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GWRC Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) Workgroup

2026 Summer Workgroup Meeting
August 25, 2026
1:00 AM – 3:00 PM
406 Princess Anne St, Fredericksburg, VA 22401
In-Person & Virtual
Zoom:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86994291672?pwd=ot01S3W5EBEU93xMEpqazU9xQbTHTu.1

MEETING MINUTES

In Attendance (12)

In-Person: Brianna Heath (GWRC), Michael Randall (King George County); David Moody, Ryan Passera (King George County Fire & Rescue), Don Willis (Spotsylvania Emergency Management);

Virtual: Katie Carpenter (Stafford County OEM); Ed Bonham (Caroline County EMS); Jacob Hughes, Sean Peavey (VDEM); Richard McEachin (VDEM); Lucie Tuthill (King George County); Will Morris (City of Fredericksburg)

Outcome 1: Looking Forward to the 2028 Update

- Brianna Heath (GWRC Environmental Services Coordinator) reminded the workgroup members that the next 5-year update of the GWRC HMP must be completed by 2028. Therefore, GWRC has already applied for funds through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grants Program (HMGP)-4831 (Hurricane Helene) application.
- GWRC does not know whether funds will be awarded to complete this update, but the workgroup will start to think about their existing action items and how they may want to update, add to, or remove items for the new update to the plan. Brianna encouraged the localities to focus on moving towards SMART goals, so implementation is more achievable and measurable. This will also assist with any future grant writing to fund those implementation projects.