

ESVA Climate Adaptation Working Group

Meeting Notes

Date: July 30, 2019

Time: 11:00 am - 1:30 pm

Location: TNC Brownsville House

Members Present: Katie Spady (Alternate for Susan McGhee, Northampton County), Cora Johnston (UVA-LTER), Jenny Templeton (Alternate for Jane Lassiter, USDA-NRCS), Zach Ponds (Town of Cape Charles), Curt Smith & Shannon Alexander (ANPDC), Jill Bieri & Jim McGowan (TNC), Karen Terwilliger (Alternate for Hali-Plourde-Rogers, VESLT), Rich Morrison (Accomack County)

Others Present: Angela King (VA Coastal Policy Center), Michelle Covi (ODU)

Members Absent: Dick Snyder (VIMS), Nancy Finley (USFWS), Joyce Winterton (NASA-WFF). Jay Ford (CBF)

Group Action Items

Review and revise the following:

Vision: "The Eastern Shore is resilient to sea level rise and climate change."

Mission: "To enhance the resiliency of the region."

Goals: "To identify needed resilience/adaptation actions with the appropriate partners; To provide information and tools to assess vulnerabilities, develop policies, and prioritize actions; To advise communities, industries, & stakeholder groups of policies & actions; To catalyze implementation of desired priority actions."

Consider the following:

- Who is the target audience? Vulnerable communities are reached through local and county support.
- Consider VDOT, Town of Chincoteague, and other potentially vital partners to be part of the core working group.
- Think about planning horizons and sea level rise scenarios.
- Define language/classification consistent use (IUCN?) for climate change, resilience, and other important terms.
- Be prepared to define work plan, including timeline, deliverables, etc. at the next meeting.

A-NPDC Action Items

- Identify and incorporate RAFT identified projects, tools into CAWG moving forward. Identify any tool within the process (i.e. score card), that can be repurposed for prioritization of implementation of actions identified by the group.
- Email group action items and draft organizational statements.
- Schedule next meeting (quarterly and more as needed) for Sept/Oct of 2019. Considering that November 15th Ann Phillips will be providing an update at the VCPC conference.

Generic Notes for A-NPDC:

It was agreed that Development/Coordination of Education/Outreach Events should not be part of the direct focus of the core working group, but that aspect will happen organically in presenting resilience action menu to the customer (i.e. locality, organization, network, etc.) and be part of deliverable items within project descriptions developed for the inventory.

The word advisory cannot be used.