

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
June 2020**

Resolution R22-2020 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE OCCOQUAN WATERSHED MONITORING LABORATORY TO RESEARCH FRESHWATER SALINIZATION SYNDROME (FSS) IN THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON REGION.

The board will be asked to adopt Resolution R22-2020 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to expend COG funds from the Department of Environmental Program's Regional Water Fund in the amount not to exceed \$720,000 for a five-year contract with four option years. The first-year amount is \$120,000. The resolution also authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to proceed with procurement for a contractor, or contractors, and enter a five-year contract, contingent upon availability of funds, to research freshwater salinization syndrome across the COG region. Freshwater salinity is rising across our region and threatens regional drinking water supplies and stream health. This project will identify the emerging impacts and types of watersheds and streams that are most at risk, inform management actions, and measure the effectiveness of mitigation efforts. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R22-2020.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors June 10, 2020

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