

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 Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for the Lower Chickahominy River Watershed in New Kent, Charles City, and James City Counties. These streams are listed on the 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired due to violations of the State's water quality standards for bacteria for the recreation use.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the State Water Control Law require the DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

Waterbodies identified for TMDL development include the following:

Stream	Impairment	Location
Beaverdam Creek	Recreation Use (bacteria)	New Kent County
XAH-Beaverdam Creek, UT		
Diascund Creek		New Kent and James City Counties
Mill Creek		James City County
Barrows Creek		Charles City County
Chickahominy River		Charles City, James City, New Kent Counties
Gordon Creek		James City County

The final public meeting on the development of the TMDL to address the recreation impairment for these segments will be held on Tuesday April 26, 2016 at 1:00pm at the Charles City County Social Center located at 8320 Ruthville Road, Providence Forge, VA 23140. In the case of inclement weather the meeting would be rescheduled for April 27, 2016 at 1:00pm.

A 30-day public comment period will be held to solicit comments on the draft TMDL report. The public comment period will begin on April 27 and end on May 27, 2016. The draft TMDL report can be found at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/programs/water/waterqualityinformationtmdls/tmdl/tmdldevelopment/drafttmdlreports.aspx>

An advisory committee to assist in development of this TMDL was convened on October 7, 2015 and January 19, 2016.

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 the TMDL WLAs. Information on the development of the TMDLs for the impairments is available upon request. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Kelley West. Please note, all written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to the DEQ contact person:

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