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SUBJECT: DEQ's Unified Regulatory Plan (URP) for 2024-2025 Amendment #1

Attached is DEQ's Unified Regulatory Plan (URP) for 2024-2025. Tables 1 through 169 were submitted on June 28, 2024. Tables 170 through 181 were submitted as an update on September 19, 2024.

**UNIFIED REGULATORY PLAN OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY FOR THE STATE FISCAL
YEAR 2025**

PREPARED JUNE 28, 2024

DESCRIPTION OF AGENCY:

The Department of Environmental Quality is authorized to implement all regulations adopted by its three citizen boards (Code of Virginia, Title 10.1, Chapter 11.1, Article 1.) Additionally, the department must promulgate regulations establishing: criteria for recycling equipment, facilities or devices for local taxation purposes (Code of Virginia, Title 58.1, Chapter 36, Article 5); a permit by rule or permits by rule for the construction and operation of small renewable energy projects, including such conditions and standards necessary to protect the Commonwealth's natural resources (Code of Virginia, Title 10.1, Chapter 11.1, Article 5); and regulations to implement the Uniform Environmental Covenants Act by establishing how activity and use limitations prescribed by an agency pursuant to an environmental response project are to be drafted, recorded and enforced (Code of Virginia, Title 10.1, Chapter 12.2.)

DESCRIPTION OF BOARDS:

The State Air Pollution Control Board

A seven-member citizen board authorized to, among other things, adopt regulations for the control and abatement of air pollution throughout the Commonwealth or in affected areas.

The State Water Control Board

A seven-member citizen board authorized to, among other things, establish standards of quality for state waters, policies and programs for area-wide or basin-wide quality controls, and requirements for treatment of sewage and industrial and other wastes.

The Virginia Waste Management Board

A seven-member citizen board authorized to, among other things, carry out the purposes and provisions of the Virginia Waste Management Act and compatible federal provisions and exercise general supervision and control over waste management activities in the Commonwealth.

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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Regulations for the Control of Motor Vehicle Emissions in the Northern Virginia Area (9VAC25-91) in Response to Chapters 634 and 676 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (HB 213 and SB 453) (Rev. MS)	
Brief Overview The Regulations for the Control of Motor Vehicle Emissions in the Northern Virginia Area (9VAC25-91) are being amended in response to Chapters 634 and 676 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (HB 213, Del. Watts and SB 453, Sen. Marsden). These acts provide that the agreement DEQ enters into with the program coordinator shall permit the program coordinator to be paid up to \$5,000 per year from each inspection station for each set of required equipment for the provision and maintenance of such equipment by the program coordinator. Prior to these acts this amount was set at \$3,500 per year. Therefore, the regulation needs to be amended to reflect this change.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Ambient Air Quality Standards (9VAC5-30) to Reflect the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's New Standard for PM _{2.5} (Rev. A24)	
Brief Overview On March 6, 2024 (89 FR 16202), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) revised the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for PM _{2.5} (particles in the ambient air with an aerodynamic diameter less than or equal to a nominal 2.5 micrometers). The annual arithmetic mean concentration has been set at 9.0 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m ³), and the standard for the 24-hour concentration is being retained at 35 µg/m ³ . 9VAC5-30 contains the specific criteria pollutant standards set out in 40 CFR Part 50. Therefore, this regulation must be updated accordingly.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6246 / Stage 10341	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-60) as Required by Chapter 688 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly (HB 206, Del. Webert)	
Brief Overview Section 10.1-1197.5 et seq. of the Code of Virginia requires the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to establish a Permit By Rule (PBR) for Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) up to 150 megawatts. During the 2022 General Assembly Session HB 206 (Del. Webert) was adopted (Chapter 688 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly). This legislation added subdivisions B7 and 8 to § 10.1-1197.6 of the Code of Virginia requiring DEQ, after convening an advisory workgroup and submitting a report to the Governor and General Assembly, to develop regulations to incorporate criteria to determine what mitigation is necessary when there is an adverse impact to prime agricultural soils and/or forest lands. The workgroup report was submitted on December 1, 2022. The statute requires the regulation to be in place by December 31, 2024.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) in response to Chapters 5 and 104 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (HB 656 and SB 365)	
Brief Overview	
Chapters 5 and 104 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (HB 656, Del. Wiley and SB 365, Sen. DeSteph) revise state law to fix a “Catch-22” in the law which, if unresolved, could stop land-disturbing projects in certain localities on and after July 1, 2024. The “Catch-22” that these bills fix arises because one provision of the 2016 Stormwater and Erosion and Sediment Control Consolidation Bill, Chapters 68 and 758 of the 2016 Acts of Assembly, states that a locality that does not operate a Virginia Stormwater Management Program cannot approve erosion and sediment control plans for a project until DEQ has issued stormwater permit coverage for the project. However, another provision in this law states that DEQ cannot issue stormwater permit coverage for a project until the locality has approved the erosion and sediment control plans for the project. These bills fix the “Catch-22” by setting up a sequence where the locality will review and approve erosion and sediment control plans, and then obtain evidence of stormwater permit coverage before issuing its land disturbance approval. The Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) will be updated to be consistent with the change to state law.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendments in Response to Chapter 178 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (HB 220)	
Brief Overview	
<p>This final exempt regulatory action is necessary to implement Chapter 178 of the 2024 Acts of Assembly (HB 220, Del. Orrock), which, as it pertains to DEQ, requires sewage treatment works to employ a licensed operator of the appropriate class for the facility and provides certain flexibility to the sewage treatment works if the position of the licensed operator is unexpectedly vacated due to certain conditions. These statutory requirements will be included into the following regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31 et seq.) • Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation (9VAC25-32 et seq.) • Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations (9VAC25-790 et seq.) 	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Water Protection Permit Program Regulation (9VAC25-210 et seq.) and Groundwater Withdrawal Regulations (9VAC25-610 et seq.) in Response to Chapter 251 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (SB 581)	
Brief Overview Chapter 251 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (SB 581, Sen. Stuart) revises state law to authorize DEQ to utilize and incorporate comprehensive groundwater, surface water, and aquifer data in its surface water and groundwater permit decisions. Such data may include information relating to water levels, flow rates, and water quality. The Virginia Water Protection Permit Program Regulation (9VAC25-210 et seq.) and Groundwater Withdrawal Regulations (9VAC25-610 et seq.) need to be amended to be consistent with the change to state law.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Update Regulatory Citations in State Water Control Board Regulations to Reference the New Consolidated Stormwater Regulations - Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) that Becomes Effective July 1, 2024	
Brief Overview	
<p>On July 1, 2024, the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) replaces the existing Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations (9VAC25-840), Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Certification Regulations (9VAC25- 850), and Virginia Stormwater Management Program Regulation (9VAC25-870). The existing Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations (9VAC25-840), Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Certification Regulations (9VAC25- 850), and Virginia Stormwater Management Program Regulation (9VAC25-870) are repealed effective July 1, 2024. Additionally, in response to Chapters 68 and 758 of the 2016 Acts of Assembly, changes to the Code of Virginia relating to stormwater and erosion and sediment control program become effective July 1, 2024. This regulatory action updates the following regulations in response to the adoption of the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation and changes to state law:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31) • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities (9VAC25-115) • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (9VAC25-151) • Virginia Water Protection Permit Regulation (9VAC25-210) • Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area Designation and Management Regulations (9VAC25-830) • General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (9VAC25-890) • Certification of Nonpoint Source Nutrient Credits (9VAC25-900) <p>Section 2.2-4006 A 3 of Code of Virginia exempts agency actions that consist only of changes in style or form or corrections of technical errors from the requirements of Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act. Section 2.2-4004 A 4 a of the Code of Virginia exempts changes to regulations that are necessary to conform to changes in Virginia statutory law or the appropriation act where no agency discretion is involved.</p>	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720) to Add Ten New TMDL Wasteload Allocations	
Brief Overview This action will add ten new total maximum daily load (TMDL) wasteload allocations in the James River Basin (9VAC25-720-60 A) and the Rappahannock River Basin (9VAC25-720-70 A).	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6150 / Stage 10103 - Proposed	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management (9VAC25-192)	
Brief Overview The State Water Control Board is reissuing and amending, as necessary, the existing Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management (9VAC25-192) that expires on November 15, 2024. This regulation governs the pollutant management activities of animal wastes at animal feeding operations not covered by a Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit. The general permit is a streamlined permitting process used to cover animal feeding operations which confine livestock such as, but not limited to, swine, dairy and beef cattle across the Commonwealth.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of this general permit provides the regulated community with a streamlined approach to obtain permit coverage and reduces regulatory requirements and costs on the regulated community. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under the general permit.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendments to the Water Quality Standards (9VAC25-260) – Modification of Implementation Requirements for Criteria Specific to the Chesapeake Bay and Its Tidal Tributaries (9VAC25-260-185)	
Brief Overview	
This amendment pertains to 9VAC25-260-185.D(3) of the State's Water Quality Standards regulation, which describes how criteria to protect the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal tributaries shall be assessed. Currently the text stipulates that the criteria shall be assessed through a comparison of the generated cumulated frequency distribution of the monitoring data to the applicable criteria reference curve for each designated use. The proposed revised language would specify that criteria shall be assessed through the aforementioned method or other scientifically defensible methods. This proposed change is prompted by DEQ staff recommendation. The proposed revision will provide greater flexibility for criteria implementation procedures. This rulemaking will be conducted using a fast-track process because it is considered noncontroversial.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The proposed revision will provide greater flexibility for criteria implementation procedures.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
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Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) to Update the Virginia Runoff Reduction Method, Total Phosphorous Load of New Development Projects, and Best Management Practices	
Brief Overview	
The Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management (VESM) Regulation (9VAC25-875) will be revised to change the total phosphorus (TP) load for new construction from 0.41 lbs/acre/yr to 0.26 lbs/acre/yr, reference the Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, update the Documents Incorporated by Reference so that it contains the Virginia Runoff Reduction Method Compliance Spreadsheet User's Guide & Documentation (Version 4.1, July 2024), update the best management practices that are listed in 9VAC25-875-590 so they are not tied to specifications from 2011, and make other corrections related to multijurisdictional land-disturbing activities and the amount of area impacted by land-disturbing activities in an area subject to a Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Program.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This fast-track regulation will further DEQ's stormwater initiatives, which are modernizing and streamlining the regulation of stormwater and erosion and sediment control in the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) – Technical Corrections	
Brief Overview The Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management (VESM) Regulation (9VAC25-875) will be revised to make technical corrections, such as citation updates.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This fast-track regulation will further DEQ's stormwater initiatives, which are modernizing and streamlining the regulation of stormwater and erosion and sediment control in the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6387 / Stage 10201	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Water Quality Standards Regulation - Special standards and requirements (9VAC25-260-310)	
Brief Overview This rulemaking is in response to a petition for rulemaking received by the State Water Control Board to promulgate a site-specific aquatic life criterion for selenium applicable to four tributaries to Knox Creek in the Big Sandy River basin in Buchanan County. The State Water Control Board voted on August 23, 2023 to initiate a rulemaking to amend the Water Quality Standards (WQS) Regulation to incorporate site-specific selenium criteria for the protection of freshwater aquatic life in four streams which are tributaries to Knox Creek in Buchanan County, Virginia. The specific streams which are the focus of this rulemaking are: 1) Race Fork and tributaries 2) Pounding Mill Creek and tributaries 3) Right Fork of Lester Fork and tributaries 4) Abners Fork and tributaries This rulemaking will establish site-specific selenium aquatic life criteria which protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct and reasonable. This rulemaking is based on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's published Recommended Aquatic Life Ambient Water Quality Criterion for Selenium in Freshwater (July 13, 2016 Federal Register Vol. 81, No. 134.) These site-specific criteria will be implemented in water quality programs which protect and maintain the WQS, including the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit program and the Clean Water Act 305(b) water quality assessment report and 303(d) listing of impaired waters.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6231 / Stage 9993 - NOIRA	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations to Incorporate a Reporting Requirement for All Septic Systems Taken Off-line and Connected to a Sewage Collection System	
Brief Overview This regulatory action will amend provisions of the Virginia Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations (9VAC25-790) to include a reporting requirement for all septic systems (or other on-site sewage disposal systems) taken off-line and connected to a sewage collection system in accordance with the 2022-2023 Chesapeake Bay Programmatic Milestones for the Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan. Virginia’s Phase III WIP acknowledges that the goal of this new regulatory requirement will ensure a more accurate count of nutrient reductions resulting from septic connected to sewer. This action is required to meet the necessary nutrient and sediment reductions set out by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Reissuance and Amendment of the Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permits and Associated Regulations: 9VAC25-660 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Impacts Less Than One-Half Acre; 9VAC25-670 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Facilities and Activities of Utility and Public Service Companies Regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or the State Corporation Commission and Other Utility Line Activities; 9VAC25-680 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Linear Transportation Projects; 9VAC25-690 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Impacts from Development; and Certain Mining Activities.	
Brief Overview Four existing Virginia Water Protection (VWP) general permits, authorized by Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia, by Virginia Administrative Code 9VAC25-210 <i>et seq.</i> , and by each respective VWP General Permit Regulation (9VAC25-660 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-670 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-680 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-690 <i>et seq.</i>), are expiring on August 1, 2026. In conjunction with reissuance of the four VWP general permits, the VWP Permit Program seeks to amend the existing VWP General Permit regulations as necessary to implement the general permits. If the existing VWP general permits are not reissued prior to expiration on August 1, 2026, no general permit coverage can be extended to applicants submitting new applications for regulated activities, and these applicants would be required to wait for reissuance of the applicable general permit or obtain a VWP individual permit.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Regulating activities through the issuance of general permit regulations is an alternative streamlined approach that is used to regulate entities that conduct similar activities. Reissuance of the VWP general permit regulations will provide a streamlined permitting process, greatly reducing the costs and time necessary to obtain project authorization, as well as reducing the administrative costs to the Commonwealth. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under a VWP general permit and may require applicants to obtain a VWP individual permit instead.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the General VPDES Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in Virginia (9VAC25-820)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for total nitrogen and total phosphorus discharges and nutrient trading in the Chesapeake Bay watershed in Virginia, which expires on December 31, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of total nitrogen and total phosphorus within the Chesapeake Bay watershed and is instrumental in meeting the goals of the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new nutrient discharges are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed nutrient dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of the general permit provides the regulated community with a streamlined approach to obtain permit coverage and reduces regulatory requirements and costs on the regulated community. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under the general permit.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Promulgation of a General Permit Regulation for Distribution and Marketing of Exceptional Quality Biosolids	
Brief Overview	
<p>Exceptional Quality (EQ) biosolids are biosolids that have received an established level of treatment for pathogen control and vector attraction reduction and contain known levels of pollutants, such that they may be marketed or distributed for public use in accordance with the Virginia Pollution Abatement Permit Regulation (9VAC25-32) or Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31). EQ biosolids have been treated to a higher level of pathogen reduction than Class B biosolids. The State Water Control Law (§ 62.1-44.19:3.A.1.) requires that any person who land applies or markets and distributes any type of biosolids must do so under the authority of a Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) or Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (VPDES) permit. The State Water Control Law (§ 62.1-44.19:3.C.1.) also specifies that regulations adopted by the State Water Control Board shall include requirements and procedures for the issuance and amendment of permits, including general permits, authorizing the land application, marketing or distribution of biosolids. Neither the VPA nor VPDES Permit Regulation include provisions for utilizing a general permit for marketing and distribution of EQ biosolids, hence the only vehicle currently available for DEQ to authorize marketing and distribution is an individual VPA or VPDES permit.</p> <p>This action will include revisions to the following related regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulation [9VAC25-31] · Virginia Pollution Abatement Permit Regulation [9VAC25-32] · Fees for Permits and Certificates [9VAC25-20] 	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	<p>Regulating activities through the issuance of general permit regulations is an alternative streamlined approach that is used to regulate entities that conduct similar activities. A benefit of this general permit would be 1) its lower cost to permittees relative to the cost of obtaining an individual VPA or modifying a current VPDES permit, 2) the shorter timeframe required to authorize the distribution and marketing activity through a general permit, and 3) the consistency of requirements among permittees, particularly when the material is in the marketplace. DEQ also expends less staff resources to issue coverage under a general permit.</p>
Expected Date	July 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendment of the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-32 as Required by 2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870)	
Brief Overview	
2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870, Del. Bulova) requires the State Water Control Board, with the assistance of the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Department of Health, to adopt regulations that include procedures for addressing administrative, staging, signage, and additional on-site and alternative storage site requirements when routine and on-site storage facility capacity and holding times are anticipated to be exceeded for the purpose of protecting against the release of sewage sludge (a.k.a. "biosolids") into state waters and to account for increased intensity, frequency, and duration of storm events.	
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Deregulatory Component	Normally, entities that generate and store biosolids have sufficient capacity to store the material for several months, allowing end-users to land-apply during optimal times for nutrient application and uptake. Extended periods of precipitation or drought affect the timing of land-application. During 2018-2019, a record year for precipitation in some parts of the Commonwealth, many biosolids storage facilities reached or exceeded their capacity. At the time, owners of those facilities applied to DEQ on a case-by-case basis for variances to their permits to store and manage biosolids that could not be land-applied or stored in the usual manner. The amendments to the VPA Permit Regulation will give permittees a way to plan in advance for alternative storage and handling solutions when extreme weather conditions result in long periods of time when biosolids cannot be land-applied, creating situations when the amount of biosolids exceeds normal storage facility capacity.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment in response to Chapter 235 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly to Implement SB 342 Open Burning of Vegetative Waste	
Brief Overview Chapter 235 of the 2024 Virginia Acts of Assembly (SB 342, Sen. Stuart) requires that the Virginia Waste Management Board to amend 9VAC20-81-95 of the Solid Waste Management Regulations to allow for vegetative waste to be transported to another location for open burning if it is impractical or unsafe to destroy such waste on the premises of private property.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Modification of Regulatory References Within 9VAC25-210-340. "Application requirements for surface water withdrawals"	
Brief Overview This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing specific language within 9VAC25-210-340. "Application requirements for surface water withdrawals" section B.6 should read: "6. Information on the proposed use of and need for the surface water and information on how demand for surface water was determined (e.g., per capita use, population growth rates, new uses, changes to service areas, and if applicable, acreage irrigated and evapotranspiration effects). If during the water supply planning process, the need for the withdrawal was established, the applicant may submit the planning process information, provided that the submittal address all requirements of 9VAC25-210-360. The department shall deem such a submittal as meeting the requirements of this subsection. For surface water withdrawals for public water supply, see also 9VAC25-780-100."	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Modification of Regulatory References Within 9VAC25-210-320, "Preapplication procedures for new or expanded surface water withdrawals", section B.3	
Brief Overview	
This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing specific language within 9VAC25-210-320. Preapplication procedures for new or expanded surface water withdrawals, section B.3. This section should read: "3. In accordance with the provisions of 9VAC25-780-60 14, 9VAC25-780-150, and 9VAC25-780-160 a potential applicant shall not be required to publish public notice or provide an opportunity for a public information meeting if a public meeting has been held within two years prior to the submittal of an application for a VWP permit on a local or regional water supply plan, which includes the proposed project."	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5627 / Stage 10205 - Final	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Local and Regional Water Supply Planning (9VAC25-780)	
Brief Overview Statutory changes (Chapter 1105 of the 2020 Virginia Acts of Assembly) directed the Department of Environmental Quality to make amendments to the Local and Regional Water Supply Planning Regulation. The statute requires the State Water Control Board to develop regulations that define regional planning areas based primarily around river basin, identify the localities that will participate in each planning area, and require localities to submit a single regional plan with other localities within their planning area. The statute also requires localities to invite other stakeholders to participate in plan development and adds a new requirement for water supply plans to identify water supply risks and regional solutions to address them.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The proposed rule is mandated by state statute. The Regulatory Advisory Panel provided significant input into ways to reduce the impact on the regulated community while still meeting the directive of state law.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6246 / Stage 10341	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-60) as Required by Chapter 688 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly (HB 206, Del. Webert)	
Brief Overview Section 10.1-1197.5 et seq. of the Code of Virginia requires the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to establish a Permit By Rule (PBR) for Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) up to 150 megawatts. During the 2022 General Assembly Session HB 206 (Del. Webert) was adopted (Chapter 688 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly). This legislation added subdivisions B7 and 8 to § 10.1-1197.6 of the Code of Virginia requiring DEQ, after convening an advisory workgroup and submitting a report to the Governor and General Assembly, to develop regulations to incorporate criteria to determine what mitigation is necessary when there is an adverse impact to prime agricultural soils and/or forest lands. The workgroup report was submitted on December 1, 2022. The statute requires the regulation to be in place by December 31, 2024.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	Regulatory process began May 2023. DEQ must adopt final regulations no later than December 31, 2024.

