HSRD Wins Hall of Fame Among River Stars

Stomping in the mud "through areas most people have never seen" to track down the source of troublesome levels of bacteria in the Elizabeth River. Analyzing the findings in a state-of-the-art lab that’s one of only a handful of its kind in the country.

These are just two examples of above and beyond environmental efforts by HRSR, cited by Jamie Mitchell, HRSR chief of technical services. She was asked how HRSR earned Inside Business River Star Business Hall of Fame recognition for 2016. The award was presented Jan. 20 at the Elizabeth River Project’s annual River Star Business Recognition Luncheon, attended by hundreds of corporate leaders at Founders Inn.

"I feel like we’re making a difference when people come to us as experts" in solving the community’s environmental challenges, Mitchell said. HRSR’s multiple efforts also included massive overhaul of sewer systems, helping the Lafayette branch of the river meet state standards; six green roofs; playing a key role in making oyster reef construction more available to volunteers; and providing free baster pump out.

A peer review panel chose HRSR from among 116 business and government facilities now recognized by Elizabeth River Project for documented, voluntary results in preventing pollution and restoring wildlife habitat. Earning Model Level at the banquet were Chesapeake Parks, Recreation and Tourism; Top Guard Security; and the US Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District.

HRSD replaces an aging pipe below the Lafayette branch of the Elizabeth – part of massive efforts that have earned the wastewater authority Inside Business River Star Hall of Fame for 2016.

Congratulations, River Star Businesses 2016

*** Model Level Business and Government Facilities ***

These companies receive the Model Level designation through exceptional pollution prevention and wildlife habitat results while mentoring others as community leaders in environmental stewardship.

BAE Systems Norfolk Ship Repair *
Chesapeake Parks, Recreation & Tourism
Chesapeake Sheriff’s Office
CITGO Petroleum Corp. – Chesapeake *
Enviro Port of Chesapeake
General Dynamics NASSCO-Norfolk *
Hampton Roads Transit
Hermitage Museum & Gardens *
Heus Corp – Chesapeake Terminal
Hoffler Creek Wildlife Foundation lHRSD *
Kinder Morgan/Elizabeth River Terminals
Lafayette Wetlands Partnership *
Lock Shore Guilford Yard
Mack Line, Limited
Naval Station Norfolk *
Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads
Portsmouth Annex *
NOAA Marine Operations Center – Atlantic
Norfolk Environmental Commission *
Keep Norfolk Beautiful *
Norfolk Environmental Stormwater Management
Norfolk Naval Shipyard *
Norfolk Planning & Community Development
Norfolk Southern Leamont Point
NHRHA’s Grandy Village & Learning Center *
Old Dominion University *
Port of Virginia *
Skanoa USA Civil Southeast
SKW Constructors
Southern States Cooperative – Chesapeake Fertilizer Plant
SPSA Operations *
Tidewater Community College – Chesapeake
Top Guard Security
US Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District
US Coast Guard Base Portsmouth *
US Maritime Administration
Division of Atlantic Operations
Virginia Zoo *
Volvo Trucks of the Americas *
Wheelabrator Portsmouth

** Achievement Level Business and Government Facilities **

These companies have shown significant results in both pollution prevention and wildlife habitat, relative to size and nature of organization

Accurate Marine Environmental
Bay Environmental
Beach Marine Services *
Buckeye Terminals LLC – Chesapeake
Chesapeake Public Works *
Christ & Saint Luke’s Episcopal Church
Christian Broadcasting Network
Culpeper Landing
Great Bridge Battlefield & Waterways
History Foundation *
Hampton Roads Rowing Club
Intracoastal Marine, Inc.
Inland Water League of America – Norfolk Chapter
Kinder Morgan Southeast Terminals
Larchmont Branch Library
Lock Stone Berkeley Yard
Lynx Shipyard
Marine Hydraulics International
Marine Oil Service *
Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads
Lafayette River Annex
Norfolk Tag Company
Ocean Marine Yacht Center
Osho Shotom Temple
Perdue Agribusiness Chesapeake Plant
PETCO
Portsmouth Parks, Recreation & Leasure Services
Portsmouth Public Works/Stormwater *
Saint Paul’s Episcopal Church *
SIMS Metal Management – Chesapeake *
South Norfolk Neighborhood Watch Group Inc.3
South Norfolk Harvest Share
Vine Line Banking
Virginia Beach Environment & Sustainability Office *

* Commitment Level Business and Government Facilities *

These companies have shown significant results in either pollution prevention or wildlife habitat enhancement.

Allied Concrete Products
Bank Street Associates
Bay Diesel Corp *
Bay Disposal & Recycling
Cape Henry Audubon Society – Weyauwerge Wildlife Sanctuary
Celebrate! Trees
Chesapeake Central Freight Management
Chesapeake Environmental Improvement Council
CMA CGM (America) LLC *
Colonial Pipeline
Colonial Reclaimed Timber, LLC
Colonna’s Shipyard
Continental Research
Dooly Calls – Hampton Roads
East Coast Bicycles
Eastern Virginia Medical School
Ecodyning
Environmental Bank & Exchange – Chesapeake Wetlands Site
Enrock Cement – Chesapeake Plant
Five Points Community Farm Market *
Founders Inn & Spa
Hampton Roads Behavioral Health
Island Properties/Island Estates
Kinder Morgan Money Point Terminals *
Marine Repair Services – Container Maintenance Corp.
McAllister Towing of Virginia
McLean Contracting
Nauticos
Norfolk and Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad
Norfolk Department of Utilities
Norfolk, SPCA
Norfolk Yacht & Country Club
Portsmouth Boating Center
Precision Printing
Renaisance Portsmouth-Norfolk Waterfront Hotel
Rolling Park Civic League
Savior Martial Arts SKS Dojo Roller Rink
Smartmouth Brewery
South Norfolk, Jordan Bridge
Tidewater Yacht Marina – A Suntex Marina
Top Rack Marina
TransMaunique Product Services – Norfolk Complex
Vulcan Norfolk Sales Yard *
Vulcan Westminster Stone & Recycling Yard *
Waterside Marina
West Park View Community League