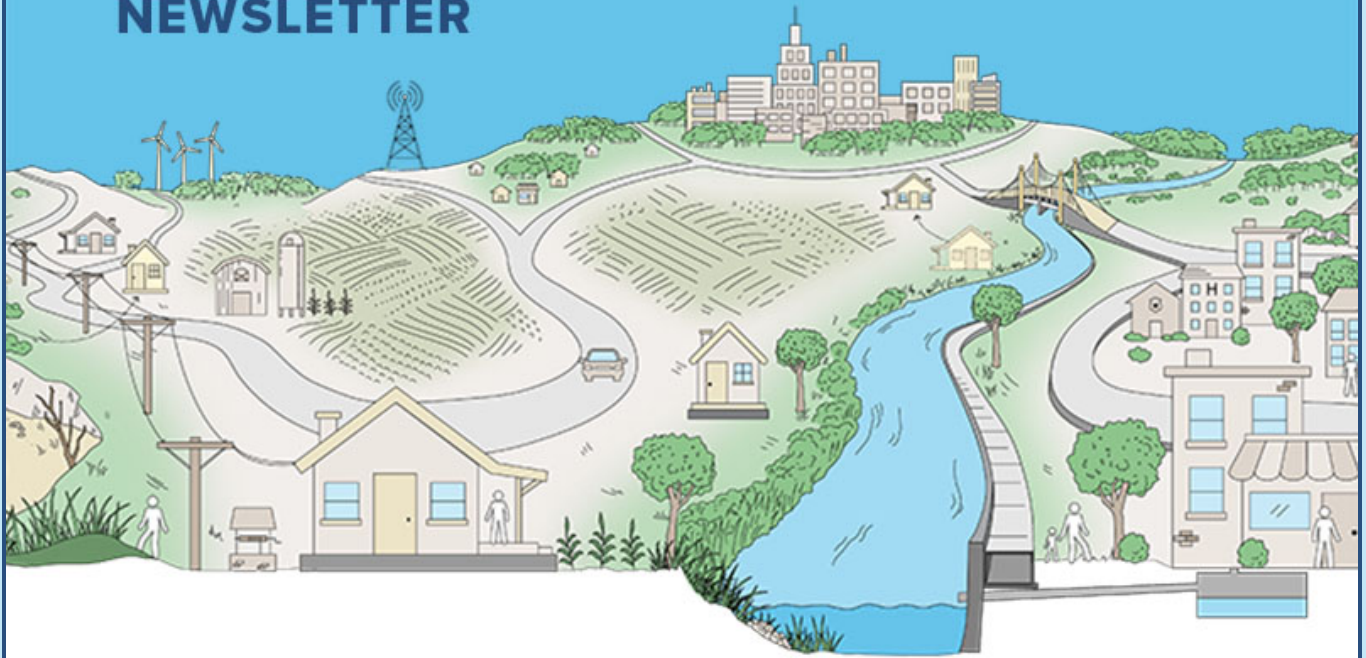


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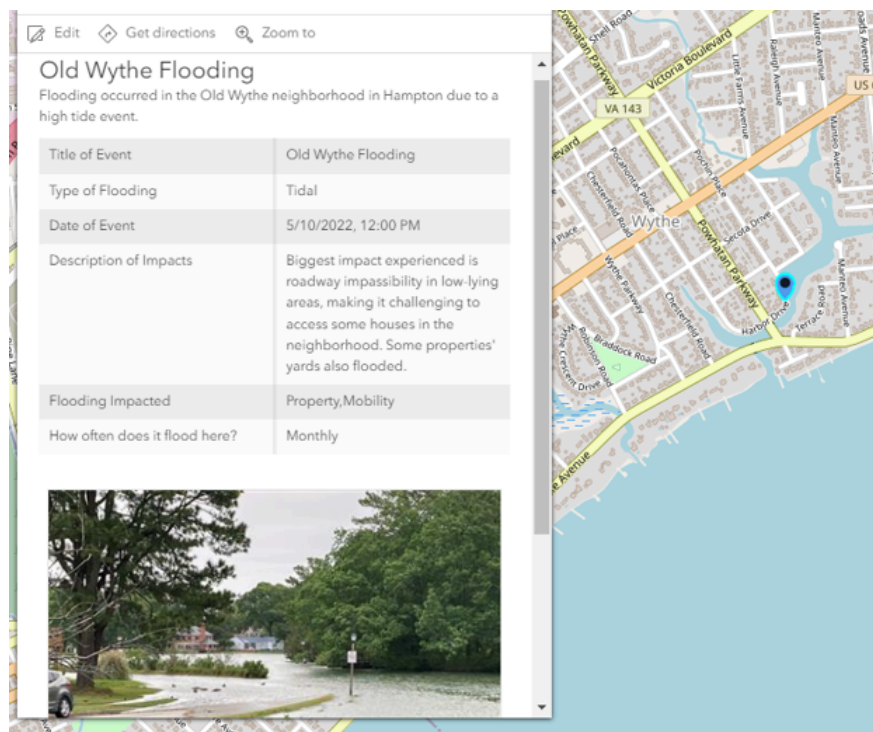


Share your "Flood Story" to support flood resilience planning

Showcase your experiences with flooding in DCR's [Flood Story App](#)! You can access the new online survey via desktop or mobile at dcr.virginia.gov/floodstory. The tool is designed to be used statewide.

Tell us where it flooded and how that flooding impacted you. You can also share details like photos, dates, and frequencies of flooding. Once approved by DCR, you'll be able to view your story as a pin on the [VFRIS map](#).

DCR will learn from your submission to better understand how flooding is impacting Virginians across the state. This will help us craft the Commonwealth's flood resilience plans based on the experiences and stories of Virginians, in addition to flood models and forecasts.



Seeking organizations interested in cohosting coastal flood resilience community meetings

This summer, DCR will organize a series of flood resilience meetings in the coastal region. The purpose of these meetings will be to share information about flood risk, resources, and participation opportunities through the lens of the Coastal Resilience Master Plan, and DCR's other flood resilience programs.

We are seeking organizations to cohost the meetings! Cohosts should be interested in learning about the Coastal Resilience Master Plan and how to build flood resilience in their communities.

This effort will prioritize meetings with organizations serving or representing underserved communities, particularly those active in areas with high social vulnerability which are at flood risk.

