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State revenue collections continue to fall short of projections, and the state could end the fiscal year with a shortfall of at least \$150 million. State Finance Secretary John Bennett delivered this news to the Senate Finance Committee on June 13 in Richmond. Despite the shortfall, the state will end the year in the black, because of state agency spending reductions and an unbudgeted balance built into the budget.

State agencies likely will face additional reductions after July 1. Bennett announced that the state will review and revise its fiscal year 2003 revenue estimates once the final fiscal year 2002 numbers are in hand. Agencies already face a 7 percent reduction for FY03 as the result of the recently-approved budget. The effect of this reduction on local governments is still unknown. Department of Planning and Budget Director Ric Brown told VML staff that

some agency reduction plans are still under review. He said that agencies have not yet been directed to take additional reductions, but that could change once the revenue estimates are revised in mid-July.

On the expenditure side, Brown told legislators that car tax relief costs would likely exceed the forecast, because the number of new care purchases remains higher than expected. Manufacturer incentives, such as zero-percent financing, are likely a major factor. One senator asked if the lack of incentives for local governments to police reimbursements for business-use vehicles played a part in the higher-than-expected costs. Bennett reminded the panel that a program to address business-use vehicles was being developed through the Department of Taxation and would be in place Jan. 1.

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VML Annual Conference

Economist to speak; registration forms available

Local government officials can catch a glimpse of the economic future when Christine Chmura, chief economist and president of Chmura Economics and Analytics, delivers a keynote address at the Oct. 22 plenary session at the 2002 VML Annual Conference. The conference will be held Oct. 20-22 at the Norfolk Waterside Convention Center. A preliminary conference agenda, as well as hotel and conference registration forms, was faxed to league members on June 14. They also are included in the June issue of *Virginia Town & City*, and are available on the VML web site at www.vml.org. Just click on the What's New heading.

Chmura was the chief economist at Crestar Financial Corp. Her interest rate forecasts are published in the Blue Chip Financial Forecast. The Housing Market Report publishes her forecasts of housing activity. She was previously an economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. She serves on the Governor's Economic Advisory Board, the Virginia Commonwealth University Board of Trustees, the Board of the National Association of Business Economics, and is a past member of the American Bankers Association Economics Advisory Board.

Chmura's firm specializes in traditional

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Also under expenditures, Brown told senators that given the timing of reimbursements to local governments, there could be a small cash balance in the Comprehensive Services Act (CSA) program at the end of this fiscal year. He credited increased use of federal Title IV-E funds, increased adoptions and greater use of Medicaid as potential cost-avoidance factors. He warned senators that the loss of Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA) funds (a 51 percent reduction in FY03), could lead localities to shift youth formerly served under this program to the CSA. Brown, however, did not address the potential role of judges in referring youth to CSA if VJCCCA-funded programs are dismantled because of the reduction in state funding.

Brown told senators that the state expects final projected Standards of Quality distributions will exceed the estimate by about \$2 million, given an increased in average daily members. He said that the Department of Education expected cash balances in several categorical and incentive-based accounts to offset this additional cost. He said that increases in student population and prevailing average instructional and support costs will have an effect on SOQ distributions in FY03. Other factors affecting SOQ in FY03 include VRS and group life rate changes, and changes to the SOQ formula, including the recent addition of administrative positions and the end of the deduction of locally-generated revenue. ♦

AT THE LEAGUE**Annual conference continued ...**

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economics and quantitative research, forecasting interest rates, national activity and regional economic growth. The consulting firm also researches a broad range of statistical and econometric applications that help management in decision-making, planning and realizing goals.

Here is an update on other events surrounding the conference:

Hotel, conference registration.

Blocks of rooms have been reserved for the conference at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott and the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel. The Convention Center, where most of the conference events will take place, is part of the Marriott. The Sheraton is located just across the street, overlooking the harbor. An overhead pedestrian walkway connects the hotels.

The hotel reservation process is somewhat different this year. Hotel rooms at the special VML rate are *only available to people registered* for the conference. The hotel reservation form contains complete information on the reservation process.

The change in the reservation process is being made to better ensure that as many conference attendees as possible will receive their first choice of hotels. In past years, we have had a high cancellation rate for hotel rooms at the very last minute — the Thursday and Friday before the conference, and on the Sunday the conference starts. The main conference

hotel often ends up with empty rooms that otherwise would have gone to VML members. Please help ensure that as many VML members and their guests as possible are booked at the conference hotel by canceling any unneeded reservations as soon as you are aware of the change.

