# COASTAL RESILIENCE SUMMARY HENRICO COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**Natural and Nature-Based Features (NNBFs)** 

Forests, trees, wetlands, beaches, and living shorelines benefit communities by reducing storm wave energy, soaking up floodwaters, improving water quality, providing areas for recreation, creating habitats for important plants and animals, and even lowering flood insurance costs. These **N**atural and **N**ature-**B**ased **F**eatures (NNBFs) have been mapped for areas that are less than 10-feet in elevation, experience tidal and storm flooding, and include buildings at risk. (All numbers are approximate.)



MAP: Henrico coastal areas less than 10ft elevation, with targets for new NNBFs

#### **NNBFs in Henrico Coastal Areas**

**1,950 acres** All Coastal NNBFs, including:

1,165 acres	Forested Wetland
393 acres	Wooded
193 acres	Emergent Wetland
143 acres	Tidal Marsh
<1 miles	Hybrid Living Shorelines

Visit www.AdaptVA.org to view all coastal NNBFs

## **Coastal Area Facts**

for areas less than 10-ft elevation

**2%** of Henrico area (2,586 acres)

2 coastal buildings

**0** critical facilities

1 coastal buildings without NNBF benefits

1 targets for new NNBFs

### Benefits of NNBFs in Henrico



51 acres

of NNBFs that decrease flooding risks for buildings



1,944 acres

of NNBFs that improve water quality by reducing sediment, nitrogen, and phosphorus



12,541 acres

of NNBFs potentially eligible for FEMA Community Rating System credits (100-ft RPA buffer and wetlands located within 100-year flood zones)

# Chesapeake Bay RPA 100-ft Buffer Overview

across all of Henrico County

11,958 acres of RPA buffer

**2,310 acres** of RPA buffer currently turfgrass potentially eligible for water quality credits if converted into NNBF











