

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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The Honorable S. Chris Jones Chairman, House Appropriations Committee P.O. Box 5059 Suffolk, VA 23435-0059

**SUBJECT:** Department of Conservation and Recreation's Second Quarter Agricultural Cost-Share and Technical Assistance Funding Allocations Report

Dear Senator Stosch and Delegate Jones,

This second quarter Agricultural Cost-Share and Technical Assistance Funding Allocations report is being submitted to satisfy the requirements of Item 360 A.4. of Chapter 806 of the 2013 Virginia Acts of Assembly:

"4. The department shall provide a quarterly report to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees of how appropriations for each soil and water conservation district have been dispersed in the current quarter and the planned disbursements for the upcoming quarter by district for the following: (i) the federal Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, (ii) the use of Agricultural Best Management Cost-Share Program funds within the Chesapeake Bay watershed, (iii) the use of Agricultural Best Management Cost-Share Program funds within the Southern Rivers area, and (iv) the amount of Technical Assistance funding."

Disbursements to Virginia's Soil and Water Conservation Districts (Districts) for Fiscal Year 2014 (FY14) are being made in accordance with the Department of Conservation and Recreation's (Department) *Policy and Procedures on Soil and Water Conservation District Cost-Share and Technical Assistance Funding Allocations (Fiscal Year 2014)*. This document specifies the Department's process, developed in consultation with the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board, by which funds are to be allocated by the Department to the Commonwealth's 47 local Soil and Water Conservation Districts for cost-share and technical assistance in FY14. A copy of this Policy may be found on the Virginia

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Town Hall Website at: <a href="http://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewGDoc.cfm?gdid=5315">http://townhall.virginia.gov/L/ViewGDoc.cfm?gdid=5315</a> and the Department's Policy web pages at: <a href="http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/laws\_and\_regulations/lr8b.shtml">http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/laws\_and\_regulations/lr8b.shtml</a>.

The attached spreadsheet shows the disbursements to each District during the second quarter of FY14 as set out in the Policy. Information is provided for the following:

- Column 1 Soil and Water Conservation District
- Column 2 2014 Virginia Natural Resource Commitment Fund (VNRCF) Disbursements of Technical Assistance
- Column 3 Previous Year's Technical Assistance Disbursed in this quarter Chesapeake Bay Virginia Enhanced Conservation Initiative (VECI) Grants
- Column 4 Previous Year's Technical Assistance Disbursed in this quarter Southern Rivers Virginia Enhanced Conservation Initiative (VECI) Grants
- Column 5 Previous Year's Technical Assistance Disbursed in this quarter Department of Game and Inland Fisheries Quail Restoration Project on Agricultural land
- Column 6 2014 Outside the Chesapeake Bay Virginia Agriculture Cost-Share BMP Funds
- Column 7 Previous Years Southern Rivers Cost-Share BMP Funds (VECI Grants)
- Column 8 Previous Years Chesapeake Bay Cost-Share BMP Funds for 3<sup>rd</sup> year Nutrient Management Payments
- Column 9 Previous Years Southern Rivers Cost-Share BMP Funds for 3<sup>rd</sup> year Nutrient Management Payments
- Column 10 Chesapeake Bay Conservation Reserve Enhancement Funds
- Column 11 Southern Rivers Conservation Reserve Enhancement Funds

The Virginia Agricultural Best Management Practices Cost-Share Program remains the best strategy to meet the Commonwealth's agricultural non-point source pollution reduction water quality objectives through encouraging the voluntary installation of agricultural BMPs that provide for the reduction of nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus) and sediment entering state waters. Funding for this Program needs to remain a priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Second Quarter Fiscal Year 2014 Agricultural Cost-Share and Technical Assistance Disbursements to Soil and Water Conservation Districts

