

# VIRGINIA RESILIENCE FUNDING (CFPF & RVRF)



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# LUNCH & LEARN OUTLINE

- Summary & updates on the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF)
  - **Applications Due: November 12th**
- Introduction to the Resilient Virginia Revolving Fund (RVRF)
  - **Applications Due: December 12th**
- Discussion / Questions

# COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND OVERVIEW

- In 2020, Virginia joined the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) - 45% of the revenue from RGGI auctions go to the CFPF
- Since 2020, the CFPF has received \$730M
- DCR administered 3 grant rounds for the CFPF - awarding \$97.7M to localities across VA
- \$85M is available in round 4 via grants and loans, award announcement should be December 2023

# RGGI PROCEEDS & CFPF ALLOCATIONS

RGGI Proceeds to Date (2021-present)		
Auction	Virginia Proceeds	CFPF Allocation (45%)
2021	\$227,636,584	\$102,436,463
2022	\$295,996,774	\$133,198,548
March 2023	\$66,096,400	\$29,743,380
June 2023	\$67,312,561	\$30,290,652
September* 2023	\$73,234,797.35	\$32,955,658.81
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$730,277,115.64</b>	<b>\$328,624,702.04</b>

\*RGGI auctions occur quarterly each year. In 2023, Virginia will receive additional proceeds from auctions in December.



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# CFPF AWARD CYCLES

VA Community Flood Preparedness Fund: Award Cycles					
Grant Round	Announcement Date	Amount Released	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	% Designated Low-Income
4	07/07/2023	\$80M	TBD	TBD	TBD
3	09/28/2022	Phase One: \$40M Phase Two: \$56.4M Total for Round 3: \$70M	\$93M 64 applications	Phase One: \$13.6M 27 applications Phase Two: \$51.8M 22 applications	72%
2	12/22/2021	\$17M	\$29.7M 37 applications	\$24.5M* 30 applications	86%
1	10/05/2021	\$18M	\$14.5M 32 applications	\$7.8M 19 applications	49%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$105M**</b>	<b>\$137M</b>	<b>\$97.7M</b>	<b>74%</b>
<p>*DCR released funds that were left over from Grant Round One to fund additional applications in Grant Round Two.</p> <p>**The total amount released represents only a portion of the money available in the CFPF, which receives a 45% allocation from the quarterly Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative auctions. About \$100M remains unallocated.</p>					



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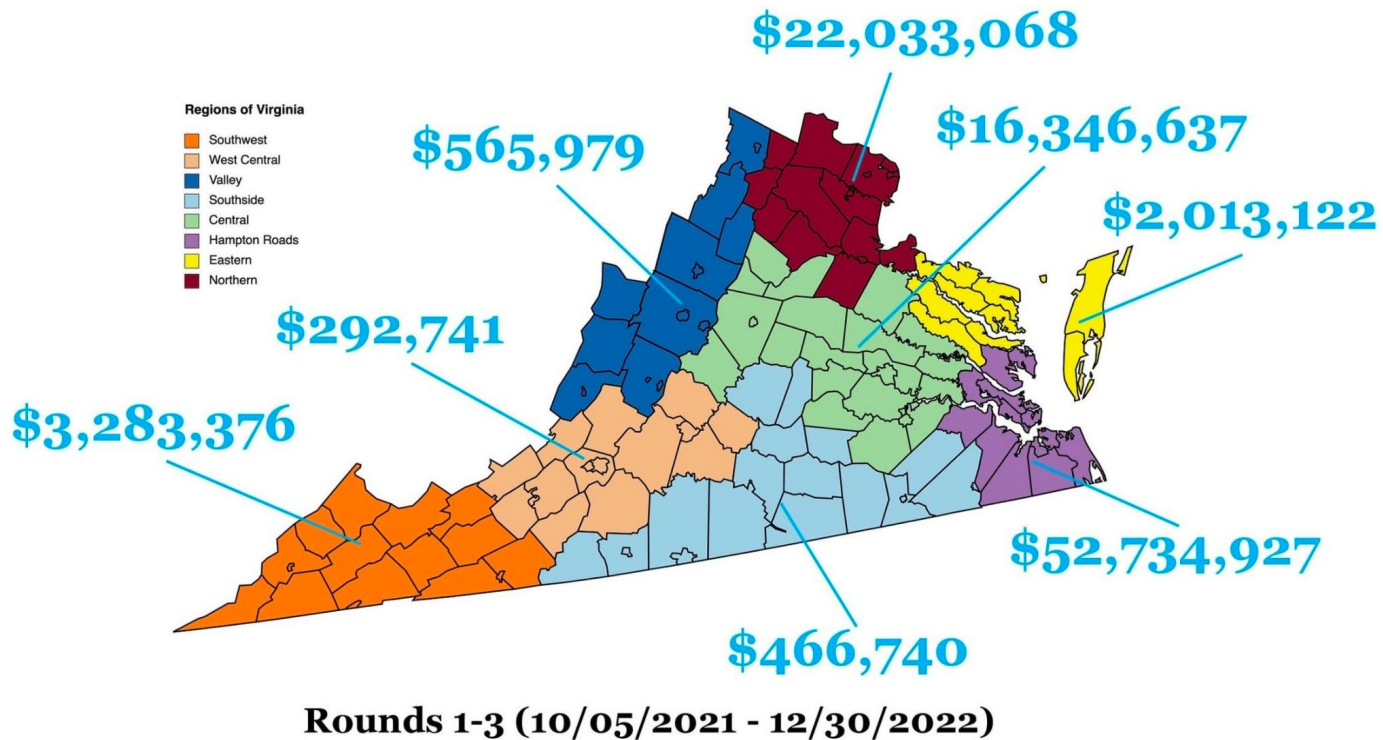
# COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND OVERVIEW

- Grant Categories include\*:
  - Planning & Capacity Building
  - Studies
  - Projects (Local Resilience Plan required)
- Round 4 is open until November 12th, 2023

*\*\$50M is available in grants for all three categories. An additional \$35M is available in loans (loans only apply to projects).*