Water treatment plant tour

Conference attendees will have the opportunity to tour Norfolk's historic Moores Bridges Water Treatment Plant on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 20. In 1873, the plant pumped 1 million gallons of untreated lake water directly to Norfolk residents. In 1899, Moores Bridges became the site of one of the first gravity filter plants on the East Coast. Since that time, the city of Norfolk has upgraded and expanded Moores Bridges five times. The most recent four-year project improved every step of water treatment while continuing to supply drinking water to more than half a million people. The plant has been designated an historical landmark by the American Waterworks Association. The tour is free, but reservations are required. To attend, please call the league at 804/649-8471 or e-mail (e-mail@vml.org)

Virginia Wine Festival

Conference attendees arriving in town early may wish to check out the 15th Annual Sumcom Town Point Virginia Wine Festival. The festival takes place along the

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Norfolk Downtown Waterfront on Saturday, Oct. 19 and Sunday, Oct. 20, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. All seating is reserved, and tickets are required. Tasting tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the gate; general admission is \$10. More than 25 Virginia wineries will

provide a sampling of wines available for purchase by the glass, bottle or case. The festival includes made-in-Virginia gourmet food, specialty crafts and live music.

For information, call 757/441-2345, or log on to www.festeventsva.org. ❖

FROM THE CAPITOL**Legislature initiates transportation study**

The legislative study subcommittee examining the transportation allocation formula met for the first time on June 7 in Northern Virginia. The study, initiated with the adoption of HJR211, is the outgrowth of a report issued last year by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission. JLARC is the legislature's oversight or watchdog agency. The members of the study will determine whether or not and how to implement JLARC's findings.

JLARC in its report entitled *Equity and Efficiency of Highway Construction and Transit Funding* released a series of findings related to Virginia's transportation framework, including recommendations proposing to amend the highway allocation formula. JLARC recommended that 1) the current system for allocating construction funding is outdated and needs to be revised; 2) the existing administrative system (i.e., primary, urban and secondary roads) needs to be replaced with a road classification system based on the functional purpose of roads (statewide, regional and local road systems); 3) the current five-year needs analysis performed by VDOT should be reformed to accurately capture statewide and functional needs because the analysis is the basis for dispersing formula allocations; 4) highway construction funds should be allocated proportionally among the statewide, regional and local road systems (i.e., the proposed functional system) with more funds targeted to highways; 5) the state should establish a separate bridge fund to complete priority projects; 6) the General Assembly should appoint the at-large members of the Commonwealth Transportation Board but refrain from legislating so-called quick fixes like the Virginia Transportation Act of 2000; and 7) public transit alternatives should be given a higher priority in planning for Virginia's future transportation system.

The HJR211 study resolution includes a two-year time frame to examine the

JLARC findings. Del. John "Jack" A. Rollison III, chairman of the House Committee of Transportation and a member of the HJR211 effort, wants a legislative package in 2003 that includes many of JLARC's recommendations.

HJR211 also calls for the appointment of a technical advisory committee (TAC) to assist the legislative members of the study subcommittee. The TAC must include representatives of local governments and planning district commissions. At the end of April, staff to VML, the Virginia Association of Counties, the Virginia First Cities Coalition, the Virginia Association of Planning District Commissions and Virginia Transit Association sent the legislature a list of people who should be considered for appointment to the TAC. Please contact Mike Edwards with VML for a copy of the letter (804/649-8471 or medwards@vml.org). The chairman of the study, Del. Vincent F. Callahan Jr., indicated that he would appoint the advisory committee prior to the next meeting.

At the June 7 meeting, the members received three reports. Legislative counsel provided an historic overview of highway construction and maintenance funding in Virginia, and budget staff discussed the current distribution of transportation funds. The latter report examined funding trends resulting from the creation the Transportation Trust Fund in the late 1980s. JLARC staff also reviewed its equity and efficiency report.

At the close of the meeting, VML staff commented about several issues facing local governments, including the lack of available and forecasted construction funds necessary to meet local and regional needs, and VDOT's increased reliance on debt at the expense of formula allocation funds.

VML staff will closely monitor the work of the study, including the work of the advisory committee. ❖

FROM THE CAPITOL

Legislative subcommittee appointed to address biosolids

The Commission on the Future of Virginia's Environment met on June 18 to continue its discussion of SB 618, carryover legislation that provides authority for localities to enact ordinances that prohibit, restrict or regulate the land application of biosolids. VML opposes SB 618 because: allowing localities to ban land application of biosolids would greatly reduce the options and increase the costs for biosolids disposal; and the beneficial nutrients and organic matter contained in biosolids would be lost by disposing of it in landfills or incinerators.

At the conclusion of the meeting, commission Chairman Sen. Bill Bolling appointed a subcommittee to develop recommendations on the bill. The subcommittee will meet in July, and submit its recommendations to the commission in September. The recommendations will be advertised to the public in October, and the commission will take action in November, in time for the 2003 session of the General Assembly.

Subcommittee members include Sens. Bolling and W. Henry Maxwell, Dels. Robert D. Orrock, Kirk Cox and David B. Albo, and Timothy W. Maupin. Prior to the subcommittee's first meeting, Bolling plans to poll the commission to define the scope of the subcommittee's charge. He outlined two possible scenarios: the subcommittee could take up the specific issue posed in the SB 618 legislation: should localities be authorized to prohibit, restrict or regulate biosolids? It could also address an additional question: are the current EPA, DEQ and VDH regulations adequate to protect health and the environment? Albo cautioned against "mission creep" in the commission's agenda and noted that any changes the commission might recommend to SB 618 must receive a fair public notice and hearing.