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)

N/A

Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document

Methods Update Rule – Updates to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Test Methods Incorporated by Reference

Brief Overview

State Water Control Board regulations incorporate test methods established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This amendment will update the regulations to include the most recently approved EPA test methods for use by the regulated community. As technology advances, test methods change, and this change is necessary to maintain consistency with testing requirements required by federal regulations. This amendment includes revisions to the following related regulations:

- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31)
- Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation (9VAC25-32)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Domestic Sewage Discharges of Less Than or Equal to 1,000 Gallons Per Day (9VAC25-110)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities (9VAC25-115)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Discharges from Groundwater Remediation of Contaminated Sites (9VAC25-120)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Discharges of Stormwater Associated with Industrial Activity (9VAC25-151)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Nonmetallic Mineral Mining (9VAC25-190)
- Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management (9VAC25-192)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Concrete Products Facilities (9VAC25-193)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Vehicle Wash Facilities and Laundry Facilities (9VAC25-194)
- Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit for Noncontact Cooling Water Discharges of 50,000 Gallons Per Day or Less (9VAC25-196)
- Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit Program Regulation (9VAC25-210)
- Groundwater Withdrawal Regulations (9VAC25-610)
- Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Regulation and General Permit for Poultry Waste Management (9VAC25-630)
- Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permit for Impacts Less Than One-Half Acre (9VAC25-660)
- Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permit for Facilities and Activities of Utility and Public Service Companies Regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or the State Corporation Commission and Other Utility Line Activities (9VAC25-670)
- Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permit for Linear Transportation Projects (9VAC25-680)
- Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permit for Impacts from Development and Certain Mining Activities (9VAC25-690)
- Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations (9VAC25-790)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Discharges Resulting from the Application of Pesticides to Surface Waters (9VAC25-800) • General Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Watershed Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in Virginia (9VAC25-820) • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Potable Water Treatment Plants (9VAC25-860) • Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management (VESMP) Regulations (9VAC25-875) • General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities (9VAC25-880) • Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) (9VAC25-890) 		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation to Meet the Requirements of Federal Regulations		
Brief Overview This final exempt regulatory action is necessary to conform requirements for small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s) in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) with recent changes in the corresponding federal requirements for small MS4s. In June 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) amended 40 CFR Parts 122 and 123 to clarify its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Phase II regulations due to recent changes made by the Census Bureau. The changes to EPA’s regulations were limited to clarifying that the designation criteria for small MS4s, which had been used since the promulgation of the regulations in 1999, will remain the same. These clarifications were necessary due to the Census Bureau’s recent decision to discontinue its practice of publishing the location of “urbanized areas” along with the 2020 Census and future censuses. The clarifications replace the term “urbanized area” with the phrase “urban areas with a population of at least 50,000.” The Department of Environmental Quality has delegated authority to implement the NPDES program in Virginia and, pursuant to 40 CFR Part 123, must maintain a program that is consistent with the NPDES program. The amendments to 9VAC25-875 will maintain consistency with the NPDES program. Because they do not differ materially from the federal requirements, they are exempt from the Administrative Process Act in accordance with 2.2-4006 (A)(4)(c).		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	September 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendments to the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation to include Total Maximum Daily Load Waste Load Allocations (9VAC25-720)	
Brief Overview	
<p>The intent of this action is to amend the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720) to include the wasteload allocations (WLA) for the following total maximum daily Load clean-up studies developed to address the Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) fish consumption advisory impairments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCB TMDL for the James River, Maury River, and Jackson River <p>The intent of this action is to also amend the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720) to include the WLA for the following total maximum daily load clean-up studies developed to address aquatic life use impairments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle Fork Holston and Tributaries in Smyth, Washington, and Wythe Counties • Assawoman and Little Mosquito Creeks in Accomack County • South Fork Rivanna River and its tributaries in Albemarle County • Greendale Creek and Rich Valley • James River Tributaries in Henrico and Goochland Counties and the City of Richmond <p>The intent of this action is to also amend the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720) to include modified WLAs for the following total maximum daily load clean-up study to address recreation use impairments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onancock Creek in in Accomack County <p>TMDLs are developed in accordance with Federal Regulations (40 CFR Section 130.7) and are exempt from the provisions of Article II of the Virginia Administrative Process Act. The TMDL reports are subject to the TMDL public participation process, and the WLAs are adopted as part of 9VAC25-720 in accordance with Virginia’s “Public Participation Procedures for Water Quality Management Planning.”</p>	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Water Quality Management and Planning Regulation– Modification of Non-TMDL Wasteload Allocations (9VAC25-720)	
Brief Overview The proposed amendment pertains to the removal or modification of non-Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) allocations and effluent limits within various river basins in the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation. These are the results of historical modeling for specific segments within each basin for certain pollutants (typically oxygen demanding, i.e. ammonia, BOD5, CBOD5 and TKN). The modeling and limits are reflective of the facilities and permits in place at the time of the adoption (2003). Most contain facilities that are no longer in existence or limits for pollutants that are now otherwise addressed or more stringent based upon current permit standards. The adoption, amendment, or repeal of wasteload allocations (WLAs) is exempt from the provisions of Article II of the Virginia Administrative Process Act under § 2.2-4006 A 14. WLAs are adopted, amended, or repealed as a part of 9VAC25-720 in accordance with Virginia’s “Public Participation Procedures for Water Quality Management Planning” guidance GM23-2005.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Most if not all of these allocations are outdated and unnecessary given current facilities within each basin and current permit limits and requirements. Removal or modification of these outdated allocations and effluent limits reduces unnecessary and outdate regulation. Where maintained, updated allocations and limits remove confusion and uncertainty for permitted facilities and the public.
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to Regulations Governing the Discharge of Sewage and Other Wastes from Boats (9VAC25-71)	
Brief Overview This amendment will update Code of Federal Regulation references as well as to add 38 water bodies in Richmond, Lancaster, Northumberland, and Westmoreland counties to the No-Discharge Zone (NDZ) list. An NDZ creates the area in a waterbody where no discharge of sewage is permitted; vessels would instead use pump-out facilities (often located at marinas) or travel outside of the NDZ to discharge treated sewage. The action to include these additional water bodies is based upon strong support by the localities and other stakeholders in the affected areas. This regulatory action is a final exempt action under the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4006.A.4.c of the Code of Virginia) as it is necessary to amend the regulations to conform to changes in the federal regulations, namely with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) anticipated approval of the NDZs. The NDZs were developed in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act's Section 312 and § 62.1-44.33 of the Code of Virginia and will be included in Section 70 of 9VAC25-71 as a designated NDZ in Virginia. The NDZ application was subject to public participation during its development. EPA will also seek public comment on its affirmative determination.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document VPDES Permit Regulation 316(b) Update (9VAC25-31-100; 9VAC25-31-165)	
Brief Overview This action will update the VPDES regulations to address requirements applicable to cooling water intake structures to add provisions that address existing facilities. The existing regulations under 9VAC25-31-165 includes definitions (Subsection A) and requirements that address new facilities (Subsection B). The requirements that address existing facilities (Subsection C) provides that such facilities must “meet requirements under section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act determined by the department on a case-by-case, best professional judgment (BPJ) basis.” This action would replace subsection C with regulatory requirements that reflect the federal Clean Water Act section 316(b) existing facility regulation (40 CFR 125 Subpart J). As an authorized NPDES state program, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is required to implement regulations that are as stringent as federal regulations (40 CFR 123).	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Requirement in 40 CFR 125 Subpart J to include pre-approved compliance alternatives that would be more clear and simpler to implement than a case-by-case approach for both permittees and the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	September 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6432 / Stage 10283 - NOIRA	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Domestic Sewage Discharges of Less Than or Equal to 1,000 Gallons Per Day (9VAC25-110)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action will amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for domestic sewage discharges of less than or equal to 1,000 gallons per day, which expires on July 31, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of treated domestic sewage less than or equal to 1,000 gallons per day. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new small domestic sewage discharges are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of this general permit provides dischargers under this sector with a streamlined permitting process, greatly reducing the costs and time necessary to obtain permit coverage as well as reducing the administrative costs to the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	September 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6427 / Stage 10276 - NOIRA	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities (9VAC25-115)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for seafood processing facilities, which expires on June 30, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of process and stormwater from seafood processing product facilities. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new seafood processing facilities are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of the general permit provides the regulated community with a streamlined approach to obtain permit coverage and reduces regulatory requirements and costs on the regulated community. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under the general permit.
Expected Date	September 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Coal Combustion Byproduct Regulations Citation Update	
Brief Overview The Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations (9VAC25-840) and Virginia Stormwater Management Program (VSMP) Regulation (9VAC25-870) were consolidated into the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875), effective July 1, 2024. This action will update references in the Coal Combustion Byproduct Regulations to the Erosion and Sediment Control Regulations to the appropriate references in the consolidated Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Hazardous Waste Annual Update 2024	
Brief Overview The Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-60), include citations to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and incorporate by reference requirements from Title 40 of the CFR. This action will bring the citations up to date and incorporate the 2024 annual edition of Title 40 of the CFR published on July 1, 2024. Conforming this regulation to these federal regulations is necessary to maintain federally granted authority to implement the national program.	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Regulations Governing the Transportation of Hazardous Materials Annual Update 2024	
Brief Overview Each year, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) makes several changes to the federal rules regarding the transportation of hazardous materials in Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Since Virginia’s regulations for transportation of hazardous materials (9VAC20-110) incorporate the federal regulations, with certain exceptions, it is necessary to update 9VAC20-110-110, which specifies the date of the federal regulations that are incorporated into Virginia’s regulations. This update includes federal changes from October 1, 2022, to September 30, 2024. Conforming this regulation to these federal regulations is necessary to maintain federally granted authority to implement the national program.	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Incorporation by Reference of Amendments to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities into Virginia’s Solid Waste Management Regulations	
Brief Overview Section 2301 of the 2016 Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act amended Section 4005 of the Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA) to allow states to develop coal combustion residuals (CCR) permit programs and granted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) authority to approve state programs or implement a federal permit program in nonparticipating states. Prior to this action the Solid Waste Management Regulations, (VSWMR) (9VAC20-81) were amended to incorporate EPA’s 2015 Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) from Electric Utilities final rule and establish permit requirements for applicable CCR units. The VSWMR was subsequently amended to incorporate the 2016 amendment applicable to inactive CCR surface impoundments. Separately, state statutes (§§ 10.1-1402.03 and 10.1-1402.04 of the Code of Virginia) define additional closure requirements for CCR units. Virginia drafted a state package for EPA program approval and was informed that CCR Rule amendments promulgated through November 2020 needed to be addressed in 9VAC20-81.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	EPA’s amendments provide additional time for electric utilities to comply with closure requirements, allow for alternate groundwater protection standards in lieu of background for constituents without MCLs, and remove requirements vacated by the court as a result of legal challenges.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Updates to Federal Category A Waste Document Incorporated by Reference	
Brief Overview The Regulated Medical Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-121) incorporate the federal inter-agency policy, <i>Managing Solid Waste Contaminated with a Category A Infectious Substance</i> . This amendment will update the regulations to incorporate the most current version of the document. This change is necessary to maintain consistency with the federal Category A Waste management policy jointly established by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Labor, Department of Defense, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Procedural Rule No. 1 - Public and Formal Hearing Procedures (9VAC25-230)	
Brief Overview This regulation sets forth the administrative procedures to be followed by the State Water Control Board and Department of Environmental Quality staff for the conduct of public and formal hearings. Revisions are needed to the regulation to make it consistent with other board regulations in response to Chapter 356 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly (SB 657, Sen. Stuart). This regulatory action will consider the removal of requirements related to public hearings since that information is now found in other regulations.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	In response to Chapter 356 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly (SB 657, Sen. Stuart), other Board regulations were revised to include public hearing requirements for permits. This regulatory action will consider the removal of requirements related to public hearings since that information is now found in other locations.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Water Quality Standards Regulation - Biotic Ligand Model for Copper Criteria amendments (9VAC25-260-140.G)		
Brief Overview The intent of this rulemaking is to protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct, necessary and reasonable. Section 9VAC25-260-140.G provides that the use of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2007 copper criteria (EPA-822-F-07-001) biotic ligand model (BLM) for copper may be used on a case-by-case basis to determine alternate copper criteria for freshwater sites. EPA considers current Virginia Water Quality Standards (WQS) regulation language regarding the copper BLM-derived criteria to be a process for developing site-specific criteria. Each BLM-derived criteria value would need to be promulgated before using the value in permitting evaluations. EPA stated it cannot accept a BLM-derived copper permit limit until site-specific copper criteria have been promulgated, or unless a more prescriptive approach is provided for in the WQS and sufficiently detailed guidance provides for criteria implementation. Therefore, an amendment to the above mentioned WQS section and concurrent guidance is necessary.		
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	November 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Adopt New Regulation to Incorporate Federal Requirements for Existing Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities (Rev. B24)	
Brief Overview In accordance with § 111(d) of the federal Clean Air Act, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has promulgated Emissions Guidelines (EG) for Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions from Existing Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities, Subpart OOOOc of 40 CFR Part 60. This subpart establishes emission guidelines and compliance schedules for the control of GHG emissions from designated facilities in the crude oil and natural gas source category. The pollutants regulated by this subpart are greenhouse gases in the form of a limitation on emissions of methane from designated facilities that commenced construction on or before November 15, 2021. Because the EG applies to existing stationary sources, the Board must adopt a new article in 9VAC5-40, Existing Stationary Sources, that incorporates the federal rules by reference. This will enable the Board to implement the federal standard at the state level, thereby satisfying this federal mandate.	
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Documents Incorporated by Reference (Rev. C24)	
Brief Overview This rulemaking will update state regulations that incorporate by reference certain federal regulations to reflect the Code of Federal Regulations as published on July 1, 2024, including adoption of a new New Source Performance Standard, Subpart OOOOb of 40 CFR Part 60, Crude Oil and Natural Gas Facilities for which Construction, Modification or Reconstruction Commenced After November 15, 2021.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2024 Triennial Review Rulemaking to Adopt New, Update, or Cancel Existing Water Quality Standards (9VAC25-260)	
Brief Overview This action will include updated numerical and narrative criteria, use designations and other policies contained in the Water Quality Standards Regulation (9VAC25-260). The intent of this rulemaking is to protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct, necessary, and reasonable. These standards will be used in setting Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit limits and for evaluating the waters of the Commonwealth for inclusion in the Clean Water Act 305(b) report and on the 303(d) list. Waters not meeting standards will require development of a Total Maximum Daily Load, effluent limitations, or further analysis of use removal under the Clean Water Act at 303(e) and Code of Virginia § 62.1-44.19:7. This rulemaking is needed because the last triennial review was completed in March 2023 and new scientific information is available to update the water quality standards. Changes to the regulation are also needed to improve permitting, monitoring, and assessment programs. In addition, the State Water Control Board (Board) must fulfill the legal mandates for a three-year review under the Code of Virginia, per §62.1-44.15(3a), and federal regulations at 40 CFR 131.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6432 / Stage 10283 - NOIRA	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Domestic Sewage Discharges of Less Than or Equal to 1,000 Gallons Per Day (9VAC25-110)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action will amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for domestic sewage discharges of less than or equal to 1,000 gallons per day, which expires on July 31, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of treated domestic sewage less than or equal to 1,000 gallons per day. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new small domestic sewage discharges are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of this general permit provides dischargers under this sector with a streamlined permitting process, greatly reducing the costs and time necessary to obtain permit coverage as well as reducing the administrative costs to the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	November 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)		
N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document		
Development of Total Maximum Daily Load Waste Load Allocations for future amendments to the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720)		
Brief Overview		
To address impaired waters, DEQ is conducting the following total maximum daily load (TMDL) studies to develop wasteload allocations (WLAs), which when complete will be proposed for future amendments to the Water Quality Management Planning Regulation (9VAC25-720),.		
The intent of these actions is the development of WLAs for the following TMDL clean-up studies to address the Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) <u>fish consumption</u> advisory impairments:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCB TMDL for the Tidal James River in the James River Basin • PCB TMDL for the Bluestone River in the New River Basin. 		
The intent of these actions is development of WLAs for the following TMDL clean-up studies to address <u>aquatic life</u> use impairments:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roanoke River and Tinker Creek in the Roanoke River Basin • Horsepen and Little Roanoke Creeks in the Roanoke River Basin • Layton, Grassy, Poplar, Reedy Creeks in Roanoke River Basin • Sand Branch in the Potomac River Basin • Broad Run in the Potomac River Basin • Appomattox River in the James River Basin • Powhite and Pocoshock Creeks in the James River Basin • Wolf Creek in Tennessee and Big Sandy Basins • Blackoak and Obeys in Tennessee and Big Sandy Basins • Custis and Rattrap in Atlantic Basin • Powhatan Creek in the James River Basin • Crooked, Stoney, Pughs Creeks in Shenandoah River Basin • Buck Island and Carroll Creeks in the James River Basin • Stephens and Chapel in the Shenandoah River Basin 		
TMDLs are developed in accordance with Federal Regulations (40 CFR Section 130.7) and adoption of WLAs is exempt from the provisions of Article II of the Virginia Administrative Process Act under § 2.2-4006 A 14. The TMDL reports are subject to the TMDL public participation process, and the WLAs are adopted as part of 9VAC25-720 in accordance with Virginia’s “Public Participation Procedures for Water Quality Management Planning” guidance GM23-2005.		
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Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Promulgation of a General Permit Regulation for Distribution and Marketing of Exceptional Quality Biosolids	
Brief Overview	
<p>Exceptional Quality (EQ) biosolids are biosolids that have received an established level of treatment for pathogen control and vector attraction reduction and contain known levels of pollutants, such that they may be marketed or distributed for public use in accordance with the Virginia Pollution Abatement Permit Regulation (9VAC25-32) or Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulation (9VAC25-31). EQ biosolids have been treated to a higher level of pathogen reduction than Class B biosolids. State Water Control Law (§ 62.1-44.19:3.A.1.) requires that any person who land applies or markets and distributes any type of biosolids must do so under the authority of a Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) or Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (VPDES) permit. State Water Control Law (§ 62.1-44.19:3.C.1.) also specifies that <i>regulations adopted by the State Water Control Board shall include requirements and procedures for the issuance and amendment of permits, including general permits, authorizing the land application, marketing or distribution of biosolids.</i> Neither the VPA nor VPDES Permit Regulation include provisions for utilizing a general permit for marketing and distribution of EQ biosolids, hence the only vehicle for DEQ to authorize marketing and distribution is an individual VPA or VPDES permit.</p> <p>This amendment includes revisions to the following related regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Regulation [9VAC25-31] · Virginia Pollution Abatement Permit Regulation [9VAC25-32] · Fees for Permits and Certificates [9VAC25-20] 	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	<p>Regulating activities through the issuance of general permit regulations is an alternative streamlined approach that is used to regulate entities that conduct similar activities. A benefit of this general permit would be 1) its lower cost to permittees relative to the cost of obtaining an individual VPA or modifying a current VPDES permit, 2) the shorter timeframe required to authorize the distribution and marketing activity through a general permit, and 3) the consistency of requirements among permittees, particularly when the material is in the marketplace. DEQ also expends less staff resources to issue coverage under a general permit.</p>
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the General VPDES Permit Regulation for Total Nitrogen and Total Phosphorus Discharges and Nutrient Trading in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed in Virginia (9VAC25-820)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for total nitrogen and total phosphorus discharges and nutrient trading in the Chesapeake Bay watershed in Virginia, which expires on December 31, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of total nitrogen and total phosphorus within the Chesapeake Bay watershed and is instrumental in meeting the goals of the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL). This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new nutrient discharges are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed nutrient dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of the general permit provides the regulated community with a streamlined approach to obtain permit coverage and reduces regulatory requirements and costs on the regulated community. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under the general permit.
Expected Date	November 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 5816 / Stage 9871 - Proposed	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Water Protection Permit (Water Withdrawal) - 9VAC25-210 (Primary) and Groundwater Withdrawal Permit - 9VAC25-610 Regulations	
Brief Overview Statutory changes (Chapter 100 Virginia Acts of Assembly 2021 Special Session 1) directed the Department of Environmental Quality to make amendments to the Virginia Water Protection Permit Regulation and the Groundwater Withdrawal Permit Regulation to incorporate the requirement for water audits and leak detection and repair plans. Proposed changes to the regulation were developed through a Regulatory Advisory Panel process and were be presented to the State Water Control Board.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This rule is mandated by state statute. The Regulatory Advisory Panel provided significant input into ways to reduce the impact on the regulated community while still meeting the directive of state law.
Expected Date	November 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6387 / Stage 10201	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Water Quality Standards Regulation - Special standards and requirements (9VAC25-260-310)	
Brief Overview This rulemaking is in response to a petition for rulemaking received by the State Water Control Board to promulgate a site-specific aquatic life criterion for selenium applicable to four tributaries to Knox Creek in the Big Sandy River basin in Buchanan County. The State Water Control Board voted on August 23, 2023 to initiate a rulemaking to amend the Water Quality Standards (WQS) Regulation to incorporate site-specific selenium criteria for the protection of freshwater aquatic life in four streams which are tributaries to Knox Creek in Buchanan County, Virginia. The specific streams which are the focus of this rulemaking are: 1) Race Fork and tributaries 2) Pounding Mill Creek and tributaries 3) Right Fork of Lester Fork and tributaries 4) Abners Fork and tributaries This rulemaking will establish site-specific selenium aquatic life criteria which protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct and reasonable. This rulemaking is based on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's published Recommended Aquatic Life Ambient Water Quality Criterion for Selenium in Freshwater (July 13, 2016 Federal Register Vol. 81, No. 134.) These site-specific criteria will be implemented in water quality programs which protect and maintain the WQS, including the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit program and the Clean Water Act 305(b) water quality assessment report and 303(d) listing of impaired waters.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6231 / Stage 9993 - NOIRA		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Virginia Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations to Incorporate a Reporting Requirement for All Septic Systems Taken Off-line and Connected to a Sewage Collection System		
Brief Overview This regulatory action will amend provisions of the Virginia Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations (9VAC25-790) to include a reporting requirement for all septic systems (or other on-site sewage disposal systems) taken off-line and connected to a sewage collection system in accordance with the 2022-2023 Chesapeake Bay Programmatic Milestones for the Phase III Watershed Implementation Plan. Virginia’s Phase III WIP acknowledges that the goal of this new regulatory requirement will ensure a more accurate count of nutrient reductions resulting from septic connected to sewer. This action is required to meet the necessary nutrient and sediment reductions set out by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load.		
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Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	November 2024	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment of the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-32 as Required by 2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870)	
Brief Overview 2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870, Del. Bulova) requires the State Water Control Board, with the assistance of the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Department of Health, to adopt regulations that include procedures for addressing administrative, staging, signage, and additional on-site and alternative storage site requirements when routine and on-site storage facility capacity and holding times are anticipated to be exceeded for the purpose of protecting against the release of sewage sludge (a.k.a. "biosolids") into state waters and to account for increased intensity, frequency, and duration of storm events.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Normally, entities that generate and store biosolids have sufficient capacity to store the material for several months, allowing end-users to land-apply during optimal times for nutrient application and uptake. Extended periods of precipitation or drought affect the timing of land-application. During 2018-2019, a record year for precipitation in some parts of the Commonwealth, many biosolids storage facilities reached or exceeded their capacity. At the time, owners of those facilities applied to DEQ on a case-by-case basis for variances to their permits to store and manage biosolids that could not be land-applied or stored in the usual manner. The amendments to the VPA Permit Regulation will give permittees a way to plan in advance for alternative storage and handling solutions when extreme weather conditions result in long periods of time when biosolids cannot be land-applied, creating situations when the amount of biosolids exceeds normal storage facility capacity.
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6427 / Stage 10276 - NOIRA	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities (9VAC25-115)	
Brief Overview This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing general permit regulation for seafood processing facilities, which expires on June 30, 2026. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of process and stormwater from seafood processing product facilities. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new seafood processing facilities are covered under this general permit regulation. If the existing general permit is not reissued prior to expiration, no coverage can be extended to newly proposed dischargers. Any new dischargers would be required to wait for reissuance of the general permit or obtain an individual permit.	
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Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of the general permit provides the regulated community with a streamlined approach to obtain permit coverage and reduces regulatory requirements and costs on the regulated community. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under the general permit.
Expected Date	March 2025 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Reissuance and amendment of the Virginia Water Protection (VWP) General Permits and Associated Regulations: 9VAC25-660 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Impacts Less Than One-Half Acre; 9VAC25-670 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Facilities and Activities of Utility and Public Service Companies Regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or the State Corporation Commission and Other Utility Line Activities; 9VAC25-680 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Linear Transportation Projects; 9VAC25-690 <i>et seq.</i> Virginia Water Protection General Permit for Impacts from Development and Certain Mining Activities.	
Brief Overview Four existing Virginia Water Protection (VWP) general permits, authorized by Chapter 3.1 of Title 62.1 of the Code of Virginia, by Virginia Administrative Code 9VAC25-210 <i>et seq.</i> , and by each respective VWP General Permit Regulation (9VAC25-660 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-670 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-680 <i>et seq.</i> , 9VAC25-690 <i>et seq.</i>), are expiring on August 1, 2026. In conjunction with reissuance of the four VWP general permits, the VWP Permit Program seeks to amend the existing VWP General Permit regulations as necessary to implement the general permits. If the existing VWP general permits are not reissued prior to expiration on August 1, 2026, no general permit coverage can be extended to applicants submitting new applications for regulated activities, and these applicants would be required to wait for reissuance of the applicable general permit or obtain a VWP individual permit.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Regulating activities through the issuance of general permit regulations is an alternative streamlined approach that is used to regulate entities that conduct similar activities. Reissuance of the VWP general permit regulations provides a streamlined permitting process, greatly reducing the costs and time necessary to obtain project authorization, as well as reducing the administrative costs to the Commonwealth. Conversely, a delay or halt in this process may place a financial burden on an owner of an operation currently covered or seeking coverage under a VWP general permit and may require applicants to obtain a VWP individual permit instead.
Expected Date	March 2025

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N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document		
Modification of Regulatory References Within 9VAC25-210-340. "Application requirements for surface water withdrawals"		
Brief Overview		
This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing specific language within 9VAC25-210-34. "Application requirements for surface water withdrawals" section B.6 should read: "6. Information on the proposed use of and need for the surface water and information on how demand for surface water was determined (e.g., per capita use, population growth rates, new uses, changes to service areas, and if applicable, acreage irrigated and evapotranspiration effects). If during the water supply planning process, the need for the withdrawal was established, the applicant may submit the planning process information, provided that the submittal address all requirements of 9VAC25-210-360. The department shall deem such a submittal as meeting the requirements of this subsection. For surface water withdrawals for public water supply, see also 9VAC25-780-100."		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	March 2025 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Modification of Regulatory References Within 9VAC25-210-320, "Preapplication procedures for new or expanded surface water withdrawals", section B.3	
Brief Overview	
This regulatory action is proposed to amend and reissue the existing specific language within 9VAC25-210-320. Preapplication procedures for new or expanded surface water withdrawals, section B.3. This section should read: "3. In accordance with the provisions of 9VAC25-780-60 14, 9VAC25-780-150, and 9VAC25-780-160 a potential applicant shall not be required to publish public notice or provide an opportunity for a public information meeting if a public meeting has been held within two years prior to the submittal of an application for a VWP permit on a local or regional water supply plan, which includes the proposed project."	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document 2024 Triennial Review Rulemaking to Adopt New, Update, or Cancel Existing Water Quality Standards (9VAC25-260)	
Brief Overview The subject matter of the rulemaking will include updated numerical and narrative criteria, use designations and other policies contained in the Water Quality Standards Regulation (9 VAC 25-260). The intent of this rulemaking is to protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct, necessary, and reasonable. These standards will be used in setting Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit limits and for evaluating the waters of the Commonwealth for inclusion in the Clean Water Act 305(b) report and on the 303(d) list. Waters not meeting standards will require development of a Total Maximum Daily Load, effluent limitations, or further analysis of use removal under the Clean Water Act at 303(e) and Code of Virginia § 62.1-44.19:7. This rulemaking is needed because the last triennial review was completed in March 2023 and new scientific information is available to update the water quality standards. Changes to the regulation are also needed to improve permitting, monitoring, and assessment programs. In addition, the State Water Control Board (Board) must fulfill the legal mandates for a three-year review under the Code of Virginia, per §62.1-44.15(3a), and federal regulations at 40 CFR 131.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendments to the Water Quality Standards Regulation - Biotic Ligand Model for Copper Criteria amendments (9VAC25-260-140.G)		
Brief Overview The intent of this rulemaking is to protect designated and beneficial uses of state waters by adopting regulations that are technically correct, necessary and reasonable. Section 9VAC25-260-140.G provides that the use of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2007 copper criteria (EPA-822-F-07-001) biotic ligand model (BLM) for copper may be used on a case-by-case basis to determine alternate copper criteria for freshwater sites. EPA considers current Virginia Water Quality Standards (WQS) regulation language regarding the copper BLM-derived criteria to be a process for developing site-specific criteria. Each BLM-derived criteria value would need to be promulgated before using the value in permitting evaluations. EPA stated it cannot accept a BLM-derived copper permit limit until site-specific copper criteria have been promulgated, or unless a more prescriptive approach is provided for in the WQS and sufficiently detailed guidance provides for criteria implementation. Therefore, an amendment to the above mentioned WQS section and concurrent guidance is necessary.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	June 2025	

