder
Gloucester County: Tony Nicosia, Chris Renew
King and Queen County: Marie Norman, Vivian Seay
King William County: Sam Drewry
Mathews County: David Walsh, Tim Hill
Middlesex County: Wayne Jessie, Sr., Reggie Williams, Sr., Kevin Gentry
Town of Tappahannock: Kay Carlton
Town of Urbanna: Robbie Wilson

Commissioners Absent

Essex County: Bud Smith, April Rounds
Gloucester County: Ashley Chriscoe, George Bains
King and Queen County: Mark Berry
King William County: Justin Catlett, Benjamin Edwards
Mathews County: Patrick Beattie
Middlesex County: Kendall Webre
Town of Tappahannock: Steve Wright
Town of West Point: James Pruett

Others in Attendance

Lakeshia Wright, MPPDC Interim Executive Director
Lewie Lawrence, MPPDC Managing Director
John Edwards, MPPDC Project Manager

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Rosamari Vazquez, MPPDC Interim Finance Director
Holly McGowan, MPPDC Senior Regional Planner
Stephanie Heinatz, Consociate Media
Karen Witherspoon, Elevate Leadership, LLC

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Approval of Minutes

September 23, 2026 Regular Meeting

Marie Norman moved to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2026 regular meeting. David Walsh seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

IV. Financial Update

Rosamari Vazquez provided the financial update. She reported that FY26 needs to be analyzed and finalized to determine what happened and to improve the Commission's finances going forward, and she described how she analyzed the budget. She wants to create a workbook template that staff can use to keep project finances organized. Only one loan remains open.

a. FY2025 Audit Update

Ms. Vazquez reported that the FY25 trial balance is complete. The auditor's reconciliation is in process, and she is making adjusting entries.

b. FY2026 Budget Analysis and Expenditure Reconciliation

Ms. Vazquez reported that she discovered duplicated entries, which resulted in a large adjustment at the end of FY26. The FY26 balance is currently off by only $0.02. Chris Renew asked whether anything concerning was found; Ms. Vazquez indicated that this would be discussed in closed session.

c. FY2027 Indirect Cost Rate and Budget Approval

No action was taken on the FY2027 budget approval, as the budget is still being worked on.

V. Executive Director's Report on Staff Activities for October

a. Updated Staff Roster and Project Assignments

Interim Executive Director Lakeshia Wright presented a guide to the budget and upcoming items. She noted that contractual staff is costing the Commission money.

VI. MPCBPAA Update

Lewie Lawrence provided an update. He reported receiving an unsolicited P3 (public-private partnership) inquiry from a company interested in doing work.

VII. MPA Update

Vivian Seay provided an update. John Edwards discussed the efforts he and Ms. Seay are making to get the MPA up and running again. Ms. Seay suggested dissolving the MPA and reforming it as a regional authority.

VIII. MPPDC Public Relations/Communications Update

Stephanie Heinatz presented an update. The Guinea Marsh Vision workshop had at least 40 attendees.

a. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Draft: Release for 30-Day Public Comment

The draft CEDS was released for a 30-day public comment period.

IX. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

X. Closed Session to Discuss Personnel Matters pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1), If Required

Vivian Seay moved to convene in closed meeting pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1) for discussion of assignment of duties and performance of specific employees as those duties and the performance of those specific employees relate to and impact the financial

situation of the Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission. Wayne Jessie seconded, and the motion carried.

Motion to Re-enter Open Session and Certification of Closed Session

[Name] moved to certify the closed session in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. [Name] seconded. The Commissioners were polled:

MPPDC

Closed Session Certification

Essex County	**Town of Tappahannock**
J. Calvin Haile x Certify	Kay Carlton x Certify
John Magruder x Certify	Steve Wright Absent
Bud Smith Absent	
April Rounds Absent	**Town of Urbanna**
	Robbie Wilson x Certify
Gloucester County	
Ashley Chriscoe Absent	**Town of West Point**
Chris Renew x Certify	James Pruett Absent
Tony Nicosia x Certify	
George Bains Absent	
King and Queen County	
Mark Berry Absent	
Marie Norman x Certify	
Vivian Seay x Certify	
King William County	
Justin Catlett Absent	
Benjamin Edwards Absent	
Sam Drewry x Certify	
Mathews County	
Patrick Beattie Absent	
David Walsh x Certify	
Tim Hill x Certify	
Middlesex County	
Wayne Jessie, Sr. x Certify	

Reggie Williams, Sr. x Certify	
Kendall Webre Absent	
Kevin Gentry x Certify	

XI. Other Business

There was no other business.

XII. Adjournment

[Mover, second, and vote to be added]

*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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(Secretary)

Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission
Executive Director's Report of Regional Progress
November 18, 2026

Note: On May 23, 2018, the Commission voted to direct staff to email all future documents including the Commission meeting packets 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: Community Profiles (virginiaworks.com)
- For MPPDC Website: https://www.mppdc.com/

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Managing Director: Lewis Lawrence
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Programs: *Municipal Dredge Authority and Public Access Authority Secretary*

INFORMATION RESOURCES/ASSISTANCE

- No public requests.

COASTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ ENVIRONMENTAL
Funding – VDEQ, VIMS, VDCR, local match from MPPDC General Fund & partners

Project 30004 – VCZMP Coastal Technical Assistance FY25

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.

- Extended the project until March 31, 2027, in order to complete project deliverables.
- Executed a contract with Denise Nelson Advising (DNA), to improve automation on the Fight the Flood website. In part the contract includes (1) updating the content and format, (2) adding a chat bot to improve public education, (3) redesigning the property owner capture process to improve and capture program operations, and (4) creating a Project Dashboard to improve public education and reporting.
- Met with DNA on November 4th to kickoff the FTF Automation efforts.

Project 30005 – DCR CFPF Resiliency Planning

This project looks to expand the capacity of the Middle Peninsula Fight the Flood program. In part, MPPDC staff will hire a FTF Administrator and will work with Consociate Media to implement a marketing strategy to promote and solicit additional participation in the FTF program.

- Submitted the quarterly report to DCR CFPF program.

Project 30006 – NOAA Marine Debris Removal Pilot

Project provides consulting services under a NOAA grant administered by Lynnhaven River NOW (LRNow), including conducting research, and developing recommendations for the removal of abandoned and derelict vessels in Virginia's coastal zone, as well as contributing to the formulation of an abandoned and derelict vessel (ADV) removal and prevention program tailored to Virginia's needs.

- *No Staff Assigned*

Project 30008 – VPA MP-ES Dredge Material Planning

Developing a Dredge Material Management Initiative Master Plan for the Middle Peninsula and Eastern Shore Regions.

- Coordinated with UVA Weldon Center for Public Service on final white paper that outlines the legal and regulatory framework for the placement of dredged material including in-water disposal, upland placement, and associated impacts, and identifies feasible reuse pathways informed by stakeholder input and comparative research. Shared this document with VMRC, DEQ, and various stakeholders.
- Continued preliminary site assessment and mapping exercise for in-water and upland placement strategies and locations through Proof Projects to support placement site identification and assist with regional dredged material management strategies. Final report being reviewed to determine which strategies to advance to next level of planning for each waterway.
- Consistent with the MPPDC Contract Assignment Framework reviewed at the Commission in August for

continuity of services and professional services, MPPDC engaged Carlexson Consulting, and supporting subconsultants, for expert support for planning, design, and regional strategy for dredged material handling. Contract development underway for economic analysis to fund dredging and placement projects, placement site identification and screening, assessment of federal authorization impacts as they pertain to municipal dredging, engineering to support planning of dredged material placement strategies, and dredging program development and project management support.

- Maintained alignment of DMMI initiative with Coastal Zone Management grant #NA25NOSX419C0064 for *Advancing BUDM in Coastal Virginia: Implementation Strategies and Policy Development* (CZM BUDM v2) which will support material management strategies for the municipal dredging program.
- Maintained alignment of DMMI initiative with Coastal Zone Management grant #NA25NOSX419C0064 *Exploring SAV Mitigation Strategies in the Middle Peninsula* to support BUDM for the municipal dredging program.
- Continued work on material management plans for Aberdeen Creek, Whiting Creek, Davis Creek, and Winter Harbor with consideration to future upland placement opportunities.

Project 30011 – VCZMP Coastal Technical Assistance FY26

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.

- Executed a contract with Denise Nelson Advising (DNA), to improve automation on the Fight the Flood website. In part the contract includes (1) updating the content and format, (2) adding a chat bot to improve public education, (3) redesigning the property owner capture process to improve and capture program operations, and (4) creating a Project Dashboard to improve public education and reporting.
- Attended a lunch & learn hosted by Wetlands Watch about Wetlands Migration & Strategic Property Acquisition on October 22, 2026.

Project 30012 – DEQ Chesapeake Bay WIP Technical Assistance 2026

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.

- Executed a contract with Denise Nelson Advising (DNA), to improve automation on the Fight the Flood website. In part the contract includes (1) updating the content and format, (2) adding a chat bot to improve public education, (3) redesigning the property owner capture process to improve and capture program operations, and (4) creating a Project Dashboard to improve public education and reporting.
- Attended a webinar on Buffer Ordinances. Ordinances can play an important role in supporting the creation and protection of our riparian forest buffers, but finding positive examples or knowing where to start can be challenging!

Project 30197 – DCR Flood Fund – Round 3 Supplemental (Mobjack Private Property Flood Mitigation)

VDCR CFPF funding for three shoreline protection construction projects and one stormwater flood protection project. All are located on private property within the Mobjack Bay watershed.

- Received formal notification of concerns regarding the proposed scope and budget amendment for Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) grant CFPF-22-03-65, as well as the project's compliance with grant requirements. MPPDC staff have ten days to respond to the letter and provide DCR with the requested information. MPPDC staff met with DCR on November 10th to discuss each of the concerns and requested an extension of the project to ensure the successful establishment of the native plants. Ms. Davis, DCR's Floodplain Management Division Director, recommended adding this into the response to the

notification of concerns. MPPDC staff drafted and submitted a response to DCR's notification of concerns and awaits a final decision on this project.

