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Northampton County Blue & Green Infrastructure Protection, Phase 1
Task/Product #2: Planning Symposium Sponsorship

Northampton County provided \$500.00 sponsorship for the American Planning Association-Virginia Chapter planning symposium entitled ECO3 – Planning-Development-Tourism @ Eastern Shore of Virginia held on Chincoteague October 16-17, 2009. The funds were made available through this grant. The group of approximately 90 attendees from Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, and Washington, D.C. were given two choices for six sessions on Friday, plus a plenary lunch session during which Lou Hinds, Manager of the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge, spoke about the relationship between federal initiatives and local planning. On Saturday attendees had a choice of participating in either a Chincoteague Town Master Plan Bicycle Tour or a Chincoteague Town Master Plan Walking Tour. Unfortunately, due to rainy weather on Saturday, the bike tour was cancelled.

Other conference sessions included presentations on water and wastewater issues associated with development in coastal areas, planning and economic development in coastal areas, eco-tourism, mapping and protecting blue and green infrastructure, and assessing natural assets. The program schedule and presentations which were made available for publication may be accessed via the following link:

<http://apavirginia.org/member-resources/conferences/eco3-eastern-shore-symposium>

A copy of the symposium agenda, speaker biographies, and the evaluations submitted, along with a summary of the evaluations, are attached.



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