The first part of the commission's June 18 agenda included presentations on behalf of VML and the Virginia Association of Metropolitan Wastewater Agencies.

Art Petrini, director of the Henrico Department of Public Utilities, explained the steps that wastewater facilities take to prevent pollutants from entering the waste stream and to produce a safe product. By preventing pollutants from entering the sewer system through their industrial pretreatment programs, localities prevent them from entering the biosolids produced at the treatment facility. Petrini emphasized that an extensive body of scientific evidence and practical experience demonstrates the safety of land application.

Guy Aydlett, director of water quality for the Hampton Roads Sanitation District, focused on economic, environmental and agricultural considerations. He noted that diverting biosolids from landfills and recycling them on farms saves more than \$23 million annually. Benefits to the environment include lowered erosion and runoff of nutrients and pollutants, compared to fields fertilized with commercial fertilizers, due to the high organic content of biosolids.

Karen Pallansch, director of environmental services for the Alexandria Sanitation Authority, addressed local government's response to public concerns about the use of biosolids. She described recent environmental studies, including a study by Penn State confirming that the long-term application of biosolids on agricultural lands does not pose a risk to crops, humans or animals. She noted the continuing efforts of local entities to take the lead in addressing field oversight and transportation concerns, as well as current research on odor control.

Other speakers at the meeting discussed the land application process, current agricultural practices and biosolids nutrient management plans. Part of the meeting was devoted to taking testimony from members of the public, many of whom expressed continued concerns about the safety of land application, and about pollutants that could remain in even properly-treated wastewater, such as pharmaceuticals and other chemicals. An "expert panel" presentation by Gregory Evanylo of Virginia Tech and Robert Hale of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, provided the commission with details of their research.

Hale explained his concern about "emerging contaminants" in wastewater and biosolids, for which more study is needed to determine the risk to health and the environment. Evanylo explained that with proper regulation, the nutrient and heavy metal components of biosolids can be made safe. He agreed with Hale that with regard to organic chemicals present in the environment and in biosolids, such as flame retardants, detergents, paint and pesticides, there is "still some question" about safety. The discussion prompted Bolling to comment, "We try to base our decisions on sound science, but on this issue it's a struggle to determine what sound science is."

As noted above, this continued controversy about the adequacy of federal and state regulations governing biosolids has entered into the debate over SB 618, and the commission will first decide if it within its scope before the subcommittee can begin its work this summer. ❖

AT THE LEAGUE**Environmental Steering Committee addresses key issues**

VML's Environmental Quality Steering Committee met on June 14 in Roanoke to discuss the 2003 Legislative Program and Policy Statement. The steering committee, chaired by Bristol City Councilman Jerry Wolfe, took up environmental permit fees, land application of biosolids, and the proposed state solid waste surcharge. Steering committee recommendations will go to the full Environmental Quality Policy Committee, which meets on July 18 at the Richmond Crowne Plaza Hotel.

The steering committee suggested language to clarify VML's opposition to municipal solid waste tipping fees. The committee reiterated VML's support for recycling biosolids on farms, and suggested language supporting local authority to reasonably monitor and regulate land application. Committee members also discussed more proactive ways to work with the state to develop funding and other solutions to the many environmental challenges the state faces. ❖

Public-private education infrastructure partnerships explored

About 400 people attended a June 12 conference on the Public-Private Educational Facilities and Infrastructure Act, which was passed in the 2002 session of the General Assembly and will become effective on July 1. McGuireWoods Consulting conducted the conference, in cooperation with several statewide organizations, including VML. The conference included an overview of the act and experiences with public-private partnerships under existing legislation.

Cities, counties and towns are qualifying public entities that can enter into public-private partnerships under this new act. The act is patterned after the Public-Private Transportation Act of 1995. Qualifying projects include: 1) any educational facility (including stadiums) for public schools, 2) any building or facility for principal use by any public entity, 3) any improvements and equipment necessary to public safety and security of buildings principally used by a public entity, 4) utility and telecommunications/communications infrastructure and 5) recreational facilities.

Counties, cities and towns can either solicit proposals, or a private entity can propose a project. The public entity, however, must first adopt procedures for the consideration of projects. The state is developing model procedures, which are supposed to be completed by Sept. 30.

Paul Timmreck, senior vice president for finance and administration at Virginia Commonwealth University, listed several benefits to VCU of current partnerships: 1) reduce potential costs of land acquisition, 2) speed of completion of projects and 3) increased opportunities for minority participation, which are

no available under the tradition sealed competitive bid process. Timmreck discussed a dormitory VCU built through a design-build process that he said saved about 15 percent of the costs.

Charles Woodruff, chief financial officer for Fairfax County Schools, said the county is looking at a public-private partnership for the development of property in the Lorton area, the former site of a Washington D.C. prison. He said the county has the property, but does not have the resources to pay additional debt costs for the building of schools.

Harold Ellis, a consultant, listed these key elements of a successful public-partnership: 1) realistic timing, expectations and objectives, 2) reasonable framework for the allocation of risk among the partners, 3) teamwork, 4) knowledgeable participants and 5) economic incentives in line with the market.