- Communicated with the contractor working with the Antioch School to refine and clarify his scope of work and estimate to meet the needs of DCR.
- Submitted the quarterly report to DCR CFPF program.

Project 30301 – Guinea Marsh Restoration

The project will preliminarily design and advance nature-based coastal resilience solutions that protect more than 1,000 acres of tidal marshes, dunes, and beaches in Gloucester County, Virginia, while strengthening community resilience and honoring local cultural and historical connections to the landscape. This project is funded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund and administered by the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) with subaward to MPPDC.

- Conducted various community outreach activities including engagement with steering committee, distributed core communications for project for public outreach to include website messaging, social media channels, press outreach and printed materials, and held fall community outreach meeting on October 24th with attendance from approximately 50 community members.
- Straughan Environmental drafted the Existing Conditions Report and submitted the draft for MPPDC and DWR project team review. MPPDC staff in conjunction with DWR reviewed to provide technical feedback. The draft resilience plan was also outlined to begin identifying short-term and long-term strategies.
- Continued program and grant management coordination with DWR.
- MPPDC is supporting the alignment between NFWF funds for this project and approximately $10M in EPA CPRG funds for the next phase of work. DWR is executing a subaward of $1.393M to MPPDC for design and construction of marsh protection and enhancement. Upon subaward to MPPDC, DWR intends to change order the Straughan Environmental contract consistent with the original competitive solicitation for up to $980,000 for final design and permitting services. Consistent with the MPPDC Contract Assignment Framework reviewed at the Commission meeting in August for continuity of services and professional services, MPPDC engaged Carlexson Consulting, and supporting subconsultants Consociate Media, for continued technical oversight, project planning, and outreach support.

Project 32026 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority (MPCBPAA)

This program is for PDC staff to provide financial and accounting services.

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Project 32186 – VCZMP SAV Mitigation

This project is for the development of a planning document to support the establishment of a Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) mitigation program for the Middle Peninsula. The project is funded with federal funding from NOAA via the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

- Anchor QEA submitted the draft of the third deliverable to evaluate mitigation approaches associated with impacting SAV to support dredging and restoration projects within the current regulatory framework and mitigation pathways. Stakeholder coordination with DWR, VMRC, and USACE to assess feasibility of mitigation strategies continues.
- Aligned with the DMMI initiative to support SAV mitigation strategies in support of the municipal

dredging program.

Project 32187 – VCZMP Advancing BUDM in Coastal Virginia: Implementation Strategies & Policy Development
This project will advance technical implementation of BUDM by conducting a comprehensive literature review and refining sediment testing protocols and developing a planning and implementation document to standardize regulatory approvals and streamline project execution for municipal dredging programs. Additionally, the project will update the inventory of sites needing material, conduct targeted research, and engage stakeholders to address regulatory and economic challenges. The project is funded with federal funding from NOAA via the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

- Carlexson Consulting provided grant oversight and coordination in addition to report development for sediment science to inform beneficial use of dredged material supported by Dr. Lee Daniels for sediment testing protocols based on his research and experience with Weanack Land at Shirley Plantation.

- Provided technical input to support DEQ with development of a document to inform guidance development for review and regulatory oversight of dredged material handling and align with the guidance being developed by VMRC. Also provided updates and support for the Habitat Policy Oversight Committee that is determining how best to regulate BUDM.

- Aligned with the DMMI initiative to support BUDM implementation strategies in support of the municipal dredging program.

Project 35001 – VCZMP Ecotourism Booster
The project will add the George Washington Regional Commission to the Virginia Water Trails website, hold a planning process to develop a sustainable solution for the Virginia Certified Ecotour Guide Course (VCEG), hire a consultant to lead the 2025 VCEG, and to pilot the development of an experiential water trail video to promote recreation, tourism and history of Urbanna Creek in Middlesex County.

- Worked with the CZM Program to update the ecotourism semi-annual report and the financial report.

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

Project 30222 – VDRPT Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) Operating FY26
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.

- Received and reviewed the November 4 marketing update from Consociate Media. Reviewed the status of the $1,500. Reviewed plans for the January 2027 HUB33 open houses in King and Queen County, including promotional activities scheduled to begin in November. Participated in the ConnectingVA Partners monthly meeting. Kathy Molin with DRPT visited HUB33.

Project 31007 – VDOT Rural Transportation Planning FY26
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.

- Worked on tracking quarterly progress reporting and reimbursement requirements. Received notification that Q4 for FY2026 and Q1 FY2027 Reimbursements were approved and being paid. Reviewed the status of first-quarter activities,

including transportation GIS training and Gloucester County SMART SCALE coordination. Continued tracking Gloucester County's Route 17 widening SMART SCALE application, No. 13894. Reviewed materials for the October 28 VDOT STARS STUDY kickoff meeting for the Town of Tappahannock and Essex County US 360/US17 Project. Participated in the STARS STUDY kick off meeting Evaluated potential public engagement methods to obtain input from residents, businesses, and motorists along the study corridor. Offered assistance to Essex County and the Town of Tappahannock with public engagement, public meetings, and coordination.

