MINUTES CULPEPER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Pepper's Grill Culpeper County, Virginia May 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lynn Graves at 10:06 AM.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Lynn Graves, Madison County

Mike Sands, Rappahannock County Robert Williamson, Culpeper County Robert Runkle, Greene County Anthony Jewett, Madison County Robert Bradford, Orange County Mike Biniek, Rappahannock County

Steve Morris, At-Large Director, Greene County

Sarah Sharpe, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Greene County

Molly Elgin, Associate Director, Orange County

<u>DIRECTORS NOT PRESENT:</u> Dennis Verhoff, Culpeper County

David Cox, Greene County Robert Brame, Orange County

STAFF PRESENT: Greg Wichelns, District Manager

Stevie Ross, Administrative Secretary/Financial Specialist

Henny Calloway, Conservation Specialist Stephanie DeNicola, Education Specialist

Becky Haines, Program Assistant

Richard Jacobs, Conservation Specialist David Massie, Conservation Specialist Amanda McCullen, Conservation Specialist Cheyenne Sheridan, Conservation Specialist

Lily Smith, Conservation Specialist Trevor Talley, Conservation Specialist W. Spencer Yager, Conservation Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Debbie Cross, DCR

Rex Rexrode, NRCS

Davis Lamb, Greene County BOS

1) CALL TO ORDER, MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

L. Graves called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM. Following a moment of silence, D. Massie led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were eight handouts: Finance Committee Report, Technical Committee Additions, DCR Report, NRCS Conservation Plans, and four Staff Reports.

2) DRAFT MINUTES

L. Graves called for approval of the substance of April 1, 2025, Draft District Board Meeting Minutes and for any substantive corrections or additions. M. Sands moved to approve the Minutes as presented. A. Jewett seconded the motion. (M. Sands, A. Jewett, unanimous)

3) AGENDA APPROVAL

L. Graves called for Agenda approval. The Finance Committee Report was added to the Consent Agenda. The Technical Committee Report was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.1. The Education Committee Report was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.2. M. Biniek moved to adopt the Agenda as modified. M. Sands seconded the motion. (M. Biniek, M. Sands, unanimous)

4) CONSENT AGENDA

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT TREASURER'S REPORT NRCS CONSERVATION PLANS

Culpeper 1 Acre EQIP- Seasonal High Tunnel
Greene 1 Acre EQIP- Seasonal High Tunnel
Orange 1 Acre EQIP- Seasonal High Tunnel

5) ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

5.1) TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT WITH ADDITIONS

May 20, 2025 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes

Present: Robert Bradford, Chairman; Lynn Graves, Madison; Anthony Jewett, Madison; Mike Sands, Rappahannock; Greg Wichelns, District Manager; Spencer Yager, Conservation Specialist; Amanda McCullen, Conservation Specialist; Lily Smith, Conservation Specialist; Cheyenne Sheridan, Conservation Specialist; Henny Calloway, Conservation Specialist; Richard Jacobs, Conservation Specialist

The items in italics were added at the May 6, 2025 Board Meeting in Culpeper, Virginia

1) The following Conservation Plans were thoroughly reviewed by the Technical Committee and recommended for Board approval:

Ben Smith	CP-7-25-0062
Robert Racer, Jr.	CP-7-25-0063
Carl Kerby	CP-7-25-0064
John Simpson	CP-7-25-0065
Scott Fellows	CP-7-25-0066
Shawn Woodfolk	CP-7-22-0106
Edgewood Miller Farm LLC	CP-7-21-0072
Glenmary Farm Holdings LLC	EQIP 2018 7433A7240TY
CherryBrook Hunter Ponies LLC	CP-7-22-0055
Jana L. Froeling	CP-7-25-0042
Lazy Creek Farm Inc	CP-7-25-0044
Lee-Lynn Farms, LLC	CP-7-25-0017

2) The following BMP applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding. All applications were thoroughly screened for compliance with Priority Recruitment Guidelines. All met at least two of the priority criteria.