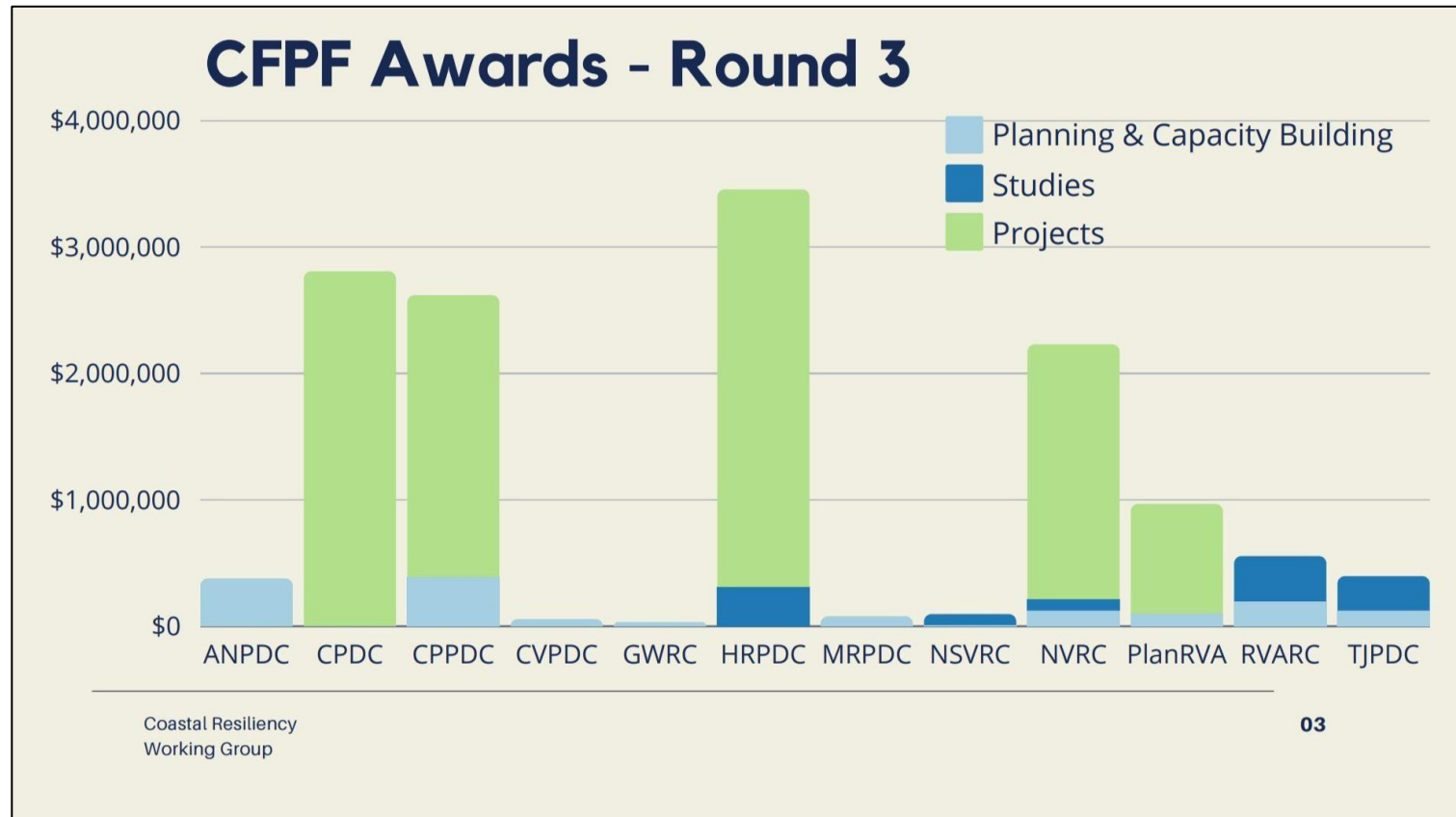
# COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND OVERVIEW

## Community Flood Preparedness Fund: Geographic Disbursement



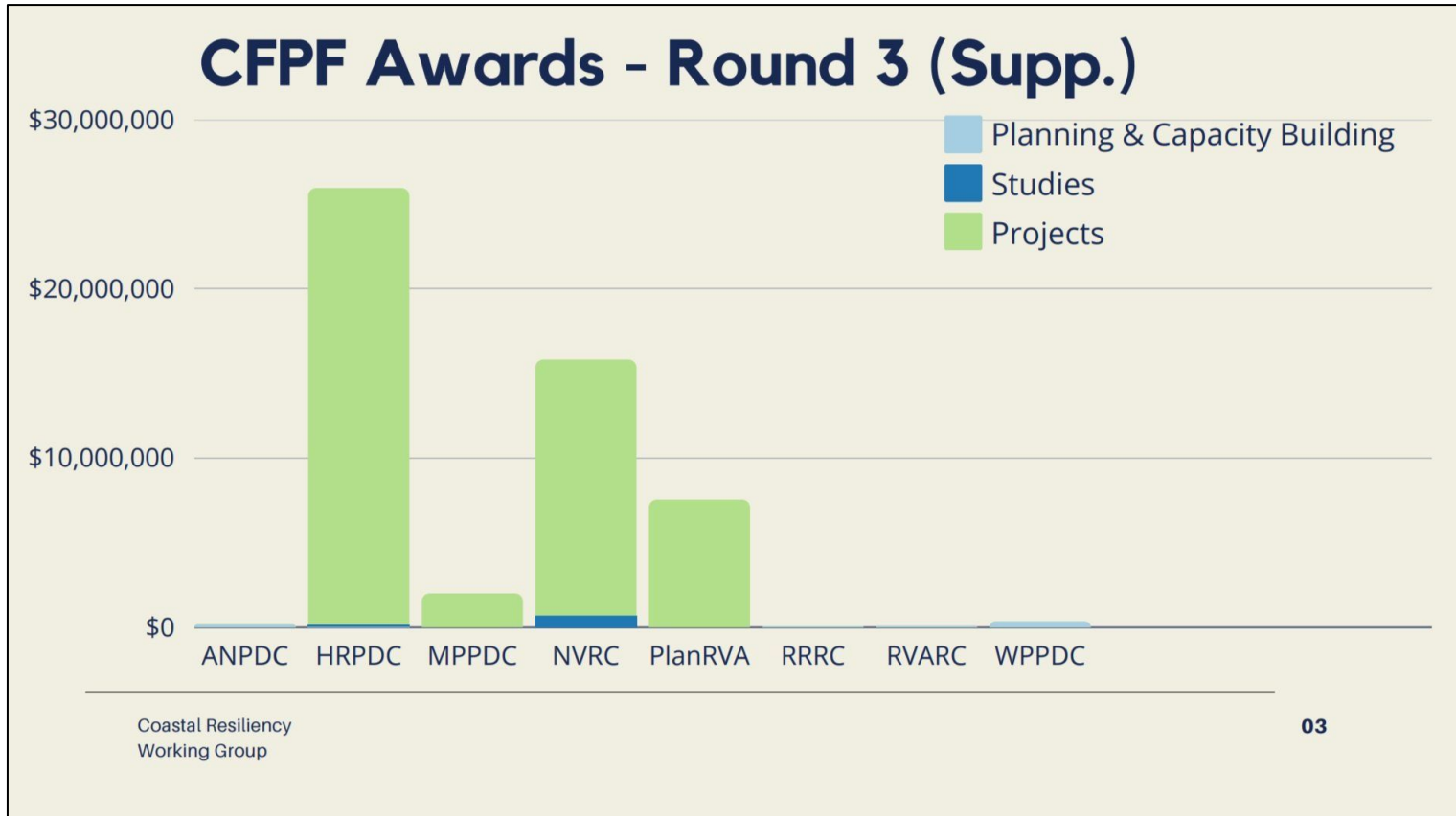
# COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS

## FUND: AWARD DISTRIBUTION



Source: Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

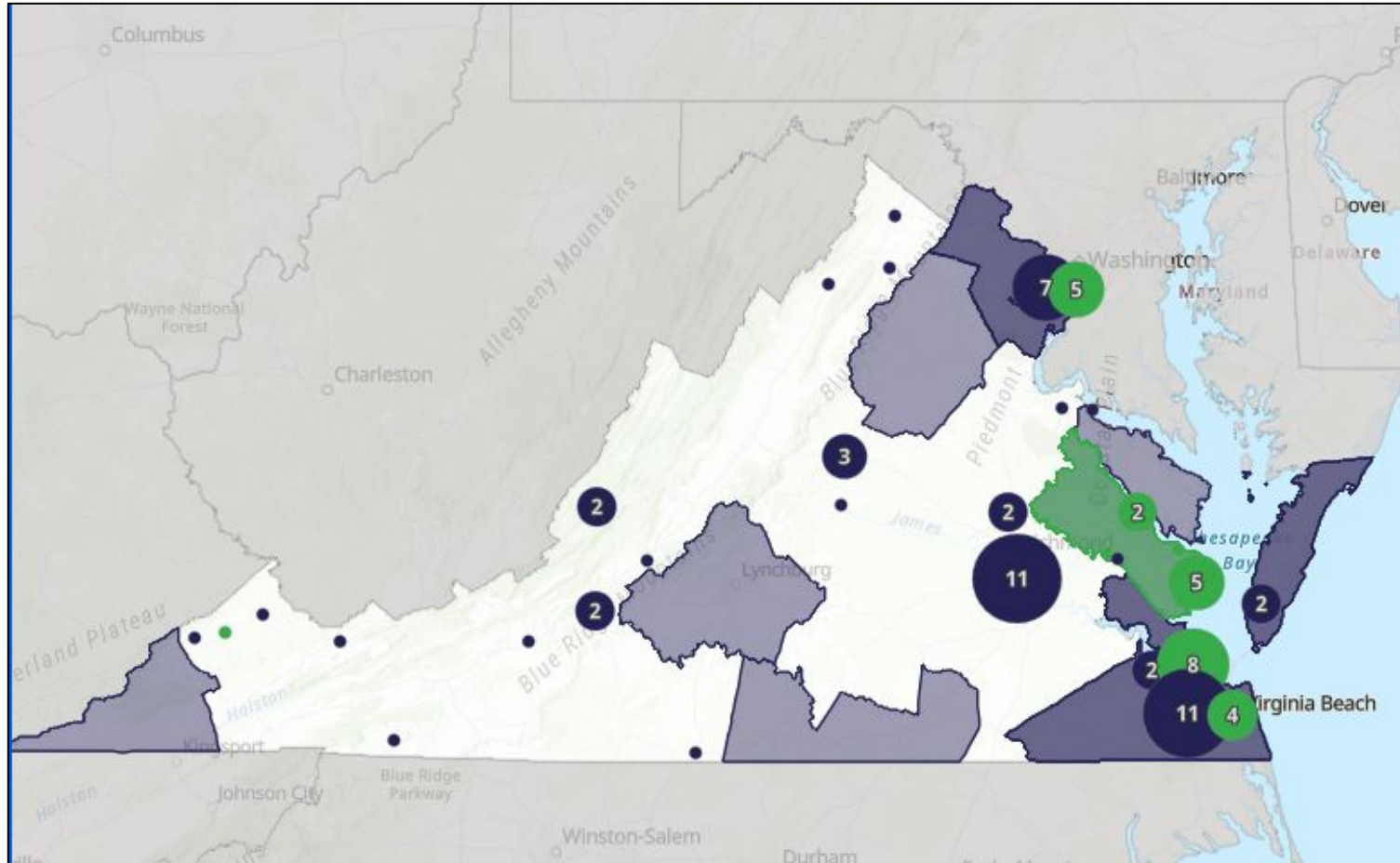
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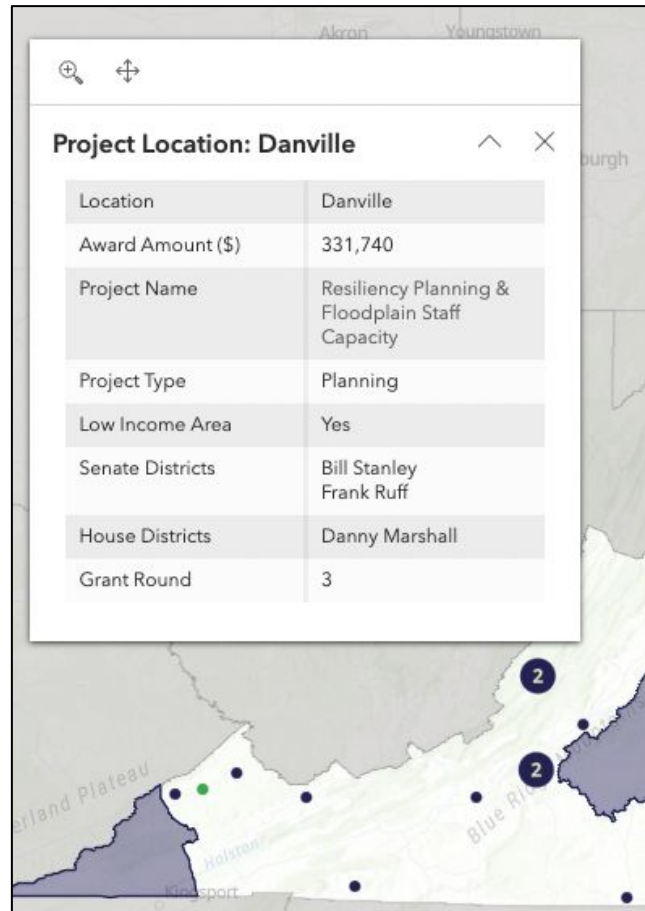
# VA CONSERVATION NETWORK

