



WORKING TOGETHER FOR A STRONGER VIRGINIA

CRS Workgroup Meeting Summary

September 25, 2019

700 Town Center Drive, Newport News, VA

1. Mathew Simons, Principle Planner & Floodplain Administrator for the City of Norfolk, briefed the Workgroup on the City's creation of a Program for Public Information (PPI) and related outreach efforts
 - Mathew started with providing statistics for the City of Norfolk
 - Currently a Class 7, working to submit a modification to reach Class 5
 - 24% of all parcels in the City are within a SFHA
 - 16% of all parcels in the City are within shaded zone X
 - 17% of all the land area in the City is in the SFHA
 - They have 7,596 buildings in the SFHA
 - There are 6,870 NFIP policies in the SFHA
 - 90% of all buildings in the SFHA have some NFIP flood coverage
 - Only 2% buildings located in VE zones have NFIP coverage
 - 12,373 total NFIP policies in the City – includes 4,149 PRP's
 - 8,224 policies are eligible for CRS discounts
 - Policy holders currently save a total of \$1.2 million in the City at Class 7. If the City moves to Class 5 the savings will be \$2 million.
 - Mathew highlighted the major areas of improvements in the CRS Program
 - Activity 330 – Map Information Services. They are using flood depth data from VFRIS
 - Activities 330 & 307 – Program for Public Information (PPI). They have created a Flood Insurance Coverage Assessment (FIA) and a Coverage Improvement Plan (CP) that will be incorporated into the PPI.
 - Activity 510 – Natural Floodplain Function Plan. They are using a Green Infrastructure Plan adopted by HRPDC in 2010. They are also using a report published by the EPA on Flood Loss Avoidance Benefits of Green Infrastructure for Stormwater Management published in 2015.
 - Activity 510 – Repetitive Loss Area Analysis. The City has 975 RL properties and 84 SRL properties. The City is working on a plan to mitigate these properties. The City is identifying flooding sources for the RL areas and working on a SRL map.

- Activity 504 – Repetitive Loss Outreach Project. The City has created a one page flyer, produced a three page letter to property owners in RL areas, produced a city-wide RL amp and created a 10–topic PPI outreach brochure.

2. Locality Reports

- Idea was brought up to look at building on what Norfolk has done with creating the PPI to possibly create a Regional PPI.

3. Future CRS Workgroup Meetings

- 2019 meetings:
 - Wednesday, November 20, James Room, 10AM-Noon