EASTERN VIRGINIA GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Bank of America Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 1111 East Main Street, Richmond, VA

May 11, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

Committee Members Present	
Robert Pickett — VA Association of Soil and Water	Joey Hiner – Proxy for Hope Cupit - SERCAP
Conservation Districts	
Martha Moore – Farm Bureau	Doug Powell — James City County Service
	Authority
Dave Jurgens – City of Chesapeake	

For the record, the following members were absent from the meeting: Robert Wayland, Anna Killius, Peggy Sanner, Nina Butler, Stewart Leeth, Andrea Wortzel, Dwayne Roadcap, Chief Adkins, Stephen Schoenholtz, Hope Culpit

Department of Environmental Quality Staff Present		
Scott Kudlas — Director, Office of Water Supply	Joseph Grist — Water Withdrawal Permitting and Compliance Program Manager	
Elizabeth Gallup – Guidance and Regulation Coordinator – Water Planning Division	Brandon Bull — Water Policy Manager	

Visitors Present		
Whitney Katchmark – Hampton Road Planning District Commission	Wes Myers - ARCADIS	
Ken Bannister - KBJW	Jason Early – STANTEC	
James Dillon - SERCAP		

PROCEEDINGS

Welcome and Introductions

Mr. Scott Kudlas convened the meeting at 10:15 am; he welcomed members to the second Eastern Virginia Groundwater Management Advisory Committee meeting of the Fiscal Year 2022. A quorum was not present.

Committee members and visitors introduced themselves and the organizations they represented.

Meeting Agenda

Mr. Kudlas went over the planned meeting agenda outline.

- Presentation of groundwater related drilling: extensometer, drought monitoring wells (Climate Response Network), and saltwater intrusion monitoring wells
- Open floor for public comment

Floor was opened for member questions regarding the meeting agenda; no questions from the body.

Presentation

Mr. Kudlas provided an update on groundwater monitoring drilling plans to the committee members. He noted that a recommendation from this body for the General Assembly to fund this expanded monitoring was made in its 2017 Report. The General Assembly initially appropriated this funding in 2020 but due to the pandemic it was delayed until FY22. The presentation included an overview of the drought monitoring well network and saltwater intrusion monitoring wells and the criteria and equipment necessary for each. Mr. Kudlas then provided an update on the West Point Extensometer construction schedule and background information. Mr. Kudlas finished his presentation with an overview of well maintenance issues and needs for the monitoring network and current funding. The committee members asked questions for clarification throughout the presentation.

Public Comment

Floor was opened to public questions or comments.

There were no public comments.

Next Committee Meeting

Mr. Kudlas concluded the meeting and thanked the committee for their time, attention, and willingness to serve on the committee. The next meeting is scheduled for June 7, 2022.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.