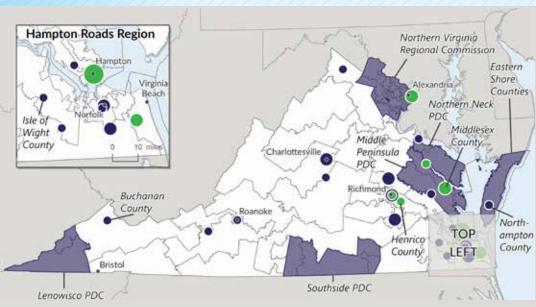
## **RGGI GRANTS**

## **COMMUNITY FLOOD PREPAREDNESS FUND**

In 2020, Virginia passed the Clean Energy and Community Flood Preparedness Act to protect Virginians from growing flood risk from more frequent and intense storms and sea level rise. This allowed the Commonwealth to join the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) and established the Community Flood Preparedness Fund (CFPF). RGGI is a marketbased program of 11 states that generates funds while reducing electricity sector emissions. Half



of its proceeds fund low-income energy efficiency programs and 45% fund the CFPF.

The CFPF provides loans and grants for projects, studies, and planning throughout the Commonwealth to identify and address flood vulnerability for communities. CFPF funds can build capacity in localities that otherwise would not have the resources to develop comprehensive flood vulnerability assessments and action-oriented flood mitigation approaches.

## NORTHERN NECK HAZARD MITIAGTION PLAN UPDATE

The Northern Neck Planning District Commission will be updating their Hazard Mitigation Plan to incorporate a holistic approach in assessing flood risk across the region and will include capacity-building goals for mitigating those risks in each locality. The NNPDC will utilize their CFPF planning award to partner with a consultant that will provide planning and technical expertise in updating their HMP. Updating the plan in this manner will allow localities within the Northern Neck to plan for flood risk comprehensively both at the local and regional level.





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