## CFPF AWARD MAP



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# VA CONSERVATION NETWORK CFPF AWARD MAP - LOCATION DETAILS



A map interface showing project location details for Danville. The map displays several project locations marked with colored dots (green, blue, and purple) in the region around Danville, VA. A pop-up window titled "Project Location: Danville" provides the following information:

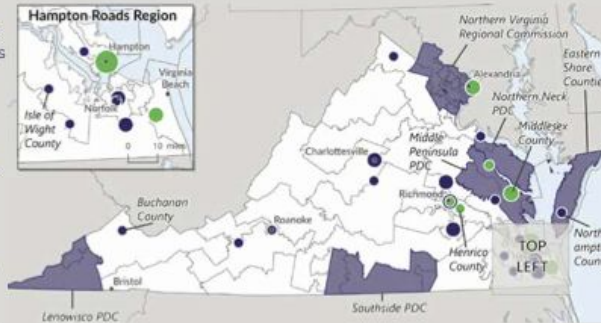
Location	Danville
Award Amount (\$)	331,740
Project Name	Resiliency Planning & Floodplain Staff Capacity
Project Type	Planning
Low Income Area	Yes
Senate Districts	Bill Stanley Frank Ruff
House Districts	Danny Marshall
Grant Round	3



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# COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND

In 2020, Virginia established the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) to protect Virginians from growing flood risk from more frequent, intense storms and sea level rise. The CFPF provides loans and grants for projects, studies, and planning throughout the Commonwealth to identify and address flood vulnerability for communities. CFPF funds can build capacity in localities that otherwise would not have the resources to develop comprehensive flood vulnerability assessments and action-oriented flood mitigation approaches.



## CITY OF WINCHESTER: RESILIENCE PLAN

The City of Winchester's stormwater infrastructure is insufficient to handle the more intense and frequent rains that deluge the city. With this CFPF planning award, Winchester will partner with an engineering consulting firm to develop a citywide flood resilience plan. This comprehensive strategy will allow the city to upgrade stormwater management and maximize nature-based solutions to mitigate flooding.



**CITY OF  
WINCHESTER**



**\$65,040**



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"We have many examples of urban localized flooding throughout our city, causing detriment to our citizens and property owners, so we look forward to developing a plan that will help build a stronger and brighter future for the City of Winchester."

**INLAND FLOODING - CITY OF WINCHESTER |**  
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# EXAMPLES OF FUNDED APPLICATIONS

## (HYPERLINKED)

- Buchanan County - Resilience Plan
  - Award amount: \$387,500 (R3)
  - Developing a local resilience plan w/ consultant
- Accomack Northampton PDC - Study
  - Award amount: \$47,121 (R1)
  - Studying the impacts of climate change on crop planting & production
- Hampton - Living Shoreline Project
  - Award amount: \$126,498 (R1)
  - Creating a living shoreline along 2,100 linear feet of currently armored shoreline



# EXAMPLES OF FUNDED APPLICATIONS

## (HYPERLINKED)

- Newport News - Master Plan Development: Stormwater, Floodplain, Resilience and Climate Change Management
  - Award amount: \$4,926,063 (R2)
  - Funds three independent master plans that, combined, serve as the locality's resilience plan
- Tappahannock - Flood Prevention and Protection for Hoskins Creek
  - Award amount: \$69,920 (R2)
  - Nature-based shoreline providing access to Hoskins Creek
- Northampton County - CFM & Stormwater/Drainage Study
  - Award amount: \$150,155 (R3)
  - Increase staff capacity (CFM) and assess stormwater/drainage

## CFPF: ROUND 4

Round 4 is open until November 12th, 2023

- *\$50 million is available in grants for all three categories*
- *\$35 million is available in loans (offered for first time)*
  - *Loans only apply to the Project category*

Applications must be submitted via the WebGrants portal

- *Training and resources are available*
- *Mail-in applications are allowed w/ approval from DCR*

Award announcements TBD

# CFPF: MANUAL UPDATE

- Draft manual released July 7th, 2023
- Public comment period July 7th - August 6th, 2023
  - 6 comments received - *HRPDC, LRNow, City of Alexandria, VA Municipal Stormwater Association, Pew*
  - WW submitted with other partners
- Comments incorporated & final manual released on September 13th, 2023