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Tax Credit
CCI-SL-6N	2025 VACS	John Lafley	07-25-0550	651425	Madison	\$ 8,132.36	\$ 0.00
FR-1	2025 VACS	Carl Kerby	07-25-0625	656535	Madison	\$ 19,425.00	\$ 1,268.75
NM-6	2025 VACS	Lewis A Lamb & Sons Inc.	07-25-0627	656538	Madison	\$ 10,462.50	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2025 VACS	Ben Smith	07-25-0494	650365	Culpeper	\$ 22,875.00	\$ 0.00
SL-6N	2025 VACS	Robert Racer, Jr.	07-25-0547	651391	Orange	\$ 59,216.30	\$ 7,971.43
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Edgewood Miller Farm LLC	07-25-0549	651424	Orange	\$ 15,505.50	\$ 97.38
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Shawn Woodfolk	07-25-0624	656453	Madison	\$ 263,305.80	\$ 2,314.05
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm	07-25-0285	640745	Madison	\$ 110,250.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm	07-25-0285	640742	Madison	\$ 18,450.00	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2025 VACS	Lazy Creek Farm Inc	07-25-0363	646227	Madison	\$ 7,250.00	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2025 VACS	CherryBrook Hunter Ponies LLC	07-25-0284	640412	Rappahannock	\$ 3,179.25	\$ 0.00
WP-2W	2025 VACS	Jana L. Froeling	07-25-0358	657003	Rappahannock	\$ 10,477.60	\$ 0.00

3) The following BMP participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

