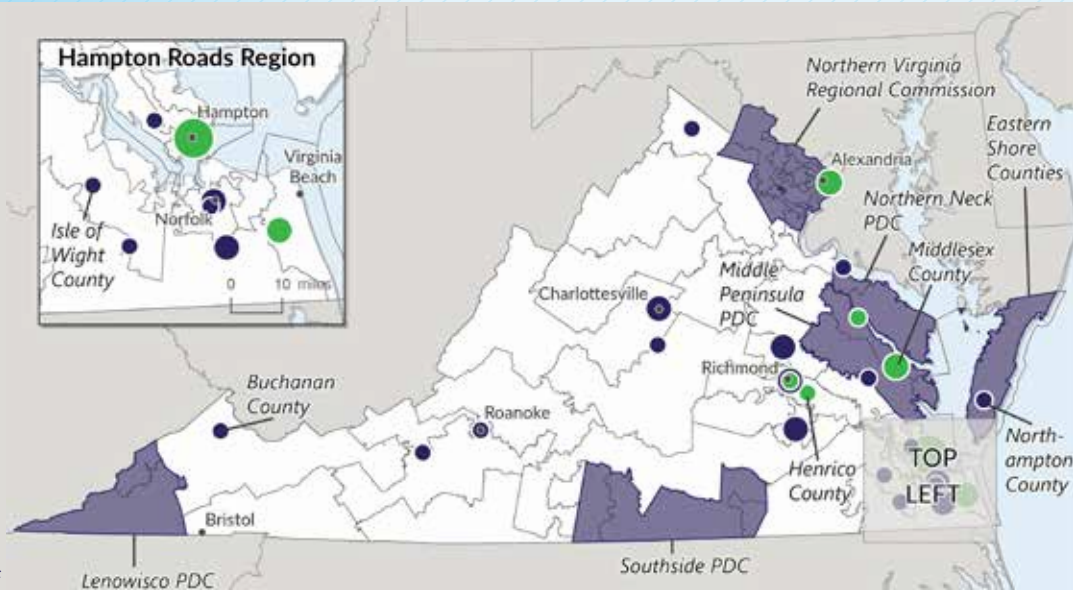


RGGI GRANTS

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 market-based 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.

CITY OF WINCHESTER: RESILIENCE PLAN

The City of Winchester's stormwater infrastructure is insufficient to handle the more intense and frequent rains that deluge the city. With this CFPF planning award, Winchester will partner with an engineering consulting firm to develop a citywide flood resilience plan. This comprehensive strategy will allow the city to upgrade stormwater management and maximize nature-based solutions to mitigate flooding.



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WINCHESTER**



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"We have many examples of urban localized flooding throughout our city, causing detriment to our citizens and property owners, so we look forward to developing a plan that will help build a stronger and brighter future for the City of Winchester."

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