

# TASK FORCE ON THE FUTURE OF LAKE ACCOTINK

## Task Force Mission & Timeline

### Mission of Task Force:

This Task Force has been established in response to Fairfax County staff's recommendation that Lake Accotink not be dredged. The Task Force shall review and consider that recommendation, ensuring that all options have been considered to preserve Lake Accotink in the most sustainable, equitable and cost-effective manner. The Task Force will also explore and consider options other than traditional dredging for the future of Lake Accotink, including options for a managed wetland and/or hybrid options for managed wetlands with a smaller open water feature. The Task Force will develop findings on these matters and submit them to the Board of Supervisors to inform the Board's decision regarding the future of Lake Accotink.

### Meetings:

Meetings will be held at the Fairfax County Government Center Conference area from 7:00 p.m. to approximately 9:00 p.m. every other Monday beginning July 26, 2023. The work of the Task Force is planned to be completed by the end of the calendar year 2023. Meetings will be held in person with the opportunity for persons to also attend remotely.

Brief time will be set aside at the beginning of each meeting for public comment. Speakers are asked to keep their remarks to three minutes.

The Task Force may choose to organize itself into smaller subgroups in order to focus on specific aspects of our work.

**June 26, 2023**

Orientation, Introductions  
Discussion of the Task Force's Mission  
History of Lake Accotink and the Accotink Watershed

**July 10, 2023**

Discussion of County Staff's Recent Recommendation  
What are the Impediments to Dredging?  
A Look at Past Dredging Operations  
Are There Examples of Successful Dredging Techniques in  
Other Parts of the U.S. or Overseas?

**July 24, 2023**

Discussion of a Managed Wetland Option for Accotink and Other Hybrid Options  
Review of Huntley Meadows and Other Examples of Managed Wetlands

**Agendas to be Determined for Meetings on the Following Dates:**

August 7  
August 21  
September 4 – Labor Day/No Meeting  
September 11  
September 25  
October 9  
October 23  
November 6  
November 20  
December 4  
December 18 (Last Meeting)