Environmental & Intergovernmental Reviews

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**Environmental reviews** can include:

- **Environmental Assessments and Impact Reports** - Virginia code requires state agencies to prepare an environmental impact report (EIR) for each major state project.

- **Coastal Consistency Determinations and Certifications** - Due to receipt of Federal funds or permits, proposed projects must prove consistency with the enforceable policies of Virginia’s Coastal Zone Management Program.

- **Groundwater Withdrawal Permits** - RRPDC staff receives notice of Groundwater Withdrawal Permits in the Eastern Virginia Ground Water Management Area (GWMA). The eastern portion of the RRPDC is located in the Eastern Virginia GWMA. All jurisdictions in the Eastern Virginia GWMA are notified of pending permits as part of this process, therefore the RRPDC receives review requests for projects outside of the Richmond region. For more information about the Eastern Virginia GWMA see [http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/WaterSupplyWaterQuantity/WaterWithdrawalPermittingandCompliance.aspx](http://www.deq.virginia.gov/Programs/Water/WaterSupplyWaterQuantity/WaterWithdrawalPermittingandCompliance.aspx).

- **Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permits** - DEQ issues VWP Permits for activities related to the quality of surface waters in the Commonwealth including the filling, dredging, draining or excavation of wetlands, streams, or other state waters. Surface water withdrawals are also permitted through VWP permits.

- **Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permits** – DEQ issues VPDES permits to any person who discharges any pollutant into surface waters of the Commonwealth from a point source.

**Intergovernmental reviews** can include:

- State Agency grant applications for Federal funding, including:
  - CERCLA grant funds from US EPA (Superfund programming and site remediation)
  - Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program funding from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
  - Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) State Clean Diesel funds from US EPA
  - Capitalization funds for the Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund for wastewater treatment facility improvements from US EPA

- FHWA Section 5310 funding for projects involving transit and mobility enhancements for seniors and individuals with disabilities

- State Corporation Commission Applications
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Located within the Richmond Region

**Waterford Water Park**  
*Chesterfield*

The Waterford Water Park is proposing to provide a mixed-use development that includes recreational, commercial, townhouses and multifamily residential parts. The project will provide 115,000 square feet of retail, 330,000 square feet of a business park, 330 apartments, 360 townhomes, 50,000 square feet of restaurants, and a 40 acre “Outdoor Adventure Park.” A wetland delineation was performed on the site by Timmons Group and a preliminary jurisdiction determination (PJD) was secured from the United States Corps of Engineers (USACE) on October 13, 2015. The USACE and VDEQ representatives concurred with the isolated wetland determination previously made by Ricky Woody, RK&K and concludes the project site does not have any resource protection areas located within its boundaries.

Located outside - but potentially impacting - the Richmond Region

**FY 2019 – FY 2023 Pollution Prevention 2 Outreach Application**  
*Virginia*

DEQ is seeking $80,000 in Federal funds to expand and enhance DEQ’s current pollution prevention programs, Virginia Environmental Excellence Program (VEEP), Virginia Green Tourism (VG), and Governor’s Environmental Excellence Awards (GEEA), by encouraging increased participation, providing technical assistance and sharing successful practices.

The primary areas of focus of this proposal are grounded in source reduction or resource efficiency as opposed to recycling, treatment, or disposal. All of the projects have a multimedia focus. The various P2 techniques to be employed will reduce environmental releases, reduce public health and environmental hazards, increase business efficiency and protect natural resources through conservation.