

**Aligning Economic Development Subcommittee
February 22, 2021 3:00-4:00 pm**

Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/yptqzrrj>

Virginia Coastal Resilience Technical Advisory Committee Website:
<https://www.naturalresources.virginia.gov/initiatives/technical-advisory-committee-for-coastal-resilience/>

Subcommittee Goal: Recommend a process for aligning economic development with coastal resilience practices.

Agenda

I. Open the Meeting

II. Roll Call

Present:

Staff: Katie Sallee, MSW

Staff: Ann Phillips

Chair: Sara Dunnigan - DHCD

Vice Chair: John Bateman - NNPDC

Kate Gibson/Denise Nelson/Jen Morgan - GWRC

Bob Lazaro - NVRC

Lewis Lawrence/Curtis Smith - MPPDC

Georgie Marquez - Andre Marquez Architects

Emily Steinhilber - CCRFR

Dr. Robert Weiss - VT

Dr. Troy Hartley - Virginia Sea Grant

Steven Moret - VEDP

III. Statement Reading

Motion to agree with the reading by Bob Lazaro; seconded by Denise Nelson; all members voted aye.

IV. FOIA/COIA Training Reminder

V. Selection of Secretary – Request for Volunteer

Sara or John will nominate a secretary each meeting. Denise Nelson will take notes today.

VI. Coastal Resilience Master Plan Development, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and Timeline

VII. Role of Aligning Economic Development Subcommittee

What is economic development?

- An activity that creates jobs, creates wealth in a community, retains jobs, expands existing capacity, making the community successful and desirable to entice people and companies to come,
- At VEDP, we think of economic development as policies and programs designed to encourage growth in jobs, wages, and capital investment.
- Maybe we should also engage stakeholder across the Commonwealth what is important in the area of economic development. The policies and programs referenced above may include anything relevant to economic development, e.g., education, workforce development programs, infrastructure development, product development, coastal resiliency, tax/regulatory policies. In this regard there is an asset in the Virginia Corporate Extension that has representation in each county and have their ears on the ground.
- Emily Steinhilber and I are from the Studies, Research and Best Practices (SRBP) TAC subcommittee. One of our charges is to keep abreast of the scientific developments...is there anything you can see we should pursue in the SRBP TAC subcommittee?
- Consider incentives, drivers, barriers....
- Consider financial liquidity to support contractors, specifically on private property.

What is our focus?

1. Business continuity
2. Developing industry cluster in coastal VA

VIII. Open Discussion Additional Members, Advisors

Who else should be engaged? GWRC brought in Jen Morgan, GO VA Region 6. She is pulling from MPPDC CEDS and NNPDC CEDS (GWRC doesn't have a CEDS).

IX. Establishing Future Meeting Schedule

Monthly meetings. How about the 4th Monday of the month at 3pm? Yes.

X. Assigned Background Reading

Sara – draft subcommittee charter.

All – identify other potential members.

All – read VCRMPF and FOIA/COIA info

All – send any documents you'd like to share with the group

XI. Public Comments

XII. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Emily Steinhilber; seconded by Georgie Marquez; all members voted aye.