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RE: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) MS4 Permit  
VAR040024, City of Poquoson, Chesapeake Bay TMDL Action Plan Approval

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has reviewed the Chesapeake Bay TMDL Action Plan received on September 30, 2015 in accordance with Section I.C of the General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4). Additional information was received December 21, 2015 and January 8, 2016.

As submitted, the action plan will result in the following annual reduction of pollutants of concern in the York River Basin:

Pollutant of Concern	Annual Load Reduction (lb/yr)	Percentage of L2 Reduction Achieved After Implementation
Total Nitrogen	162.76	13.94%
Total Phosphorus	18.57	8.68%
Total Suspended Solids	5,597.7	8.17%

***The Chesapeake Bay TMDL Action Plan is hereby approved and is an enforceable part of the MS4 Program Plan.*** The approved action plan is based on the 2000 Urbanized Area as designated by the U.S. Census Bureau; and reductions were

calculated based on land use data from 2009. Please note that additional reductions may be required to address loads from expanded urbanized area as a result of the 2010 Census in accordance with Section II.C.5 of the MS4 General Permit.

Please note any modifications to the Chesapeake Bay TMDL Action Plan shall be made in accordance with the Program Plan Modification Section of the MS4 General Permit (Section II.F).

As provided by Rule 2A:2 of the Supreme Court of Virginia, you have thirty (30) days from the date you received this decision within which to appeal this decision by filing a notice of appeal in accordance with the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia with the Director, Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Please contact Kelsey Brooks at (804) 698-4321 or at [kelsey.brooks@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:kelsey.brooks@deq.virginia.gov) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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