

**AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING**

**ITEM #13: ADVISORY COMMITTEE SUMMARIES**

**A. DIRECTORS OF UTILITIES COMMITTEE SUMMARY MINUTES**

The summary minutes of the July 2, 2014 Directors of Utilities Meeting are attached.

Attachment 13-A

**B. REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SUMMARIES**

The summary of the July 3, 2014 meeting of the Regional Environmental Committee are attached.

Attachment 13-B

**MEETING OF THE  
DIRECTORS OF UTILITIES COMMITTEE,**

The Directors of Utilities Committee met on July 2, 2014. The following items were discussed during the meeting:

- The Committee discussed the need to update 2002 land use risk inventories for source water protection. The Committee directed HRPDC staff to develop a project proposal for FY15 with input from locality staff.
- The Committee discussed the draft white paper describing policy proposals for managing the use of private wells and groundwater withdrawals less than 300,000 gallons per month to mitigate impacts to the Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Area. HRPDC staff will make revisions based on the discussion.
- HRPDC staff briefed the Committee on DEQ's 2015 pilot project for long range environmental planning in Hampton Roads.
- HRPDC staff briefed the Committee on efforts by the Middle Peninsula Planning District (MPPD) to explore the legal and financial aspects of sustaining permanent funding sources to address septic repairs. The Committee provided perspectives on city and county authority to require sewer system connections, as well as enforcement issues and funding needs.
- HRPDC staff briefed the Committee on efforts by the Chesapeake Bay Program to revisit how reservoirs are treated in the Bay watershed model. The Committee discussed concerns on how the model represents reservoirs and potential impacts to utility operations.
- HRPDC staff reports included updates on DEQ's chloride monitoring program, HRPDC comments supporting the Third Amended Consent Decree, the June 23, 2014 State Water Commission Meeting, and participants in the Regulatory Advisory Panel for Waterworks Regulations.

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

The Regional Environmental Committee met on July 3, 2014. The following items were discussed.

- Ms. Whitney Katchmark, HRPDC, led a discussion by the Committee on developing legislative priorities for the next General Assembly session, and several Committee members volunteered to serve on a legislative subcommittee to develop proposals for the Committee to consider in August.
- Mr. Ben McFarlane, HRPDC, briefed the Committee on efforts related to recurrent flooding and sea level rise, including the Special Committee on Recurrent Flooding and Sea Level Rise.
- Ms. Jenny Tribo, HRPDC, provided an update to the Committee on the Chesapeake Bay Program, including the status of several BMP panels.
- Mr. McFarlane briefed the Committee on several proposals for Coastal Zone Management PDC competitive grants. The Committee voted to submit proposals for a canoe/kayak launch in Isle of Wight County and a sea level rise adaptation planning project with deliverables from Portsmouth and Virginia Beach.
- Ms. Jai McBride, HRPDC, provided an update to the Committee on the Envision Hampton Roads regional strategic planning process.
- Ms. Katchmark briefed the Committee on the Department of Environmental Quality's proposal to work with the HRPDC on a long range environmental planning pilot project, along with similar efforts in the New River Valley and Northern Virginia.
- Several committee members and guests provided status reports.