Ron Tillett of Morgan Keegan and Co. listed the five characteristics of a successful project as being: 1) political leadership, 2) on-going open communications, 3) well-thought out plans, 4) a strong comprehensive agreement and 5) the right partners.

Attorney General Jerry Kilgore predicted that the act would be beneficial and pledged to work with state and local officials and the private sector to implement the legislation.

VML staff member Mike Edwards participated in the last panel of the day, State and Local Infrastructure Needs and Solutions. The panel included a range of speakers who discussed the act, its

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AT THE LEAGUE**Public-private continued ...**

potential benefits and current unmet infrastructure needs (including in the areas of school procurement, critical and major infrastructure needs in rural Virginia (schools included), and economic development projects, including conference centers and associated hotels). Bill Bosher, formerly the state superintendent of public instruction, talked about the economies and efficiencies the act and the private sector could provide to local school leaders who are pressured to effectively manage insufficient resources.

A representative of Siemens One, Inc. extolled the virtue of proposed private turn-key operations whereby the private sector partners with investors and public entities to build, own and manage particular facilities (including and for example higher education facilities and community theatres). Edwards discussed outstanding school construction needs and challenged the private sector to address additional and

longstanding rural needs. He reminded the audience that as of the late 1990s more than 1,600 Virginia students were housed in school trailers, and yet, local governments were managing almost \$4 billion in outstanding school construction debt. Additionally, Edwards challenged the private sector to work with Virginia's rural regions to develop economies of scales in order to finance critical unmet infrastructure needs. They include remodeling and building schools and improving if not constructing water and sewage treatment plants. Edwards acknowledged that such improvements would require the private sector to commit significant front-end investments and develop carefully structured and unique financing agreements.

A workshop session on the act will be presented at the VML annual conference, to be held Oct. 20-22 at the Norfolk Waterside Convention Center. ❖

ETCETERA**Drought severity diminished; problems remain**

The Virginia Drought Status Report concluded June 7 that it is unlikely that May rainfall produced any appreciable ground water recharge, and ground water levels are well below normal. Still, wildfire threats have been significantly reduced due to the emergence of green vegetation and high levels of humidity. And agricultural producers have taken advantage of the current soil moisture by planting crops at a significantly faster rate than the five-year average. Public water supplies, both ground and surface water based, are in relatively good condition. Normal to above normal rainfall during the last three months has replenished most of the surface water supplies around the state. Ground water-based public water supplies in some parts

of the state, including Loudoun County, Clarke County, Shenandoah County, Warren County and Fauquier County have reported dropping levels or reduced yields. Despite the rain, stream and river flows have dropped dramatically since the statewide storm event in mid-May. Without continued precipitation on a regular basis, there will be reduced recreational opportunities for canoers and kayakers.

The state climatologist reported that in general, drought severity in the entire northeastern United States has diminished significantly in recent months. The National Weather Service expects near normal precipitation and temperatures in Virginia through the month of June, and near normal precipitation and above normal temperatures through August. ❖

REGULATIONS**Intended Regulatory Action**

Amount, Duration and Scope of Medical and Remedial Care Services. The Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) has proposed action to amend the DMAS community mental health services regulations. The potential amendments cover a range of topics including billing units, provider license qualifications, emergency response

capability, provider acceptance of all individuals without regard to their ability to pay for services, providers permitted to perform evaluations and several federally mandated changes. The purpose of these revisions is to facilitate the delivery of services to Medicaid recipients. The agency will not hold a public hearing. Contact Catherine Hancock, DMAS, at 804/225-4272 for additional information.

Proposed Regulations

Rules Governing Retail Access to Competitive Energy Services. The State Corporation Commission has proposed amendments to modify 20 VAC 5-312-90 to include applicability to competitive service providers offering consolidated billing service to retail customers. Proposed amendments include: 1) subsection A requires a competitive

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service provider to provide local distribution companies and the commission staff written notice at least 30 days in advance of its offering of consolidated billing service and establishes such financial security as the commission may require for its estimated liability associated with the collection and remittance of state and local consumption taxes. 2) Subsection C requires that consolidated billing by the competitive service provider accommodates the local distributions company's normal billing and credit cycle requirements for distribution service. 3) Subsection G requires local distribution companies to issue separate notices of pending disconnection action directly to retail customers that receive consolidated bills from competitive service providers. 4) Subsection H specifies the remittance requirements for

state and local consumption taxes and local consumer utility taxes by competitive service providers and local distribution companies. 5) Subsection I requires that all consolidated bills provide the retail customer's local distribution company account number. 6) Other subsections are amended to provide clarification and to impose reciprocal requirements on competitive service providers and local distribution companies offering consolidated billing service. Public comments may be submitted until June 27. For additional information, contact Thomas Lamm, State Corporation Commission, at 804/371-9392 or by e-mail at tlamm@scc.state.va.us.