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Brief Overview	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Modification of Regulatory References Within 9VAC25-210-320, "Preapplication procedures for new or expanded surface water withdrawals", section B.3	
Brief Overview	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Amendment of the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-32 as Required by 2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870)	
Brief Overview	
2024 Acts of Assembly Chapter 209 (HB 870, Del. Bulova) requires the State Water Control Board, with the assistance of the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Department of Health, to adopt regulations that include procedures for addressing administrative, staging, signage, and additional on-site and alternative storage site requirements when routine and on-site storage facility capacity and holding times are anticipated to be exceeded for the purpose of protecting against the release of sewage sludge (a.k.a. "biosolids") into state waters and to account for increased intensity, frequency, and duration of storm events.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Normally, entities that generate and store biosolids have sufficient capacity to store the material for several months, allowing end-users to land-apply during optimal times for nutrient application and uptake. Extended periods of precipitation or drought affect the timing of land-application. During 2018-2019, a record year for precipitation in some parts of the Commonwealth, many biosolids storage facilities reached or exceeded their capacity. At the time, owners of those facilities applied to DEQ on a case-by-case basis for variances to their permits to store and manage biosolids that could not be land-applied or stored in the usual manner. The amendments to the VPA Permit Regulation will give permittees a way to plan in advance for alternative storage and handling solutions when extreme weather conditions result in long periods of time when biosolids cannot be land-applied, creating situations when the amount of biosolids exceeds normal storage facility capacity.
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 2494	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Update GM24-2001 - Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0, to Correct Typographic Errors, Citations, and Omissions. Reissue as Version 1.1.	
Brief Overview The Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0 (Handbook), completed the 30-day public comment period required by Code of Virginia § 2.2-4002.1 on March 27, 2024. During the comment period DEQ staff and commenters noted technical issues, typographic errors, and offered other feedback on the Handbook. A revised Handbook, Version 1.1, will correct typographic errors, correct citations and cross-references, improve clarity of several figures and tables, and add information inadvertently omitted from DEQ’s Guidance Memo No. 22-2012, Stormwater Management and Erosion & Sediment Control Design Guide, which has been incorporated in the Handbook.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance provides clarity, consistency, and time savings for design professionals preparing erosion and sediment control plans and post-construction stormwater management plans by ensuring all programmatic requirements are in a single document. This guidance streamlines DEQ’s process for reviewing erosion & sediment control and stormwater management plans.
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 7145	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise 7145 DEQ's Manual for Processing Requests Pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act	
Brief Overview DEQ intends to revise its Manual for Processing Requests Pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act to change its policy for charging fees for Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests. Over the last three years DEQ has processed an average of approximately 19,000 FOIA searches per year. An adjustment to the fees DEQ charges for FOIA requests is necessary to cover the increasing costs associated with this workload.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 02-2002	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Fish Kill Investigation Guidance Manual (Guidance Memo 02-2002) 62.1-44.15 (11)	
Brief Overview This will be a revision to the existing guidance document 02-2002 that establishes the procedures that Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff should follow when investigating fish kills to meet the requirements set forth in § 62.1-44.15 (11) of the Code of Virginia. The revisions will contain updates and clarifications to existing procedures and outdated language related to safety, communications, establishing the cause of the fish kill, determining the number of fish killed, and presenting the data for enforcement action and cost recovery.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This revision will streamline the guidance document.
Expected Date	August 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM19-2003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Water Guidance Memorandum GM19-2003 - Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit and Compliance Manual and replace with a streamlined Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit Program Manual Supplemental Guidance	
Brief Overview Water Guidance Memorandum GM19-2003 - Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit and Compliance Manual will be rescinded and replaced with a streamlined Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit Program Manual Supplemental Guidance document that captures various decisions made in the Virginia Water Protection Permit Program that either enhances understanding of regulatory provisions or further clarifies regulatory provisions related to execution of the VWP Permit Program's authorities. Portions of the existing Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit and Compliance Manual details internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations for the public and that content does not meet the statutory definition of a "guidance document."	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Development of the Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit Program Manual Supplemental Guidance will reduce the length of guidance by removing internal procedures for agency staff and content that does not meet the statutory definition of a "guidance document." This action will reduce the pages of guidance issued by the agency.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Water Guidance Memorandum [# TBD] - <i>Virginia Water Protection (VWP) Permit Program</i>	
Brief Overview This guidance captures various decisions made in the Virginia Water Protection Permit Program that either enhance understanding of regulatory provisions or further clarifies regulatory provisions related to execution of the VWP Permit Program’s authorities. This guidance serves to inform the current Virginia Water Protection Permit and Compliance Manual, a living, program operational document.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Development of this guidance is capturing existing decisions, and there is no change to the regulations as a result of this guidance action. This action will simplify the VWP Permit and Compliance Manual for staff and the public.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-SI-29	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise Submission Instruction 29 – Additional Permit Application Requirements for Coal Combustion Residuals Units (LPR-SW-SI-29)	
Brief Overview This Submission Instruction provides guidance for owners and operators of coal combustion residual units (CCR) instructions regarding elements of permitting submissions to address CCR units particularly for a new and existing CCR surface impoundments and landfills. This is an existing guidance document on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with updates to the Solid Waste Regulations to incorporate by reference amendments to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities. This document provides a template for permit applicants and permit holders to submit information required by the solid waste regulations in order to streamline review by agency staff.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	November 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM24-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Update the Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, and Issue Version 1.2	
Brief Overview The Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0 (Handbook) provides guidance to implement water quantity and water quality criteria in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC25-875, effective July 1, 2024. As detailed in Section 1.4.2 of the currently approved Virginia Stormwater Handbook, Virginia had an array of outdated handbooks and reference materials that have been a source of confusion for the regulated community and inefficiency in DEQ's permitting process. To minimize confusion, DEQ must maintain this new Handbook as a "living document" and provide ongoing and current information to stormwater designers, permit applicants, and their consultants. Building on the process used to develop the Handbook, DEQ plans to use a similar process to update the Handbook yearly. The Handbook, as a guidance document, can be revised to remain consistent with statutory and regulatory changes.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	December 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2014-03	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Plan for the Alternate Water Supply Program – Revision 3	
Brief Overview The purpose of the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the Alternate Water Supply Program is to ensure that procedures used and data collected by Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff and DEQ-hired contractors are of sufficient quality to support the decisions about the need to provide alternate water supplies to persons having wells that are impacted by petroleum. It is an internal procedure, and it is obsolete.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This is a quality assurance plan for internal use. It should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop an Instructional Guide on Disclosure Statements (DEQ Forms DISC-01, DISC-02, and DISC-03)	
Brief Overview This new guidance document will provide solid waste management facilities and Department of Environmental Quality staff with instructions on submission of Disclosure Statements required by the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations, 9 VAC 20-81.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This new guidance document will clarify that permit applicants who have previously conducted waste operations in Virginia are subject to less comprehensive disclosure requirements than permit applicants who have not previously conducted waste operations in Virginia.
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-2016-01	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise Management of Sharps Guidance (LPR-SW-2016-01)	
Brief Overview This guidance clarifies the management requirements for sharps in compliance with the Virginia Regulated Medical Waste Management Regulations. This is an existing guidance document on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with Amendment 3 to the Regulated Medical Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-121). This guidance document is used by Department of Environmental Quality staff, the regulated community and the general public concerning the packaging, labeling, management and disposal of sharps.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2014-02	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind - Storage Tank Program Compliance Manual, Vol. 4: Compliance Process (LPR-SRR-2014-02)	
Brief Overview This document provides internal procedures for underground storage tank compliance staff to address violations of the UST regulations, including initiating and implementing delivery prohibition.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	December 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Update Local and Regional Water Supply Planning Regulation Guidance	
Brief Overview The purpose of the Local and Regional Water Supply Planning Regulation Guidance Document (Guidance Document) is to support stakeholder compliance with the proposed Local and Regional Water Supply Regulation (9VAC25-780). Amendments to the Local and Regional Water Supply Regulation (9VAC25-780) (2005) are required by 2020 amendments to §§ 62.1-44.36, 62.1-44.38, and 62.1-44.38:1 of the Code of Virginia which directed the State Water Control Board to encourage development of cross jurisdictional water supply projects, and to adopt regulations designating regional planning areas based primarily on river basin. The associated regulatory amendment (action 5627/Stage 9784) is currently undergoing executive review. Stakeholders requested implementation guidance during the regulatory amendment process. The proposed amendments to the Local and Regional Water Supply Regulation (9VAC25-780) (2005) are required by 2020 amendments to §§ 62.1-44.36, 62.1-44.38, and 62.1-44.38:1 of the Code of Virginia which directed the State Water Control Board to encourage development of cross-jurisdictional water supply projects, and to adopt regulations designating regional planning areas based primarily on river basin.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The draft guidance document is associated with a proposed regulation mandated by state statute. The development of a guidance document will support stakeholders to comply with the proposed Local and Regional Water Supply Planning Regulation (9VAC25-780).
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM15-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Process for Determination of Noncompliance with the General VPDES Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity, VAR05	
Brief Overview The Department of Environmental Quality regulates several types of industrial activities to reduce and mitigate the impacts of their stormwater runoff. The industrial permits cover stormwater discharge that is directly related to manufacturing, processing, or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. Most industrial facilities obtain coverage under the statewide general permit. The general permit is adopted every five years by the State Water Control Board. The purpose of this guidance is to assist Compliance Auditors in determination of noncompliance with the 2024 reissued General VPDES Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity. This guidance replaces GM#11-2010 and it will be rescinded when the relevant section of the Compliance Auditing Manual (Guidance Memo #02-2010) is updated. This document does not qualify as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2018-2A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Risk Based Inspection Strategy (RBIS) For Underground Storage Tanks I	
Brief Overview This guidance document explains the Risk Based Inspection Strategy (RBIS) for Underground Storage Tanks (USTs). This strategy is intended to evaluate alternative targeting methods for establishing annual inspection schedules.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The agency will be revising the existing guidance document this year to adjust the criteria used to establish facility risk levels which determine inspection frequency. The expected impact of the changes will be to decrease inspection frequency for some UST facilities. This document should be removed from Town Hall as it is internal procedures.
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2018-3	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind New Underground Storage Tank (UST) Requirements Effective January 1, 2018 (LPR-SRR-2018-3)	
Brief Overview This guidance document provides DEQ staff and other stakeholders with implementation policies for underground storage tank regulatory requirements that became effective on January 1, 2018. This document was created as a standalone document with the intention of incorporating it into Volume 3 of the Storage Tank Program Compliance Manual which covers UST inspections. Volume 3 will be modified this year to incorporate the information in this guidance document so this document should be rescinded.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2020-01	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind - New Underground Storage Tank (UST) Requirements Effective January 1, 2021 (LPR-SRR-2020-01)	
Brief Overview This guidance document provides DEQ staff and other stakeholders with implementation policies for underground storage tank regulatory requirements that must be completed by January 1, 2021 for UST regulations that became effective on January 1, 2018. This document was created as a standalone document with the intention of incorporating it into Volume 3 of the Storage Tank Program Compliance Manual which covers UST inspections. Volume 3 will be modified this year to incorporate the information in this guidance document so this document should be rescinded.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2016-03	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise Storage Tank Program Compliance Manual, Vol 3: Underground Storage Tank Inspections (LPR-SRR-2016-03)	
Brief Overview This volume of the Storage Tank Program Compliance Manual provides guidance for DEQ staff on how to perform underground storage tank (UST) inspections. This guidance provides inspection procedures, technical information regarding UST system components, regulatory and statutory framework and interpretations, instructions for the mobile inspection application, and supporting documentation. This guidance document will be amended to incorporate the following guidance documents: LPR-SRR-2018-3: New Underground Storage Tank (UST) Requirements Effective January 1, 2018; and LPR-SRR-2020-01: New Underground Storage Tank (UST) Requirements Effective January 1, 2021.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop 2026 Water Quality Assessment Guidance (update to Guidance Memo 23-2002) (62.1-44.19:5 C)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will update and replace existing guidance (23-2002) that establishes the procedures that Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff follow for conducting water quality assessments to generate the Virginia’s 2026 305(b)/303(d) Water Quality Assessment Integrated Report. Section 62.1-44.19:5 C of the Code of Virginia requires DEQ to develop and publish the procedures used for defining and determining impaired waters and provide for public comment on the procedures. The revisions will contain updates to water quality assessment procedures to account for revisions to water quality standards or to incorporate assessment process improvements.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM 23-2002	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Guidance Memo 23-2002 Final 2024 Water Quality Assessment Guidance Manual	
Brief Overview Virginia’s 2024 Water Quality Assessment Guidance Manual establishes the procedures that Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff follow for conducting water quality assessments to generate Virginia’s 2024 305(b)/303(d) Water Quality Assessment Integrated Report. Section 62.1-44.19:5 C of the Code of Virginia requires DEQ to develop and publish the procedures used for defining and determining impaired waters and provide for public comment on the procedures. The guidance manual was applicable for the 2024 Water Quality Assessment Integrated Report (IR) and will be superseded by the 2026 Water Quality Assessment Guidance. It is therefore being proposed for removal once the 2026 Guidance is made effective.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance will be superseded by Final 2026 Water Quality Assessment Guidance.
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Implementation of PFAS Program to Protect Public Water Supplies	
Brief Overview	
<p>This guidance will establish the programs and procedures to implement HB 1185 and SB 243 from the 2024 General Assembly session. These bills require, for every public water system, as defined in the bill, the Department of Health (VDH) to assist the Department of Environmental Quality (the Department) by transferring to the Department quarterly all validated monitoring results available to VDH that indicate PFAS maximum containment level, as defined in the bill, exceedances. In such circumstances, the bill provides that DEQ is required to develop and implement a plan to prioritize and conduct PFAS assessments for identifying significant sources of PFAS in such public water system's raw water source or sources. The bill requires any facility, if deemed by DEQ to be a potentially significant source of PFAS in the public water system's raw water source, (i) to perform and promptly report the results of quarterly discharge monitoring for one year and (ii) to report to DEQ, within 90 days after being directed by DEQ, its manufacture or use of PFAS.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Compliance Review-Compliance Review Standards Matrix	
Brief Overview The Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act (Bay Act) requires implementation of the program and requirements directly the 84 defined Tidewater localities. The Bay Act also requires DEQ to conduct compliance reviews of localities program to ensure statutory and regulatory requirements are met (Va. Code §62.1-44.15:69(8)). DEQ is preparing to commence its third round of locality program reviews and in conjunction with its start provide information to localities on the process including expectations around documents, processes, or other information demonstrating compliance with regulatory standards by localities which is outline in the Compliance Reviews Standards Matrix.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Implementation Guidance for Use of the Biotic Ligand Model for Copper Criteria Amendments (9VAC25-260-140.G)	
Brief Overview This guidance is necessary to provide clarity to permittees about the implementation of the proposed amendments to the Water Quality Standards (WQS) regulations for case-by-case implementation of the biotic ligand model (BLM) for copper. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) considers Virginia’s current WQS regulation language regarding the copper BLM-derived criteria to be a process for developing site-specific criteria. Each BLM-derived criteria value would need to be promulgated before using the value in permitting evaluations. EPA stated it cannot accept a BLM-derived copper permit limit until site-specific copper criteria have been promulgated, or unless a more prescriptive approach is provided for in the WQS and sufficiently detailed guidance provides for criteria implementation. Guidance to be developed concurrent with a rulemaking to amend language in the WQS regulation to allow a performance-based approach to establishing water quality endpoints to be applied in permitting evaluations. This will provide permittee’s and DEQ staff additional flexibility in permitting decisions related to freshwater copper.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Develop GM25-XXXX Development of Aluminum Criteria for VPDES Permit Issuance Guidance Document	
Brief Overview	
<p>The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has developed aluminum criteria that is expected to be integrated into Federal requirements for the issuance of certain Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) permits in the Commonwealth. When the aluminum criteria are approved by EPA, they will become effective and shall be implemented through water quality programs in Virginia. The VPDES permit program and the water quality monitoring and assessment programs are the primary programs which will be charged with implementing the criteria once effective. Water quality assessment procedures are established every two years coinciding with development and publication of the biennial Water Quality Assessment 305(b)/303(d) Integrated Report (IR). These procedures are established in guidance which entails a public comment period. Information on the current status of the IR water quality assessment, along with associated guidance is available at: https://www.deq.virginia.gov/our-programs/water/water-quality/assessments. Finalization of this criteria is imminent by EPA.</p> <p>DEQ will develop a guidance document regarding aluminum limits in reissued and new VPDES permits. DEQ will need to develop implementation guidance clearly explaining the application of Virginia’s freshwater aluminum criteria and follows recommendations in EPA-800-D-21-001 (2021), including calculation of site-specific criteria using site-specific measurements of pH, hardness, and dissolved oxygen concentrations that consider seasonal and hydrological variability and proposed methodology for using the most conservative inputs for criteria calculation in waters with federally listed species.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	June 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Guidance – DCR-VSWCB-013 – Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, Third Edition, 1992	
Brief Overview	
This action will rescind DCR-VSWCB-013 – Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook, Third Edition, 1992 (92 VESCH). During a one-year transition period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, stakeholders have been able to use either this guidance (the 92 VESCH) or use an updated version, GM24-2001, the Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0 (GM24-2001, effective July 1, 2024), to develop plans for erosion and sediment control and stormwater management at sites where land-disturbance will occur. The plans demonstrate how land-disturbance will be conducted in compliance with the minimum standards, water quality criteria, and water quantity criteria in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC24-875. This guidance document, the 92 VESCH, is scheduled to be rescinded on June 30, 2025, at the end of a one-year transition period.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	June 30, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Guidance – DCR-VSWCB-011 – Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, First Edition, 1999	
Brief Overview	
This action will rescind DCR-VSWCB-011 – Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, First Edition, 1999. During a one-year transition period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, stakeholders have been able to use either this guidance (DCR-VSWCB-011) or use an updated version, GM24-2001, the Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0 (GM24-2001, effective July 1, 2024), to develop plans for erosion and sediment control and stormwater management at sites where land-disturbance will occur. The plans demonstrate how land-disturbance will be conducted in compliance with the minimum standards, water quality criteria, and water quantity criteria in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC24-875. This guidance document, DCR-VSWCB-011, is scheduled to be rescinded on June 30, 2025, at the end of a one-year transition period.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Rescinding this guidance.
Expected Date	June 30, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM16-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Guidance- GM16-2001 - Updated Virginia Runoff Reduction Method Compliance Spreadsheets and User Guide - Version 3.0	
Brief Overview This action will rescind GM16-2001 Updated Virginia Runoff Reduction Method Compliance Spreadsheets and User Guide - Version 3.0. During a one-year transition period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025, stakeholders are able to use either this guidance (GM16-2001 VRRM 3.0) or use an updated version, GM24-2002 Virginia Runoff Reduction Method Compliance Spreadsheets for New Development and Redevelopment - Version 4.1, in conjunction with the Department’s Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, Version 1.0 (GM24-2001, effective July 1, 2024), to demonstrate compliance with the water quality criteria in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC24-875-580 A. This guidance document, GM16-2001, is scheduled to be rescinded on June 30, 2025, at the end of a one-year transition period. Rescinding GM16-2001 will be contingent on the State Water Control Board adopting amendments to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC25-875, prior to July 1, 2025 that change the total phosphorus load of new development projects from 0.41 pounds per acre per year, 9VAC25-875-580, which VRRM 3.0 is based on, to another value.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	June 30, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Guidance documents that are obsolete due to the issuance of the Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook	
Brief Overview	
<p>The Virginia Stormwater Management Handbook, GM24-201, incorporates relevant information from and replaces the guidance documents listed below. During a one-year transition period from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, stakeholders have been able to use either the guidance listed below or use GM24-2001 to develop plans for erosion and sediment control and stormwater management at sites where land-disturbance will occur. The plans demonstrate how land-disturbance will be conducted in compliance with the minimum standards, water quality criteria, and water quantity criteria in the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation, 9VAC25-875. The guidance documents listed below are scheduled to be rescinded on June 30, 2025, at the end of a one-year transition period.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guidance memo DCR-VSWCB-024 on VSMP Site Inspection Strategies 2. Guidance memo DCR-VSWCB-026 on Utilization of Nonpoint Nutrient Offsets 3. Guidance Memo No. 14-2002 Implementation Guidance for the 2009 General Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities, 9VAC25-880 4. Guidance Memo No. 14-2014 Implementation Guidance for Section 47 (time limits on applicability of approved design criteria) and Section 48 (grandfathering) 5. Guidance Memo No. 15-2003 Postdevelopment SW Mgmt Implementation Guidance for Linear Utility Projects 6. Guidance Memo No. 22-2011 Streamlined Plan Review for Construction Stormwater Plans and Erosion and Sediment Control Plans submitted by a Licensed Design Professional and reviewed by a Dual Combined Administrator for Erosion and Sediment Control and Stormwater Management 7. Guidance Memo No. 22-2012 Stormwater Management and Erosion & Sediment Control Design Guide 	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Rescinding this guidance since it has been superseded by the revised Stormwater Management Handbook.
Expected Date	June 30, 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ACG-010	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise ACG-010: Air Compliance Guidance for Implementation of Article 43.1 and 40 CFR 63 Subpart AAAA after September 27, 2021	
Brief Overview This update will supersede ACG-10 (8/30/2018) . It addresses implementation of Article 43.1 and 40 CFR 63 Subpart AAAA after September 27, 2021.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ACG-014	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind ACG-014: Air Compliance Guidance for Violations of 9 VAC 5 Chapter 40 Part II Article 37 and Related Federal Rules in Accordance with EPA Letters regarding No Action Assurance dated September 13, 2018	
Brief Overview This guidance (ACG-014) is no longer applicable/in effect as it pertained to a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency No Action Assurance (NAA) related to Hurricane Florence from September 13, 2018, to September 18, 2018, at 11:59 PM EDT. The NAA was only for that time period concerning vapor recovery/combustion devices not functioning due to the storm and loading and unloading of fuel at facilities that were not equipped with vapor recovery/combustion devices. It also addressed during that time tanker trucks that may not be registered with the distribution terminals as having completed all the requisite testing for tank tightness and the required documentation under NSPS, MACT, and Virginia's Regulations.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document will be rescinded because DEQ has determined that it is outdated.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ACG-015	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise ACG-015: Air Compliance Guidance for the Implementation of the Permitting Exemption for Qualified Fumigation Facilities	
Brief Overview This update will supersede ACG-015 and update some language and calculations that were incorrect.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ASOP-02	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind ASOP-02: Inspections	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to aid Department of Environmental Quality Air Inspectors with conducting inspections and determining the compliance status of stationary sources. The document includes information about procedures, inspection types, frequency of inspections, and writing the inspection report.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document will be rescinded because DEQ has determined that it in an internal manual and should not be classified as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ASOP-08	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind ASOP-08: Air Standard Operating Procedures for Particulate Testing: Role of Agency Observer	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to aid regional Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) personnel in the observation of particulate stack testing, to evaluate the compliance status of the source operation with applicable environmental regulations, and to determine the efficiency of the air pollution control apparatus.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document will be rescinded because DEQ has determined that it in an internal manual and should not be classified as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ASOP-09	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise ASOP-9: VOC Sampling and Analysis	
Brief Overview This ASOP will be reviewed to determine if it is still regulatorily applicable. If so, it will be updated to reflect the regulations because the guidance contains outdated information.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) ASOP-13 and ASOP-13 Amendments	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise ASOP-13: Tax Certification	
Brief Overview This update will supersede ASOP-13 (11/22/2004) and ASOP-13 Amendment (1/23/2009). It includes changes to the tax statute (§ 58.1-3660 of the Code of Virginia).	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The changes to the statute allow political subdivisions to self-certify pollution control equipment to the Department of Taxation.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance Document for Reissuance of the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management (9VAC25-192)	
