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Cedar Run, Mine Run, Mountain Run, and Lower Rapidan River Implementation Plan Final Public Meeting

WHEN: November 18th, 2024; 6:00-8:00 pm

WHERE: George Washington Carver Agricultural Research Center

ATTENDEES:

- Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)
 - Ashley Wendt Technical Reviewer
 - Karen Kline Watershed Modeler
 - o Gwen McCrea Environmental Justice Coordinator
- Greg Wichelns, Culpeper Soil and Water Conservation District
- Harrison Prewen, Culpeper County
- Cedar Mountain Stone Quarry
 - o Ed Dalrymple
 - Matthew Ciuros
 - o Emily Brage
- Virginia Department of Health (VDH)
 - Emily Bourdon
 - Vy Truong
- Michelle Edwards, Rappahannock Rapidan Regional Commission
- Eugene and Theresa Triple, local county residents
- Michael and Lisa Dunkins, local county residents

Meeting purpose: To finalize the development of a cleanup plan for the Cedar Run, Mine Run, Mountain Run, and Lower Rapidan River in Orange, Culpeper, and Spotsylvania counties; Engage the public in this process with their participation.

Meeting goal: Present the completed cleanup plan for Cedar Run, Mine Run, Mountain Run, and the Lower Rapidan River basin (also known as a Water Quality Improvement Plan or Clean Up Plan) that identifies corrective actions needed to improve water quality and discusses the associate costs and environmental benefits of these actions.

Ashley Wendt (DEQ) briefly introduced the meeting's purpose, summarized the final clean-up plan, and provided information on how this plan will improve water quality within the watershed.

A 30-day public comment period started on November 18th, 2024, and went until December 18th, 2024, to comment on the final version of the IP.

Once the public comment period is over, the final IP document will be compiled and sent to EPA for review. It is anticipated that the plan will be approved by EPA in Summer/Fall 2025, allowing potential applicants to apply to the RFA in Summer 2025 and accepted applicants to receive funds in Fall/Winter 2026.