

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #10-D: CZM PROGRAM – TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FINAL REPORT

SUBJECT:

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality manages the Virginia Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program. During FY 2014, the HRPDC received a grant to support the Virginia CZM Program's Technical Assistance Program. The HRPDC staff has completed the final Report for this grant.

BACKGROUND:

In March 2013, the HRPDC applied for and received grant funding from the Virginia CZM Program to continue the HRPDC Coastal Resources Management Technical Assistance Program. The HRPDC has received annual funding through this grant program since 1986. This program encompasses: HRPDC staff review of state and federal Environmental Impact Assessment/Statements, support for the Hampton Roads Chesapeake Bay Committee, the evolving Chesapeake Bay-wide TMDL process, and the provision of regular technical assistance on environmental issues. It also supports HRPDC staff participation in the Chesapeake Bay Program and a variety of state and federal environmental initiatives. In the past, this program has provided the seed money for the establishment of the regional water, stormwater and environmental education programs.

The HRPDC staff has completed the Report, *Hampton Roads Coastal Resources Technical Assistance Program Fiscal Year 2013-2014*. The Report documents HRPDC CZM Technical Assistance Program activities for the period from October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014.

The Report was reviewed by the Regional Environmental Committee at its January 8, 2015 meeting. The Committee recommended approval of the report.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The HRPDC staff and Regional Environmental Committee recommend the Commission approve the Report as meeting the requirements of the Grant and Work Program and for public distribution.