# CFPF: NEW MANUAL UPDATES

- Match is waived for low-income communities for **projects** up to \$1M
- Increased applicant cap to \$7.5M (for both grants and loans, non-cumulative)
- Certified floodplain managers may be contracted outside of a locality's employ to approve projects
- Up to 50% of maintenance costs for projects may be allowed for award
- Up to 15% of award may be requested up-front as start-up costs for low-income communities; 10% for all others (*RVRF has the same guideline*)

# CFPF: NEW MANUAL UPDATES

## Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) Match Percentages & Loan Interest Rates

Award Category	Low-Income Geographic Areas Match %	All Other Areas Match %	Low-Income Geographic Areas Interest Rate	All Other Areas Interest Rate
Capacity Building & Planning (grants)	10%	25%	N/A	N/A
Studies (grants)	10%	50%	N/A	N/A
Projects (grants)	Nature-based solutions: 5%	Nature-based solutions: 30%	N/A	N/A
	Hybrid solutions: 10%	Hybrid solutions: 40%	N/A	N/A
	Other: 15%	Other: 50%	N/A	N/A
Projects (short-term loans)	N/A	N/A	No more than 1.0%	No more than 2.0%
Projects (long-term loans)	N/A	N/A	1.2%	1.2%

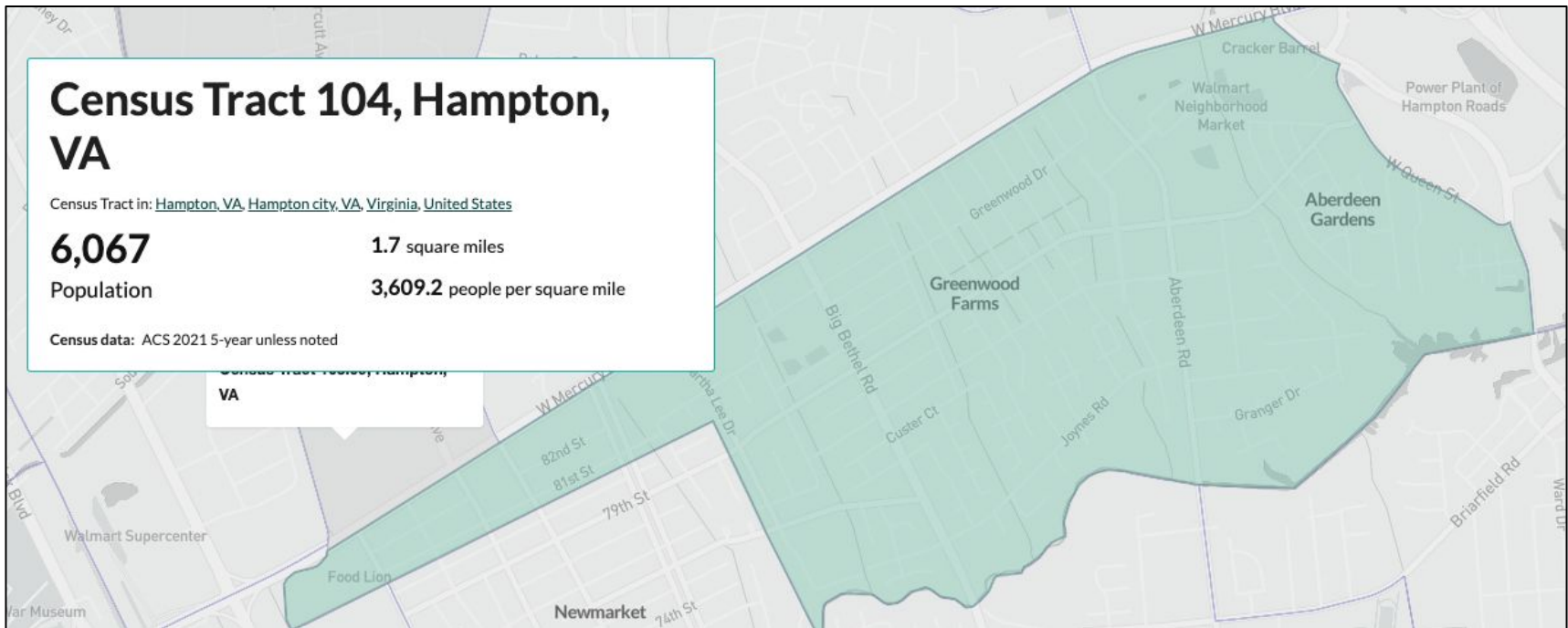
**Match requirements for Planning and Capacity Building and/or Studies in low-income geographic areas may be waived for requests less than \$50,000, and for Project requests less than \$1 million.**



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# CFPF: NEW MANUAL LIMITATIONS

“Community Scale” is defined as 25% of a census block



# CFPF: NEW MANUAL LIMITATIONS

- Resilience plans must be updated after 3 years
- CFPF does not fund **existing** staff salary, but it can be used as an in-kind match
  - *New staff or funding new tasks related to the project are fundable through the CFPF*
- Tribes are not included in the definition of “local government” and are therefore not eligible for this round
- The locality must include procedure for replacement costs should a project fail under “normal operating conditions” within its lifespan (*minimum: 10 years*)

# RESOURCES (HYPERLINKED)

- [DCR Community Flood Preparedness Fund Webpage](#)
- [Wetlands Watch CFPF Tracking Page](#)
- [List of Applications Funded](#)
- [Wetlands Watch CFPF Fact Sheet](#)
- [Approved Local Resilience Plans Overview](#)
- [Local Resilience Plan Consultant List](#)
- [Locality Award Fact Sheets](#)