Project 32169 – USDOT RAISE Public Working Waterfront Designs

Project is to conduct a region-wide planning project that will result in a suite of shovel-ready, high-priority multi-modal transportation infrastructure improvements intended to address critical needs related to the region's publicly owned working waterfronts in order to meet the modern and future needs of the region's growing commercial seafood and maritime industries. The project will involve three distinct tasks: 1) State of Good Repair Condition Assessments, 2) Multimodal Working Waterfront Needs Assessment and Improvement Strategies, and 3) Multimodal Working Waterfront Improvement Plan Development.

- Reviewed MARAD reimbursement records, VHB consultant invoices, and payment documentation. Developed a multi-worksheet reconciliation spreadsheet comparing reimbursement requests, payments received, consultant invoices, and outstanding balances. Reviewed the final project deliverables transmitted by VHBs Connor Burke. Prepared correspondence requesting confirmation that the deliverables are acceptable and clarification regarding release or replacement of the outstanding consultant payment. Evaluated remaining financial documentation needed for the final reimbursement and grant closeout.

Project 301011/301012 – DCR Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF)/VMRC Waterway Maintenance Fund (WMF) Davis Creek (Mathews) Dredging.

Project is for finalizing dredged material disposal solution obtaining appropriate permits and implementing dredging of Davis Creek.

- Met with the project team, including Mathews County and Mark Mansfield, to discuss the current status of the DCR Davis Creek project. The team shared that the project is moving forward but it's on the Army Corps of Engineer's timeline which is slow and methodical. Consequently, as the DCR performance period ends January 2027, MPPDC staff reached out to DCR to discuss the need for a no-cost extension. On November 5, 2026, MPPDC staff met with DCR. Based on meeting discussions DCR recommended that we reach out to Army Corps of Engineers to get an understanding of the project timeline. If the project can be complete with a one-year extension (January 2028), then we should proceed with an extension and continue with the project. If the project cannot be complete with a one-year extension, DCR recommended that we resend the funds and reapply for CFPF Round 7 funding.
- Submitted the quarterly report to DCR CFPF program.

Project 38810 – VPA Waterway Maintenance Fund (WMF) Aberdeen Creek (Gloucester) Dredging

Gloucester County was awarded VA Port Authority Waterway Maintenance Funding to dredge the Aberdeen Creek channel to –7 feet Mean Low Water and place the dredged material at an appropriate location. MPPDC is administering the grant on behalf of the County with procurement and permitting assistance and project oversight.

- Continued aligning dredging with the restoration project (MPPDC 38818)
- Supported Gloucester County PM utilizing an existing county contract to contact VHB for engineering and permitting services for the dredging permits and placement concepts.

Project 38812 – DCR Flood Fund – Whiting Creek (Middlesex) Dredging

Project is for designing and developing a draft permit application for dredging and beneficial reuse of disposal

of dredged material at Whiting Creek.

- Project is closed.

Project 38818 – DCR CFPF Aberdeen Spit Restoration

MPPDC was awarded a Coastal Flood Preparedness Fund grant for the design and construction of a living shoreline at the mouth of Aberdeen Creek in Gloucester County.

- Continued assessment of various placement strategies and design configurations utilizing dredged material for island/spit restoration at the mouth of Aberdeen Creek. Also began assessment of utilizing a portion of the dredged material for restoration and enhancement of Catlett Islands.
- Conducting bi-weekly progress meetings with consultant, County, and others as needed to align dredging with placement strategies and drive schedule.

ONSITE REPAIR & PUMPOUT
Funding – Grants, VRA Loan Funds, local match from MPPDC General Fund, cost-sharing

Project 32173 VDH Septic Well Assistance Program (SWAP)

This project will provide grant funding to assist VDH approved low-income Middle Peninsula homeowners with costs associated with septic repair/installation, private well installation/abandonment, and connecting to public water and sewer for the purposes of wastewater/water improvements.

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Project 32178 VDH Septic Well Assistance Program (SWAP) Direct to Partner Initiative (D2PI)

This project will utilize American Rescue Plan Act Funding (ARPA) through the SWAP Program to expedite the installation and completion of ~5 VDH approved Middle Peninsula low-income homeowner's shovel-ready septic, sewer, and well installation projects for the purposes of wastewater/water improvements.

- We provided the Notice to Proceed to Soils Inc. to install the Alternative Onsite Discharging System at 940 Indian Creek Road in Chesapeake for Mr. Peery, a project that was nine years in the making. Installation was completed, and we have a copy of the Operation Permit. We submitted the project invoice to accounting for payment.
- This contract is ready for final reporting, requisition, and close out.

Project 32179 DEQ ARPA Septic Local Partner Program

This project will utilize American Rescue Plan Act Funding (ARPA) through the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to utilize a new and more cost-effective septic repair pilot program approach for participating Middle Peninsula homeowners with failing septic systems.

