

CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION Virginia Delegation Retreat

Shenandoah River State Park August 8 - 9, 2024 Agenda

Thursday, August 8th

Northern Virginia 4-H Educational & Conference Center

Peter's Lodge 600 4-H Center Drive Front Royal, Virginia 22630

12:45 P.M. Call-to-Order & Roll Call

Peter's Lodge

1:00 P.M. Welcome by the Northern Virginia 4-H Education & Conference Center

Since 1981, the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center has offered year-round, research-based programming to the youth and families of Northern Virginia. In addition to its acclaimed camps, the Center hosts educational programs and outdoor recreational opportunities. We will learn about their work and how it impacts Virginia and the Bay.

Katie Tennant

Director, Northern Virginia 4-H Education & Conference Center

Justin Proctor

Virginia Grassland Bird Initiative Coordinator Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute

1:15 P.M. Virginia's Progress on Environmental Literacy

The Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement challenges us to empower K-12 students with the knowledge and skills needed to act responsibly to protect and restore their local watersheds. Are Virginia's Standards of Learning aligned with this goal? How is the development of Virginia's Environmental Literacy Strategic Plan going? What is the next step for the Commonwealth?

Laura Casdorph

Science Coordinator, Department of Education

Cassi Camara

Environmental Education Specialist, Department of Conservation and Recreation

2:00 P.M. Break

2:15 P.M. Virginia Director's Lightning Round Updates

- Blue Crab Winter Dredge Fishery
- Water Quality Funding Needs Assessments & the Stormwater Local Assistance Fund
- Wetlands Restoration Legislation
- Soil and Water Conservation Board Letter

2:45 P.M. PFAS: Critical Updates and Moving Forward

Addressing PFAS has been an active priority for the U.S. EPA, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the Commission. With the passage of Senate Bill 243 and House Bill 1085 during the 2024 General Assembly's regular session, how is implementation of the new requirements unfolding? What next steps need to be taken?

Dwayne Roadcap

Director, Office of Drinking Water, Department of Health

Brandon Bull

Director of Policy, Department of Environmental Quality

Carrol Courtenay

Staff Attorney, Southern Environmental Law Center

4:00 P.M. Public Comment

4:15 P.M. Meeting Recess

Friday, August 9th

Shenandoah River State Park

Park Conference Room 350 Daughter of Stars Drive Bentonville, VA 22610

9:00 A.M. Call-to-Order & Roll Call

Park Conference Room

9:10 A.M. An Introduction to Shenandoah River State Park

Shenandoah River Raymond R. "Andy" Guest Jr. State Park is on the South Fork of the Shenandoah River encompassing 1,600 acres, with 5.2 miles of shoreline. In addition to the meandering river frontage, the park offers scenic views of Massanutten Mountain to the west and Shenandoah National Park to the east. We will get an introduction to what the park has to offer and the needs that our state parks face.

Dustin Haymaker

Manager, Shenandoah River State Park, Department of Conservation and Recreation

9:30 A.M. The 2024 Virginia Outdoors Plan

The Virginia Outdoors Plan is the Commonwealth's comprehensive plan for land conservation, outdoor recreation, and open-space planning. The 2024 plan provides guidance and direction to local, regional, and state decision makers working to meet outdoor recreation and land conservation goals. With the Commission's commitment to land conservation and public access, how can we support the implementation of the plan?

Matt Wells

Director, Department of Conservation and Recreation

Kelly McClary

Director, Planning and Recreation Resources, Department of Conservation and Recreation

Kristal McKelvey

Chief Recreation Grants Manager, Department of Conservation and Recreation

Allison Tillet

Environmental Program Planner, Department of Conservation and Recreation

10:15 A.M. Field Excursion [Members Only]

11:30 A.M. Return from Field Excursion & Adjourn

Next Meeting: Full Commission, September 5th – 6th in Norfolk, Virginia

Virginia Delegation Members and Staff

Delegate David Bulova, VA Delegation Chair Senator Richard Stuart Delegate Alex Askew Missy Cotter-Smasal Adrienne Kotula, CBC Virginia Director Delegate Robert Bloxom, Jr., Vice Chair Senator Jeremy McPike Secretary Travis Voyles Anna Killius, CBC Executive Director