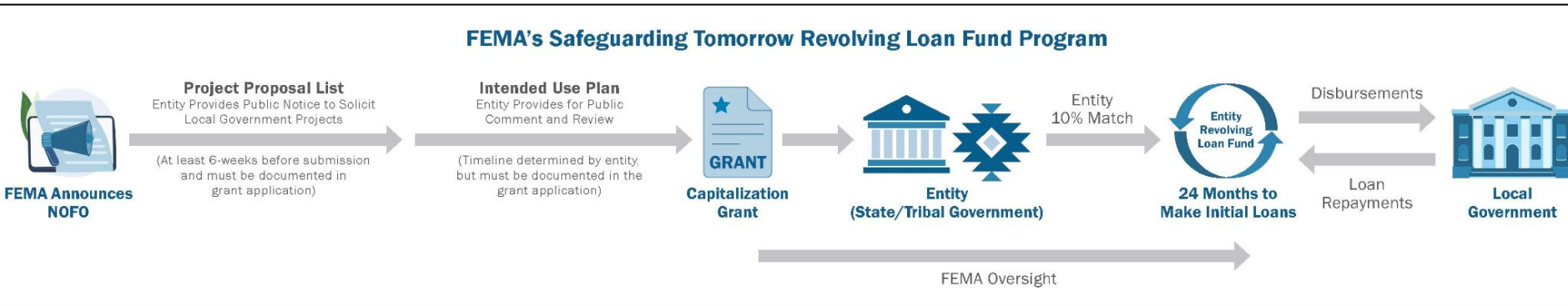




# RESILIENT VIRGINIA REVOLVING FUND (RVRF) OVERVIEW

- In 2022, the VA GA passed [SB 756](#)/[HB 1309](#), establishing RVRF
- In 2022, \$25M was moved from the CFPF to capitalize RVRF & required 10% match for FEMA STORM Act
- 2023 biennial budget: \$100M to RVRF
- 2023 Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Revolving Loan Fund Program  
FEMA Award — \$6.1M

# FEMA STORM ACT



- VA is one of 8 states (and DC) to pass legislation & received STORM \$\$
- Recent distribution \$6.1M

# RVRF GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Guided by Coastal Resilience Master Planning Framework principles (abbreviated)

1. Acknowledge the consequences of climate change, and base decision-making in best available science
2. Identify and address socioeconomic inequities
3. Utilize community and regional scale planning to the maximum extent possible
4. Focus on cost-effective solutions for protection and adaptation of communities
5. Recognize the importance and prioritize use of nature-based solutions



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# RVRF GUIDING PRINCIPLES (CONT.)

Guided by Chief Resilience Officer's statewide flood resilience principles:

1. We are committed to addressing challenges relating to flooding and resiliency.
2. We must address these challenges with programs that work for all impacted parts of Virginia.
3. The programs we implement must work together as parts of comprehensive, cohesive plans.
4. These programs and plans must be developed and implemented with transparency and input from the public.

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

\$18.5 million available

- **Local Match for Federal Programs (\$5m)**
- **Hazard Mitigation of Buildings (\$7.5m)**
- **Establishment of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs (\$5m - grants)**
- **Capitalization of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs (\$1m)**

*Applications are restricted to local governments. A single applicant may receive up to \$7.5m in grants and \$7.5m in long-term loans (non-cumulative).*



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# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Local Match for Federal Programs (\$5m)**

- Standard loan terms:
  - Interest rate of 2% plus a 0.2% administrative fee
  - Loan terms may be for 20-years or less after project completion and no longer than the expected useful life of the financed asset
- Low-Income/Underserved Community loan terms:
  - Interest rate of 1% plus a 0.2% administrative fee
  - Loan terms may be for 30-years or less after project completion and not longer than the expected design life of the project

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Local Match for Federal Programs...continued**

- **Eligible Federal Programs:**
  - FEMA – Flood Mitigation Assistance
  - FEMA – Hazard Mitigation Assistance
  - FEMA – Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities
  - FEMA – High Hazard Potential Dam Grant
  - HUD – Community Development Block Grant
  - EPA – Environmental and Climate Justice Program
  - NOAA – Climate Adaptation Partnerships Program (formerly RISA)
  - USGS – Studies & Gauges
  - DOD – Defense Critical Infrastructure Program
  - USACE – Civil Works Program
  - Other federal programs as approved by the Department

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Hazard Mitigation of Buildings (\$7.5m)**

- Standard loan terms:
  - Interest rate of 1.75% plus a 0.2% administrative fee
  - Loan terms may be for 15 years or less after project completion and not longer than the expected design life
- Low Income/Underserved Community loan terms:
  - Interest rate of 1.2% plus a 0.2% administrative fee
  - Loan terms may be for 20 years or less after project completion and not longer than the expected design life of the project



# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Hazard Mitigation of Buildings...continued**

- Grant minimum is \$100,000, loan maximum is \$1,000,000
- Loan amounts cannot exceed the total cost of the project
- Multiple buildings may be grouped together into a single project
- Projects must have an expected useful life of at least 10 years and applications must be accompanied by a maintenance plan

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Hazard Mitigation of Buildings...continued**

- Eligible costs:
  - Local match for any of the grant programs identified in award category A
  - Home buy-outs and relocation/demolition\*
  - “In Kind Services”
  - Costs for which any federal, state, local or other grant funds will be provided
  - Administrative costs
  - Costs to operate or maintain the project

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Establishment of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs (\$5m - grants)**

- Applicants do not need an established loan program to receive award for this category
  - *BUT*: the grantee must have local decision-maker approval of at least a conceptual outline of the program before receiving \$ - *within 12 months of award notification*
- Grant minimum is \$10,000, loan maximum is \$500,000. 10% match required (except LICs)

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## **Capitalization of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs (\$1m - interest only loans)**

- Applicants must have an established loan program, complete with an approved program design, to receive award for this category
- Interest only loans at an interest rate of not more than 0.50% for a term of not more than 10 years
- Loans may be renewed in whole or in part at maturity with demonstrated Local Program performance
- Loan minimum is \$250,000, loan maximum is \$500,000

# RVRF ROUND 1: DETAILS

## Resilient Virginia Revolving Fund (RVRF) Match Percentages & Loan Interest Rates

Award Category	Low-Income Geographic Areas Match %	All Other Areas Match %	Low-Income Geographic Areas Interest Rate	All Other Areas Interest Rate
Local Match for Federal Grant Programs	N/A	N/A	1.2%	2.2%
Hazard Mitigation of Buildings	N/A	N/A	1.2%	2.2%
Establishment of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs	No match required	10%	N/A	N/A
Capitalization of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs	N/A	N/A	No more than 0.5%	No more than 0.5%

**“Capitalization” loans are interest-only. These funds are meant to capitalize the revolving loan program established by the local government and remain as a revolving fund.**



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# WHICH FUNDING SOURCE TO USE?

