

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** - PlanRVA staff receives notice of Groundwater Withdrawal Permits in the Eastern Virginia Ground Water Management Area (GWMA). The eastern portion of PlanRVA 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 PlanRVA 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:

<https://planrva.org/environment/reviews/>.

Jurisdiction	Response Date	Review Name	Coastal Consistency Determination or Certification	Environmental Assessment, Impact Statement, or Impact Report	Groundwater Withdrawal Permit	VPDES Permit	VWP Permit	PSD Permit (Air Quality)	Federal funding of State Program	Superfund Remediation Application	FTA Section 5310 Funding	State Corporation Commission Application	Other
Charles City	2/18/2021	Mt. Zion Groundwater Withdrawal			X								
Chesterfield	1/29/2021	Chesterfield Mobility Services									X		
Chesterfield	1/29/2021	Chesterfield Community Support Services Board									X		
Chesterfield	1/29/2021	The Children's Home of Virginia Baptist				X							
Chesterfield	2/18/2021	Shamin Stonebridge Apartments	X										
Goochland	1/29/2021	Goochland Cares									X		
Hanover	1/29/2021	Hanover County									X		
Hanover	2/18/2021	Virginia Natural Gas Interconnect										X	
Hanover, Richmond	1/29/2021	Heart Havens									X		
Henrico	2/4/2021	Sheetz USDA #49											X
Henrico	2/16/2021	Sheetz Retail Gasoline Station USDA #49	X										
Henrico	2/17/2021	Woodson Hills					X						
Henrico, Richmond	1/29/2021	Community Brain Injury Services									X		
Accomack	2/4/2021	Holden Creek Gun Club			X								
Essex	2/4/2021	Hobbs Hole Golf Course			X								
Nelson	2/18/2021	US Titanium								X			

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Located within the Richmond Region

Mt. Zion Groundwater Withdrawal

Charles City

Charles City County has applied for a new permit for groundwater withdrawal for the Mt. Zion/Rustic Community Water System in Charles City County, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw 6,900,000 gallons per year for the Mt. Zion/Rustic Service Area from the Piney Point aquifer at depth between 97 feet and 145 feet below land surface and the Potomac aquifer at a depth between 260 feet 900 feet below land surface at the withdrawal sites. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit. PlanRVA staff received no comments from locality staffs. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments about the proposed permit.

Chesterfield Mobility Services 5310

Chesterfield

Chesterfield County Citizen Information and Resources, Mobility Services is seeking operating assistance from the Commonwealth of Virginia through the FTA Section 5310 Program. The County is applying for a grant in the amount of \$553,600 to provide mobility management and transportation services for older adults and people with disabilities.

Chesterfield Community Support Services Board 5310

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The Children's Home of Virginia Baptist

Chesterfield

The Children's Home of Virginia Baptist, Inc. has applied for reissuance of a permit for the private The Children's Home of Virginia Baptist, Inc. The applicant proposes to release treated sewage wastewaters at a rate of 10,000 gallons per day into a water body. The facility proposes to release the treated sewage in an unnamed tributary to Church Branch in Chesterfield County, in the Appomattox River watershed. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: physical and chemical properties, nutrients, organic matter, solids, bacteria, and inorganics.

Shamin Stonebridge Apartments

Chesterfield

The proposed undertaking includes the new construction of two (2) apartment buildings housing a total of 288 multifamily apartment units. Additional improvements will include paved surface parking, paved walkways and drives, and associated landscaping. Access points of ingress and egress will be located off Midlothian Turnpike to the north of the development. Based on the proposed development plan, AEI determined that the proposed Shamin Stonebridge Apartments will not have an adverse effect on the coastal uses and/or natural resources of Virginia that are addressed by the twelve (12) enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (CZM). PlanRVA staff received no comments from locality staffs. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments about the proposed project.

Goochland Cares 5310

Goochland

Goochland Cares is requesting funding to replace one 14-passenger van with wheelchair lift. The cost of the vehicle is approximately \$65,000. The federal grant is for 80% of the total cost with GoochlandCares being responsible for the 20% balance. The Goochland Cares program transports elderly, disabled, and low income Goochland County Residents to medical appts within Goochland County and also Richmond and Henrico.

Hanover County 5310

Hanover

Hanover County intends to request continued funding to provide and expand specialized transportation for non-driver older adults and individuals with disabilities. The funding requested would be used to meet the anticipated additional trip requests from our community and from our recently developed partnership with the Hanover Community Services Board. Our total request through the FTA Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant program for FY22 will be \$235,255. (\$117,628 federal; \$94,102 state; \$23,525 local).

Virginia Natural Gas Interconnect

Hanover

The proposed project is necessary in order for VNG to provide incremental transportation capacity to existing VNG customers, including Columbia Gas of Virginia ("CVA") and Virginia Power Services Energy ("VPSE"). The Project will also help VNG maintain reliable service to the Company's service area by providing access to natural gas supplies received from the Transco pipeline and delivered through the JUP and VNG Lateral to serve customers in VNG's service territory. The total estimated cost for the proposed Project is approximately \$205.6 million, which includes approximately \$103.6 million in pipeline-related costs and approximately \$102.0 million in compressor station-related costs. VNG proposes to do several activities associated with the project. In Hanover County, the Mechanicsville Metering and Regulation Station will be upgraded with additional equipment to accommodate additional capacity. PlanRVA staff received no comments from locality staffs. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments about the proposed project.