Brief Overview This Guidance Document will assist permittees in understanding any new permit requirements and help with overall implementation of the reissued VPA Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management (9VAC25-192).	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance Document for 2024 VPDES General Permit Regulation for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (9VAC25-151)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will assist dischargers in understanding any new permit requirements and help with overall implementation of the reissued general permit regulation for stormwater discharges associated with industrial activity. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of stormwater from sites associated with industrial activity.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Reissuance of this general permit provides dischargers under this sector with a streamlined permitting process, greatly reducing the costs and time necessary to obtain permit coverage as well as reducing the administrative costs to the Commonwealth.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance Document for 2024 Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Nonmetallic Mineral Mining (9VAC25-190)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will assist dischargers in understanding any new permit requirements and help with overall implementation of the reissued general permit regulation for nonmetallic mineral mining. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of process and stormwater from nonmetallic mineral mining operations. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new mining operations are covered under this general permit regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance Document for 2024 Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Discharges of Stormwater from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) (9VAC25-890)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will assist dischargers in understanding any new permit requirements and help with overall implementation of the reissued general permit regulation for discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s). This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of stormwater from small municipal separate stormwater systems. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new MS4s are covered under this general permit regulation. This general permit is also integral to the Commonwealth's commitments to meeting nutrient reduction goals under the Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance Document for the Nutrient Offset Fund		
Brief Overview This guidance document will establish and develop criteria for how the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will provide allocations from the Nutrient Offset Fund for new and expanded discharges.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM14-2017	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM14-2017 Implementation of VPA Regulation and General Permit for Animal Feeding Operations and Animal Waste Management Amendments, VPG1	
Brief Overview This document was originally issued on November 12, 2014. This guidance document was provided to regional staff for internal use. This guidance document describes internal Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) procedures for processing Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) general permits for animal feeding operations using a liquid manure management system to ensure the State Water Control Law, the VPA Permit Regulation, and the VPA general permit for AFOs are met. It presents the procedures for obtaining a complete registration statement, determining eligibility for coverage under the general permit, transmittal of the general permit to registrants, and inspection procedures.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is an internally used document to assist DEQ permit and compliance staff in ensuring that that DEQ has a complete general permit registration statement before coverage under the draft permit is issued and that all permit conditions and requirements are met. The propose of this document is to provide VPA permit writers, inspectors, reviewers, and managers procedures to ensure that DEQ meets requirements of the Commonwealth. In addition, this document is intended to promote consistency between DEQ regions, define and set standards for timely processing of registration statements, inspecting facilities, and to provide a tool to train new staff in the correct procedures and administering the VPA permit program. This document does not interpret any laws or regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM18-2006	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM18-2006, Reissuance Procedures for VPA Biosolids Land Application Permits	
Brief Overview This document was originally issued on October 22, 2018. This guidance document was provided to regional staff for internal use and describes internal Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) procedures for processing reissuance applications for Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) permits for biosolids land application to ensure the State Water Control Law and the VPA Permit Regulation are met.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is an internally used document to assist DEQ permit staff in reissuing VPA permits for biosolids land application. The propose of this document is to provide VPA permit writers, reviewers, and managers procedures to ensure that DEQ meets requirements of the Commonwealth. In addition, this document is intended to promote consistency between DEQ regions, define and set standards for timely processing of reissuance applications, and to provide a tool to train new staff in the correct procedures and administering the VPA permit program. This document does not interpret any laws or regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM02-2010	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM02-2010 - Water Compliance Auditing Manual	
Brief Overview This document is an internal document for Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff as a guide to internal audit programs regarding water and water permitting in-house, including compliance. This includes the scoring of noncompliant facilities and how to process the compliance reporting and scoring through CEDS (a DEQ internal access only database).	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is from 2002, there have been multiple updates to DEQ's compliance procedures since that time. There have been three revisions to the relevant regulations since that time. There is no external guidance in this document that a permittee or the public would use for facility compliance. This document is what the SSO guidance just amended, which was the fourth amendment to the document including Appendix 1 (point assessment). This document details only internal procedures/reference and does not offer interpretation of existing laws or regulations to the public and therefore should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM22-2010	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM22-2010 VPDES GP - Vehicle Wash and Laundry Facilities	
Brief Overview This document is an internal document for Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff to use as a primer for specific permit applications and permit adherence for vehicle wash and laundry facilities. This document details the changes to these reissued permits and the revised permit application. This document also details how to view information in DEQNet (an internally only accessible program) and how to file paperwork in CEDS (an internally only accessible program). It assists staff in outlining what to expect from a permittee, as well as how to respond to the permittee. It also includes an example O&M Manual with examples of flow diversion and pumping, which are clearly labeled as example documents and used for internal training and reference for DEQ staff.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	<p>This document references “the board” when “the department” should be referenced; therefore, it is not an accurate portrayal of the permitting process for external use. Additionally, this document was intended for internal use only to assist staff in determining if onsite conditions meet permit conditions for vehicle wash and laundry facilities. Many of the pages were copied and pasted directly from the fact sheet available at: https://www.deq.virginia.gov/home/showpublisheddocument?id=4929. There is repetition of information from the factsheet which is the intended document for external use and reference. This document details only internal procedures/reference and does not interpret existing laws or regulations and therefore should be removed as a guidance document.</p>
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM-01-2013	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM-01-2013 – Checklists for Rescind Wastewater Laboratory Inspections	
Brief Overview This document provides internal technical and procedural information to Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) inspection staff to evaluate laboratories producing data related to permitted facilities under Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) or Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) permits. All seven subsequent amendments to the original letter are for updates in the Federal Register in regards to sampling methods and analysis of data to remain in alignment with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s laboratory guidance and testing methodologies.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was intended for DEQ internal use. There is a disclaimer on the original Guidance Memo, as well as several subsequent amendments, which state that this document provides technical and procedural guidance to inspection staff to evaluate laboratories producing data related to permit compliance. This document details only internal procedures/reference and does not interpret any laws or regulations; therefore, it should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 00-2016	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind 00-2016 Chain of Custody Policy and Procedure	
Brief Overview This is an internal procedure document for the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). This internal standard operating procedure (SOP) describes how all environmental samples will be collected using the chain of custody procedures in this document to ensure the integrity of samples, so they can be used as admissible evidence to enforce the Commonwealth's environmental laws and regulations. It also states the laboratories to which samples may be taken for processing. The document states that it is an internal SOP.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is not an interpretation of any state or federal regulations and is simply an internal procedure for DEQ staff to use water withdrawal permit issuance under the program to assist in sample collection and laboratory submittal. This manual is out of date and no longer used internally. Additionally, this document was created in 2006 and states the specific laboratories where samples should be taken. Due to changing Department of General Services and procurement regulations, this document should be kept up to date as an internal set of instructions and not as a guidance document. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM21-2005	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM21-2005 "Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit for Domestic Sewage Discharges of Less Than or Equal to 1,000 Gallons Per Day"	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide updated information to Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff for the implementation of the Domestic Sewage Discharges General Permit (VAG40) based on the amendment of 9VAC25-110 and the 2021 reissuance of the general permit. This document replaced GM11-2008. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to the Regulation (9VAC25-110) and General Permit (VAG40), and to provide DEQ staff with instructions on the implementation of these changes.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is intended for internal DEQ use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of 9VAC25-110 and VAG40, for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. It simply restates/copies the verbiage from the modified regulation and provides sample letters for staff to use to send to permittees, as well as lists other inter-agency contacts required as part of this process. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM21-2004	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM21-2004, "Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the General VPDES Permit for Nonmetallic Mineral Mining Facilities VAG84"	
Brief Overview This document replaced Guidance Memo No.14-2008, Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit for Nonmetallic Mineral Mining Facilities. On April 15, 2019, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Nonmetallic Mineral Mining Facilities, 9VAC25-190, which modified VAG84. These amendments were effective July 1, 2019. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to General Permit VAG84, to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with instructions on implementation of these changes, to provide information on aspects of the permit that have raised questions, and to provide example letters that staff may use for the administration of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is listed as a "Draft Document" on the Town hall; when opened the document details the "proposed changes" to 9VAC25-190 as a guide to DEQ staff, as well as sample documents for staff to use in correspondence with permittees. However, this regulation has been finalized and is now active, not "proposed". Additionally, the header of the guidance document reads, "GM 21-2004 – Pesticide GP (VAG87) Implementation Guidance" which is incorrect. Therefore, this document is both out of date and inaccurate, and no longer applicable. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations. Due to these multiple factors, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM21-2003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM21-2003, "Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Discharges Resulting From the Application of Pesticides to Surface Water, VAG87"	
Brief Overview This document replaced Guidance Memo No. 11-2009. On December 13, 2018, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit Regulation for Discharges Resulting from the Application of Pesticides to Surface Water, 9VAC25-800, which modified General Permit VAG87 as part of the reissuance of this permit. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to the General Permit VAG87, to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with instructions on implementation of these changes, to provide information on aspects of the permit that have raised questions, and to provide example letters that staff may use for the administration of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is intended for internal DEQ use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of VPDES VAG87 for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. It simply restates/copies the verbiage from the modified regulation and provides sample letters for staff to use to send to permittees, as well as lists other inter-agency contacts required as part of this process. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations. Additionally, the PMP in this document has been replaced as of 2019 and therefore is out of date. For these reasons, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM21-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM21-2001- Implementation of the 2021 Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Seafood Processing Facilities, VAG52	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide updated information for implementing the Seafood Processing Facilities General Permit (VAG52) based on amendment of 9VAC25-115 and the 2021 reissuance of the general permit. This document replaced Guidance Memo No. GM16-2003. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to the General Permit VAG52, to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with instructions on implementation of these changes, to provide information on aspects of the permit that have raised questions, and to provide example letters that staff may use for the administration of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is intended for internal DEQ use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of VPDES VAG752 for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. It simply restates/copies the verbiage from the modified regulation and provides sample letters for staff to use to send to permittees, as well as lists other inter-agency contacts required as part of this process. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations for the public. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM18-2009	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM18-2009 "Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit for Concrete Products Facilities, VAG11"	
Brief Overview This document replaced Guidance Memo No.13-2004, Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the General VPDES Permit for Concrete Products Facilities. On September 20, 2018, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the VPDES General Permit for Concrete Products Facilities, 9VAC25-193, which modified General Permit VAG11. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to the General Permit VAG11, to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with instructions on implementation of these changes, to provide information on aspects of the permit that have raised questions, and to provide example letters that staff may use for the administration of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is intended for internal DEQ use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of VPDES VAG11 for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. It simply restates/copies the verbiage from the modified regulation and provides sample letters for staff to use to send to permittees, as well as lists other inter-agency contacts required as part of this process. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM18-2003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM18-2003 - Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the General VPDES Permit for Potable Water Treatment Plants, VAG64	
Brief Overview This document replaced Guidance Memo No. 13-005, Implementation Guidance for Reissuance of the VPDES Permit Regulation for Potable Water Treatment Plants VAG64. On December 7, 2017, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit (VPDES) for Potable Water Treatment Plants, 9VAC25-860, which modified General Permit VAG64. These modifications were effective July 1, 2018. The purpose of this document was to identify changes that had been made to the General Permit VAG64, to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with instructions on implementation of these changes, to provide information on aspects of the permit that have raised questions, and to provide example letters that staff may use for the administration of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is intended for internal DEQ use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of VPDES VAG64 for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. It simply restates/copies the verbiage from the modified regulation and provides sample letters for staff to use to send to permittees, as well as lists other inter-agency contacts required as part of this process. The final regulation and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ VPDES general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. This document details only internal DEQ procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) DCR-VSWCB-026	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind DCR-VSWCB-026: "Guidance Document on Utilization of Nonpoint Nutrient Offsets"	
Brief Overview This guidance document specifies DCR policy on the requirements of the Code of Virginia pertaining to application of stormwater nonpoint nutrient offsets. It details how these requirements affect the General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities and locally-adopted regional stormwater management programs approved and operated consistent with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act regulations.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	<p>This document was developed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) but is listed as a DEQ guidance document. DCR is no longer the implementing agency for this provision of the Code of Virginia. This document is provided as guidance and set forth standard operating procedures for DCR, which used to administer the program. This document was intended for internal DCR use and summarizes the changes made in the reissuance of § 10.1-603.8:1 of the Code of Virginia for staff to use as a quick reference and a training document. The final regulation, and associated permit forms of this regulation are available on the DEQ general permits webpage and the Legislative Information System. Additionally, this document requires project operators intending to utilize nonpoint source nutrient credits, "must submit a complete DCR form DCR199-205 (07/11) to the Department prior to land disturbance". This form is no longer in existence and all DCR 199 forms reference impoundment structure approvals/inspections. As such, this document is no longer accurate and should be removed and a new guidance document should be issued if guidance on this is further required. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.</p>
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM06-2005	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM06-2005, Biosecurity Procedures for Poultry Farm Visits	
Brief Overview This document was originally issued on May 24, 2006. This guidance document was provided to regional staff for internal use and describes internal Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) procedures for ensuring that appropriate biosecurity procedures are implemented during DEQ staff visits to confined poultry feeding operations.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is an internally used document to assist DEQ permit and compliance staff in implementation of the Virginia Pollutant Abatement (VPA) general permit for poultry feeding operations. The propose of this document is to provide DEQ staff instructions regarding necessary biosecurity procedures to be used when inspecting facilities, and to provide a tool to train new staff in the correct procedures and administering the VPA permit program. This document does not interpret any laws or regulations for the public. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM14-2003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM14-2003 Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Manual/Elimination of March 2014 VPDES Permit Manual Revisions	
Brief Overview This document is not guidance and will be removed from the list of guidance documents listed on the Town Hall website.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action will remove a guidance document that is no longer needed.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance for the 2024 Amendment and Reissuance of the VPDES General Permit Regulation for Concrete Products Facilities (9VAC25-193)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will assist dischargers in understanding any new permit requirements and help with overall implementation of the reissued general permit regulation for concrete products facilities. This general permit regulation authorizes the discharge of process and stormwater from concrete product facilities. This regulatory action is needed to ensure that existing and new concrete product facilities are covered under this general permit regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Agriculture and Forestry Stormwater Management Guidance Document		
Brief Overview The Virginia Stormwater Management Act and Erosion and Sediment Control Law provide exemptions for certain land-disturbing activities specifically associated with agriculture and silviculture. This guidance document will provide clarification on application of these exemptions.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Implementation Guidance for the Existing Regulatory Requirements Applicable to Cooling Water Intake Structures (9VAC25-31-165)	
Brief Overview This implementation guidance will address cooling water intake structures. The guidance will address implementation issues associated with current new facility regulations (9VAC25-31-165 B) and the implementation of requirements developed on case-by-case, best professional judgment (BPJ) basis (9VAC25-31-165 C).	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance will reflect current requirements and information and will promote consistency and efficiency.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Groundwater Withdrawal Permit Manual	
Brief Overview The purpose of this manual is to provide DEQ water withdrawal permitting staff a framework for processing requests for new, expanded, or modified groundwater withdrawals and is intended to provide the overall process for reviewing and issuing individual groundwater withdrawal permits. This revised manual contains updates and clarifications to the permit processing framework and supersedes previous manuals for drafting groundwater withdrawal permits.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop PCB Pollution Minimization Plan Guidance	
Brief Overview This guidance document will establish procedures to develop Pollutant Minimization Plans (PMPs) for implementing Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) TMDL Waste Load Allocations. The guidance will include guidelines for Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff to request, review and approve a PMP, as well as track plan implementation and compliance, to measure progress in attaining PCB reductions. The guidance will also assist applicable VPDES permitted facilities listed as PCB sources in a TMDL with preparing a complete and approvable PMP.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Guidance: Implementing Coastal Resiliency Provisions (9VAC25-830- 155)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will provide additional information and assistance to localities implementing the recent regulatory changes related to climate resiliency and adaptation measures (9VAC25-830-155). It will provide additional clarity and examples for localities to use.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Compliance Evaluation and Review Process and Elements (9VAC25-830) Guidance	
Brief Overview This guidance document will update existing guidance and provide additional information for conducting locality compliance program reviews for the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act Guidance: Riparian Buffer Manual (9VAC25-830)	
Brief Overview This guidance document will provide significant technical assistance and information to localities on the implementation of the requirements and in particular requirements and provisions related to buffer modifications, alterations, and plantings. It also will include updates related to regulatory changes for the planting of trees and preservation of mature trees which were based upon a statutory change.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM04-2005	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind GM04-2005 Water Quality Monitoring Consolidated Guidance Memorandum, Amendment #2	
Brief Overview This document is not formal guidance and has been superseded by the 2020 Water Quality Monitoring Standard Operating Procedures and Ambient Water Quality Monitoring Project Plan that are posted on the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) website.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 22-2014	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Update Water Division Guidance Memorandum No. 22-2014 – Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Manual	
Brief Overview The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is the primary promulgating agency for the guidance identified above. The guidance is specifically associated with the Virginia Pollution Abatement (VPA) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-32. This action involves updating and consolidating existing agency guidance in the VPA Permit Manual related to (i) the processing of all types of VPA permit actions, including permit issuances, reissuances, modifications, revocations and reissuances, and termination; and (ii) technical issues affecting the processing of VPA permits. This activity is necessary to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make changes to the Manual that are consistent with recent amendments to State Water Control Law and subsequently to the VPA Permit Regulation in accordance with Chapter 356 of the 2022 Acts of Assembly (SB 657, Sen. Stuart); • Streamline VPA permit processing by providing the bulk of the technical and procedural information for permit actions in one document; and • Ensure more consistent VPA permit content, and uniform and efficient processing by DEQ water permitting staff among all regions of the agency. 	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance does not remove or impose any new regulatory requirements, but updates and consolidates existing agency procedures that are consistent and in conformance with the VPA Permit Regulation (9VAC25-32), the Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulations (9VAC25-790), and the Water Reclamation and Reuse Regulation (9VAC25-740).
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Guidance for Implementation of VPA Regulation and General Permit for Poultry Waste Management Amendments, VPG2 (9VAC25-630)	
Brief Overview The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is initiating the development of a new guidance document to identify significant changes that have been made to the VPA Regulation and General Permit for Poultry Waste Management (9VAC25-630) during the most recent regulatory action. It will also provide DEQ staff with guidelines on the implementation of the changes and clarify certain aspects of the permit process.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	Developing this guidance document will allow for the elimination of two outdated guidance documents.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Update the Drought Assessment and Response Plan Guidance	
Brief Overview <p>The Virginia Drought Assessment and Response Plan (Plan) was developed in 2003. The Plan established a Drought Monitoring Task Force (DMTF), identifies 13 drought regions, establishes specific drought indicators that will be used to evaluate drought status for each region, establishes drought stages (Normal, Drought Watch, Drought Warning, Drought Emergency) and the specific criteria that each stage is recommended based on the indicators, and establishes responses to each drought stage for state agencies, localities, and water suppliers.</p> <p>Chapters 36 and 37 of the 2023 Acts of Assembly (HB 2095, Del. Bulova and SB 1149, Sen. Marsden) requires the State Water Control Board to recognize localities that use the Potomac River as a water supply source as a distinct drought evaluation region. The bill requires the Board to incorporate for this distinct region the provisions related to messages, stages, and responses from the Metropolitan Washington Water Supply and Drought Awareness Response Plan: Potomac River System (the Metropolitan Washington Plan). The bill does not limit the authority of the Governor during a declared drought emergency.</p> <p>The Virginia Drought Assessment and Response Plan will be updated to comply with these requirements. No other changes to the Plan are proposed as part of this guidance update.</p>	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance update will allow for localities that use the Potomac River as a water source to adhere to triggers and responses from the Metropolitan Washington Water Supply and Drought Awareness Response Plan instead of the state triggers and responses in the Virginia Drought Assessment and Response Plan except for in a declared drought emergency.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Guidance Document for Inclusion of USEPA Clean Water Act Section 316(b), Cooling Water Intake Structures Requirements in Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permits for Small Facilities		
Brief Overview The 316 (b) rule of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) was promulgated and finalized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2014 and requires the inclusion of certain considerations and requirements for water intake structures at industrial facilities that have Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) permits that withdrawal 25% or more of their water from an adjoining waterbody exclusively for cooling purposes. This requirement exists for both new and existing intake structures at these facilities. EPA requires DEQ to include the consideration of technology that achieves one of two alternatives under the best technology available (BTA) standards for entrainment (for new facilities) and/or reducing fish impingement by implementing one of seven options or requiring additional studies for DEQ and other agencies to determine site-specific inflow controls with public input (existing facilities over <125 million gallons per day / GPD). This guidance document will assist staff in determining the requirements for new and existing facilities as well as be used to set general standards for consideration for small facilities for DEQ staff to use to develop this component of VPDES permits (where applicable). This guidance document will provide public transparency about how DEQ is making these recommendations, enable the regulated community to appropriately prepare their permit applications/reapplications and facilitate multi-agency coordination on this rule. This guidance document needs to be developed because the first reissuance of VPDES permits since this rule was promulgated is approaching and DEQ is required by federal law to incorporate these requirements into the VPDES program.		
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Guidance Document for Inclusion of USEPA Clean Water Act Section 316(b), Cooling Water Intake Structures Requirements in Virginia Pollution Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permits for Large Facilities		
