



## Don't let Newport News Suspend Our Democracy in King William County

- **Call your King William Supervisors Today!**
- **Attend the Board of Supervisors meeting October 22 at 7 PM at King William County Administrative Bldg, 180 Horse Landing Road**
- **Attend upcoming candidate forums and ask the candidates where the stand on the King William Reservoir and what they plan to do about it.**
  - Acquinton Elementary School PTA - Candidate Forum, Tuesday, Oct 9 at 7 PM
  - Tri-Rivers Chamber of Commerce candidate forum & breakfast on Friday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 AM, St. John's Episcopal Church, Main Street, West Point. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the Chamber Office or the King William Treasurer's Office

### Call your Supervisor:

First District	Tom Redd	Phone: (804) 843-4188
Second District	Frank Adams	Phone: (804) 769-3854
Third District	Eugene Rivara	Phone: (804) 769-0568
Fourth District	Tom Smiley	Phone: (804) 769-3480
Fifth District	Otto Williams	Phone: (804) 994-2163

**WHAT:** Tell your County Supervisor to seek independent expert advice on their contractual obligations with Newport News regarding the reservoir. Urge your Supervisor to let King William County citizens vote on whether to borrow money for the King William Reservoir and to oppose any approach that short cuts the regular referendum process on borrowing.

**WHY:** When the County borrows money for large projects it generally uses General Obligation Bonds which require a referendum where citizens get to vote. But Newport News is pressuring King William County to suspend democracy and use more expensive revenue bonds that do not require a referendum. The money from these bonds would be used to buy and condemn the land of King William County property owners for the development of the King William Reservoir. However, there is no need to condemn property at this time because Newport News can not begin construction on the reservoir until the State Water Control Board reviews the permit in 2012 after important studies are conducted. The Supervisors need independent expert advice on these issues rather than relying on what Newport News tells them they have to do. In addition, the Alliance to Save the Mattaponi, the Mattaponi Tribe, Sierra Club and Chesapeake Bay Foundation are still challenging the reservoir in federal court and a court victory could stop the reservoir project.

### For More Information or to Volunteer, contact the Alliance to Save the Mattaponi:

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