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Practice	Fund	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	Amount	Ta	x Credit
FR-3	2025 VACS	Lynda Davis	07-24-0401	583560	Madison	\$ 6,250.28	\$	0.00
NM-6	2025 VACS	Lewis A Lamb & Sons Inc.	07-25-0627	656538	Madison	\$ 10,462.50	\$	0.00
SL-1	2025 VACS	Kenwood Farm LLC	07-25-0404	647232	Orange	\$ 16,035.50	\$	0.00
SL-6N	2022 VACS	SELWOB Farms LLC	07-22-0294	470793	Madison	\$ 5,993.00	\$ 2	2,397.85
SL-6N	2023 Transfer	SELWOB Farms LLC	07-22-0294	470793	Madison	\$ 1,861.60	\$	0.00
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Christopher Webster	07-25-0045	590303	Madison	\$ 18,468.10	\$	0.00
SL-7	2025 VACS	Janice Nichols*	07-25-0484	649677	Culpeper	\$ 12,521.84	\$	782.62
SL-7	2024 VACS	David Sears**	07-24-0350	582525	Culpeper	\$ 16,212.69	\$ 3	3,276.56
SL-8B	2025 VACS	C L Farms LLC	07-25-0261	633873	Culpeper	\$ 45,812.70	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm	07-25-0285	640745	Madison	\$ 110,250.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm	07-25-0285	640742	Madison	\$ 18,450.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Alexander T. Stumpf	07-25-0353	645597	Orange	\$ 6,570.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Cleaveland Farm LLC	07-25-0351	645591	Orange	\$ 58,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Cleaveland Farm LLC	07-25-0351	645592	Orange	\$ 769.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Knight Cattle Corp	07-25-0256	633230	Orange	\$ 24,249.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Harris Ag. Properties Inc	07-25-0293	641036	Orange	\$ 4,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Harris Ag. Properties Inc	07-25-0293	641050	Orange	\$ 90,000.00	\$	0.00
CCI-SL-6N	2025 VACS	John M. Lafley	07-25-0550	651425	Madison	\$ 7,632.36	\$	0.00
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Deborah LaMountain	07-25-0431	647697	Greene	\$ 9,677.10	\$	355.48
SL-7	2025 VACS	Timothy Beahm	07-25-0410	624724	Rappahannock	\$ 5,927.59	\$	493.97
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Jacob Sisk	07-25-0322	642912	Madison	\$ 3,600.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Lazy Creek Farm Inc.	07-25-0292	640978	Madison	\$ 21,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Lazy Creek Farm Inc.	07-25-0292	640979	Madison	\$ 6,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Brooke Farms	07-25-0294	641063	Orange	\$ 77,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Brooke Farms	07-25-0294	641067	Orange	\$ 7,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Brandon VanHoven	07-25-0287	641997	Orange	\$ 11,200.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Brandon VanHoven	07-25-0287	640748	Orange	\$ 3,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Cherry Grove Farm Ent. Inc.	07-25-0306	641998	Orange	\$ 3,060.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Custom Harvesters	07-25-0295	641068	Orange	\$ 45,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Custom Harvesters	07-25-0295	641069	Orange	\$ 1,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Tyler Marshall	07-25-0468	649313	Orange	\$ 28,031.40	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Somerset Plantation Inc.	07-25-0258	633331	Orange	\$ 2,124.00	\$	0.00
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SL-8B	2025 VACS	Somerset Plantation Inc.	07-25-0257	633306	Orange	\$ 32,383.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Ben Southard	07-25-0255	633106	Orange	\$ 9,000.00	\$	0.00
<i>SL-8B</i>	2025 VACS	Madison Farms Locust Dale LLC	07-25-0300	641932	Madison	\$ 82,930.20	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Madison Farms Locust Dale LLC	07-25-0301	641933	Madison	\$ 2,140.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	M & W Cattle Co.	07-25-0452	648722	Orange	\$ 1,600.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	M & W Cattle Co.	07-25-0452	648723	Orange	\$ 14,400.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Mine Run Ag Inc.	07-25-0344	645577	Orange	\$ 38,650.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Mine Run Ag Inc.	07-25-0360	646092	Orange	\$ 4,100.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	J. Waugh	07-25-0346	645580	Orange	\$ 6,650.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	J. Waugh	07-25-0346	645581	Orange	\$ 3,900.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Mike Coates	07-25-0455	648766	Madison	\$ 2,512.80	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Thomas Clark	07-25-0259	633871	Culpeper	\$ 4,000.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Thomas Clark	07-25-0356	646001	Culpeper	\$ 1,300.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Michael Nicholson	07-25-0250	630763	Culpeper	\$ 5,500.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Glenburnie Farm LLC	07-25-0290	642634	Orange	\$ 324.80	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Glenburnie Farm LLC	07-25-0290	640819	Orange	\$ 986.40	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Terri W. Elgin	07-25-0386	646788	Orange	\$ 2,869.40	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Henshaw & Sons Farm LLC	07-25-0395	647065	Madison	\$ 1,340.00	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	J.C. Smith Farm Part. LLP	07-25-0400	647200	Madison	\$ 1,181.20	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Aksel D. Falk	07-25-0132	603333	Madison	\$ 15,663.20	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Aksel D. Falk	07-25-0132	603332	Madison	\$ 1,162.20	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Bobby McDaniel	07-25-0379	646358	Greene	\$ 3,006.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	William E. McDaniel	07-25-0384	646739	Greene	\$ 8,299.50	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Dennis Brown	07-25-0266	633878	Culpeper	\$ 57,056.90	\$	0.00
SL-8H	2025 VACS	Dennis Brown	07-25-0266	649852	Culpeper	\$ 2,344.60	\$	0.00
SL-11	2025 VACS	Standing Rock	07-25-0009	588868	Rappahannock	\$ 7,553.01	\$	629.42
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^{*}The Technical Committee approved an increase for sleeving pipe for a total of 400 ft and replacing stone along driveway.

**The Technical Committee approved an increase for additional pipeline footage to better locate troughs to facilitate a rotational grazing system.

4) The following BMP participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for an increase:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	Amount	Tax	Credit
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Shawn Woodfolk*	07-25-0334	643749	Madison	\$ 14,310.00	\$	0.00
SL-8B	2025 VACS	Battlepark Farm**	07-25-0449	648590	Culpeper	\$ 5,628.30	\$	0.00

^{*}Increase of \$8,360.00 for additional acres planted due to extended planting dates.