CFPF vs RVRF	
Community Flood Preparedness Fund	Resilient Virginia Revolving Fund
Primarily grants with some loans	Primarily loans with some grants
<b>Focus:</b> flood protection, planning, and resilience	<b>Focus:</b> hazard mitigation of buildings, homes, and property
Community-scale projects	Property-scale projects
Funds resilience-focused capacity building, planning, and projects	Funds structural improvements and the establishment of local loan programs
25% of funds required to fund low-income geographic areas	No low-income geographic area funding requirement
Funded by Virginia's participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative	Funded by the STORM Act, VA General Funds, and the CFPF*
Projects require a resilience plan	Projects do not require a resilience plan but more points are awarded for consistency with this or similar plan
<b>Applications due November 12th, 2023</b>	<b>Applications due December 12th, 2023</b>
<i>*In 2022, \$25 million was diverted from the CFPF to capitalize the new RVRF program.</i>	
<p><b>For more information, visit:</b>  <a href="http://wetlandswatch.org/community-flood-preparedness-fund">wetlandswatch.org/community-flood-preparedness-fund</a>  <a href="http://wetlandswatch.org/rvrf">wetlandswatch.org/rvrf</a>  <a href="http://dcr.virginia.gov/dam-safety-and-floodplains/dsfpm-grants">dcr.virginia.gov/dam-safety-and-floodplains/dsfpm-grants</a></p>	



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# RESOURCES

- **CFPF/RVRF Trainings**
  - DCR held hybrid grant trainings
  - [Presentation/recording](#) are available on [DCR's CFPF webpage](#)
- **WebGrants Office Hours (DCR)**
  - DCR is hosting Webgrants trainings on 10/11, 10/25, and 11/8 from 1pm to 2pm
  - WebGrants [portal](#), [training video](#), [registration guide](#), and [applicant instructions](#) are available on DCR's CFPF webpage
- **See our [website](#) or contact us for technical assistance**

# Community Flood Preparedness Fund Fact Sheet

## What is it?

The Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF) is a state-wide grant and loan fund administered by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). The CFPF funds projects, studies, and plans focused on reducing the impacts of coastal, riverine, and inland flooding with nature-based priority.

## Who can apply?

Local governments: "any county, city, town, municipal corporation, authority, district, commission, or political subdivision created by the General Assembly or pursuant to the Constitution of Virginia or laws of the Commonwealth"

## What does it fund?

### Planning and Capacity Building - \$5k minimum

- Provides grants to localities to help local governments create and implement planning efforts such as a **local resilience plan** or similar plans which address flood resilience needs
- Provides funding to "secure services or personnel necessary to develop plans, programs, and activities" related to flood prevention and protection

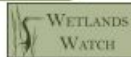
### Studies - \$5k minimum

- Provides grants to localities for "various studies designed to improve long term planning and effectiveness of resilience plans and projects"
- Examples of applicable projects include but are not limited to revising floodplain ordinances to comply with NFIP standards, hydraulic or hydrologic studies, studies and data collection of regional significance (e.g. precipitation data and relative sea level rise projections), and delineations of flood vulnerability

### Flood Prevention and Protection Projects - \$50k min; \$7.5m max

- Provides grants, short-term loans, and long-term loans to "assist local governments with flood prevention or protection activities to prevent loss of life and reduce property damage caused by flooding."
- Projects may apply to coastal, riverine, or inland flooding and must be approved by a Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM)
- Project applications must include an approved local resilience plan and must have a minimum life expectancy of 10 years

*\$50 million is available in grants across all three categories. An additional \$25 million is available in long-term loans, and \$10 million in short-term loans, for projects.*



# Resilient Virginia Revolving Fund Fact Sheet

## What is it?

The Resilient Virginia Revolving Fund (RVRF) is administered by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and offers state-wide loans and grants for property-scale hazard mitigation, federal grant matches, and start-up costs for local government resilience loan programs.

## Who can apply?

Local governments: "any county, city, town, municipal corporation, authority, district, commission, or political subdivision created by the General Assembly."

## What does it fund?

### Local Match for Federal Grant Programs - \$5m

- Provides loans to local governments to meet federal program match requirements for resilience projects awards that support RVRF criteria
- Examples of federal grants include but are not limited to specific programs from: FEMA, HUD, EPA, NOAA, USGS, DOD, and USACE.

### Hazard Mitigation of Buildings - \$7.5m

- Provides loans to local governments for costs related to projects that provide hazard mitigation benefits to buildings on privately owned property
- Local matches for federal programs, home buy-outs/relocations/demolitions, in-kind services, administrative costs, and operative or maintenance costs do not qualify for funding

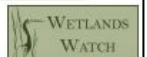
### Establishment of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs - \$5m

- Provides grants to local governments seeking to develop a Local Flood Resilience Program that offers low-interest revolving loans and/or cost-share grants to residents for flood resilience projects
- Applicants do not need to have an established loan program before applying to this category of the RVRF, but they must establish the program before funds are disbursed

### Capitalization of Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs - \$1m

- Provides interest-only loans to local governments to capitalize Local Flood Resilience Funding Programs. These programs are to provide revolving low-interest (in some cases forgivable) loans to persons eligible for resilience projects in the locality

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# Community Flood Preparedness Fund Approved Local Resilience Plans

## What is it?

Included below are Local Resilience Plans that were approved by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). An approved Local Resilience Plan is required to apply to the CFPF Project category (they are not required for the CFPF Planning/Capacity Building and Study categories). Local Resilience Plans can be Stand Alone Plans or Consolidated Plans that consist of various existing plans/programs which contain the Resilience Plan elements as prescribed by the CFPF Grant Manual. We hope this resource will aid other applicants in creating their local resilience plans.

