

## Public Notice – Environmental Permit

**PURPOSE OF NOTICE:** To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow a water withdrawal from the Dan River in Claudville, Patrick County Virginia.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** June 10, 2015 to July 11, 2015.

**PERMIT NAME:** Virginia Water Protection Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

**APPLICANT NAME, ADDRESS AND PERMIT NUMBER:** Blue Ridge Fish Hatchery; 655 Fish Farm Lane, Claudville, VA 24076; Permit Number 14-0318

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Blue Ridge Fish Hatchery has applied for a water withdrawal permit. The permit will allow the applicant to continue to withdraw water from the Dan River. The activity in the permit will affect the Dan River in the Roanoke watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. DEQ's preliminary decision is to approve the permit.

**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 permit.

**CONTACT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Mark F. Bushing; Blue Ridge Regional Office; 7705 Timberlake Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502; Phone: 434-582-6240; E-mail: [mark.bushing@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:mark.bushing@deq.virginia.gov); Fax: 434-582-5125. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment.