

Public Notice – Environmental Permit

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality for the withdrawal of ground water in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: October 7, 2013 to November 6, 2013

PERMIT NAME: Ground Water Withdrawal Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER: City of Virginia Beach; Municipal Center – Building 21, 2408 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23456; GW0044001.

NAME AND LOCATION OF WATER WITHDRAWAL: Kempsville Greens Golf Course; located near the intersection of Princess Anne Road and Baxter Road in the City of Virginia Beach, VA

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: City of Virginia Beach has applied for a new permit for a previously permitted commercial water supply in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The permit would allow the applicant to withdraw 21,000,000 gallons during the ten-year permit term under certain conditions. The ground water withdrawal will supplement the onsite ponds for the purposes of supplying irrigation water to the golf course and landscaping. The proposed withdrawal will utilize the Upper Yorktown-Eastover aquifers at a depth between 65 feet to 82 feet below the land surface at the withdrawal site. An aquifer is a body of rock or layer of sediment in the ground in which ground water is stored and transported. DEQ has made a tentative decision to issue the permit.

AFFECTED AREA: The radial distance from the well(s) to where computer modeling predicts the aquifer(s) may experience one foot of drawdown due to the withdrawal is illustrated on a map (or maps) that can be viewed at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/gwpermitting/publicnotices.html>.

HOW TO COMMENT AND OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. DEQ may hold a public hearing, including another comment period, if public response is significant and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the proposed permit. **CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Previn D. Smith; DEQ Central Office, 629 East Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219; P.O. Box 1105 Richmond, VA 23218; Phone: (804) 698-4027; E-mail: previn.smith@deq.virginia.gov. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above.