- Work is complete. We submitted the final report and requisition to DEQ for payment. Once funds are received, we will pay the final outstanding invoice.

Project 32188 DEQ 319 Lower Mattaponi Residential Septic

This project will utilize funds from the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality to addresses exceedances of Virginia's water quality standard for fecal coliform bacteria in the Mattaponi River Implementation Plan watershed, specifically, Maracossic Creek and Chapel Creek in King & Queen County and Reedy Creek in King William County. It is a 50/50 cost share fund for residential septic improvements.

- *We met with DEQ to discuss changing the program from a 50/50 cost share only to an option with reduced levels of property owner cost share based on income qualifications. We revised the Grant Manual and will be submitting it to DEQ for approval this month.*

Project 301250 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Alliance (MPA) FY26

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

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Project 38816 – DEQ IIJA Living Shoreline BMP Construction

MPPDC staff are constructing living shorelines within and outside of defined Most Effective Basin areas and submitting the projects to the DEQ BMP warehouse to help the Commonwealth meet its federally-mandated requirements to reduce nutrients and sediment pollution within the Chesapeake Bay.

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

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.

- No funding for staff to work on this effort.

Project 35004– EDA Partnership Planning Program

The project will enable the Economic Development District (EDD) to provide comprehensive economic development planning services to the EDD region and will enable the EDD to successfully manage and coordinate the development and implementation of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy to address the unique needs of our region and support the region's economic development and growth.

- Staff worked with Consociate Media to finalize the draft update to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Region. The document was posted for public comment during the week of October 26th. Comments will be accepted through November 30th and two in-person review sessions are scheduled for November 18th.
- Staff submitted the annual project progress report and semi-annual financial report by the October30th deadline.
- Staff is actively working to facilitate the restart of the Middle Peninsula Alliance (MPA) in some form. The LGA held a discussion on this topic at its November meeting. Staff is working with Delegate Hodges to schedule a meeting of the mayors & chairs, administrators & managers, and remaining MPA board members to discuss the future of the organization. The target is to hold the meeting in early December.

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

Project 302010 – FY25 VA Water Trails Website Maintenance

MPPDC partners with PlanRVA, Accomack-Northampton PDC, and Northern Neck PDC to host and maintain the VA Water Trails website as a recreational, tourism, and public access resource to water trails within the partner regions – www.VirginiaWaterTrails.org

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Project 38026 – FY26 Local & Regional Technical Assistance

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

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Project 30003–DEQ Water Supply Plan Update

This project addresses the Virginia General Assembly mandate to develop a water supply plan. Research, write, secure, and monitor federal, state, local, and foundational grants for participating Middle Peninsula local governments based on needs identified by Local Government Administrators.

- Received notice from DEQ that contracts for the Water Supply Planning Grant will be delayed.

Project 38101 – LGA Grants Program

Research, write, secure, and monitor federal, state, local, and foundational grants for participating Middle Peninsula local governments based on needs identified by Local Government Administrators.

- Attended kick-off meeting for Gloucester County's DCR Land & Water Conservation Fund grant for $714,788 for Gloucester Point Beach Park resiliency improvements, including upgrading & elevating restrooms, pavilion & access ramps.
- Completed NOAA Request for Information for $802,000 FY26 Congressionally Directed Spending proposal for MPPDC to purchase, deploy, and operate for one-year water-level monitoring stations across the Middle Peninsula, in cooperation with VIMS.
  - Anticipated project start date March 1, 2027.
- Amending Scope of Work for $506,000 FY26 Congressionally Directed Spending award to MPPDC to purchase & install generators at Essex County's Emergency Operations Center and Gloucester County's backup EOC:
  - Worked with FEMA to remove Middlesex County project from Scope of Work at County's request, resulting in additional funding available to other Middle Peninsula localities for EOC improvements:
    - Gloucester & Essex counties updating budgets to include additional elements that support EOCs & backup EOCS.
    - King & Queen County developing budget & identifying matching funds to add regional communications & coordination equipment to project Scope of Work
- Coordinating with MARAD, Middlesex County & EDA, and MPPDC to execute contract for $1.6 million USDOT BUILD grant award to Middlesex County to develop shovel-ready plans for Broad Creek-Chesapeake Bay Access working waterfront site adjacent to Norview Marina:
  - Attending monthly meetings with MARAD to complete pre-award requirements:
    - NEPA review completed
    - Section 106 review completed
    - Title VI Assessment initiated
    - USDOT/MARAD Draft Grant Agreement comments being addressed
  - Assisted MPPDC Transportation Program staff in developing Service Agreement between Middlesex County & MPPDC for project management.
- Coordinating with DOW, NPS, and DCR to execute contract for Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration Program grant award to MPCBPAA to acquire 513 acres near Middle Peninsula Regional Airport for conservation and public recreation:
  - Original $276,000 award likely reduced to $103,000 due to appraisal value of Restrictive Easement:

