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## TOWN OF TAPPAHANNOCK

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### The Town of Tappahannock Officially Joins Virginia's River Realm

**Tappahannock, VA** — December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 — The Town of Tappahannock is thrilled to announce its official inclusion in Virginia's River Realm, a renowned collection of now nine charming small towns united by 465 miles of breathtaking shoreline and countless unique attractions. As part of Virginia's River Realm, Tappahannock will now be featured in regional tourism campaigns, enhancing its visibility and attracting new visitors. The Town's partnership with neighboring communities within the River Realm will also lead to collaborative events and initiatives that highlight the best of what the region has to offer.

Virginia's River Realm is a premier regional destination that offers something for everyone, whether you're a history buff, nature enthusiast, or simply seeking a relaxing getaway. Visitors can explore historic sites, enjoy water activities on the Rappahannock River, dine at local eateries, and experience the warm hospitality that Tappahannock is known for.

“We are excited to join Virginia's River Realm and to share our Town's unique character with visitors from near and far,” said Eric Pollitt, Town Manager of Tappahannock. “This partnership opens up new opportunities for our community, fostering tourism, economic growth, and supporting small businesses.” Mayor Roy Gladding stated, “As a new member, Tappahannock is eager to contribute to the region's rich heritage, natural beauty, and vibrant community spirit.”

Tappahannock's inclusion in Virginia's River Realm underscores its commitment to highlighting local attractions. The Town, with its rich history and scenic vistas, is a perfect addition to the River Realm, offering visitors an authentic experience of Virginia's rural tidewater.

Visitors to Tappahannock can look forward to a rich array of outdoor recreation options, from beaches along the scenic Rappahannock River featuring self-service kayaks and paddle boards, to the picturesque Hobbs Hole Golf Course, perfect for a relaxing round of golf. Tappahannock's brand-new Central Park boasts pickleball & tennis courts, modern playground, and splashpad. The historic downtown possesses unique shopping experiences and delightful dining at local restaurants, along with opportunities to explore the Town's museum and historic buildings, which capture the charm and heritage of the area.

For more information about Tappahannock and its attractions, please visit the Town's official tourism website at [www.visittappahannock.com](http://www.visittappahannock.com) or Virginia's River Realm at [www.virginiasriverrealm.com](http://www.virginiasriverrealm.com).

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**About the Town of Tappahannock:**

Tappahannock is a historic town nestled along the Rappahannock River in Virginia. Known for its rich heritage, scenic beauty, and close-knit community, Tappahannock offers visitors a unique glimpse into Virginia's past while providing modern amenities and attractions.

**About Virginia's River Realm:**

Virginia's River Realm is a collective of eight small towns united by 465 miles of shoreline along the Rappahannock River. The region is known for its picturesque landscapes, historic sites, outdoor adventures, and welcoming communities, making it a top destination for travelers seeking an authentic Virginia experience.