

***GO Virginia
Region 5
Grant Proposal***

***Unmanned
Systems,
Demonstration &
Testing Facility***

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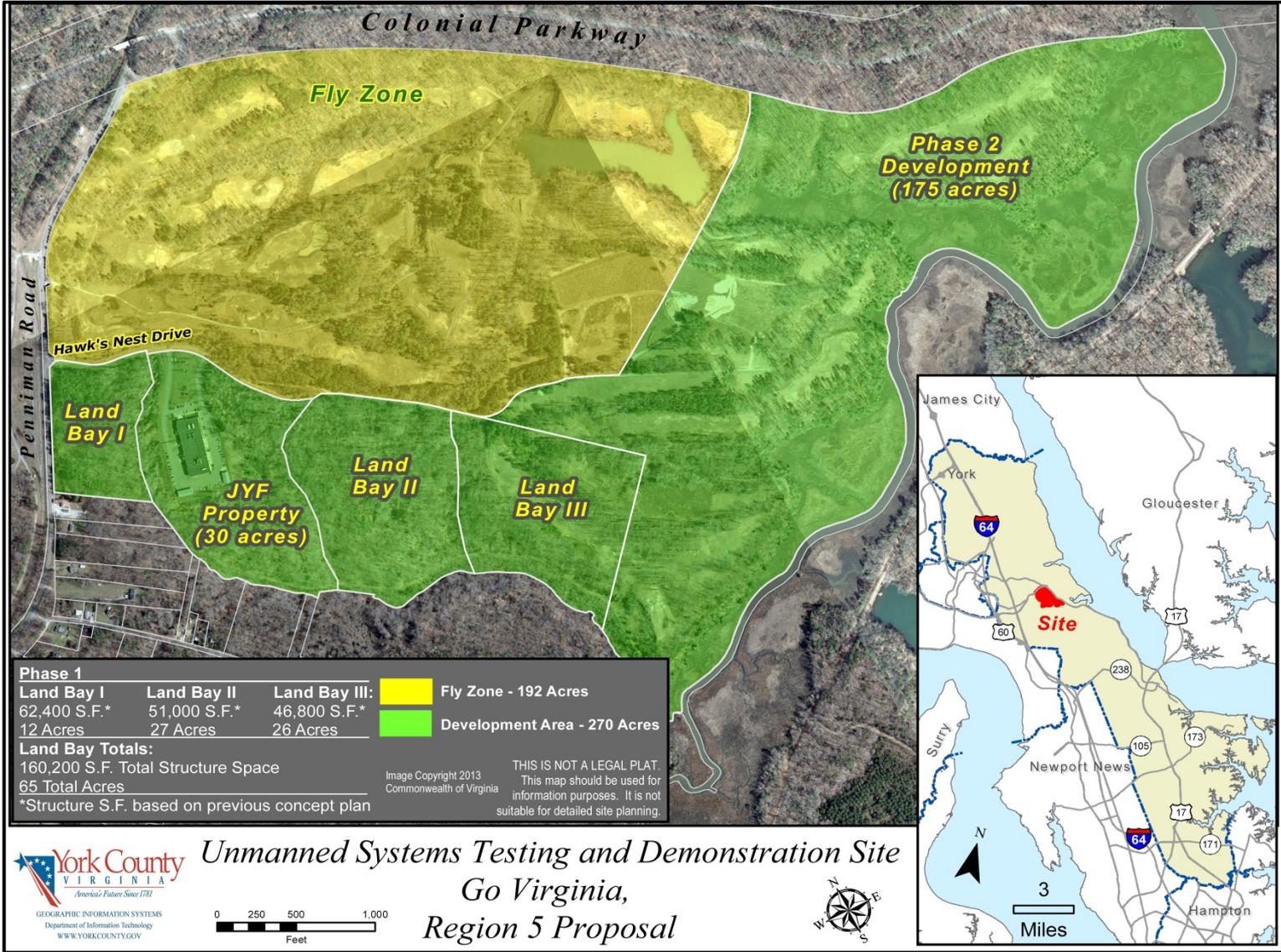


Economic Development

Project Justification

- Unmanned Systems Region 5 priority cluster with the highest average annual wages \$86,840
- Significant regional assets exist to support and grow this cluster, NASA, NIA, VIMS, ReAKTOR, ODU, W&M
- Lack of testing/demonstration areas in Hampton Roads is an industry identified impediment to growth
- Opportunity to foster economic growth through a regional cost and revenue sharing agreement
- Public Private Partnership to facilitate development of surplus state property

Proposed Site



Project Concept

“Fly Zone” (testing & demonstration area) 192 acres

- Long term ground lease (framework in place due to former golf course ground lease for same property with State)
- Site accommodates land, air & underwater unmanned systems
- Includes 25 acre recreational “Drone Park”

Light Industrial Park – Public Private Partnership 270 acres

- 65 acres Phase 1 - \$2.5M
- Cost offset – Yorktown Naval Weapons Station, REPI Program
- Co-working space for Higher-Ed and Federal Agencies

Project Concept

Grant Application

- \$1.5M – State pool & \$1.0M – HR pool
- \$500K – A&E & \$2.0M infrastructure development
- Participation open to all HR localities
- Gloucester involvement would further strengthen our application (cross regional participation)

Revenue Sharing

- Voluntary economic growth-sharing agreement
- Local tax revenue includes percentage of income taxes (VA Collaborative Economic Development Act)
- Additional revenue from land sales and recreational fees

