

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM #10: CONTRACT – WORKING WATERFRONTS PLAN

SUBJECT:

Authorize the execution of a contract with the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) to help develop and establish a Working Waterfronts Plan for Virginia's Coastal Zone.

BACKGROUND:

The Virginia Institute of Marine Science has received a grant from the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program to work with four coastal Planning District Commissions (PDCs) to develop a Working Waterfronts Plan for Virginia's Coastal Zone. The need for such a plan was identified in the Virginia Coastal Zone Management FY11-15 Section 309 Coastal Needs Assessment and Strategies. This plan will guide communities in protecting, restoring, and enhancing their water-dependent commercial and recreational activities. The four PDCs that have been invited to participate in the process are the Accomack-Norhampton, Hampton Roads, Middle Peninsula, and Northern Neck PDCs. VIMS will provide project management and coordination of efforts by the individual PDCs. Staff from each respective PDC will participate in multi-regional discussions, coordinate with their local government members, and inventory working waterfronts in each jurisdiction based on regionally-appropriate definitions.

Contract Amount: \$6,000

Period of Performance: October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the Executive Director to execute the contract with the Virginia Institute of Marine Science to help develop and establish a Working Waterfronts Plan for Virginia's Coastal Zone.