Brief Overview The 316 (b) rule of the federal Clean Water Act (CWA) was promulgated and finalized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2014 and requires the inclusion of certain considerations and requirements for water intake structures at industrial facilities that have Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) permits that withdrawal 25% or more of their water from an adjoining waterbody exclusively for cooling purposes. This requirement exists for both new and existing intake structures at these facilities. EPA requires DEQ to include the consideration of technology that achieves one of two alternatives under the best technology available (BTA) standards for entrainment (for new facilities) and/or reducing fish impingement by implementing one of seven options or requiring additional studies for DEQ and other agencies to determine site-specific inflow controls with public input (existing facilities over >=125 million gallons per day / GPD). This guidance document will assist staff in determining the requirements for new and existing facilities as well as be used to set general standards for consideration for large facilities for DEQ staff to use to develop this component of VPDES permits (where applicable). This guidance document will provide public transparency about how DEQ is making these recommendations, enable the regulated community to appropriately prepare their permit applications/reapplications and facilitate multi-agency coordination on this rule. This guidance document needs to be developed because the first reissuance of VPDES permits since this rule was promulgated is approaching and DEQ is required by Federal law to incorporate these requirements into the VPDES program.		
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM18-2004	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise Guidance Memo GM18-2004, Procedures for Pipeline Stop Work Instruction	
Brief Overview The intent of this action is to revise Guidance Memo 18-2004, which establishes procedures for a stop work instruction to be issued to certain natural gas transmission pipelines pursuant to §§ 62.1-44.15:37.1 and/or 62.1-44.15:58.1 of the Code of Virginia. Sections 62.1-44.15:37.1 and 62.1-44.15:58.1 of the Code of Virginia provide that DEQ may issue an instruction to stop work for land-disturbing activities related to the construction of a natural gas transmission pipeline under certain conditions. This document needs to be updated due to the change in construction materials and conditions in various statewide pipeline projects.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM18-2012	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise GM18-2012 Point Assessment for Alleged Violations of the Construction Stormwater Permit Criteria and Enforcement Referral Guidance	
Brief Overview The intent of this action is to revise Guidance Memo 18-2012, and the applicable attachment. This document provides direction for evaluating noncompliance with the General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities Regulations (9VAC25-880), the Virginia Stormwater Management Program Regulations (9 VAC 25-870), and the State Water Control Law (Va. Code 62.1-44.2 et seq) and provides a point system for determining the appropriate compliance response, including when to refer cases to the Division of Enforcement. The point system allows Stormwater Compliance staff to consistently assess and respond to alleged noncompliance.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Develop Ammonia Guidance Document	
Brief Overview	
<p>DEQ will develop a guidance document regarding ammonia limits in reissued Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) permits. This guidance document will describe a phased implementation program for use in applying the recently revised ammonia freshwater criteria (9VAC25-260-155 subsections B and C). These Virginia water quality criteria are more stringent in response to changes in the federal criteria that were published in 2013; the revised criteria became effective on October 8, 2020. State law provides that a phased implementation program must be established as part of adoption of the revised criteria (§ 62.1-44.15:1 C). This phased implementation program is intended to provide qualifying permittees with additional time where needed to comply with new effluent limits, resulting from the revised criteria.</p> <p>This phased implementation program provides permittees that discharge or have the potential to discharge ammonia with the option to request an extended schedule of compliance regarding ammonia limits that are revised based on the revised criteria. The phased implementation program is applicable to any existing permittee that discharges or has the potential to discharge ammonia. This includes both existing municipal and existing industrial facilities. This Guidance Document will assist the regulated community and stakeholders with regards to permit condition expectations as well as to assist DEQ staff in providing consistency for permitting decisions regarding these conditions.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 02-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Guidance Memo No. 02-2001 - Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Inspection Checklist	
Brief Overview Guidance Memo No. 02-2001 - Confined Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) Inspection Checklist details internal procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations; therefore, it should be removed as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance is being rescinded because it is outdated and details only internal procedures and does not interpret any laws or regulations; therefore, it should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
98-2005	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Revise Guidance Document 98-2005: Reduced Monitoring applicability for Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permits	
Brief Overview	
The purpose of Guidance Document 98-2005 is to allow permittees to request a reduction in monitoring frequencies due to exemplary operations. This initiative is an effort to reduce the cost of environmental compliance and to provide incentives to facilities that demonstrate outstanding performance and consistent compliance with their permits. DEQ supports this initiative. The purpose of this action will be to bring Guidance Document 98-2005 to present and to expand the applications of reduced monitoring to coincide with updates in technology. Recommended updates will include a by-parameter reduction in monitoring and clarification on timeframes regarding letters of noncompliance. Permittees are expected to maintain the performance levels that were used as the basis for granting monitoring reduction.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This revised guidance document will provide additional flexibility for eligibility regarding VPDES Permit reduced monitoring.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) DCR-VSWCB-030	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind DCR-VSWCB-030 Stormwater Management Model Ordinance	
Brief Overview This document contains a Stormwater Management Model Ordinance (document ID DCR-VSWCB-030) originally developed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation for use by a locality for establishing a Virginia Stormwater Management Program. With the update to the Erosion and Sediment Control Law and the Stormwater Management Act, this model ordinance is obsolete and needs to be rescinded. This guidance document will not be replaced. This document does not meet the definition of a Guidance Document and will not be reissued. A model ordinance was issued in December 2023 and distributed to localities as appropriate.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This existing guidance document is to be rescinded and will not be reissued.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Develop GM24-XXXX FOIA/Record Management: Action Plan for withholding intake location Pre 4/2024 and Post 4/2024	
Brief Overview	
<p>The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has responsibility to address Virginia Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests within 5 business days. Information related to intake or well locations for municipal water supply systems is excluded based on requirements of Va. Code § 2.2-3705.2(14)(a); 42 U.S.C § 5195c(e). This guidance document will provide procedures for staff when FOIA requests for documents containing critical infrastructure information are received. A brief outline is as follows:</p> <p><i>Documentation prior to 4/30/2024:</i> For any FOIA requests wherein the documents that are responsive to the request contain in-take locations, the FOIA coordinator will be notified. The FOIA coordinator will work with the program to manually redact this information prior to release.</p> <p><i>Documentation after 4/30/2024:</i> Staff will begin to request that submitting entities submit both a clean version and a redacted version to DEQ. The clean version would not contain any redactions; however, the redacted version would contain redactions over the intake points with a notation on the document that the information is being redacted pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3705.2(14)(a); 42 U.S.C § 5195c(e). If in the future the document is the subject of a FOIA request, DEQ will release the redacted version of the document. The redacted version will provide the release of information with a notification of the information that is being withheld and the legal justification for the withholding. Additionally, if full pages are needed to be withheld, the instruction to the submitting entity would add a page with a simple notation that the page was being redacted pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3705.2(14)(a); 42 U.S.C § 5195c(e). In the event of a future request, the requester would be notified that the page itself contained information that should be withheld along with the legal justification.</p>	
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Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM05-2001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Guidance GM05-2001 – Final 316(b) Phase II Rule Implementation	
Brief Overview This action will rescind GM05-2001 Final 316(b) Phase II Rule Implementation. The Phase II rule was remanded and subsequently withdrawn by EPA (2007). This rule is no longer in effect, thus there is no need for the Phase II 316b guidance and it can be rescinded immediately.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Permitting and Coordination of Construction General Permits and Erosion and Sediment Control at Solid Waste Landfills	
Brief Overview	
<p>The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has implementation and permitting issuance responsibility for solid waste landfills under the Virginia Waste Management Act (VWMA). DEQ implements the program and permitting under a solid waste permit. In addition, DEQ has implementation and permitting issuance responsibility for state-wide nonpoint source pollution control and pollutant discharges into surface water. Thus, a solid waste landfill may also be subject to permitting under a Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity during its active operation and/or a General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities during construction. The purpose of this guidance document is to provide clarity on when such permitting may be applicable and how these programs will coordinate on overlapping permitting and compliance issues at solid waste landfills.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2016-02	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind CEDS Tanks Compliance and Registration User Manual (LPR-SRR-2016-02)	
Brief Overview This data entry procedures manual provides tank compliance, registration, and administrative staff with step-by-step procedures for entering data into the CEDS Tank Facilities and Tank Owners modules. It is an internal procedure and should not be classified as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2015-01C	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Storage Tank Program Quality Management Plan, Amendment 3 (LPR-SRR-2015-01C)	
Brief Overview This document being rescinded was created to ensure the environmental data collected by staff and contractors hired by the Storage Tank Program met U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) data requirements. It has been redone and is at EPA for review. It is obsolete and is an internal procedure.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This is a quality assurance plan for internal use. It should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop the Homeowner Heating Oil Tank Technical Manual	
Brief Overview This guidance document will include how to investigate and characterize homeowner heating oil tank releases. It will include reporting and reimbursement guidance. This document is an internal job aid for tank remediation staff that introduces electronic documentation as well as administrative troubleshooting. However, it also includes guidance for the regulated community. This guidance manual is being taken from Chapter/Volume 5 of the current Tank Technical Manual. Separating this guidance into its own Technical Manual will provide better procedural clarification for staff and stakeholders. This includes how to manage scope of work and facilitate the reimbursement of site costs through pre-approval and verification of site work where applicable.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Storage Tank Technical Manual – Volume 2: Release Reporting Requirements (01-2024D)	
Brief Overview This guidance manual is currently being updated from the 2011 version. The updated version will eliminate obsolete links and processes as well as provide better procedural clarification for staff and stakeholders regarding when and how to report releases to the Department of Environmental Quality. This document is an internal job aid for tank remediation staff that provides a standard framework for handling release reporting consistently administratively statewide. The document will also expand on language from the 2011 document to provide clarity to all stakeholders.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Storage Tank Technical Manual – Volume 4: Site Work and Pre-Approval and Verification Process (01-2024D)	
Brief Overview This guidance manual is currently being updated from the 2011 version. The updated version will eliminate obsolete links and processes as well as provide better procedural clarification for staff and stakeholders. This includes how to manage scope of work and facilitate the reimbursement of site costs through pre-approval and verification of site work where applicable. This document is an internal job aid for tank remediation staff that introduces electronic documentation as well as administrative troubleshooting. The guidance will be streamlined from the current version for procedural clarity.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The guidance will be streamlined from the current version for procedural clarity.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Storage Tank Technical Manual – Volume 5: Release Response and Corrective Action (01-2024D)		
Brief Overview This guidance manual is currently being updated from the 2011 version. The updated version will eliminate obsolete links and processes as well as provide better procedural clarification for staff and stakeholders regarding when and how to report releases to the Department of Environmental Quality. This document is an internal job aid for tank remediation staff that provides a standard framework for handling release reporting consistently administratively statewide. The document will also expand on language from the 2011 document to provide clarity to all stakeholders. This document is an internal job aid for tank remediation staff that introduces electronic documentation as well as administrative troubleshooting. The guidance will be streamlined from the current version for procedural clarity.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-02-2012	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Tank Ownership and Responsible Person Identification Changes Guidance (LPR-SRR-02-2012)	
Brief Overview This guidance document that will be rescinded provides information to regional office petroleum staff concerning when to pursue a property owner for compliance with pollution prevention requirements of the Underground Storage Tank Technical Regulation and corrective action in the event of a petroleum release to the environment.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed for internal use by Department of Environmental Quality staff and has since been incorporated into other existing guidance documents. This document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-03-2012	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Case Closure Evaluation of Sites with Free Product Guidance (LPR-SRR-03-2012)	
Brief Overview This guidance document that will be rescinded is an expansion of Section 5.5 of the Storage Tank Program Technical Manual and was developed to assist Storage Tank Program Case Managers in evaluating the feasibility and practicality of free product removal and to recognize when a case can be closed with no increased risk to human health and the environment. It is an internal procedure.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed for internal use by Department of Environmental Quality staff and should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-01-2013	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Provision of Alternate Water Supplies to Operators of Petroleum-Impacted Water Supplies Guidance (LPR-SRR-02-2013)	
Brief Overview The purpose of this guidance document that is being rescinded is to provide information for Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff regarding the provision and termination of CFU coverage at a site. It is an internal procedure and should not have been classified as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed for internal use by DEQ staff and should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2014-01	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the State Lead Procedures Manual, First Edition (LPR-SRR-2014-01)	
Brief Overview The purpose of the State Lead Procedures Manual is to provide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff with standard operating procedures for managing sites within the State Lead Program. This document will be redone and will be an internal procedure instead of a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document will be rewritten and will be an internal manual for DEQ staff. It should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 00-2014	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Quality Assurance Project Plan, State Lead Program, Revision 2 (00-2014)	
Brief Overview The purpose of the Quality Assurance Project Plan for the State Lead Program is to ensure that procedures used, and data collected by Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) State Lead contractors are of sufficient quality to support the decisions that must be made by agency staff. It has also been redone and is in review by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Once approved it will be internal procedure.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This should be removed as a guidance document because it is actually a quality assurance plan for internal use.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SRR-2015-02	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Instructions for Completing the State Lead Acceptance Form and Contractor Evaluation Tab (LPR-SRR-2015-02)	
Brief Overview This document that will be rescinded provides instructions for staff when completing the State Lead Acceptance Form (AAF). It superseded the guidance found in LPR-SRR-2014-01 and was meant to be incorporated into the next revision of that manual. It is an internal procedure.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document will be included in the State Lead Manual which will be an internal procedure. It should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 6409 and 6410	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Hazardous Waste Inspector Handbook (6409 and 6410)	
Brief Overview This guidance document was created to be used by hazardous waste inspectors at the Department of Environmental Quality in order to guide them through the inspection process, and to house all the guidance on inspections in one location. This guidance is already on Town Hall but is being updated to incorporate additional issues that have occurred as a result of new regulations that impact hazardous waste generators being promulgated. Inspection checklists, provided in Appendix A to the Manual, are also being revised. This document is an internal job aid for hazardous waste inspectors.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-04-2012	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Management and Reuse of Contaminated Media Guidance (LPR-SW-04-2012)	
Brief Overview This action will update the 2012 Management and Reuse of Contaminated Media guidance to address issues for use and implementation of the state-wide self-implemented variance for facilities.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	The updated guidance document will allow for greater flexibility and updated applicable risk numbers by conforming our guidance to be consistent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's regional screening levels and removing the requirement to implement land use restrictions.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-SI-30	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Submission Instructions No. 30: Guidelines for Landfill Topographic Survey Submissions (LPR-SW-SI-30)	
Brief Overview This guidance will provide landfill permittees instruction on submission of annual/biennial landfill topographic surveys. This guidance corresponds with regulatory changes proposed with Amend 9 of 9VAC20-81 (Solid Waste Management Regulations). This is a guidance document that will be used by Department of Environmental Quality staff and permitted landfills to assist with submission of the annual/biennial landfill topographic survey.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-03-2008	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Solid Waste Permit Manual (LPR-SW-03-2008)	
Brief Overview The purpose of this manual is to guide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) permit writers on aspects of solid waste permit procedures. These procedures were designed in an effort to ensure consistency between DEQ regional offices and provide new personnel with a document from which to learn how to write permits, process solid waste authorizations, and manage records. This document was designed for internal use only and assists DEQ staff within the Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs and the regional offices keep abreast of the most recent regulations and procedures by removing or adding pages to the manual.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	<p>This document was developed and most recently updated online in 2008. This document was developed entirely for internal DEQ staff use. It is meant to be a “living document” that exists in electronic format on DEQ’s intranet site and is updated corresponding with changes to applicable statutes and regulations. The attachments to the manual include template versions of review correspondence, draft permits, and other documentation for staff to reference.</p> <p>The solid waste permit manual has been determined to be an internal procedure for staff and not formal guidance. This manual does not include any interpretation of any state or federal regulations and is simply an internal procedure for DEQ staff. Additionally, this manual is out of date and no longer used internally and should not be used externally. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.</p>
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-02-2010		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Solid Waste Compliance Program Inspection Manual (Revision 6) (LPR-SW-02-201)		
Brief Overview The Solid Waste Compliance Program conducts periodic inspections of waste management facilities subject to the Virginia Waste Management Act and its associated waste regulations. This manual provides procedural guidance on how to conduct a legally defensible inspection and is designed to promote uniformity and consistency among Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) regional offices. Procedures include pre-inspection preparation, on-site inspection protocols, and post-inspection procedures for report preparation and responding to observations of compliance and noncompliance. This manual is an existing guidance document on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with Amendment 9 to the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-81). This document is an internal job aid for solid waste inspectors and provides a standard framework for agency staff to evaluate compliance with waste-related regulations in order to maintain consistency around the state.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-2017-01		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Landfill Gas Regulatory Requirements Guidance (LPR-SW-2017-01)		
Brief Overview This guidance document was developed to clarify regulatory requirements applicable to landfill gas monitoring and remediation under the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-81). This is an existing guidance document on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with Amendment 9 to the Solid Waste Regulations (9VAC20-81). This document provides risk-based strategies that landfills can utilize to maintain compliance with the applicable landfill gas monitoring and remediation requirements as well as provides a standard framework for agency staff to evaluate compliance with the landfill gas requirements of the solid waste regulations in order to maintain consistency around the state.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-SI-13	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise Submission Instruction 13 - Landfill Gas Management, Remediation, and Odor Plans for Solid Waste Disposal Facilities (LPR-SW-SI-13)	
Brief Overview This Submission Instruction provides guidance for solid waste disposal facilities to submit a Landfill Gas Management Plan, Landfill Gas Remediation Plan, and Odor Management Plan in compliance with the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations (9VAC20-81). This is an existing guidance document on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with Amendment 9 to the Solid Waste Regulations. This document provides a template for permit applicants and permit holders to submit information required by the solid waste regulations in order to streamline review by agency staff.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-SW-04-2009	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Solid Waste Management Plan 5-year Update Guidance (LPR-SW-04-2009)	
Brief Overview This guidance document was developed to clarify regulatory requirements applicable to solid waste planning units under the Virginia Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Regulations (9VAC20-130). This is an existing guidance document on Virginia Regulatory Town Hall and is being updated for consistency with the 2019 amendment to the solid waste planning regulations.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Alternate Operational Cover Guidance for Landfills Guidance	
Brief Overview Under certain circumstances, the Virginia Solid Waste Management Regulations, 9VAC20-81, allow for the use of alternate operational cover strategies in lieu of the default landfill operational cover requirements, if approved by the Department of Environmental Quality Director following a demonstration that the proposed alternative serves the same purpose and meets the same performance standards of the specified type of operational cover. This new guidance document will provide solid waste landfills and their consultants a guide to requesting and demonstrating the use of such alternate operational cover strategies. The information and procedures will apply to requests for alternatives to daily cover, progressive cover, weekly cover, and intermediate cover.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This new guidance document will standardize the procedures for requests and approvals of alternate operational cover strategies at solid waste landfills.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-HW	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind EOD Emergency Response Operations and Emergency Permits Clarification (LPR-HW)	
Brief Overview This document is actually a letter to a specific facility for a specific issue. This document should not have been classified as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document is a letter to a specific facility for a specific issue and does not interpret existing laws or regulations for the public and therefore should be rescinded as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-HW-03-1994	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Risk Based Closure – (REAMS) Risk Exposure and Analysis Modeling System Guidance (LPR-HW-03-1994)	
Brief Overview This document being rescinded is outdated. The Risk Exposure and Analysis Modeling System (REAMS) is no longer used and has been replaced with the Virginia Unified Risk Assessment Model (VURAM). The VURAM User Guide including instructions on installation, use, and applicability is provided on DEQ's website.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-HW	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind the Closure Guidance-Wood Treatment Facilities - Drip Pads (LPR-HW)	
Brief Overview This document that will be rescinded is outdated. The document is a fact sheet written to assist in outlining the regulatory requirements applicable to drip pads. Requirements have since been superseded by the Generator Improvements Rule, and thus this document is outdated. Additionally, the document only outlined applicable requirements and did not interpret existing laws or regulations for the public and therefore should be rescinded as a guidance document.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be rescinded.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-HW-2013-01	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Waste Procedure No. 5 – Hazardous Waste Emergency Permits Guidance (LPR-HW-2013-01)	
Brief Overview The purpose of this procedure document is to guide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff on responding to requests for hazardous waste emergency permits. These procedures were designed to document the process to ensure consistency and outline staff roles. This document was designed as a document for internal use only and assists DEQ staff within the Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs keep abreast of the most recent regulations and procedures. These procedures are to be incorporated into the Hazardous Waste Permitting Manual and updated as needed within that manual.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed entirely for internal DEQ staff use. It is meant to be a “living document” that exists in electronic format on DEQ’s intranet site and is updated corresponding with changes to applicable statutes and regulations. The procedure is being incorporated into a broader Hazardous Waste Permit Manual under development to consolidate all hazardous waste permitting procedures in one manual. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) LPR-HW-18-2022	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Financial Assurance Procedures in Support of the Hazardous Waste Permitting Program (LPR-HW-18-2022)	
Brief Overview The purpose of these procedures is to guide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff on reviewing financial assurance documentation required as part of a hazardous waste permit. These procedures were designed to document the process to ensure consistency and outline staff roles. This document was designed as a document for internal use only and assists DEQ staff within the Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs keep abreast of the most recent regulations and procedures by removing or adding pages to the manual.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed entirely for internal DEQ staff use. It is meant to be a “living document” that exists in electronic format on DEQ’s intranet site and is updated corresponding with changes to applicable statutes and regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia Petroleum Storage Tank Fund Reimbursement Manual – Volume VII, 3 rd Edition	
Brief Overview The Virginia Petroleum Storage Tank Fund (VPSTF) Reimbursement Guidance Manual, Volume VII 3 rd Edition, updates the Usual and Customary Rate Schedule used to claim reimbursement from VPSTF for reasonable and necessary cleanup work. The UCR Schedule provides maximum reasonable reimbursement rates for tasks or items associated with the cleanup of a petroleum storage tank release.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
LPR-SW-17-2002	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Solid Waste Financial Assurance Procedures (LPR-SW-17-2002)	
Brief Overview	
The purpose of these procedures is to guide Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff on reviewing financial assurance documentation required as part of a solid waste permit, permit-by-rule or for an unpermitted solid waste facility with financial assurance requirements. These procedures were designed to document the process to ensure consistency and outline staff roles. This document was designed as a document for internal use only and assists DEQ staff within the Office of Financial Responsibility and Waste Programs keep abreast of the most recent regulations and procedures by removing or adding pages to the manual.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document was developed entirely for internal DEQ staff use. It is meant to be a "living document" that exists in electronic format on DEQ's intranet site and is updated corresponding with changes to applicable statutes and regulations. Therefore, this document should be removed as a guidance document.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) CEM-07		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Civil Enforcement Manual - Chapter 4 - Civil Charges and Civil Penalties (CEM-07)		
Brief Overview Civil Enforcement Manual - Chapter 4 - Civil Charges and Civil Penalties: Town Hall, Document ID: CEM-07. Document ID: CEM-07. This chapter addresses the specific procedure and criteria used by DEQ to calculate civil penalties in administrative enforcement actions.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component		
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)	