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	2014 VNRCF TA	CB VECI TA	SR VECI TA	DGIF QAP TA	2014 CB VACS	2014 OCB VACS	2013 SR VECI	CB 2012 3rd YR Contracts	SR 2012 3rd YR Contracts	CB CREP BMP	SR CREP BMP
SWCD											
APPOMATTOX RIVER SWCD	\$7,223.00				\$5,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$10,750.00		\$3,518.00		
BIG SANDY SWCD	\$2,667.25					\$12,784.95					
BIG WALKER SWCD	\$10,250.75										\$4,503.50
BLUE RIDGE SWCD	\$15,994.00					\$375,427.94					
CHOWAN BASIN SWCD	\$12,862.00		\$363.76			\$132,000.00			\$31,146.90		
CLINCH VALLEY SWCD	\$19,603.25					\$197,902.67					
COLONIAL SWCD	\$36,233.25							\$12,485.40			
CULPEPER SWCD	\$34,781.25	\$2,841.70			\$400,000.00			\$10,280.00			
DANIEL BOONE SWCD	\$14,843.00					\$211,558.43					
EASTERN SHORE SWCD		\$18,357.00			\$110,000.00	\$75,000.00		\$22,168.90	\$16,027.80		
EVERGREEN SWCD	\$6,156.50					\$145,842.19					
HALIFAX SWCD	\$9,384.75			\$548.50							
HANOVER-CAROLINE SWCD	\$20,499.00	\$684.77			\$110,000.00			\$26,408.88			
HEADWATERS SWCD	\$16,452.25	\$3,547.09			\$22,000.00						
HENRICOPOLIS SWCD	\$2,195.25							\$4,385.60			
HOLSTON RIVER SWCD	\$19,303.50					\$220,512.49					
JAMES RIVER SWCD	\$5,444.25				\$10,000.00	\$25,000.00			\$857.15		
JOHN MARSHALL SWCD	\$11,735.50	\$6,910.54			\$200,000.00						
LAKE COUNTRY SWCD	\$5,894.50		\$867.49			\$50,000.00					
LONESOME PINE SWCD	\$7,925.00					\$120,296.25					
LORD FAIRFAX SWCD	\$31,046.25	\$2,529.39			\$300,000.00						
LOUDOUN SWCD	\$13,730.25	\$2,070.06			\$100,000.00						
MONACAN SWCD	\$4,930.50	\$791.49			\$5,500.00			\$2,294.60			
MOUNTAIN SWCD	\$2,229.25	\$729.79			\$7,000.00						
MOUNTAIN CASTLES SWCD	\$10,440.50	\$484.30			\$100,000.00	\$13,000.00					
NATURAL BRIDGE SWCD	\$12,142.00										
NEW RIVER SWCD	\$16,359.50		\$415.17			\$292,875.00					
NORTHERN NECK SWCD	\$31,628.50	\$430.40						\$28,808.00			

NORTHERN VIRGINIA SWCD	\$443.00										
PATRICK SWCD	\$4,652.00					\$88,469.00					
PEAKS OF OTTER SWCD	\$8,987.75		\$741.25			\$143,147.01			\$1,854.26		\$58,827.05
PEANUT SWCD	\$23,382.00				\$60,000.00	\$85,000.00		\$22,638.82	\$10,718.84		
PETER FRANCISCO SWCD	\$6,824.00	\$156.94			\$36,000.00						
PIEDMONT SWCD	\$7,521.50	\$351.52								\$6,000.00	\$4,000.00
PITTSYLVANIA SWCD	\$9,021.75					\$207,846.00					
PRINCE WILLIAM SWCD	\$2,062.50				\$51,180.56						
ROBERT E. LEE SWCD	\$6,264.50	\$254.28	\$538.75		\$220,000.00	\$80,000.00					
SCOTT COUNTY SWCD	\$14,255.00					\$299,365.94					
SHENANDOAH VALLEY SWCD	\$19,042.75							\$1,457.00		\$7,000.00	
SKYLINE SWCD	\$18,617.50					\$494,506.00					
SOUTHSIDE SWCD	\$7,403.00					\$50,000.00					
TAZEWELL SWCD	\$9,278.00					\$22,210.38					
THOMAS JEFFERSON SWCD	\$28,968.75	\$7,124.34			\$200,000.00			\$2,439.60			
THREE RIVERS SWCD	\$63,187.50				\$200,000.00			\$41,216.88			
TIDEWATER SWCD	\$9,456.50				\$90,000.00			\$19,302.22			
TRI-COUNTY/CITY SWCD	\$7,461.50				\$50,000.00			\$9,909.87			
VIRGINIA DARE SWCD	\$12,112.25				\$8,000.00	\$50,000.00			\$14,961.20		
TOTALS	\$640,896.75	\$47,263.61	\$2,926.42	\$548.50	\$2,284,680.56	\$3,437,744.25	\$10,750.00	\$203,795.77	\$79,084.15	\$13,000.00	\$67,330.55