Mountain Run PCB TMDL Public Meeting #2

Meeting Summary

September 6, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Culpeper County Board of Supervisors meeting room, 302 N. Main Street in Culpeper

Participants:

DEQ: Rebecca Shoemaker, Mark Richards

DEQ Contractor (BSE at VA Tech): Karen Kline, Brian Benham

There were five attendees, including one citizen and representatives of the Culpeper Soil and Water Conservation District, the Town of Culpeper, and Culpeper County.

Summary:

Mark Richards led the meeting and presented the project information. The presentation included a background of the chemistry and regulation of PCBs; an explanation of the TMDL process; a summary of the monitoring, source assessment, and modeling performed for this project; and results of the TMDL development process. Mark also answered questions about the project, including questions about potential PCBs sources and bioaccumulation of PCBs in fauna.

Rebecca Shoemaker asked the group to contact her if they are aware of public places within the watershed that may benefit from fish consumption advisory signage to inform the public about PCBs in fish.

Mark Richards encouraged participants to review the draft final report that is available on DEQ's website and to submit comments to Rebecca Shoemaker within the 30-day comment period that started on the day of the meeting. He also described the process to finalize this project, including presentation of Waste Load Allocations to the State Water Control Board and review of the report by the Environmental Protection Agency.