Final Regulations

Minimum Standards for Jails and Lockups. The State Board of Corrections has proposed amendments to

reorganize and clarify the current standards to be more consistent with the actual practice in jails and lockups, and eliminate duplicate provisions. The amendments concern the minimum standards for jails and lockups related to requirements for administration, management, programs, services, operation, and physical plants to clarify the current language to be more consistent with the actual practice in jails and lockups. Some of the amendments are organizational in nature and move requirements from one section to another and delete repetitive language covered under multiple sections of department procedures. Contact Donna Lawrence, Department of Corrections, at 804/674-3237 for additional information. ❖

POSITIONS

Longer version of job ads posted at www.vml.org

Because of the number of requests it receives to publish job advertisements, VML reduces the length of the of position descriptions in *Update*. A full version of all of the job listings published here appears on VML's web site at www.vml.org. Visit the VML site and click on "Marketplace" to read the complete description.

Director of Operations, Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority

SALARY: \$48,000-plus DOQ. Provides planning, direction and oversight of services to 10 member cities and counties for regional solid waste management authority. Responsibilities include operation of yard waste composting facility, solid waste transfer system, household hazardous waste program and recycling activities. Reqs. graduation from accredited college or university with degree in engineering, environmental science, or related field and min. 5 yrs. exper. in solid waste mngmnt or public works admin. Demonstrated communications and supervisory skills req. Resume to: Executive Director, Virginia Peninsulas Public Service Authority, 300

McLaws Circle, Suite 200, Williamsburg VA 23185. Deadline: July 12. EOE

Superintendent of Public Works, Portsmouth

SALARY: \$41,994-\$55,642 (+) benefits. Plan, schedule and supervise construction, maintenance and repair of streets and stormwater conveyance system. Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, and 3-5 yrs. of responsible exper. in maintenance and repair work on streets and stormwater conveyance systems. Submit completed city application to any local VEC office. 'www.ci.portsmouth.va.us. Open until filled. EOE.

Engineer II (Electrical), Manassas

SALARY: \$56,643-\$73,635. In Electrical Department, work w/ engineering staff and mngmnt. to facilitate system improvements and assist in designing capital improvement projects. Analyze system protection reqs. and limitations by preparing coordination, voltage drop and fault current studies as req. by system additions and maintenance facilities. Using Windows-based software, perform power flow and short circuit analysis, distribution primary analysis, harmonic analysis and transient stability analysis. Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering and 4-6 yrs. exper. Apply: Department

of Human Resources, 9027 Center St., Room 302, Manassas, Va. 20110. Open until filled. EOE.

Site Plan Review Coordinator, Arlington County

SALARY: \$51,586-\$83,380. Coordinate / direct review of all site plan projects. Advise staff, citizens and developers on regs. Prepare evaluations and recommendations; manage public participation process. Reqs. BA and 3 yrs exp urban design, land use planning, with 1 yr of site plan review. Prefer MA and local govt. exp; work w/ complex development proposals and citizen groups a plus. Application form must be submitted. See full job announcements, pick up an application, or apply electronically at www.co.arlington.va.us/pers. To have paper materials mailed, call 703/228-3363 (24-hr jobline), 703/228-3500 (Employment Desk), 703/228-4613 (TTY). (#3119-2C-PHD) Deadline: July 11. EOE.

Master Planning Team Leader, Arlington County

SALARY: \$51,586-\$83,380) Coordinate / direct land use/urban design studies for major/complex developments, long range planning and General Land Use Plan. Advise staff, citizens and developers on regs.

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Prepare evaluations and recommendations; manage public participation process. Reqs: BA and 3 yrs exp urban design, land use planning, with 1 yr general land use plans. Prefer MA and local govt. exp; work w/ complex development proposals and citizen groups a plus. Application form must be submitted. See full job announcements, pick up an applications, or apply electronically at www.co.arlington.va.us/pers. To have paper materials mailed call 703/228-3363 (24-hr jobline), 703/228-3500 (Employment Desk), 703/228-4613 (TTY). (#3119-2B-PHD). Deadline: July 11. EOE.

Planner II, Arlington County

\$42,816-\$69,199): Local gov. urban planning — land use, large-scale planning and design, zoning studies. Work with community, negotiate with developers. Study, analyze and develop reports and recommendations on development proposals. Reqs: BA and 2 yrs exp urban design, land-use planning, or related. Prefer MA and local govt. exp; landscape design, AutoCAD and tech report writing a plus. Submission of an application form is req. See full job announcements, pick up an applications, or apply electronically at www.co.arlington.va.us/pers. To have paper materials mailed call 703/228-3363 (24-hr jobline), 703/228-3500 (Employment Desk), 703/228-4613 (TTY). (#3114-2F-PHD). Deadline: July 11. EOE.

Information Systems Manager, Williamsburg

SALARY: \$50,076-\$62,598 (+) benefits DOE/DOQ. FT in Department of Finance. Perform managerial and technical tasks related to maintaining and troubleshooting 150-user wide area network. Supervises all projects related to upgrading and modifying network. Works with staff at all levels of the organization. Application and job description available at www.ci.williamsburg.va.us. Applications to: City Manager's Office, 401 Lafayette St., Williamsburg, VA 23185, 757/220-6105 (TDD 220-6108). Deadline: June 28. EOE.

