



RESOLUTION

A Resolution Regarding Local and Regional Water Supply Planning and Application for a FY2025 Water Supply Planning Grant

WHEREAS, the Virginia General Assembly has mandated the development of local and regional water supply plans throughout the Commonwealth and the State Water Control Board has developed regulations to implement this planning process; and

WHEREAS, based upon these regulations, the Counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, Fluvanna, Greene, and Louisa, and the City of Charlottesville are required to contribute towards a regional water supply plan that fulfills the regulations by deadlines established in 9VAC25-780-50.A, specifically:

“Each locality in a regional planning area shall assist its regional planning unit in developing and submitting a single jointly produced regional water supply plan to the Department within **five years from October 9th, 2024**”; and

WHEREAS, regional planning areas are designated by 9VAC25-780-45.B, and a local government may request that the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) change its designated regional planning area to an adjoining planning area in accordance with 9VAC25-780-45.C; and

WHEREAS, the following elements must be included in regional water supply plans in accordance with 9VAC25-780-50.D:

- A description of existing water sources, existing water use, and existing water resource conditions in accordance with the requirements of 9VAC25-780-70 through 90;
- An assessment of projected water demand, a statement of need for the regional planning unit, and an alternatives analysis to address projected deficits in water supplies in accordance with the requirements of 9VAC25-780-100;
- A description of water management actions and of drought response and contingency plans for each local government in the Regional Planning Unit in accordance with the requirements of 9VAC25-780-110 and 9VAC25-780-120;
- An identification of water supply risks and regional strategies to address identified risks in accordance with the requirements of 9VAC25-780-125; and
- A map identifying important elements discussed in the water supply plan that may include existing environmental resources, existing water sources, significant existing water uses, and proposed new sources; and



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WHEREAS, the DEQ has announced the availability of grant funds to assist Regional Planning Units (RPU) and offset some of the costs related to the development of these Plans, and are encouraging RPUs to submit applications for grant funds; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of this DEQ Local and Regional Water Supply Planning Grants Program for FY25, the Counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, Fluvanna, Greene, and Louisa, and the City of Charlottesville will participate within the Middle James River 1 RPU; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of this grant program, the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC) will serve as the lead agent for the Middle James River 1 RPU; and

WHEREAS, the RPU, through the lead agent, wishes to apply for and secure these DEQ grant funds to help offset the cost of regional water supply plan development; and

WHEREAS, the RPU wishes to designate the TJPDC as the coordinator for the development of these Plans; and

WHEREAS, a separate resolution is being considered by the County of Buckingham for Middle James River 1 RPU participation and authorization of the TJPDC as the lead agent.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Counties of Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, and Louisa, and the City of Charlottesville, agree to participate with all local governments and water authorities within the Middle James River 1 Regional Planning Unit and support an application for grant funding to assist in the development of a regional water supply plan that will comply with the regulations noted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lead agent is authorized to develop an application for water supply planning grant funds to assist with offsetting the cost of developing said regional water supply plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the lead agent agrees to manage all grant funds received and allocate these shared funds towards the tasks and deliverables proposed in the grant application for the benefit of the entire RPU; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that TJPDC Executive Director, Christine Jacobs, is authorized to sign a DEQ grant agreement and take all other actions necessary related to the water supply planning grant.



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Adopted this 1st day of May 2025.

Christine Jacobs, Executive Director
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission

Tony O'Brien, Chair
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission

Date

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