Interested in learning more? [Contact us!](#)

Check out our [website](#) and [calendar](#) to get the latest info about opportunities to participate in the Coastal Resilience Master Plan, Phase II.

Meet our new staff and consultants

Welcome, Arthur Kay!



Outside of work, Arthur is an avid edible landscaper and raises backyard chickens for eggs. Seen here proudly displaying his chicken tractor!

Arthur joins us as a Resilience Planner this month! He comes to the Office of Resilience Planning from DCR's Dam Safety team, where he's worked since 2018. Most recently, Arthur was the Lead Dam Safety Mapping & Data Analyst, a role in which he accomplished projects like developing a screening-level dam breach inundation mapping program for the engineering team.

Arthur is excited to work with DCR's stakeholders to identify creative solutions to enhance resilience planning, and communicate current and future flood risks for the Commonwealth.

DCR Awards Resilience Planning and Consulting Contracts

DCR has contracted with four consultant teams to provide services to the Office of Resilience Planning over the next three years. The consulting teams are led by: **AECOM** Technical Services, **ARCADIS** US INC, **Dewberry** Engineers Inc, and **Stantec** Consulting Services Inc.

Teams under the contract will be selected to:

- develop the Virginia Coastal Resilience Master Plan, Phase II
- develop the Virginia Flood Protection Master Plan
- conduct public outreach for flood resilience planning
- provide additional services to support the development and implementation of the Commonwealth's flood resilience plans

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