

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #8: REGIONAL REVIEWS – MONTHLY STATUS REPORT

A. PNRS Items (Initial Review)

The HRPDC staff is routinely involved in the review of applications for grants to support projects involving federal or state funding. To ensure that all Commissioners are aware of projects being reviewed, brief summaries of these projects and anticipated review schedules are included in the Agenda. The HRPDC staff will continue to request comments directly from staff in localities that appear to be directly affected by a project. Review and comment by more than one locality is requested when a project may affect the entire region or a sub-regional area. There are no outstanding comments as of April 12, 2011 on this project.

Attachment 8A - PNRS

B. Environmental Impact Assessment/Statement Review

The HRPDC staff is routinely involved in the review of environmental impact assessments and statements for projects involving federal funding or permits as well as state development projects. To ensure that all Commissioners are aware of projects being reviewed, brief summaries of these projects and anticipated review schedules are included in the Agenda. The HRPDC staff will continue to request comments directly from staff in localities that appear to be directly affected by a project. Attached is a listing and summary of projects that are presently under review.

Attachment 8B – Environmental Impact Assessment/Statement Review

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

None required.

Project Notification and Reviews

Date 4/1/2011 **CH #** VA11032211-1223760

Title VADEQ FY12-13 Pollution Prevention Initiatives

Applicant Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

State/Federal Program Environmental Protection Agency

Type of Impact Statewide

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

The proposed project will expand and enhance the agency's core pollution prevention programs, the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program, the Governor's Environmental Excellence Awards program, the Virginia Green tourism program, and the Southwest Virginia E3 initiative, with a goal of achieving a greater level of sustainability throughout the Commonwealth.

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| Federal | \$95,000.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$95,000.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$0.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$190,000.00 | |

Date 4/1/2011 **CH #** VA11030311-1123760

Title 2011-2012 Beach Monitoring in Virginia

Applicant Commonwealth of Virginia State Board of Health

State/Federal Program Environmental Protection Agency

Type of Impact Coastal Virginia

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

A proposal to implement beach monitoring and risk communications plans for coastal beaches in Virginia.

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| Federal | \$282,000.00 | Local | \$0.00 |
| Applicant | \$0.00 | Other | \$0.00 |
| State | \$0.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$282,000.00 | |

Date 4/7/2011 **CH #** VA11033111-1323xxx

Title Pinewood Heights Phase II Redevelopment Project

Applicant Town of Smithfield

State/Federal Program 2011 Virginia Community Development Block Grant Program

Type of Impact Town of Smithfield

Project Staff Sara Kidd

Project Description

The Town of Smithfield will implement Phase II of the Pinewood Heights Redevelopment Project. This Comprehensive Community Development project will include the acquisition of 16 housing units which are all occupied plus 2 vacant lots. Relocation workload will include 9 homeowners and 7 tenant households. The 16 units will subsequently be demolished and the property marketed for industrial use.

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| Federal | \$89,800.00 | Local | \$1,214,706.00 |
| Applicant | \$0.00 | Other | \$1,000,000.00 |
| State | \$63,000.00 | Income | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$2,367,506.00 | |

Environmental Impact Reviews

Received 3/10/2011 **Number** 11-036S

Name Wild Duck Lane Property Acquisition

Sponsor Virginia Port Authority

Description

Virginia Port Authority (VPA) submitted an environmental impact report (EIR) for the acquisition of 7.6 acres of land that is next to the APM Terminal in the City of Portsmouth. VPA does not have specific development plans but intends to use the property to expand the terminal main near Wild Duck Lane.

Affected Localities Portsmouth

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/15/2011 **Number** 11-039S

Name Warehouse E Newport News Marine Terminal

Sponsor Virginia Port Authority

Description

The Virginia Port Authority is proposing to construct a bulk storage warehouse at the Newport News Marine Terminal. The terminal is located at 25th Street and Warwick Boulevard. The proposed warehouse will be approximately 200,000 square feet in size. It will provide temporary storage for rubber, paper and other products. It will include areas for storage, offices, bathrooms and maintenance.

Affected Localities Newport News

Finding

The proposal appears to be consistent with local and regional plans and policies. We encourage VPA to utilize best management practices during construction and operation of this site to minimize negative impacts to water quality in the James River from stormwater runoff.