Heart Havens 5310

Hanover, Richmond

Heart Havens, Inc. is seeking capital assistance from the Commonwealth of Virginia through the FTA Section 5310 program to purchase transportation equipment. Heart Havens is requesting funding to purchase three 9-passenger vans with handicap-accessible lifts to support individuals with a developmental disability living in our homes in Hanover, Stuarts Draft and Richmond. The vans will be used to provide transportation for residents to training, jobs, community programs, grocery stores, medical appointments and other opportunities for community integration. The federal grant is for 80% of the total cost with the agency being responsible for the 20 percent balance.

Sheetz USDA #49

Henrico

Sheetz USDA #49 is part of the USDA Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIIP) and the scope of work (SOW) will be to construct a Sheetz convenience store location with a higher blend fuel offering. The SOW includes removal of an unused parking lot with concrete walk ways and ornamental plantings, and construction of a 6,077 square foot building, parking lot, dispenser canopy, UST System, lot access points from adjacent roads, installation of utilities, and construction of storm water controls in accordance with requirements from governing agencies. Necessary equipment for the UST System includes, but is not limited to underground storage tanks, product lines, containment sumps, submersible turbine pump motors, dispensers & dispenser equipment, and tank and sump monitoring equipment. PlanRVA staff received no comments from member locality staff. PlanRVA staff responded with no comment or concerns about the proposed project.

Sheetz Retail Gasoline Station USDA #49

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Woodson Hills

Henrico

Bacova SP, LLC has applied for a new permit for the Woodson Hills. The project site is located north of Liesfeld Farm Drive, east of North Gayton Road, west of Pouncey Tract Road (Route 271), and south of Kain Road in Henrico County, Virginia. The permit will allow the applicant to fill a stream bed. The proposed activity would affect 0.19 acre of wetland and 185 feet of stream bed. The activity proposed in the permit will affect unnamed streams and wetlands in the James River watershed. To compensate for the affected area, the applicant would purchase 0.38 wetland credits and 227 stream credits from a DEQ approved mitigation bank that is authorized to sell credits to the permitted impact site and/or the Virginia Aquatic Resources Trust Fund. DEQ's preliminary decision is to issue the permit. PlanRVA staff received no comments from locality staffs. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments about the proposed permit.

Community Brain Injury Services

Henrico, Richmond, Chesterfield, Hanover, Goochland, Powhatan, New Kent, Charles City

The Mill House is a Clubhouse model vocational rehabilitation program of Community Brain Injury Services, in Richmond, Virginia and provides community-based services to survivors of brain injury in the Metro Richmond area, including Henrico, Richmond, Chesterfield, Hanover, Goochland, Powhatan, Amelia, Colonial Heights, Petersburg, New Kent, Hopewell, and Charles City. As a part of our service delivery, The Mill House provides transportation to our Clubhouse members to access the community for participation in group and individual volunteer opportunities, employment services, social and recreational activities, and other community interaction opportunities. Funds are being requested from the Commonwealth of Virginia to purchase a new wheelchair accessible 14 passenger bus through the FTA Section 5310 program to continue offering community-based services and ensuring access to the community to the individuals we serve through this transportation service.

Located outside - but potentially impacting - the Richmond Region

Holden Creek Gun Club

Accomack

Grayson C. Chesser, Jr. and Dawn M. Chesser have applied for a new permit for a withdrawal of groundwater to provide water for three shallow seasonal waterfowl impoundments in Accomack County, Virginia. The permit would authorize an annual groundwater withdrawal of 17,009,000 gallons per year. The groundwater withdrawal will support hunting and wetland habitats and conservation. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Yorktown-Eastover aquifer at a depth between 115 feet to 147 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit. PlanRVA staff received no comments from member locality staff. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments to DEQ.

Hobbs Hole Golf Course

Essex

C Development Corporation has applied for a groundwater withdrawal permit for commercial use in Essex County, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw 3,600,000 gallons per year from the Potomac aquifer to support golf course irrigation and maintenance. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Potomac aquifer at a depth between 420 feet to 582 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit. PlanRVA staff received no comments from member locality staff. PlanRVA staff responded with no comments to DEQ.

US Titanium

Nelson

The U.S. Titanium Superfund site is approximately 50 acres of an approximately 175 acre former titanium dioxide manufacturing facility located along the Piney River in Nelson County, Virginia. The Virginia Chemical Corporation (VCC) produced titanium dioxide between 1931 and 1944 by acidifying ilmenite, an ore containing iron and titanium. In 1944, the American Cyanamid Corporation purchased VCC and operated the mining and manufacturing plant until it closed in 1971. Following plant closure, the site passed through several ownerships, including the U.S. Titanium Corporation, from which the site received its name. Site concerns include degradation of the Piney River water quality, acidic leachate, and groundwater contamination. The site was placed on the NPL in September 1983, and a Record of Decision (ROD) was signed in November 1989. Virginia DEQ is requesting \$35,000 of Federal funds for administration activities related to the Superfund site clean-up process. PlanRVA staff received no responses from locality staff. PlanRVA staff responded with no concerns about the grant application.