5) The following BMP applicants have cancelled their applications:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Tax</u>	: Credit
SL-6W	2024 VACS	McCormic Hill Farms LLC	07-24-0468	584879	Madison	\$ 131,578.00	\$	0.00
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Jana L. Froeling	07-25-0358	646058	Rappahannock	\$ 31,083.60	\$	490.10
SL-7	2025 VACS	Jana L. Froeling	07-25-0358	646061	Rappahannock	\$ 5,931.20	\$	370.70
SL-6W	2024 VACS	Anchor Mere Farm LLC	07-24-0252	474223	Culpeper	\$ 163,965.75	\$ 1,	178.41
SL-7	2024 VACS	Anchor Mere Farm LLC	07-24-0252	579148	Culpeper	\$ 5,962.00	\$	363.13
WQ-12	2025 VACS	David Jones	07-25-0525	651027	Rappahannock	\$ 13,125.00	\$ 1,	.093.75

^{**}Increase of \$1,868.30 for additional acres of non-harvestable cover crop.

6) The following Mountain Run, Muddy Run, and Lower Hazel River Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17406	Harold Wackman	07-25-0607	652248	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Michael Kitis	07-25-0610	655375	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Walter Burton	07-25-0611	655484	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Walter Burton	07-25-0613	655488	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Walter Burton	07-25-0613	655489	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	William Russell	07-25-0614	655490	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Sandra Lillard	07-25-0615	655492	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Andrew Evans	07-25-0621	655590	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	PO17406	JoAnne Walser	07-25-0605	652244	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Tyler Armel	07-25-0617	655497	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Ricardo Landaverde*	07-25-0618	655561	Culpeper	\$ 3,575.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Helen Stroud	07-25-0619	655562	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
RB-1	PO17406	Patrick Mooney	07-25-0637	657018	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Edward McCawley	07-25-0645	657019	Culpeper	\$ 270.00
RB-1	PO17406	Sue Brooks	07-25-0648	657031	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Darlene Breeden	07-25-0649	657032	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	PO17406	David Rinker	07-25-0634	656896	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Tyler Armel**	07-25-0617	655497	Culpeper	\$ 3,250.00
RB-3M	PO17406	William Ruley**	07-25-0522	651006	Culpeper	\$ 3,250.00
RB-4	PO17406	Ulrike A. Mayer-Mello	07-25-0638	656904	Culpeper	\$ 9,375.00

^{*}Ricardo Landaverde increased from Level 1 to Level 2

7) The following Locally Funded applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	Locally Funded	Dorothy Moore	07-25-0612	655486	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Russel Parrott	07-25-0246	655910	Greene	\$ 225.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Michael Gilbert	07-25-0600	652207	Greene	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Patrick O'Malley	07-25-0620	655588	Rappahannock	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Phillip Eberhardt*	07-25-0337	643952	Culpeper	\$ 3,250.00
<i>RB-4</i>	Locally Funded	Stacy Londrey	07-25-0603	652220	Madison	\$ 6,250.00
RB-4P	Locally Funded	Heather Moroch	07-25-0586	651788	Orange	\$ 13,200.00

^{*}Philip Eberhardt increased from Level 1 to Level 2

8) The following Upper Hazel River Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ17084	Andrew Solberg	07-25-0606	652245	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Kimberly Jones	07-25-0616	655494	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Brion Patterson	07-25-0626	656482	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Nancy McNear	07-25-0630	656790	Rappahannock	\$ 292.50
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Nancy McNear	07-25-0630	656792	Rappahannock	\$ 292.50
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Nancy McNear	07-25-0630	656803	Rappahannock	\$ 292.50
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Rachel Fleury	07-25-0631	656805	Culpeper	\$ 360.00
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	William Burke	07-25-0639	656905	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	William Burke	07-25-0639	656906	Rappahannock	\$ 225.00
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Lois Berry	07-25-0644	657017	Madison	\$ 360.00
<i>RB-1</i>	DEQ17084	Stephen Lane	07-25-0646	657022	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Stephen Lane	07-25-0646	657023	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Stephen Lane	07-25-0646	657024	Culpeper	\$ 225.00

^{**}William Ruley and Tyler Armel increased from Level 1 to Level 2

RB-1	DEQ17084	Alan Lane	07-25-0647	657026	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Alan Lane	07-25-0647	657027	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Andrew Howard	07-25-0635	656898	Rappahannock	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Thomas Johnson	07-25-0636	656900	Rappahannock	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Richard Parsons	07-25-0632	656806	Rappahannock	\$ 1,625.00

