

**Wetland Conservation &
Restoration Plan for
York
Piankatank
Mobjack Bay**



The Who

Nearshore Habitat Restoration Steering Committee

- Next Steering Committee meeting is 7/19, 10am
 - Next Work Plan meeting: TBD, end of August
- Link in “Member” section of Roundtable website
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YORK RIVER &
SMALL COASTAL BASIN
ROUNDTABLE



The Why

- **Wetlands are important!** They provide fish & wildlife habitat, coastal protection, carbon absorption, and contribute to water quality
- **Federal money to restore them is coming!** Large amounts of federal funding are becoming available to support coastal habitat restoration over the next 5 years.
- **Our region deserves its share!** We want the region to be well positioned to compete for those funds





The WHAT (plan themes)

- Marsh Migration
- Wetlands Conservation AND Restoration (both important)
- Collaborative effort within existing authorities
- Cultural & Community Interconnectivity (Don't forget people!)
- Wetlands *are* Infrastructure & support Sustainable Development



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The WHAT (plan outline)

- Intro and Summary
- YRSCBR NHRSC About and Members
- Geographic and Historical Setting
- Wetland Status
- Conservation and Restoration Strategies
- Collaborative Implementation
- Monitoring and Reporting
- Closing

The WHERE



Middle Peninsula Habitat Focus Area

The WHEN



**Final Wetlands
Conservation &
Restoration Plan**
April 2023!

Poll!

- Might a plan like this be useful in your geography?
- What do we need to be thinking about when it comes to private development adjacent to wetlands?



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