

Notes From The Board Room 2009



At last, spring has sprung, the temperatures are on the rise, the grass is greening up, traffic on the golf course is increasing and before long we will hear the hum of the lawn mowers as we keep our community looking good and probably best of all, the pool will be opening around April 15. Activities have already



started to prepare the pool for the upcoming season.

When spring appears it can't be long until hurricane season is upon us. An article in the Virginia Pilot last week predicted that we would have sixteen named storms this year in the Atlantic, a number of which, I believe four, will come ashore on the East Coast. I received a notification from the Virginia Department of Transportation announcing the online availability of the 2010 Virginia Hurricane Guide. You can download a copy or read it online by going to www.virginia.gov, type Hurricane Guide in the search box on the upper right side of the screen and select the PDF version of the guide. As I said, you can just read it online or you can download it. It contains a lot of great information that could mean the difference of life or death in the face of a major hurricane.

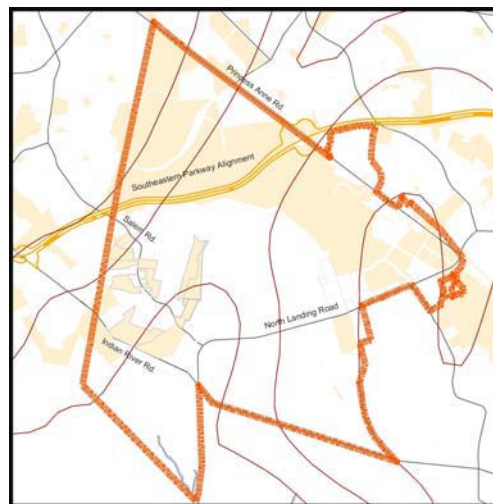
You may have noticed in the news that the City of Virginia Beach has engaged a consulting firm to assist them in an implementation plan to develop the Interfacility Traffic Area (ITA).

The ITA came into being as a result of the 2005 report of the Department of Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC). The ITA is the actual flight path of aircraft from the Oceana facility to their training site located at Fentress Auxiliary field. What does this mean to us, the residents of West Neck? While we do not reside in the area designated as the ITA, we are a very close neighbor and do have

an interest in the development of this 4000 acre area. In particular, the route of the West Neck Parkway, Nimmo Parkway and the proposed Western freeway all lie in the ITA. The plan is seeking input from stakeholders and residents as to what type of development they would like to see in this area. Because of the potential danger of aviation accidents in this corridor, residential development will be very limited in the area. However this would be a great area for light industry, office parks, recreational facilities and other uses. These efforts will work nicely with the City's Comprehensive Development Plan for the area south of the green line. If you are interested, there will be additional public hearings and planning sessions in April that will be open to the public.

The Association will be conducting their bi-annual Census this month. Please complete the Affidavit of Occupancy that each residence will receive. In order for us to retain our exemption from Federal and State age discrimination policies, we must conduct this census and ensure that we have 100 percent participation in the study to maintain the validity of the Census. I ask your attention to completion of the form and promptly return to Community Group.

Thanks to all our homeowners for your help. Till next time. Bill Plackett, President WNCA



The Interfacility Traffic Area (ITA) and Vicinity Master Plan Study was approved by City Council on January 12, 2010. The ITA is a flight corridor between Oceana Naval Air Station and the Fentress Landing Field in Chesapeake. The study area is located mainly between Princess Anne Road, North Landing Road, and Indian River Road. Also included in the study area are Sub-Areas 2 and 3 from the Princess Anne Corridor Study, the Municipal Center, and some properties south of North Landing Road. See the ITA and Vicinity Study Area Map under Related Documents for a map of the study area.