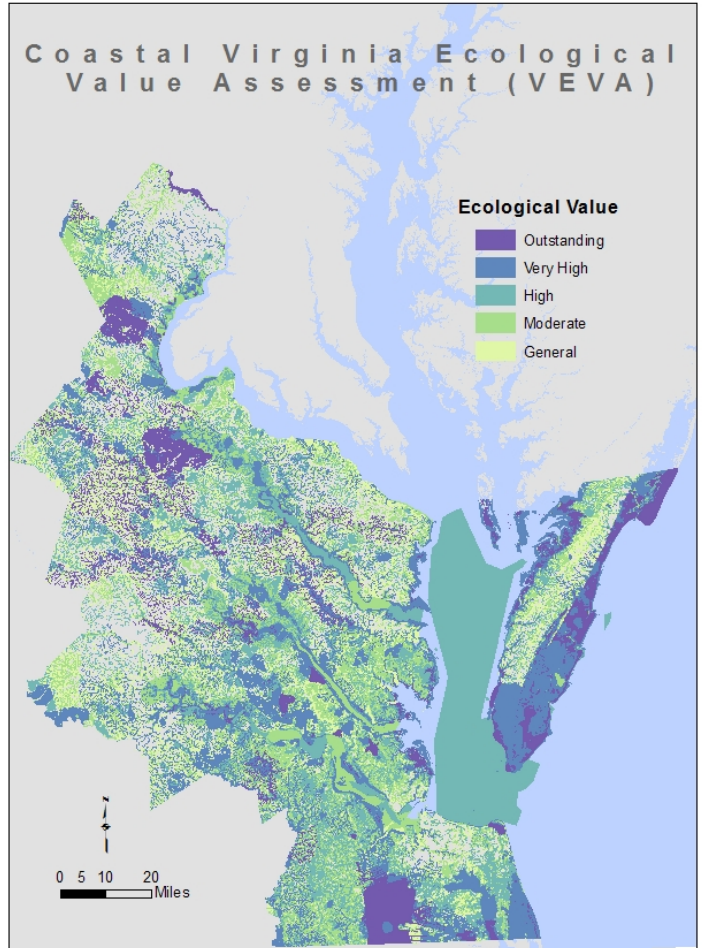


Coastal Virginia Ecological Value Assessment (VEVA)

The Coastal Virginia Ecological Value Assessment (VEVA) was developed to provide guidance to local governments engaged in land use management and conservation planning. VEVA is a collaborative effort among several state programs to synthesize the best available natural resource information into a single geospatial product. VEVA combines scientific data and best professional judgment to rank terrestrial and aquatic areas for their ecological value. These values can be used to prioritize areas for preservation, develop strategies for special area management actions, or to build awareness about Virginia's natural communities.



For more information visit these websites:

<http://www.deq.state.va.us/coastal/coastalgems.html>

http://ccrm.vims.edu/resources/conservation_planning/index.html

<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/gis/gis-data.asp>

Data Sources

Priority Wildlife Diversity Conservation Areas	VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries
Natural Heritage Conservation Sites Layer	VA Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, Natural Heritage
Natural Lands Network	VA Dept. of Conservation and Recreation, Natural Heritage
Aquatic Resource Integrity Layer	VCU Center for Environmental Studies
Aquatic Priority Conservation Areas	VIMS Center for Coastal Resources Management
Virginia's Healthy Waters	VA Dept. of Environmental Quality

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