



**County of Prince Edward
Board of Supervisors
Agenda Summary**

Meeting Date: September 11, 2012
Item No.: 17-a
Department: County Administrator
Staff Contact: W.W. Bartlett
Issue: County Administrator's Report - Storm Water Management Grant

Summary:

The 2012 General Assembly passed legislation mandating that all Virginia localities create local stormwater management programs. Such programs must include adoption of water quality standards for development and redevelopment that are equal to or more stringent than the state standards.

To assist in the development of such programs the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) is making non-matching grants available to local governments to be used to develop local programs. Grant awards will range from \$10,000 – \$100,000, with larger grants available to regional requests. DCR held a webinar on August 17, 2012 concerning this program. County staff attended the webinar and learned required elements of the grant, eligible and non-eligible activities and the grant award timelines which are displayed below:

- September 10, 2012 – deadline for submitting applicants and proposals
- October 5, 2012 – target date for stormwater award decisions & public notice
- November 5, 2012 – public comment period closes
- December 1, 2012 – target date to begin executed Stormwater project agreements
- June 30, 2014 – target completion date for all project awards

County staff contacted all neighboring counties except for Appomattox to ascertain their plans on this issue. No other County had decided on a plan of action. To investigate if our region would be interested in submitting a regional grant request to DCR, the Counties met on August 28, 2012 at the CRC and invited Draper Aden to provide information about this program and grant process.

At the conclusion of the meeting all the Counties agreed to work with Draper Aden to develop a regional grant proposal and that Prince Edward County would serve as the fiscal agent for the grant. Draper Aden is preparing the grant application at no charge since each County is a client of Draper Aden. Final decisions on the implementation of the stormwater management program will be made by each County during the local program development phase of the grant.

Attachments:

Recommendation: No action is required at this time.

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