9) The following Upper York River Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17407	Maritza Bray	07-25-0602	652217	Orange	\$ 360.00
RB-3M	PO17407	Frederick Klecar	07-25-0599	652201	Orange	\$ 3,575.00
RB-3M	PO17407	Shannon Hudson	07-25-0608	652311	Orange	\$ 3,250.00
RB-3M	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	655732	Orange	\$ 3,250.00
RB-3	PO17407	Annette Storie	07-25-0354	656892	Orange	\$ 6,000.00
RB-3M	PO17407	Jonna Gillette	07-25-0315	656918	Orange	\$ 1,950.00
RB-3M	PO17407	James Murray II	07-25-0642	656931	Orange	\$ 1,787.50
RB-3M	PO17407	Jessica Marshall	07-25-0650	657033	Orange	\$ 2,440.00

10) The following Robinson River Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	Instance	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	655586	Madison	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	655594	Madison	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Randolph Weakley	07-25-0601	652209	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Donna Phillips	07-25-0623	656452	Madison	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Daniel Magan Jr	07-25-0640	656920	Madison	\$ p 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Mary Tanner	07-25-0641	656926	Culpeper	\$ 360.00
RB-3M	DEQ17220	Chadwick Lohr	07-25-0643	656935	Madison	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	DEQ17220	James Jackson	07-25-0651	657057	Madison	\$ 2,600.00
RB-4	DEQ17220	Kenneth Conrad	07-25-0604	652221	Madison	\$ 6,250.00

11) The following Upper Rapidan Residential applicants have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17083	James Henshaw	07-25-0243	656933	Greene	\$ 360.00
RB-1	PO17083	James Henshaw	07-25-0243	656934	Greene	\$ 360.00
RB-3M	PO17083	Robert Roudabush	07-25-0518	655585	Madison	\$ 5,200.00

12) The following Locally Funded Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	Locally Funded	Emily Parry	07-25-0296	641565	Culpeper	\$ 222.50
RB-1	Locally Funded	April Gonzales	07-25-0309	642049	Greene	\$ 187.50
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Wilhelmina Platts	07-25-0445	648568	Culpeper	\$ 240.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Anders Drew	07-25-0434	648272	Culpeper	\$ 937.50
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Tammy Hockensmith*	07-25-0479	649495	Culpeper	\$ 1,887.50
RB-4	Locally Funded	Timothy Smith	07-25-0396	647067	Orange	\$ 6,250.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Kelly Greer	07-25-0376	646291	Greene	\$ 200.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Robert Clements	07-25-0496	650424	Culpeper	\$ 212.50
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Theresa Beigie	07-25-0130	598993	Greene	\$ 492.50
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Clare Mangum	07-25-0157	651229	Orange	\$ 2,425.00

^{*}Tammy Hockensmith increased from RB-1 to RB-3M.

13) The following Upper Hazel River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ17084	Floyd T. Grigsby	07-25-0536	651218	Rappahannock	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	William Neal	07-25-0429	647671	Culpeper	\$ 212.50
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Robert Ellis	07-25-0463	649076	Culpeper	\$ 212.50

14) The following Mountain Run, Muddy Run, and Lower Hazel River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17406	Laura Riggs	07-25-0552	651447	Culpeper	\$ 192.50
RB-1	PO17406	Edward Rowland	07-25-0578	651773	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Harold Smith	07-25-0573	651752	Culpeper	\$ 212.50
RB-1	PO17406	Walter Burton	07-25-0613	655488	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Walter Burton	07-25-0613	655488	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	David Hall	07-25-0521	651004	Culpeper	\$ 212.50
RB-1	PO17406	Gerald Martire	07-25-0561	651737	Culpeper	\$ 240.00
RB-1	PO17406	Heather Kitts	07-25-0562	651738	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Terry Leach	07-25-0564	651740	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Dawn Laubenheimer	07-25-0576	651755	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Timothy Settle	07-25-0574	651753	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Carolyn Cox*	07-25-0533	651214	Culpeper	\$ 300.00
RB-1	PO17406	Mary Maupin	07-25-0523	651010	Culpeper	\$ 340.00
RB-1	PO17406	Dianne Crone	07-25-0516	650661	Culpeper	\$ 340.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Ronald Gallahan	07-25-0575	651754	Culpeper	\$ 221.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Linda Murphy	07-25-0035	590066	Culpeper	\$ 3,085.00
<i>RB-4</i>	PO17406	Reina Haught	07-25-0570	586672	Culpeper	\$ 6,000.00