        - Coordinating with NPS to determine if this reduces Readiness and Recreation Initiative matching fund award from $276,000 to $103,000.
        - Coordinating with Virginia Military Community Infrastructure Grant Program regarding previous award to fill funding gap for total purchase price of $552,000.
- Coordinating with MPCBPAA to develop application and initiate Environmental Review required to release $810,000 in FY26 Community Project Funding to acquire upland dredged material storage sites that support a regional dredging program.
    - Attending ongoing HUD trainings.
- U.S. Representative Wittman selected 3 Community Project Funding (earmark) requests to support for inclusion in the FY27 federal budget:
    - $1,288,608 to Essex County to construct new Joint Maintenance Facility & access road to support County emergency services, public schools, and other vehicles in Essex County's fleet.
        - Coordinating with Essex to identify 45% required matching funds.
    - $1 million to MPCBPAA to acquire uplands sites for storage of dredged materials to support regional dredging program.
    - $2 million in pass-through funding to USACE to develop a dredge material management plan & conduct site maintenance required to support full dredging of Winter Harbor channel in Mathews County.
    - House Appropriations Committee will determine final funding awards during FY27 federal budget process.
- U.S. Senators Kainer & Warner selected 1 Congressionally Directed Spending (earmark) request to support for inclusion in the FY27 federal budget:
    - $976,000 to Town of Tappahannock for Prince Street water and sewer main upgrades.
    - Senate Appropriation Committee will determine final funding award during FY27 federal budget process.
- Met with MARAD to discuss funding strategies for future phases of Middlesex County's Broad Creek-Chesapeake Bay Access Project, including USDOT's Nationally Significant Multimodal Freight and Highways Projects (INFRA) program.
- Researched funding requests from localities:
    - Virginia Waterway Maintenance Fund for Middlesex County's emergency dredging of Jackson Creek
    - FY28 Community Project Funding, FY28 Congressionally Directed Spending, and FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant for Mathews County's emergency communications system upgrades

Project 38819 – EECBG Middlesex Energy Audits

Middlesex County was awarded Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) funding from the Virginia Department of Energy to conduct residential & business energy audits, public education events, and marketing/outreach activities. MPPDC is administering the grant on behalf of the County and providing legal support for procurement and contracting.

- Needs to be assigned to a staff member.

HOUSING
Funding – Housing Loan Program Income

EMERGENCY SERVICES
Funding – VDEM/FEMA/Homeland Security

Project 30192 – DCR/FEMA - Fight the Flood GIS Tool Enhancements

Improvements will be made to the FTF online and GIS tools which are intended to enhance the GIS data tool capabilities and the overall management of the program. Improvements will include automated programs to expedite and streamline the grant application process, programs for identifying needs and advancing projects which align with available funding resources, improvements which will help feature products and services for participating FTF businesses, and training for MPPDC staff.

- Project is in project close out.

Project 32180 – FEMA Ware Cove LLC

This project is for the mitigation reconstruction of a residential structure in Gloucester County. The current structure will be demolished and a smaller, more code-compliant and more hazard-resistant structure on an elevated foundation system will be constructed. The mitigation reconstruction project will mitigate flood risk and the associated costs.

- Checked in with VDEM about the project budget amendment on 10/28/27; however, VDEM is still waiting for final determination.

- Upon request of VDEM staff, MPPDC staff submitted a scope of work amendment request for a greater than 10% budget change on EM Grants for tracking purposes.

Project 32300 - FEMA VDEM AHMP

This project will guide Middle Peninsula localities through the updating of the regional All Hazards Mitigation Plan (AHMP). The Plan evaluates all hazards that may affect the region and proposes mitigation strategies to reduce the impacts of future hazardous events.

- MPPDC staff hosted Local Planning Team meetings and below is the meeting attendance.

Locality	**Meeting Attendance** ü= attended meeting -- = did not attend meeting					
	LPT Meeting 1 *(4/23/25)*	LPT Meeting 2 *(5/5/25)*	LPT Meeting 3 *(5/19/25)*	LPT Meeting 4 *(6/9/25)*	LPT Meeting 5 *(6/23/25)*	LPT Meeting 6 *(12/8/25)*
Essex	ü	ü	--	ü	ü	--
Gloucester	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü
King William	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	
King & Queen	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü
Mathews County	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü
Middlesex County	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü
Town of Urbanna	ü	ü	--	ü	ü	ü
Tappahannock	ü	--	--	--	--	ü
West Point	ü	ü	ü	ü	ü	--

- Worked on drafting Chapter 6 of the AHMP focused on locality capabilities.

Project 38823 – FEMA Elevation Ware River – Robens

This project will focus on elevating a residential home in Gloucester County, VA. This property is a repetitive loss home and this project will ultimately reduce future claims to FEMA.

- No updates this month.

LOAN FUNDS FOR SEPTIC AND LIVING SHORELINES
Funding – VRA

Project 30420 – On-Site Technical Guidance Assistance and 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.

Project 33001 – Loan Fund Program for Septic and Living Shoreline

During 2022, the MPPDC received a $3M line of credit for living shoreline and septic repair projects from the VA Resources Authority. The fund provides a single financing program for activities historically covered by the MPPDC's On-Site Technical Guidance and Living Shoreline Incentive Programs.

