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A locality's VSMP authority may develop comprehensive stormwater management plans to be approved by the department that meet the water quality objectives, quantity objectives, or both

Comprehensive Stormwater Management Program Plan for

Spotsylvania County, Virginia

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HISTORY

- 1990's Dr. Michael Bass with UMW noted Spotsylvania streams and creeks had a noticeably/significant reduction in active native mussels within our ecosystem.
- 2015/16 school year VA Tech's Municipal engineering students performed a feasibility study for the use of freshwater mussels to provide better water quality

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The supported findings of the reports by Dr. Bass and the Students from VA Tech's municipal Engineering class lead us to include the reintroduction of freshwater mussels in our Comprehensive Stormwater Management Plan

IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL SITE

Site & Background

- Loriella Park
 10901 Leavells Rd
 Spotsylvania, Virginia
- Size: 206 acres
- Includes a 5 acre pond and Massaponax Creek



BENEFITS OF FRESHWATER MUSSELS

- A single mussel can filter 8 gallons of water a day.
 POND
- Each mussel can filter a gallon of water or more every day. RIVER
- If we look at the filtration capacity, we're
 potentially looking at 16 to 48 million gallons per
 mile per day of water filtered by freshwater
 mussels. Add the introduction of pond mussels
 and you can increase it dramatically

WHAT IS NEXT

FIRST STEP Should be 20-26 months

- Survey
- Initial design
- Value engineering for constructability
- Assess permits needed by Federal and State agencies
- Begin Construction

NEXT FOCUS Should be continual

- Establish pond mussels and live flow mussels
- Assess alternative forms of farming (mussel raft)
- Assess hazards to the mussels (storm/wildlife)

CONTINTUOUS – Education and outreach for all levels of K-12, colligate academia, development community, state, federal and local governments. Coordinated with VA Tech and UMW.

SUPPORTERS

- VA-TECH Land Development Design Institute VA-TECH Cooperative Extension UMW
- VDGIF
- VDCR
- USACoE
- TCCSWCD
- VASWCD
- VDACS
- CBF