

Virginia Marine Resources Commission

380 Fenwick Road, Fort Monroe, VA

Habitat Policy Oversight Committee

Meeting: August 26, 2026 10:00am to 12:00pm (noon)

Membership

William Bransom, Associate Commissioner, Chair

David Rudders (VIMS)

Prof. Carol Considine (ICAR)

Richard Calvert (City of Portsmouth Wetlands Board)

Neville Reynolds (VHB)

Mary-Carson Stiff (Wetlands Watch)

Lexy McCarty (Cherrystone Aquaculture)

Justin Shafer (City of Norfolk)

Ryan Green (CZM)

Kelsey Gray (VERA)

Ben McFarlane (HRPDC)

Christy Everett (CBF)

Joseph Grist, Commissioner (ex-officio)

Meghan Mayfield (ex-officio)

Randy Owen (ex-officio)

Agenda

- 1. Introduction of New Members**
- 2. Approval of Summary Minutes (July 22, 2026)**
- 3. Coastal Resilience Projects – state owned bottomlands conveyance update**
- 4. Presentation by Dr. Megan La Peyre (VIMS)**
- 5. Update on potential Poplar Island, MD visit (e.g. BUDM use)**
- 6. Overview of Top HPOC topics of interest**
- 7. Public Comment**
- 8. Future Meeting Planning**
- 9. Public Comment**