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Develop Environmental Justice in the Permitting Process Guidance	
Brief Overview <p>In 2020, the Commonwealth enacted the Virginia Environmental Justice Act (Act) and related implementing legislation. The Virginia Environmental Justice Act makes it Virginia’s policy “. . . to promote environmental justice and ensure that it is carried out throughout the Commonwealth, with a focus on environmental justice and fenceline communities.” Further, the Department of Environmental Quality’s (DEQ) enabling statute was amended to state that DEQ’s purpose, among others, is “to ensure the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, faith, disability, or income with respect to the administration of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.” DEQ established an Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ) in April 2021 which includes an Office Manager and four Environmental Justice Coordinators.</p> <p>This guidance will describe how DEQ will ensure meaningful involvement and fair treatment in environmental permitting and will be applicable to all DEQ permitting actions. To the extent possible, this guidance should be incorporated into ongoing efforts to enable permit applicants, as well as the public and any stakeholder, to track pending permits and access current information about the critical steps and permitting schedules associated with permit approvals.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Update The Procedure Manual – Environmental Impact Review of Major State Facilities	
Brief Overview	
The Procedure Manual – Environmental Impact Review of Major State Facilities was prepared according to the requirements of § 10.1-1191 of the Code of Virginia, which directs the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to develop procedures governing the preparation and evaluation of required environmental impact reports for state projects. Section 10.1-1188 of the Code of Virginia requires state agencies to prepare and submit an environmental impact report (EIR) for each major state project. Changes are anticipated to address changes to § 10.1-1183 of the Code of Virginia to address climate change and environmental justice and the Virginia Environmental Justice Act requiring all state agencies to address environmental justice. This action replaces an outdated manual with an updated manual.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action replaces an outdated manual with an updated manual.
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Revise the Federal Consistency Information Package for the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program	
Brief Overview Revisions are proposed to change contact information in Federal Consistency Information Package for the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program to address changes in personnel and agency phone numbers.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	July 2024 (or later)