## Approved Plans \*Note: Resilience plans must be renewed after three years.

### City of Virginia Beach

#### Local Resilience Plan - Stand Alone Plan approved July 2021

- Sea Level Wise Adaptation Strategy.....2020

### City of Norfolk

#### Local Resilience Plan - Consolidated Plan approved August 2021

- plaNorfolk2030.....2013
- Vision2100.....2016
- Hampton Roads Hazard Mitigation Plan.....2017
- Combined Coastal and Precipitation Flooding Master Plan.....2014
  - Appendix A: Norfolk Preliminary City-wide Coastal Flooding Mitigation Concept Evaluation and Master Plan Development (Fugro Atlantic, 2012)
  - Appendix B: City-wide Drainage and Watershed Master Plan (Timmons Group, 2012)
- A Green Infrastructure Plan for Norfolk.....2018
- USACE Coastal Storm Risk Management Feasibility Study & Environmental Impact Statement.....2019
- Zoning Ordinance of the City of Norfolk.....2018
- Development of an Urban Resilience Analysis Framework with Application to Norfolk, VA.....2016

### Henrico County

#### Local Resilience Plan - Consolidated Plan approved August 2021

- Comprehensive Plan.....2026
- Richmond-Crater Multi-Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.....2017
- Emergency Operations Plan.....2021
- Zoning Ordinance.....2021
- Subdivision Ordinance.....2021
- Capital Improvement Program (CIP).....FY21-22 - FY30-31
- Dam Safety Program
- Watershed Program



# Community Flood Preparedness Fund Local Resilience Plan Consulting List

## What is this?

The sole purpose of the Local Resilience Plan Consulting List is to provide Community Flood Preparedness Fund applicants with contacts. We do not endorse the consultants on this list, nor do we have an opinion on the quality of work provided.

## DCR Approved Local Resilience Plans

### City of Virginia Beach

The City of Virginia Beach submitted portions of their Sea Level Wise Adaptation Strategy.  
Consultant: [Dewberry](#)

### City of Norfolk

The City of Norfolk referenced several documents to meet the local resilience plan requirement, two of which were made with the assistance of consultants:

- Norfolk Preliminary City-wide Coastal Flooding Mitigation Concept Evaluation and Master Plan Development
  - Consultant: [Fugro Atlantic](#)
- Norfolk Citywide Drainage and Watershed Master Plan
  - Consultant: [Timmons Group](#)

### Henrico County

Henrico County referenced several documents to meet the local resilience plan requirement, two of which were made with the assistance of consultants:

- Henrico County Comprehensive Plan 2026
  - Consultants: [McBride Dale Clarion](#); [Kimley-Horn](#)
- Richmond-Crater Hazard Mitigation Plan 2017
  - Consultant: [Dewberry](#)

### City of Hampton

The City of Hampton referenced several documents to meet the local resilience plan requirement, two of which were made with the assistance of consultants:

- Living with Water Hampton: A Holistic Approach to Addressing Sea Level Rise and Resiliency
  - Consultant: [Waggonner & Ball](#)
- Resilient Hampton Newmarket Creek Pilot Project Area Water Plan
  - Consultant: [Waggonner & Ball](#)



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# Community Flood Preparedness Fund Resilience Plan Application Outline

## What is a local resilience plan?

A local resilience plan is a locally adopted plan, approved by DCR, that describes the entire local government's approach to flooding. The plan must meet the following criteria:

1. Is project-based with projects focused on flood control and resilience
2. Incorporates nature-based infrastructure to the maximum extent possible
3. Includes considerations of all parts of a local government, regardless of socio-economics or race, and addresses needs of underserved populations in the community
4. Identifies and includes **all** flooding occurring in all areas of the community and provides the number and location of repetitive loss and severe repetitive loss properties
5. Includes strategies and guidelines for equitable property acquisition and/or relocation  
*Property acquisitions must remain undeveloped as permanent open space and under ownership or easement by the locality in perpetuity, except for the building of flood control structures*
6. Includes a strategy for debris management, administrative procedures for substantial development or improvement of SFHA structures, and coordination with other local or inter-jurisdictional plans, projects, and activities
7. Is based on the best available science and incorporates climate change, sea level rise, and storm surge (where appropriate), and current flood maps

**Note:** More information on the Resilience Plan criteria can be found in Appendix F of the [CFPF Grant Manual](#) (p. 48-50). Resilience plans may be a locally adopted "stand alone" plan or a combination of documents that, when compiled, meet the minimum requirements outlined in Appendix F.

## Resilience Plan Submittal Information

An approved resilience plan is a required component of project funding through the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF), and the plan must be adopted in the locality in which projects will occur. While it is permissible to submit a draft resilience plan for approval to DCR concurrently with a CFPF project application, localities are encouraged to submit them *prior* to submitting a project application. Once submitted electronically to [cfpf@dcr.resilience.gov](mailto:cfpf@dcr.resilience.gov), resilience plans may take 3-4 weeks to be approved. Be sure to label your resilience plan file as follows:

**CID#.LocalGovernmentName.resilienceplan** (Example: CID#.Essex.resilienceplan)

For all applications to the Capacity Building and Planning category of the CFPF to *create or compile* a local resilience plan, see the next page for steps to ensure all components are ready for submission.

For any questions about the application process, please contact the Department of Conservation Recreation, Division of Dam Safety and Floodplain Management:  
  
(804) 371-6095  
[cfpf@dcr.virginia.gov](mailto:cfpf@dcr.virginia.gov)

# DISCUSSION

- Does your locality plan to apply for the CFPF or the RVERF? Both? Which seems more approachable or applicable to your community?
- Have local staff expressed any barriers in applying for these funds? How can we (Wetlands Watch) or DCR help overcome these barriers?
- If your locality has applied for and received funding from the CFPF in the past, how did the process go? Are you planning on applying again as this funding is available?

# QUESTIONS?

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CFPF/RVRF Lunch & Learn  
September 29th, 2023

## YOUNGKIN'S RGGI REMOVAL PLAN

The Youngkin Administration's plan to repeal RGGI through regulation is unlawful as VA joined RGGI through legislative action. **Only the General Assembly may act to remove VA from RGGI.**



[Link to Timeline](#)



CFPF Outreach Meeting  
September 22nd, 2022