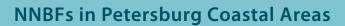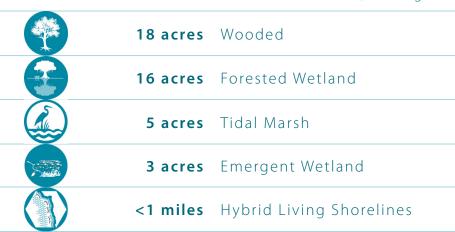# COASTAL RESILIENCE SUMMARY
CITY OF PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

Natural and Nature-Based Features (NNBFs)

Forests, trees, wetlands, beaches, and living shorelines benefit communities by reducing storm wave energy, soaking up floodwaters, improving water quality, providing areas for recreation, creating habitats for important plants and animals, and even lowering flood insurance costs. These **N**atural and **N**ature-**B**ased **F**eatures (NNBFs) have been mapped for areas that are less than 10-feet in elevation, experience tidal and storm flooding, and include buildings at risk. *(All numbers are approximate.)*

MAP: Petersburg coastal areas less than 10-ft elevation, with targets for new NNBFs

NNBFs in Petersburg Coastal Areas

	42 acres	**All Coastal NNBFs**, including:
	18 acres	Wooded
	16 acres	Forested Wetland
	5 acres	Tidal Marsh
	3 acres	Emergent Wetland
	<1 miles	Hybrid Living Shorelines

*Visit **www.AdaptVA.org** to view all coastal NNBFs*

Benefits of NNBFs in Petersburg

	<1 acres	of NNBFs that decrease flooding risks for buildings
	42 acres	of NNBFs that improve water quality by reducing sediment, nitrogen, and phosphorus
CRS	**201 acres**	of NNBFs potentially eligible for FEMA Community Rating System credits (100-ft RPA buffer and wetlands located within 100-year flood zones)

Coastal Area Facts

for areas less than 10-ft elevation

<1% of Petersburg area (61 acres)

12 coastal buildings

0 critical facilities

0 coastal buildings without NNBF benefits

0 targets for new NNBFs

Chesapeake Bay RPA 100-ft Buffer Overview

across all of City of Petersburg

822 acres of RPA buffer

161 acres of RPA buffer currently turfgrass potentially eligible for water quality credits if converted into NNBF

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