



## Northern Virginia Regional Commission

# RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 14-18

PATRON: G. Mark Gibb  
Executive Director  
DATE: January 23, 2014

### **AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A LIVING SHORELINES PROJECT PROPOSAL TO THE NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION HURRICANE SANDY COASTAL RESILIENCY COMPETITIVE GRANTS PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the 2010 Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences (VIMS) Shoreline Situation Report identified areas of Northern Virginia's tidal shoreline that are actively eroding; and

WHEREAS, the 1992 NVPDC Tidal Shoreline Erosion in Northern Virginia report provides a historical reference for the location of priority coastal erosion sites along Northern Virginia's tidal shorelines; and

WHEREAS, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation-Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grants Program released a request for proposals for support of projects that reduce communities' vulnerability to the growing risks from coastal storms, sea level rise, flooding, erosion and associated threats; and

WHEREAS, VIMS defines living shorelines as treatments to address erosion in lower energy situations by providing long-term protection, restoration or enhancement of vegetated shoreline habitats through strategic placement of plants, stone, sand fill and other structural or organic materials; and

WHEREAS, NVRC, in partnership with Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, Prince William County, Chesapeake Bay Trust, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration developed designs for the Leesylvania State Park shoreline; and

WHEREAS, NVRC in partnership with Fairfax and Prince William Counties and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and in consultation with NOAA's Virginia Restoration Specialist and VIMS, has identified two suitable locations for living shoreline demonstration projects; and

WHEREAS, the Leesylvania Living Shorelines project is ready for construction;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Regional Commission authorizes the Executive Director to submit a proposal to the National Fish and Wildlife requesting \$500,000 to implement construction of the Leesylvania Living Shoreline project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Regional Commission authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, should the proposal be accepted for funding.



#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission on January 23, 2014.

  
G. Mark Gibb, Certifying Officer