Comments Sent 4/8/2011

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/17/2011

Number 11-042S

Name Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line Rail Yard Reconstruction

Sponsor Virginia Port Authority

Description

The Virginia Port Authority is proposing to reconstruct a portion of the Norfolk and Portsmouth Belt Line Rail Yard in the City of Norfolk that currently services the Norfolk International Terminals. The project involves the design, repair and upgrade of the freight rail yard, rail infrastructure and associated railroad track. Repairs and updates will include the replace of 8,000 feet of track, switches, ties, stone ballast and improvement of supporting utility infrastructure systems.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

The proposal appears to be consistent with local and regional plans and policies, as long as VPA complies with all relevant erosion and sediment control and stormwater management regulations. We encourage VPA to utilize available best management practices to reduce stormwater runoff volume if feasible.

Comments Sent 4/8/2011

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/22/2011

Number 11-051F

Name Mooring Upgrades to Pier 1, Naval Station Norfolk

Sponsor DOD/Department of the Navy

Description

The Navy is proposing to upgrade Pier 1 at Naval Station Norfolk to accommodate the berthing of the U.S. naval ship Comfort. Pier 1 is located along the mouth of the Elizabeth River on the southwest corner of the navy facility. The existing mooring platforms will be demolished. Potable water, fire protection systems and other utilities will be upgraded as part of the project. The work will occur within the existing footprint of the pier. The Navy submitted a federal consistency determination stating that the project would be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/23/2011

Number 11-050S

Name Student Center, Tidewater Community College

Sponsor Virginia Community College System

Description

The Virginia Community College System is proposing to construct a student center at its Tidewater Community College campus in the City of Portsmouth. The project also will include the construction of a short-term parking lot, service access and equipment yard. The center would be more than 59,000 gross square feet and include spaces for food services, book distribution, student organizations, yoga studio, building support and multi-purpose spaces.

Affected Localities Portsmouth

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/23/2011

Number 11-048F

Name Construction of Parking Lots at the New Town Project

Sponsor NASA

Description

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) proposes to construct parking lots associated with the New Town project at NASA Langley Research Center (LaRC) located in the City of Hampton. The New Town Project is an on-going major redevelopment project to revitalize NASA LaRC's infrastructure and capabilities. The Commonwealth reviewed and responded to a Federal Consistency Determination submitted by NASA LaRC in July 2008 for Phase I of the project (DEQ 09-149F). As Phase I of New Town is almost complete and Phase II begins, NASA has identified the need to construct additional parking to accommodate the new Administrative Office Building, as well as construct or modify parking areas at several other buildings to accommodate personnel that are being moved around the Center to prepare for building deconstructions and renovations. The project consists of constructing approximately 301,000 square feet of parking within and around the core of New Town. This includes 107,109 square feet of new parking lots and 193,905 square feet of extensions to existing parking lots. Design plans for the parking lots would include a base condition of 27% pervious pavers, 14% vegetation, and 59% pavement. NASA has submitted a federal consistency determination that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Hampton

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/30/2011

Number 11-057F

Name The Spectrum at Willoughby Point (Phase I)

Sponsor U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Description

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) proposes to provide mortgage insurance through its Section 221(d)(4) program to Berkadia Commercial Mortgage, LLC, for the construction of The Spectrum at Willoughby Point (Phase I) in the City of Norfolk. The HUD program provides mortgage insurance for multifamily rental housing for moderate-income families. The Spectrum at Willoughby Point will be a mixed-use community of residential and commercial structures and a yacht club. The development is planned in four phases (Phase I through Phase IV). The 3.79-acre property consists of undeveloped and cleared land, and a concrete building foundation and a concrete pier constructed in 2007 at which time the subject property was being developed as a condominium. Construction activities associated with the condominium ceased in March 2008. The proposed development is to include (1) four-story wood frame multi-family apartment building housing 190 residential units with a four-story precast parking structure. HUD has submitted a federal consistency determination that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received

Received 3/30/2011

Number 11-056F

Name Demolition of Building C at Lafayette River Annex, Naval Station Norfolk

Sponsor DOD/Navy

Description

The Department of the Navy (Navy) proposes to demolish Building C at the Lafayette River Annex (LRA) at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Norfolk in the City of Norfolk. The demolition of Building C would help accomplish the Navy's effort to reduce the inventory of obsolete, substandard facilities. The demolition would eliminate future building operation and maintenance costs. The Navy is also proposing to make necessary interior improvements to Building Z140 at NAVSTA Norfolk to accommodate office personnel and relocate the personnel who work in Building C to Building Z140. The Navy has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification that finds the proposed action consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

Affected Localities Norfolk

Finding

Comments Sent

Final State Comments Received