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6548 / Stage 10440	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation to Change the Statewide Permit Fee Schedule (9VAC25-875) - NOIRA	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify provisions of the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) to change the statewide permit fee schedule for the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities and municipal separate storm sewer system permits in accordance with Chapter 2 (Budget Bill, Item 363 J) of the 2024 Special Session I Acts of Assembly.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	August 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Small Energy Facilities Permit by Rule to Correct Technical Errors (9VAC15-100) – Final Exempt	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify provisions of the Small Energy Facilities Permit by Rule to correct technical errors. The technical errors that will be addressed include a technically inaccurate definition of “rated power capacity” and two references in the existing regulation to “maximum power capacity” that need to be changed to “rated power capacity” for consistency with section 10.1-1197.5 of the Code of Virginia as well as internal consistency with the remainder of the regulation.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees Assessed by Waste Management Board Regulations - NOIRA	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify Virginia Waste Management Board regulations to increase fees assessed by 9VAC20-60, 9VAC20-90, and 9VAC20-160. The fees assessed by these regulations were last revised 10 years ago.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees for Land Application of Biosolids and Industrial Residuals (9VAC25-20) – NOIRA	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify the State Water Control Board’s Fees for Permits and Certificates regulations to increase fees assessed by these regulations for land application of biosolids and industrial residuals. The fees assessed by these regulations were last revised 10 years ago.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees Assessed by Department of Environmental Quality Permit by Rule Regulations (9VAC15-40, 9VAC15-60, 9VAC15-70, 9VAC15-100) – NOIRA	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify Department of Environmental Quality regulations to increase fees assessed by the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Wind) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-40), the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-60), the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Combustion) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-70), and the Small Energy Storage Facilities Permit by Rule (9VAC15-100). The fees assessed by these regulations for wind, solar, and combustion small renewable energy projects were last modified over ten years ago and the fees for small energy storage facilities were last modified in 2022.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Action 6548 / Stage 10440	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amendment to the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation to Change the Statewide Permit Fee Schedule (9VAC25-875) - Proposed	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify provisions of the Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Regulation (9VAC25-875) to change the statewide permit fee schedule for the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities and municipal separate storm sewer system permits in accordance with Chapter 2 (Budget Bill, Item 363 J) of the 2024 Special Session I Acts of Assembly.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	March 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees Assessed by Waste Management Board Regulations - Proposed	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify Virginia Waste Management Board regulations to increase fees assessed by 9VAC20-60, 9VAC20-90, and 9VAC20-160. The fees assessed by these regulations were last revised 10 years ago.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	April 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees for Land Application of Biosolids and Industrial Residuals (9VAC25-20) – Proposed	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify the State Water Control Board’s Fees for Permits and Certificates regulations to increase fees assessed by these regulations for land application of biosolids and industrial residuals. The fees assessed by these regulations were last revised 10 years ago.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	April 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) N/A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Amend Regulations to Increase Fees Assessed by Department of Environmental Quality Permit by Rule Regulations (9VAC15-40, 9VAC15-60, 9VAC15-70, 9VAC15-100) – Proposed	
Brief Overview The intent of this regulatory action is to amend or modify Department of Environmental Quality regulations to increase fees assessed by the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Wind) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-40), the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Solar) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-60), the Small Renewable Energy Projects (Combustion) Permit by Rule (9VAC15-70), and the Small Energy Storage Facilities Permit by Rule (9VAC15-100). The fees assessed by these regulations for wind, solar, and combustion small renewable energy projects were last modified over ten years ago and the fees for small energy storage facilities were last modified in 2022.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	April 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 6378	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Virginia Environmental Excellence Program Operations Manual	
Brief Overview This manual is designed to act as a reference for DEQ employees involved in the implementation of the Virginia Environmental Excellence Program (VEEP). This manual summarizes information on all current aspects of VEEP implementation and includes references to detailed program materials.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document details only internal procedures and does not interpret existing laws/regulations for the public and therefore should be rescinded as an external guidance document.
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) MSOP-05	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Procedures for Operating State Vehicles	
Brief Overview This manual is internal procedures related to the operation of state vehicles.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This document details only internal procedures and does not interpret existing laws/regulations for the public and therefore should be rescinded as an external guidance document.
Expected Date	September 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) GM11-2010	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Process for Determination of Noncompliance with the General VPDES Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity, VAR05	
Brief Overview The Department of Environmental Quality regulates several types of industrial activities to reduce and mitigate the impacts of their stormwater runoff. The industrial permits cover stormwater discharge that is directly related to manufacturing, processing, or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. Most industrial facilities obtain coverage under the statewide general permit. The general permit is adopted every five years by the State Water Control Board. The purpose of this guidance was to assist Compliance Auditors in the issuance of Warning Letters or Notices of Violation for alleged violations of the General VPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity (a/k/a Storm Water Industrial General Permit). This guidance was replaced by GM15-2001, but was not removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	January 2025

