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**SAVE THE DATE:**

**The Hampton Roads Sea Level Rise/Flooding Adaptation Forum Presents  
A Public Town Hall Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 2, 2013**

**6:30PM – 8:00PM**

Location: Advanced Technology Center Theater

1800 College Crescent

Virginia Beach, VA 23453

<http://www.vbatc.com/vbdirections.html>

**Meeting Theme:**

**Federal, State and Local Perspectives to Adapting to Sea Level Rise and Flooding**

**Introductions by**

**Clay Bernick**, City of Virginia Beach,

**Ben McFarlane**, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission,

**Larry Atkinson**, Climate Change and Sea Level Rise Initiative, Old Dominion University

**Featured Speakers:**

**Kelly Burks-Copes**

Environmental Laboratory, US Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, MS

**"Quantifying Risks of Climate Change and Sea Level Rise to Naval Station Norfolk (SERDP RC-1701)"**

And

**Marcia Berman**

Center for Coastal Resource Management, Virginia Institute of Marine Science

**"Moving Forward: Next Steps for Confronting Increased Flood Risks"**

Including a summary of the report VIMS submitted to the VA General Assembly entitled, *Recurrent Flood Study for Tidewater Virginia*; tools VIMS is preparing for local governments and citizens; and Shoreline Best Management Practices as an adaptation strategy.

**Will include time for Q&A and a discussion of local responses and actions.**