

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) seeks written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of a watershed plan for the Mattaponi River. The following stream segments are listed on the 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired for the recreation use due to exceedances of the State's water quality standards for bacteria.

Stream Name	Location	Bacteria Impairment Length (miles)	Upstream Limit	Downstream Limit
Brock Run	Spotsylvania County	2.56	Aunt Sarah Spring Creek	Ni River
Chapel Creek	King and Queen County	4.44	Beaver Branch	Mattaponi River
Doctors Creek	Caroline County	2.32	Tanyard Swamp	Maracossic Creek
Glady Run	Spotsylvania County	9.30	headwaters	Po River
Maracossic Creek	Caroline and King and Queen Counties	4.21	Beverly Run	Mattaponi River
Mat River	Spotsylvania County	2.30	~0.3 mi upstream from Route 647	Ta River
Matta River	Spotsylvania and Caroline Counties	11.89	~0.5 mi upstream from Route 646	Poni River
Mattaponi River	Caroline County	3.20	unnamed tributary draining from Goose Pond	Polecat Creek
Motto River	Caroline County	1.80	~0.4 mi upstream from Route 1	~0.2 mi downstream from I-95.
Po River	Spotsylvania and Caroline Counties	7.21	~2.7 mi upstream from Route 1	Ni River
Polecat Creek	Caroline County	5.31	headwaters	Stevens Mill Run
Poni River	Caroline County	3.21	~0.7 mi upstream from Route 606	Matta River
Reedy Creek	Caroline County	9.39	headwaters	Route 301
		3.30	Route 301	Reedy Millpond
Root Swamp	King and Queen County	7.83	headwaters	Beverly Run

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Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the State Water Control Law requires the DEQ to develop Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report, and Virginia state law requires implementation plans for areas with TMDLs. A component of a TMDL is the Waste Load Allocation (WLA); therefore, this notice is provided pursuant to §2.2-4006.A.14 of the Administrative Process Act for any future adoption of WLAs associated with this watershed plan.

The first public meeting on the development of the watershed plan to address the bacteria impairments for these segments will be held:

Wednesday, March 18, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.
Bowling Green Town Hall - Rappahannock Reception Room
117 Butler Street, Bowling Green, VA 22427

In case of inclement weather, the alternate meeting date is:

Monday, March 23, 2015, at 6:00 p.m.
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Please note that the alternate meeting date will be used if the offices of Caroline County are closed due to inclement weather on March 18, 2015. Caroline County's website is www.visitcaroline.com.

The public comment period will begin on March 18, 2015, and will end on Friday, April 17, 2015. An advisory committee to assist in development of this watershed plan has been scheduled to convene on Wednesday, March 4, 2015.

Information on the development of the watershed plan for the impairments is available upon request. Questions or information requests should be addressed to the DEQ contact person listed below. Please note that all written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to:

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