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 00-2015	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Implementation Guidance for July 2000 Revisions to the VPDES Permit Regulation	
Brief Overview On July 12, 2000, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-31-10 et seq. These amendments brought the regulation into conformance with the federal NPDES regulation and statues adopted during the 2000 General Assembly Session. DEQ adopted Guidance Memo No. 00-2015 to identify the changes in the regulation, provide staff procedural information, templates, and forms, and, where necessary, give them information about implementing the changes in the VPDES permitting process. In the 24 years since DEQ adopted Guidance Memo No. 00-2015, the VPDES Permit Regulation has been amended more than 10 times in response to changes in federal requirements and state laws. As a result, information and forms in Guidance Memo No. 00-2015 are out of date, many of the citations and cross-references are incorrect, and the guidance is no longer needed. Current forms are available as documents incorporated by reference. Current permitting procedures and templates are provided in other DEQ guidance documents.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 112-page document. This document details internal procedures and is out of date. Information about changes to laws and regulations that were effective in 2000 are not needed at this time, therefore Guidance Memo No. 00-2015 should be rescinded as an external guidance document.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 01-2007	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Implementation Guidance for December 2000 Revisions to the VPDES Permit Regulation	
Brief Overview On December 13, 2000, the State Water Control Board adopted amendments to the Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) Permit Regulation, 9VAC25-31-10 et seq. These amendments brought the regulation into conformance with the federal NPDES regulation (40 CFR Parts 122, 123, 124, and 125). DEQ adopted Guidance Memo No. 01-2007 to identify the changes in the regulation and relate them to the corresponding federal regulation in 40 CFR Parts 122, 123, 124, and 125. In the 23 years since DEQ adopted Guidance Memo No. 01-2007, the VPDES Permit Regulation has been amended more than 10 times in response to changes in federal requirements and state laws. As a result, information in Guidance Memo No. 01-2007 is out of date, many of the citations and cross-references are incorrect, and the guidance is no longer needed.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 23-page document is out of date and does not need to be revised because relevant information is contained in other DEQ guidance documents. Information about changes to federal regulations that were effective in 2000 are not needed at this time, therefore Guidance Memo No. 01-2007 should be removed from Town Hall.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) 03-2003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Interpretation for Water Monitoring of GM00-2016 – Chain of Custody Policy and Procedures – Amendment 1	
Brief Overview This memo, originally adopted January 24, 2003, clarified under which situations Chain of Custody procedures were not required when collecting water monitoring samples. It was amended to reflect changes to GM00-2016, Amendment #1, in March 2006. GM00-2016 and GM03-2003 are internal standard operating procedures (SOP) and GM00-2016 is being rescinded.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 2-page document. GM03-2003 and the document that it supplements, GM00-2016, are not an interpretation of any state or federal regulations and are simply an internal procedure for DEQ staff to assist in sample collection and laboratory submittal. They do not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act. Consequently, 03-2003 should be removed from Town Hall.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
93-026	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Permitting Strategy for Wood Preserving Operations; and Amendment No. 1, Permitting Strategy for Wood Preserving Operations	
Brief Overview	
<p>DEQ issued Guidance Memo No. 93-026 in December 1993 to replace agency guidelines from 1983 for the regulation of wood preserving operations. The newer guidance provided additional information about preparing Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (VPDES) permits based on Water Quality Standards for Toxics and the Stormwater Regulations. Amendment No. 1, issued in October 1994, provided information about updating a special condition requirement for untreated wood to be retained on a drip pad.</p> <p>The Environmental Protection Agency’s 1990 stormwater regulations established National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit requirements for industrial stormwater discharges, and DEQ issued the first Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) for those facilities in 1995. Wood preserving operations (SIC Code 2491) fall within Sector A, Timber Products, of the MSGP. The State Water Control Board adopted comparable permitting requirements in its VPDES General Permit Regulation for Discharges of Stormwater Associated with Industrial Activity, 9VAC25-151, in 1999. Adoption of the Industrial Stormwater General Permit in 1999, and subsequent reissuance of the General Permit after the expiration of each five-year permit term (the current Industrial Stormwater General Permit Regulation became effective July 1, 2024, and expires June 30, 2029), makes Guidance Memo No. 93-026 and Amendment No. 1 outdated and obsolete.</p> <p>Information in Guidance Memo No. 93-026 and Amendment No. 1 are out of date, citations and cross-references are incorrect, and the guidance is no longer needed.</p>	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 30-page guidance document and it’s 4-page amendment are out of date and do not need to be revised because relevant information and requirements are contained in other DEQ regulations and guidance. Guidance Memo No. 93-026 and Amendment No. 1 should be removed from Town Hall.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available)	
4186	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Rescind Memorandum of Agreement Between the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy and the Department of Environmental Quality	
Brief Overview	
The Memorandum of agreement is a statement of the intentions of the signatory agencies to coordinate their efforts in order to carry out their statutory duties. Its purpose is to facilitate efficient and effective administration of applicable state and federal environmental laws, regulations and policies for the control of fugitive dust on and immediately adjacent to active coal mining sites and to provide a mechanism for coordination. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 3-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) APG-213	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Sample MACT Place Holder Conditions	
Brief Overview This document provides sample MACT placeholder conditions. These conditions are not boilerplate conditions, they are examples that can be used in Title V permits. As it is expressly for internal use at DEQ, this document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 2-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-001	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Ozone Ambient Air Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Ozone Ambient Air Monitoring Program. It also describes the need for the measurement and characterizes the quality assurance and quality control activities to be applied. Every aspect of the program is discussed in this report. In addition, the document identifies key personnel and provides an explanation of the tasks each will perform. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 136-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-002	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind PM 10 Sampler Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Standard Operating Procedures for PM10 sampling equipment for DEQ staff. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 44-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-003	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the PM _{2.5} Ambient Air Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the PM _{2.5} Ambient Air Monitoring Program. It also describes the need for the measurement and characterizes the quality assurance and quality control activities to be applied. Every aspect of the program is discussed in this report. In addition, the document identifies key personnel and provides an explanation of the tasks each will perform. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 227-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-004A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Carbon Monoxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program - Appendices	
Brief Overview This document contains appendices to the Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Carbon Monoxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program, which is itself not guidance and is proposed to be rescinded. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 35-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-005	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Nitrogen Oxides Ambient Air Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Nitrogen Oxides Ambient Air Monitoring Program. It also describes the need for the measurement and characterizes the quality assurance and quality control activities to be applied. Every aspect of the program is discussed in this report. In addition, the document identifies key personnel and provides an explanation of the tasks each will perform. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 96-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-005A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Nitrogen Oxides Ambient Air Monitoring Program – Appendices	
Brief Overview This document contains appendices to the Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Nitrogen Oxides Ambient Air Monitoring Program, which is itself not guidance and is proposed to be rescinded. This document does not meet the definition of “guidance.” Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 36-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-006	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Sulfur Dioxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Sulfur Dioxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program. It also describes the need for the measurement and characterizes the quality assurance and quality control activities to be applied. Every aspect of the program is discussed in this report. In addition, the document identifies key personnel and provides an explanation of the tasks each will perform. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 97-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-006A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Sulfur Dioxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program - Appendices	
Brief Overview This document contains appendices to the Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Sulfur Dioxide Ambient Air Monitoring Program, which is itself not guidance and is proposed to be rescinded. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 35-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-007	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Lead-TSP Ambient Air Monitoring Program	
Brief Overview The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Lead-TSP Ambient Air Monitoring Program. It also describes the need for the measurement and characterizes the quality assurance and quality control activities to be applied. Every aspect of the program is discussed in this report. In addition, the document identifies key personnel and provides an explanation of the tasks each will perform. This document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 59-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) AQM-007A	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Lead-TSP Ambient Air Monitoring Program – Appendices	
Brief Overview This document contains appendices to the Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Lead-TSP Ambient Air Monitoring Program, which is itself not guidance and is proposed to be rescinded. This document does not meet the definition of “guidance.” Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 30-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) MSOP-01	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Rescind Professional Responsibilities and Conduct of Mobile Source Operations Staff	
Brief Overview This document describes the professional responsibilities and conduct of mobile source staff. As it is expressly for internal use at DEQ, this document does not meet the definition of "guidance." Consequently, it should be removed from Town Hall.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This action rescinds a 2-page document that does not meet the definition of a guidance document in the Administrative Process Act.
Expected Date	October 2024