Executive Director, Franklin Redevelopment and Housing Authority

SALARY: DOQ (+) benefits. Reqs. bachelor's degree in public admin., business admin., or a related field w/ 7-12 yrs. of exper. in public redevelopment and housing operations that include progressively responsible mngmnt. exper. or any equiv.

comb. of educ. and exper. that provides the req. knowledge skills and abilities. Serves as CEO, H.R. manager, procurement administrator, contract administrator and secretary to board of commissioners. For job description of requested services call 757/562-8508. Submit letter of interest / resume with work references to Brenton D. Burgess, chairman FRHA, P.O. Box 634, Franklin, VA 23851. Only respondents to be interviewed will be contacted. Deadline: July 30. EOE.

County Attorney, Isle of Wight

SALARY: Negotiable DOQ. Perform advanced professional and managerial work of unusual difficulty in planning, organizing, directing and implementing the activities of the legal department. Reqs. comprehensive knowledge of municipal law, ordinances, state and federal law, and of constitutional law affecting local government; of judicial procedures, rules of evidence and methods of legal research. Must be licensed to practice in Va. Trial exper. and excel. academic credentials preferred. Submit resume to: Human Resources, P.O. Box 80, Isle of Wight, VA 23397. Additional info: www.co.isle-of-wight.va.us. Deadline: June 28. EOE.

Town Engineer, Orange

SALARY: Negotiable (+) benefits. Administer technical engineering activities of the town and perform related work as req. Prefer experienced leader with solid engineering background, including a BS degree, and water modeling exper. PE designation preferred. Applications and resumes to: Town Manager's Office, 119 Belleview Ave., Orange, VA 22960. Req. application and job description can be obtained at the same address or by calling 540/672-5005. Inquiries: townmanager@townoforangeva.org or 540/672-5005. Deadline: July 11. EOE.

Employment/Diversity Specialist, James City County

SALARY: \$33,329 negotiable DOQ. Work with depts. to attract and recruit qualified applicants for vacant positions. Review employment and other practices/policies to ensure they support an open, honest and equitable workplace, with emphasis on valuing diversity and fostering inclusion. Completed James City County application form is req. and may be obtained by calling 757/253-6736; downloading the form from the Internet at www.james-city.va.us; or by writing Human Resource Department, P.O.

Box 8784, Williamsburg, VA 23187-8784. Deadline: June 28. EOE.

Police Officer, Dumfries

SALARY: \$31,868 DOE. Perform responsible protective work in Police Department and related work as req. under regular supervision. Must possess valid Va. driver's license. Reqs. certification as a qualified Va. police officer by a recognized training academy. Application with resume to: Chief of Police, Dumfries Police Department; P.O. Box 56, Dumfries, VA. 22026. Open until filled. EOE.

Correctional Health Assistant, Western Tidewater Regional Jail

SALARY: DOQ. Screen, conduct sick call, draw blood, interpret routine lab tests and work independently in a medical department in care of inmates. Reqs. CPR certification. Must provide prior exper. Retired IDCs/Medics and LPNs encouraged to apply. Applications at Western Tidewater Regional Jail, 2402 Godwin Blvd., Suffolk, Va. 23434. Contact: Deputy Superintendent Ronald Matthews, 757/539-3119. Open until filled. EOE.

Director of Tourism and Economic Development, Nelson County

SALARY: \$34,707-\$61,244 DOQ. Key member of management team who reports directly to county administrator. Direct, plan and organize tourism and economic development functions. Supervise clerical and visitor center personnel. Liaison to county, state and regional agencies that support county gov't. Resume w/ min 3 references and salary reqs. to: Nelson County Administrator, P.O. Box 336, Lovingson, VA 22949. Completed county application form req. Open until filled. EOE.

Director of Streets, Lynchburg

SALARY: \$48,630-\$75,462 DOE/DOQ. Effectively allocate and manage resources for infrastructure, capital improvement and operational needs; establish and support a customer service culture; support innovative approaches to operations. Master's degree and/or PE preferred. Detailed resume, including salary history and names and phone numbers of 5 work-related references, to: Office of Human Resources, 900 Church St., Lynchburg, VA 24504. Phone: 434/847-1315, Fax: 434/845-4304. E-mail:

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beth.mcdaniel@lynchburgva.gov. (# 6315 – 1) Open until filled. EOE.

Manager of Accounting Services, Roanoke

SALARY: \$56,200-\$70,000 DOQ. Oversees accounting and payroll systems. Supervises staff of the accounting, accounts payable and payroll functions. Establishes and oversees financial and accounting policies. Responsible for selection, installation, and oversight of accounting and payroll systems and procedures. CPA preferred. Apply via Internet at www.roanokegov.com, City of Roanoke, Department of Human Resources, 215 Church Ave. SW, Room 207, Roanoke, VA 24011. Open until filled. EOE.

