

This is a notice for the third meeting of the Salt Tracking & Reporting Workgroup, which is tasked with developing recommendations related to best practices for salt tracking and reporting in winter weather maintenance as part of the development of the Salt Management Strategy (SaMS). A chloride TMDL has been developed for the Accotink Creek watershed located in Fairfax County. Additionally, water quality patterns throughout the Northern Virginia region show that the chloride pollution issues observed in the Accotink Creek watershed are not isolated to that watershed, but instead widespread throughout the region. Therefore, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in partnership with a broad coalition of stakeholders that make up the SaMS Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) have begun the development of a comprehensive strategy that aims to provide recommendations for more efficient and effective use of salts during winter weather management.

The purpose of this meeting is to report on follow-up items from the last meeting and to work to finalize the workgroup recommendations for the SaMS. The focus of discussions will be on seeking comments/refinements to example forms designed to encourage voluntary reporting of salt product use and implementation of best management practices (BMPs) to efficiently use winter salts. The group will also discuss ideas to encourage/incentivize voluntary reporting, and potential funding sources to support salt use and BMP reporting.

If you have any questions regarding the Salt Tracking and Reporting Workgroup, this meeting, or the SaMS, please contact David Evans via phone, email, or conventional mail using the information listed at the bottom of this notice. All materials related to this project will be posted on the DEQ website at: <https://www.deq.virginia.gov/SaMS/MeetingMaterials.aspx>

While all meetings are open to the public, because of security concerns, please contact Dave Evans to notify him of your intent to attend so that you can be added to the attendance list.

The third Salt Tracking & Reporting Workgroup meeting will be held:

Thursday September 12, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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