Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Group **Wordsmithing Work Group**

July 31, 2015 Final Meeting Notes²

Location: DEQ Central Office Start:

1:38 p.m. 2nd Floor Conference Rm A End: 5:29 p.m.

629 E. Main Street, Richmond, VA

SAG Work Group Members Present:

Lawrence Lewis, MPPDC Adrienne Kotula, James River Association Elizabeth A. Andrews. DEQ Katie Frazier, Va. Agribusiness Council

Melanie Davenport, DEQ Philip F. Abraham, VACRE

Work Group Members Absent:

Bart Thrasher, VDOT Chris Pomeroy, Aqua Law

Douglas Beisch, Stantec

Facilitator: Mark Rubin, VCU Recorder: Debra Harris, DEQ

Guests and Public Attendees:

Drew Hammond, DEQ Christine Watlington, VDOT Joan Salvati, DEQ John Olenik, VDOT

I. Agenda Item: Welcome, Minutes & Overview

Discussion: The work group members were welcomed to the meeting. The WWG¹ was asked to review and provide any comments on the draft meeting notes for their past meeting. There were no comments. Mr. Rubin briefly discussed the topics for the meeting.

II. Agenda Item: Strawman – 15:34

Discussion: The WWG reviewed the strawman for section § 62.1-44.15:34 (Handout 2 – Attachment B). The revisions/comments noted during this discussion are provided in Attachment C. The main concerns noted were (i) the timeline for processing the application needs to be reworked in order to provide surety to the developers and a workable process for the localities and DEQ and (ii) the use and need for the authority to address erosion impact areas needs further consideration.

III. Agenda Item: Strawman - 15:24 to 15:33

Discussion: The WWG reviewed the revisions made to sections § 62.1-44.15:24, §§ 62.1-44.15:26, 15:27, 15:28, and 15:30 through 15:33 (Handout 3 - Attachment B). Revisions to this section were based on discussions from the previous WWG meeting. The comments and changes suggested by the WWG are provided in Attachment C. These sections will be revised and presented to the full SAG at their August 24th meeting for their consideration.

IV. Agenda Item: Proposed Enactment Clauses

Discussion: The WWG reviewed the proposed enactment clauses (Handout 4 - Attachment B) for the transition period from the VESCP and VSMP programs to the consolidated VESMP. The comments and changes suggested by the WWG for the proposed enactment clauses are provided in Attachment C. During this discussion, it was noted that further consideration of the opt-out choice is necessary. Some localities are concerned about the technical criteria and do not want to perform additional functions. It was decided that this discussion would be brought to the full SAG at their August 24th meeting along with the enactment clauses.

¹ See list of acronyms in Attachment A

² Finalized 10/06/15

ATTACHMENT A

Acronyms:

CBPA - Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act

DEQ - Department of Environmental Quality

DMME - Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy

E&SC - erosion and sedimentation control

ESCL – Erosion and Sedimentation Control Law

EWG – Enforcement Work Group (a subgroup of the SAG)

IWG - Implementation Work Group (a subgroup of the SAG)

NWG - Nutrient Trading Work Group (a subgroup of the SAG)

RLD - Responsible Land Disturber

SAG – Stormwater Stakeholder Advisory Group

SWCL - State Water Control Law (in this context the term normally refers to the general provisions)

SWMA – Stormwater Management Act

VESCP - Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Program

VESMA - Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act

VESMP - Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Program

VSMP – Virginia Stormwater Management Program

WWG - Wordsmithing Work Group (a subgroup of the SAG)







Handout 2







Attachment C