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Project 31500 – Living Shoreline Loan Program

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AGENCY ADMINISTRATION
Funding - Indirect cost reimbursements from all PDC projects

MPPDC Administration

- *Administrative services provided to MPPDC programs. The allocation of indirect costs is still pending, as the FY27 indirect cost rate has not yet been established.*

Finance & Budget

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Audit & Compliance

- *The auditor submitted the first draft of the FY 2025 Audit Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). Finance provided the information requested by the auditor, including grant agreements for the following projects:*
  - 30005 – Resilience Planning
  - 30196 – York
  - 30197 – Mobjack
  - 35002 – Innovative Housing Planning
- The FY 2025 budget was provided to the auditor. However, we are still working to locate the final budget that was formally approved by the Commissioners.
- The most recent follow-up communication with the auditor was completed on November 11, 2026.

Program Administration

- *Finance completed a reconciliation of the Revolving Loan Program using four sources: GMS-RLSS, VRA account history, C&F Bank records, and the internal Loan Program Tracker. The objective was to verify that all funds could be traced from VRA to MPPDC, from MPPDC to the borrower, and from the borrower back through the repayment process. All borrower payments collected by the bank during FY 2026 have now been reconciled and matched to corresponding entries in GMS.*
- *Finance identified borrower payments that had been collected by the bank but had not been recorded in GMS. These transactions have now been entered and posted as follows:*
  - *73 payments totaling $40,122.47- (Principal: $29,679.65 + Interest: $10,442.82)*
  - *FY 2026: 16 payments totaling $13,571.20 (April through June 2026)*
  - *FY 2027: 57 payments totaling $26,551.27 (July through October 2026)*
- *Finance is addressing the remaining corrective actions identified during the reconciliation process:*
  - *Loan 0040: The loan was paid off and resulted in an overpayment of $145.03. The Accounts Payable team*

will process a refund to return the excess funds collected from the borrower.

Closed Projects

Project 38814 – NOAA/VCZMP New Point Comfort Observation Deck Rehab

Project 32182 – VCZMP Working Waterfront Resilience Assessments

Project 30191 – DCR Flood Fund – Mill Creek Boat Ramp (Middlesex)

Project 30124 – Staff Support to Middle Peninsula Alliance (MPA) FY24
MPPDC staff are providing clerical and fiscal assistance to the Middle Peninsula Alliance.

Project 30195 – Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) – Round 3 Supplemental (Piankatank) *VDCR CFPF funding for one shoreline protection construction project on private property within the Piankatank River watershed.*

Project 30198 – Gwynn's Island Septic
To support the MPPDC Regional On-Site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Funding Program, this grant from Mathews Community Foundation provides septic repair assistance to LMI homeowners on Gwynn's Island.

Project 30220 – Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) Operating FY24
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 30321 – Rural Transportation Planning FY24
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 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.

Project 32170 – 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.

Project 32171 – CZM 306 Next Generation Shoreline Plan Yr2
VIMS Shoreline Studies Program will continue to 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 moderate energy wave environment publicly owned site will be completed.

Project 32172 – DEQ CZM ANPDC Ecotourism VI FY23
This project will build on the efforts completed between 2020-2021. During this project, PDCs will focus on implementing actions identified in the 36-month Marketing Strategy and Action Plan. MPPDC staff will also develop a grant application to seek funds which address resilience needs identified in the 2022 resilience assessment of MPCBPAA properties. PDCs will also collaborate to identify a long-term sustainability plan for maintaining the site for years to come.

Project 32175 – DEQ Chesapeake Bay WIP Technical Assistance 2023
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 32176 – NFWF Veterans Partnership

MPPDC will develop and formalize an operating agreement between the MP-PAA and Knott Alone-Hold Fast, Inc, a nonprofit organization providing counseling and coastal eco and restoration workforce development services focusing on leveraging Chesapeake Bay coastal environs for veterans. The project will build capacity to address a known gap in local workforce for resilience and restoration activities.

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.

Project 30221 – VDRPT Commuter Assistance Program (CAP) Operating FY25

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 31005 – VDOT Rural Transportation Planning FY25

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 32024 – MPPDC Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF) Get Outdoors

This project will provide the Middle Peninsula Chesapeake Bay Public Access Authority with nature trail demarcation and location services on the Captain Sinclair's complex in Gloucester by partnering with Knott Alone Hold Fast, a veteran support program.

Project 30001 – VCZMP Coastal Technical Assistance FY24

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 30009 – CFPF Captain Sinclairs Berm/Road Flood Mitigation

Project is to design and develop a draft permit application for construction of a flood mitigation berm to address recurrent flooding at the MPCBPAA Captain Sinclairs Recreation Area in Gloucester. The project also involves elevation of the public road at the site for flood mitigation purposes.

