

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of an Implementation Plan (IP) for bacteria Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) on a 3.55 mile segment of Carter Run, 15.69 mile segment of Great Run, 6.91 mile segment of Thumb Run, and 4.83 mile segment of Deep Run. TMDLs for the Carter Run and Great Run bacteria impairments were approved by EPA in March 2005, copies of which can be found on DEQ's website under Rappahannock River Basin at http://gisweb.deq.virginia.gov/tmdlapp/tmdl_report_result.cfm. TMDLs for the Thumb Run and Deep Run bacteria impairments were approved by EPA in May 2002 and May 2004, respectively, and can be found on DEQ's website at the same location. The Carter Run, Great Run and Thumb Run impairments are located in Fauquier County. The Deep Run impairment is located in Fauquier and Stafford County.

Section 62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia requires the development of an IP for approved TMDLs. The IP should provide measurable goals and the date of expected achievement of water quality objectives. The IP should also include the corrective actions needed and their associated costs, benefits and environmental impacts.

The second and final public meeting on the development of an IP for Carter, Great, Thumb and Deep Run bacteria TMDLs will be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Warrenton Community Center, located at 430 East Shirley Avenue in Warrenton, VA.

The public comment period will end on May 4, 2006. A fact sheet on the development of the IP is available upon request. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Charlie Lunsford. Written comments and inquiries should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Mr. Charlie Lunsford, Department of Conservation and Recreation, 203 Governor Street, Virginia, 23219, telephone (804) 786-3199, Fax (804) 786-1798, or e-mail charles.lunsford@dcr.virginia.gov.