^{*}Carolyn Cox increased due to income verification

15) The following Upper Rapidan Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	Participant	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	County	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17083	Doris Link	07-25-0506	650607	Greene	\$ 187.50
RB-1	PO17083	Kailey Olinger	07-25-0478	649408	Orange	\$ 247.50
RB-1	PO17083	Theresa Adams	07-25-0487	649894	Greene	\$ 187.50
RB-1	PO17083	Leonard Cave	07-25-0546	651255	Madison	\$ 300.00

16) The following Upper York River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

Practice	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-4	PO17407	Heath Forbes	07-25-0273	635737	Orange	\$ 6,250.00
<i>RB-1</i>	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	628288	Orange	\$ 200.00
<i>RB-1</i>	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	628332	Orange	\$ 200.00
<i>RB-1</i>	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	628340	Orange	\$ 200.00
<i>RB-1</i>	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	628349	Orange	\$ 200.00
RB-3M	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	655732	Orange	\$ 950.00

17) The following Robinson River Residential participants have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	655586	Madison	\$ 212.50
RB-1	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	655594	Madison	\$ 212.50
RB-1	DEQ17220	Michelle North	07-25-0317	642171	Madison	\$ 276.25
RB-1	DEQ17220	Louis Kalina	07-25-0514	650627	Culpeper	\$ 187.50
RB-3M	DEQ17220	Deborah Williams	07-25-0480	649424	Madison	\$ 1,234.50

18) The following Residential participants have been cancelled by the Technical Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
RB-1	DEQ17220	Mary Anne Hankla	07-25-0110	598243	Madison	\$ 225.00	
RB-1	Locally Funded	Jason Dean	07-25-0114	598339	Orange	\$ 360.00	
RB-1	Locally Funded	LaDawn Herndon	07-25-0191	623200	Orange	\$ 225.00	
RB-1	Locally Funded	Jeffrey Miller	07-25-0125	598826	Orange	\$ 225.00	
RB-3M	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	642031	Madison	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Stephen Brooks	07-25-0140	607800	Rappahannock	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	DEQ17220	Lisa Davis	07-25-0187	622952	Madison	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	DEQ17407	Cynthia Whitman	07-25-0053	590336	Orange	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	DEQ17407	Cynthia Whitman	07-25-0053	597960	Orange	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	PO17407	Kenwood LLC	07-25-0241	646743	Orange	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Michael Johnson	07-25-0328	643599	Madison	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Jeffrey Miller	07-25-0125	598805	Orange	\$ 1,625.00	
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Russell Parrott	07-25-0246	628608	Greene	\$ 3,250.00	
RB-1	PO17407	Jonna Gillette	07-25-0315	642095	Orange	\$ 270.00	
RB-1	DEQ17220	Jamie Carpenter	07-25-0325	643585	Madison	\$ 225.00	
RB-3M	PO17083	James Henshaw	07-25-0243	628366	Greene	\$ 2,600.00	
RB-3M	PO17083	James Henshaw	07-25-0243	628544	Greene	\$ 2,600.00	
RB-3M	PO17407	Annette Storie	07-25-0354	645608	Orange	\$ 2,600.00	
RB-3M	PO17083	Robert Roudabush	07-25-0518	650675	Madison	\$ 2,600.00	

19) The following Virginia Conservation Assistance Program (VCAP) practices have been approved by the Technical Committee for funding:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Rainwater Harvesting	Colton Dunning	Culpeper	\$ 1,804.50
Vegetated Conveyance System	Mark Warth	Orange	\$ 10,425.06
Vegetated Conveyance System	Mark Warth	Orange	\$ 11,724.72
Constructed Wetlands	Mark Warth	Orange	\$ 3,955.23