Combination Inspectors (Plumbing/Mechanical and Electrical), Williamsburg

SALARY: \$24,570-\$31,000 DOQ. Recruiting 2 comb. inspectors. One position primarily responsible for plumbing/mechanical and one position primarily responsible for the electrical enforcement of the VUSBC for construction and property maintenance. Job descriptions and application available in city manager's office, 401 Lafayette St., Williamsburg, VA 23185, or call 757/220-6105 (TTY 757/220-6108) Open until filled. EOE

Human Resources Management Analyst, Hampton

SALARY: Negotiable FT (+) benefits. Coordinates, supports activities and functions of the HRIS initiatives. Serves as authoritative source of info. and participates in implementation, maintenance and reporting needs of the HRIS system. Submit city application to: Department of Human Resources, 4th fl, City Hall, 22 Lincoln St., Hampton, VA 23669 or e-mail hrdept@hampton.gov. Contact: 757/727-6345 or FAX 757/727-6449. Visit www.hampton.gov/hr. Open until filled. EOE

Client Server, Hampton

SALARY: \$43,001 FT (+) benefits. Installs, configures and troubleshoots computer servers, databases, applications and association assemblies. Firewall and web technologies a plus. Some GIS exper. preferred. Acceptable comb. of educ. and exper. may be considered for specific reqs. outlined above. Apply: Submit city

application to: Department of Human Resources, 4th fl, City Hall, 22 Lincoln St., Hampton, VA 23669 or e-mail hrdept@hampton.gov. Contact: 757/727-6345 or FAX 757/727-6449. Visit www.hampton.gov/hr. Open until filled. EOE.

Quality Coordinator, Chesterfield County

SALARY: \$44,068-\$75,252 negotiable DOQ (+) benefits. (Pop. 265,000) Lead "Total Quality Improvement" system that reflects county's dedication to excellence in customer service, employee involvement and innovation. Responsible for overall implementation of the quality system. Submit county application to: Chesterfield County, Human Resource Management Department, 9901 Lori Road, P.O. Box 40, Chesterfield, VA 23832. Applications and additional info: 804/748-1551 or www.chesterfield.gov/jobs. #02-582. Deadline: June 27. EOE.

Community Development Planner, Warrenton

SALARY: DOQ (+) benefits. (*readvertised*) Performs technical and professional work in planning/zoning and economic development. Planning activities account for appx. 80 percent of position, including review of site and subdivision plans, special use permits and rezoning applications. Maintains and staffs historic preservation program; writes and administers grants. Applications or resumes to: Personnel Director, Town of Warrenton, P.O. Drawer 341, Warrenton, VA 20188 (18 Court St., Warrenton, VA 20186). Applications may be printed from web site; www.townofwarrenton.com. Open until filled. EOE

Water Resources Management Administrator, Chesapeake

SALARY: \$57,363 negotiable DOQ. Oversees operation and maintenance of water treatment plant, distribution system and laboratory to ensure adequate water supply, pressure and compliance with regs. and laws. Responsible for staff supervision, training, planning, maintaining water quality compliance, identifying improvement projects, merging improvements into operating system, budgeting and reporting. Must possess Va. professional engineering license. Apply: City of Chesapeake, P.O. Box 15225 Chesapeake, VA 23328. E-mail: selection@pers.city.chesapeake.va.us Web: www.chesapeake.va.us. #03110201. Open until filled. EOE.

Tax Field Auditor, Winchester

SALARY: \$31,553. Possess considerable knowledge of business accounting and state and local codes related to taxes, licensing and auditing. Duties include auditing and reviewing of business establishments to determine compliance with tax and business laws; issuing notice of delinquent licenses fees and taxes; working with the city attorney in taking legal action against violators; auditing business' personal property returns. Apply: Administration Department, Rous City Hall, Winchester, VA 22601. 540/667-1815 ext. 449. TDD 540/722-0782. EOE.

City Planner, Lynchburg

SALARY: \$44,220-\$68,619. (Pop. 65,000) Oversee staff of 3 planners; supported by award-winning staff, ordinances and state-of-the-art GIS. Work closely with director of the department, strategic planner and others addressing planning. Opportunities range from new development to neighborhood redevelopment to major corridor improvements. Send resumes to: City of Lynchburg, 900 Church St, Lynchburg VA 24505 or send e-mail to: beth.mcdaniel@lynchburgva.gov. Contact: 434/847-1315 or above e-mail address. #2035-1. Open until filled. EOE.

Director of Streets/ Maintenance, Purcellville

SALARY: \$54,872-\$81,071 to start DOE (+) benefits. Oversee Maintenance Department, which is responsible for maintenance of all streets, stormwater mngmnt., mowing and maintenance of water and sewer distribution and collection systems. Reports to town manager and serves as member of mngmnt. team. Must possess CDL or have ability to receive one within 6 mos. Send cover letter describing skills and exper., accompanied by resume, to: Town Manager Robert W. Lohr Jr., Town of Purcellville, 130 E. Main St., Purcellville, VA 20132. Open until filled. EOE.

Project Manager (Office of Economic Development), Danville

SALARY: \$42,091 min. DOQ. Perform complex professional sales work developing and managing business contacts designed to attract new jobs and investment. Must have comprehensive knowledge of sales/marketing principles and methods, and of the economic development process.

