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"Meeting the Needs of Today and the Challenges of Tomorrow"

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Welcome

- Welcome to Virginia
- 400th anniversary of historic Jamestown Settlement in 2007
- Queen Elizabeth's second visit to Virginia, 50 years apart.



Royal Visits 1957 and 2007







Jamestown : A brief look at history

- Jamestown settled in 1607
- First permanent English settlement in the Americas
- Three Cultures meet
 - Native American, Western European and African
- Traditions established at Jamestown include
 - Representative government
 - Rule of law
 - Free enterprise



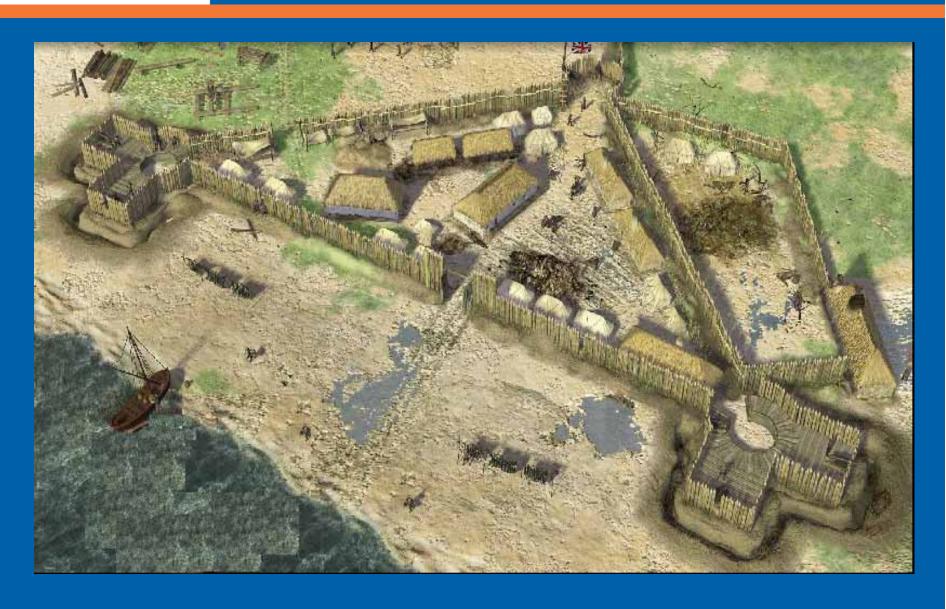
America in 1607 - 1611



Courtesy – National Geographic



America in early years





VA Commemoration

- Virginia's unique role as the birthplace of modern America as the cradle of American democratic traditions,— 400 years strong
- Commemoration, not celebration, is the tone.
- Beginning of the greatest nation also was the beginning of the demise of the native nation and slavery



History of Jamestown Commemoration

- VA has held major Jamestown commemorations every 50 years since 1807
- In summer of 1907, a world's fair was held in Norfolk which drew more than 1.5 million visitors from around the nation and the world
- Queen Elizabeth II visited Jamestown in 1957, her first visit to USA as England's monarch



Living Virginia and the Nation's History















Today's events

- After 400 years, the Pavement Management professionals from across the nation gathered here today where the first road in the country was built.
- Many historic public works in the area
- Largest private port to be open in June
- Largest private investment in region -\$450million +
- Welcome to Virginia and enjoy your stay