Project 35002 – VHDA CIG Housing Planning FY24

VHDA awarded MPPDC a $50,000 Community Impact Grant – Innovation Planning to scope out three innovation building systems, floating moisture barrier system (FMBS) – Home Mechanix, onsite wastewater treatment & reuse system (OWTRS) – Triangle Environmental, and structural steel insulated panel system (SSIP) – ThermaSteel. The grant was for the preparation of three "white papers" that would mirror the application for a VHDA Housing Innovation Implementation Grant. These three innovative housing systems can significantly improve the resiliency of housing, allow for the development of resilient housing in low-lying coastal areas, and reduce the overall cost of housing, particularly for lower-income households. The purpose of the project was to test demonstrate each innovative building system at the Captain Sinclair property with the objective increasing the deployment of each system in coastal Virginia.

Project 32177 – EDA Technical Assistance Program 2023

MPPDC will facilitate the maintenance, update, and implementation of the Middle Peninsula Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) utilizing existing regional partnerships and building upon recent and ongoing regional initiatives focusing on fostering economic growth within the region.

Project 32181 – VCZMP Coastal Technical Assistance FY23

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 32183 – FY2023 SCRC Local Development District Capacity Building

MPPDC received funding from the Southeast Crescent Regional Commission to provide technical assistance for economic and community development activities within the region. This year's grant will focus on partnering with

the Middle Peninsula Alliance to hire a trainer who can relaunch a business development course which is a requisite for accessing available MPPDC small business loan funding.

Project 38024 – FY24 Local & Regional Technical Assistance

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

Project 38815 – Middlesex County Comp Plan Audit – Feb 2024

A diagnostic review and analysis of the Middlesex County Comprehensive Plan will be conducted to identify areas in need of improvement or addition to ensure compliance with state requirements.

Project 321771- GO Virginia – West Point Adjacent Land Airport Study

Project studies the needs for moving the land adjacent to the airport to the next tier under the VEDP site readiness program.

Project 321772 – DCR Flood Fund - West Point Bridge Study

Project is to conduct a Hydrologic and Hydraulic Study and Structural Design and Level of Service Study to address ongoing flooding for a Town owned bridge adjacent to the Middle Peninsula Regional Airport.

Project 30190 – DCR Flood Fund - Hoskins Creek (Tappahannock)

Project is to design, obtain permits for, and construct a living shoreline on the Town-owned property adjacent to the Rte. 17 bridge over Hoskins Creek in Tappahannock.

Project 30196 – DCR Flood Fund – Round 3 Supplemental (York Private Property Shorelines)

VDCR CFPF funding for two shoreline protection construction projects on private properties within the York River watershed.

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.

Project 38811 – DCR Flood Fund – Broad Creek (Middlesex) Dredging and Jetty Design

Project is for designing and dredging Broad Creek while concurrently designing and developing a draft joint permit application for the construction of shoaling protection structures along the mouth of the channel to ensure long-term navigability.

Project 38813 – Broad Creek Spot Dredging (Middlesex) VPA Emergency Dredging

Project is for emergency dredging of the federal navigation channel and placement of dredging material in the federal upland placement site adjacent to Broad Creek.

Project 301981 – FY25 Gwynn's Island Septic

To support the MPPDC Regional On-Site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Funding Program, this grant from Mathews Community Foundation provides septic repair assistance to LMI homeowners on Gwynn's Island.

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

This project 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.

Project 30187 – VHDA Affordable Workforce Housing Development

The three-year project involves 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.

Project 30013 – 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.

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 Master Plan 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+)

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.

Virginia Shoreline Working Group: The Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program launched the working group in 2022 to focus in on complex regulatory and legal matters pertaining to shoreline management and to help advance shoreline protection and habitat restoration projects that can compete for federal funding.

Virginia Bay Enhancement Working Group (BEWG): The Northam Administration and VMRC launched BEWG in 2020 as result of administration policy of no future overboard discharge of dredged material. The group is tasked with identifying beneficial reuse opportunities for the 1 Million cubic yards of material that is dredged every 3-5 years from the York Spit Navigation Channel which is the primary shipping channel for the Baltimore Harbor in the southern section of the middle of the Chesapeake Bay. MPPDC staff were requested to serve to evaluate alternatives from around the Bay and including the Middle Peninsula.

Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA): The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), founded in 1906, represents public finance officials throughout the United States and Canada. The association's more than 20,000 members are federal, state/provincial, and local finance officials deeply involved in planning, financing, and implementing thousands of governmental operations in each of their jurisdictions. GFOA's mission is to advance excellence in public finance. (MPPDC Staff 9 years). No longer a member of this organization.

Virginia Government Finance Officers Association (VGFOA): The Virginia Municipal Finance Officers' Association was organized on January 12, 1968. The name of the organization was changed to The Virginia Government Finance Officers Association on October 5, 1984. The VGFOA provides educational opportunities to members through the VGFOA Certification Program, provides networking and educational opportunities through two annual conferences, provides legislative updates and updates from standard-setting bodies such as GASB, OMB, etc. (MPPDC Staff 15+ years and Certified)

National Grants Management Association (NGMA): NGMA provides national and international leadership, helping its members achieve success in the grants management community through the advocacy of best practices and the promotion of professional excellence. (MPPDC Staff 3 months)

ACRONYMS

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