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POSITIONS

Resume with salary history to: City of Danville Human Resources Department, P.O. Box 3300, Danville, VA 24543 or see web site to access a city application: www.ci.danville.va.us. Expected start date July 1. Open until filled. EOE.

DEADLINE: *The deadline for placing a job advertisement in the next issue of Update is Friday, June 28. Submit ads via e-mail to David Parsons at: dparsons@vml.org. You may also submit via FAX at: 804/343-3758. VML publishes job advertisements at no cost to its local*

government members. Non-members are charged a flat rate of \$25 per ad per issue, which includes posting on VML's web site and publication in Virginia Town & City (deadlines permitting). VML edits position descriptions in printed publications because of space limitations.

CALENDAR

Brownfield Redevelopment Technical Workshop, June 27, Henrico County

Sponsored by the Virginia Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society. Speakers, case studies and panel discussions, including variety of environmental and legal topics. Cost: \$25-\$35. Registration deadline: June 20. Contact: Stu Wilson at the Department of Conservation and Recreation 804/786-4382 or swilson@dcr.state.va.us.

Conference for Newly Elected Municipal Officials, July 10-12, Charlottesville

Designed primarily for newly-elected officials, but incumbent office holders and staff are encouraged to attend as well. Concurrent sessions so workshops can be targeted more directly to larger and smaller communities. Topics to include: holding productive council meetings, council/manager relations, mayor/council relations (for jurisdictions without a manager), freedom of information and conflict of interests, public officials liability, budgeting, land use and team-building. Registration forms will be sent to key officials and to newly elected officials following May elections. Registration: \$170 includes copy of *Handbook for Virginia Mayors and Council Members* and other handouts, as well as most meals. Location: Omni Hotel, 213 W. Main St. in Charlottesville. Sponsored by VML, Weldon Cooper Center at U.Va. and Va. Tech Extension Division. VML contact: Mary Jo Fields at 804/649-8471 or mfields@vml.org.

APWA International Public Works Congress & Exposition, Sept. 22-25, Kansas City, MO

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Virginia Mayors Institute, Oct. 18-20, Norfolk

Designed to give an overview of the powers and duties of council members to newly-elected municipal officials. Held at the Norfolk Marriott Waterside in conjunction with VML Annual Conference. Sponsored by VML, the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia, the Cooperative Extension of Virginia Tech and Virginia State University. Contact Mary Jo Fields: mfields@vml.org or 804/649-8471.

Virginia Municipal League 2002 Annual Conference, Oct. 20-22, Norfolk

VML's annual conference will be held in downtown Norfolk at the Waterside Convention Center. Program will include topical keynote speakers, general sessions, workshops, roundtable discussions, Mayor's Institute, Host City Night, banquet and exhibition hall filled with vendors. For more information, contact VML at 804/649-8471 or via e-mail at: e-mail@vml.org.

IPMA 29th Annual Training Conference and Exposition, Oct. 20-23, Ottawa

International Personnel Management Association annual event is entitled "HR Beyond Borders." Sessions include: Workplace security, workforce planning, managing cultural diversity, wellness/change management, labor/management partnerships, recruitment strategies, automated learning management systems,

strategic management, workplace spirit, total compensation I, self-directed learning, coaching/mentoring, competency-based HR, employee recognition, challenges of health care cost containment, evaluating HR, legal update. Registration fee for U.S. delegate is \$515 for IPMA members and \$615 for non-members. To register, e-mail the IPMA Training Department at: training@ipma-hr.org. For complete exhibitor information, visit: http://www.ipma-hr.org/public/training_template.cfm?ID=4, or contact: lthompson@ipma-hr.org. Phone: 703/549-7100; Fax: 703/684-0948.

Association of Government Accountants Annual State and Local Government Leadership Conference, Oct. 23-24, Richmond

Outstanding forum for leaders from state and local governments across the country to join together to share ideas and solutions to their challenges. Offering more than 15 hours of Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credit, the conference educational sessions address the leading issues in state and local government financial management. This conference will be held at the Richmond Marriott.

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CALENDAR

**National League of Cities
2002 Congress of Cities and Exposition
Dec. 3-7, 2002 — Salt Lake City, Utah
Salt Palace Convention Center**

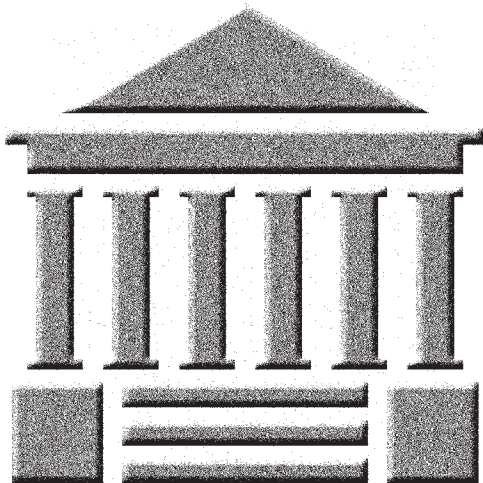
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Conference registration information available in late June.

Questions: Call NLC at (202) 626-3105



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