

FRIENDS OF WATER

Some environmental organizations and government agencies that are working on water protection in central Virginia

Participants in the LWV-CVA February 21, 2021 Sunday Seminar and other water stewards

Albemarle County Environmental Services Division

albemarle.org/water Water resource protection plans and activities for stormwater management, dams, and reduction of pollutants (TMDL plans). State-required reports.

Albemarle Community Development

albemarle.org/streamhealthinitiative is to develop strategies to improve health of impaired streams. See www.publicinput.com/streamhealth for video explanation

Albemarle County Service Authority

serviceauthority.org Provides water and waste water treatment for Albemarle County's urban area, Red Hill, Crozet and Scottsville. Board meeting 3rd Thursday, month. See 2019 water quality reports for each system.

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay

allianceforthebay.org Since 1971 the Alliance has brought together communities, companies, and conservationists to improve lands and waters. A source of information and volunteer opportunities.

Charlottesville Area League of Women Voters – Natural Resources Committee

lwv-cva.org Natural Resources Committee monitors and engages in land-use and natural resource planning in the City and counties of the planning district.

City of Charlottesville

charlottesville.org>water. See 2020 Water Quality Report for extensive information.

Chesapeake Bay Foundation

CBF.org Founded in 1967, this independent conservation organization is dedicated solely to saving the Bay. Become an Advocate, or a member, to receive its impressive, informative magazine.

Chesapeake Bay Program

chesapeakebay.net A regional partnership leading restoration of the Bay since 1985. Its State of the Chesapeake is especially informative.

James River Association

thejamesriver.org Many programs such as James Riverkeeper, and RiverRats, shepherding the river through a "tenacious comeback" from being one of the nation's most-polluted rivers. (Still only achieving a B- grade)

Nature Conservancy

nature.org Protecting land and water is one priority of this global environmental non-profit. See list of Virginia events; sign up for e-news.

Piedmont Environmental Council

pecva.org Works to protect landscape, clean water and natural resources in 9-county Piedmont region.

Rivanna Conservation Alliance

rivannariver.org Sign up for upcoming events and/or volunteer training, protecting the river and watershed

Rivanna Master Naturalist

vmn-rivanna.org Certified volunteers dedicated to studying and preserving our natural environment. Programs include water education, oyster shell recycling, stream clean ups, and monitoring the health of local streams.

Rivanna River Basin Commission

rivannariverbasin.org With representatives from Fluvanna, Greene, Albemarle, and Charlottesville, this unique General Assembly headed Commission “provides guidance for stewardship for health of the watershed” Staffed by TJPDC.

Rivanna Stormwater Education Partnership for Watershed Implementation Plan.

rivanna-stormwater.org “Love your watershed” project focused on stormwater runoff, sources of bacteria, and sediment pollution though TJPDC.org

Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority

rivanna.org Wholesales water and waste-water treatment to Charlottesville and ACSA web site has maps and explanation of water and wastewater system Board meets 4th Tuesday, each month.

Southern Environmental Law Center

southernenvironment.org

“Protecting basic right to clean air, water and livable climate” Sign up for updates.

Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District

TJSWCD.org

Programs focus on education and non-point-source pollution. Provides funding to landowners. Directors elected from each locality. Vote!

University of Virginia Sustainability and Facilities Management

sustainability.virginia.edu

Creative re-use of water is one of many sustainability projects, by students and Facilities Management.

Virginia Chapter of the Sierra Club – Piedmont Group

sierraclub.org>virginia>piedmont

Check out the Activities Calendar

Virginia Cooperative Extension of Virginia Tech

Many programs - <https://www.wellwater.bse.vt.edu/vahwqp.php> is where to find information for water clinic in each county

Virginia Household Water Quality Program Clinics for water testing and open discussions about what’s in the water and other useful information: Albemarle County May 26; Madison, Orange, Greene October 13; Fluvanna, Louisa, February 24.

Virginia Department of Environmental Quality

DEQ.virginia.gov/water-quality Extensive list of programs and studies