

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>.
- **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.

For additional information on the reviews, please go to the following:

http://www.richmondregional.org/planning/environmental/eig_reviews/.

Jurisdiction	Response Date	Review Name	Environmental				Intergovernmental					
			Coastal Consistency Determination or Certification	Environmental Assessment, Impact Statement, or Impact Report	Groundwater Withdrawal Permit	VPDES Permit	VWP Permit	Federal funding of State Program	Superfund Remediation Application	FTA Section 5310 Funding	State Corporation Commission Application	Other
Charles City	10/16/2018	Ruthville Community Center WWTP				X						
Chesterfield	9/28/2018	VSU - Storm Trunkline Extension		X								
Powhatan	10/16/2018	Dutoy Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant				X						

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Located within the Richmond Region

Ruthville Community Center WWTP

Charles City

Charles City County has applied for reissuance of a permit for the public Ruthville Community Center WWTP. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewater at a rate of 10,000 gallons per day into a water body. Sludge is not generated from the treatment process; however, septage is hauled to a permitted off-site wastewater treatment plant when necessary. The facility proposes to release the treated sewage wastewater into an unnamed tributary of Glebe Creek in Charles City County in the Lower James River watershed. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: organic matter, solids, bacteria, and nutrients.

VSU - Storm Trunk Line Ext. (phases 3 & 4)

Chesterfield

The purpose of the proposed project is to provide VSU with improved stormwater management infrastructure while also protecting nearby water resources including Fleet's Branch and the Appomattox River, which receive campus stormwater and sediment runoff during storm events. The existing stormwater infrastructure is undersized, in addition to being aged, and cannot adequately drain this portion of the VSU campus. The replacement of the Storm Trunk Line will ensure VSU has adequate stormwater management infrastructure into the future.

The proposed project site is completely bound within the VSU campus as well as existing Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) right of ways (ROWS) and therefore will not require land acquisition, tree removal, or result in an increase of impervious areas. No significant habitats, water resources, or historic sites will be impacted as a result of project implementation.

Dutoy Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant

Powhatan

Powhatan County has applied for reissuance of a permit for the public Dutoy Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewater at a rate of 250,000 gallons per day into a water body. Sludge from the treatment process will be land applied by contractors operating under Virginia Pollution Abatement permits. The facility proposes to release the treated sewage wastewater into an unnamed tributary of Dutoy Creek in Powhatan County in the James River watershed. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: nutrients, metals, organic matter, bacteria, and solids.