- 20) The District Manager gave an update on the dams:
 - a. Dam mowing bids were opened and awarded to John Anderson as low bidder. Total bid amount of \$15,900. One other bid had been received.
- 21) District Staff discussed hosting a grazing field day event in the late summer or early fall. There was also discussion about hosting a contractor workshop to review DCR requirements, and to help with acquiring proper documentation for various engineered practice components.
- 22) District Staff are in the process of scheduling dates with Debbie Cross, Conservation District Coordinator, for required verifications inspections this summer.
- 23) The Technical Committee recommends the Board approval of submitting a variance request, which will be sent to DCR Staff in Richmond for ultimate approval, for contract 07-25-0609, WP-4LL, Glenmary Farm Holdings LLC, Orange County.
- 24) The Technical Committee recommends Board approval of the following application that was submitted to and approved by the DCR Variance Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	Contract	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Tax Credit
WP-4LC	2025 VACS	J-Team Dairy LLC	07-25-0450	648593	Orange	\$ 690,635.09	\$ 0.00

- M. Elgin and A. Jewett recused themselves from the room for the Technical Committee discussion.
- R. Bradford made a motion to approve the request to submit a variance request to DCR for contract 07-25-0609, WP-4LL, Glenmary Farm Holdings LLC. S. Morris seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, S. Morris, unanimous)
- R. Bradford made a motion to approve funding for contract 07-25-0450, WP-4LC, J-Team Dairy LLC, following variance approval from the DCR Variance Committee. M. Sands seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, M. Sands, unanimous)
- R. Bradford made a motion to accept the Technical Committee Report with Additions. M. Sands seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, M. Sands, unanimous)

5.2) EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

S. DeNicola reported that the Education Committee has been unable to meet due to illnesses among its members. As a result, the Committee has not yet had the opportunity to select and approve scholarship recipients. S. DeNicola requested authorization from the Board for the Committee to convene immediately following the adjournment of today's meeting to select and approve scholarship recipients. R. Bradford moved to approve her request. A. Jewett seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, A. Jewett, unanimous)

6) DIRECTOR REPORTS

- R. Runkle reported that he attended the North Fork Rivanna TMDL IP meeting in Greene County yesterday, noting that the group appears ready to accept 319 funding and begin implementing practices in phases. He also mentioned that the Ag Forestal District Meeting is scheduled to reconvene to discuss topics such as land use exemptions.
- S. Morris reported that a truck transporting diesel fuel was involved in a single vehicle accident on Route 33 near Skyline Drive. He expressed concerns about potential impacts on the health of Swift Run; however, no official information has been released at this time. Environmental and construction crews were on site for four days following the incident.
- L. Graves reported that he attended the Association meeting last month and plans to participate in the Association Golf Tournament scheduled for next week.

7) STAFF REPORTS

- S. DeNicola reported that MWEE programming has concluded for the year, with approximately 1,600 sixth-grade students across the District receiving 36 hours of instruction. She also announced that the Culpeper EVHS Envirothon Team will advance to the State Competition. Additionally, she informed the Board that she will be out of the office for four weeks beginning May 21 due to medical leave.
- R. Jacobs reported that he has been actively working on site plans. He also shared that the Rappahannock River Regional Commission BMP Assessment Grant has been approved as a two-year program focused on evaluating public lands for potential BMPs. In the first year, the assessment will concentrate on Orange County, followed by Madison County in the second year. Friends of the Rappahannock will conduct the fieldwork, with CSWCD providing technical assistance as needed. He noted that VCAP applications continue to be submitted at a steady pace. However, the VCAP Steering Committee has expressed concerns about the program's long-term sustainability due to growing interest and limited funding. An update to the VCAP Manual is scheduled to begin in July, with revised eligibility guidelines currently under consideration. Finally, he reported that he has been reappointed by the Association to serve on the VCAP Steering Committee, with G. Wichelns designated as his alternate.

- T. Talley reported that he recently completed additional Conservation Planning Training in Lynchburg and also attended the Virginia Forage and Grassland Council (VFGC) Pasture Workshop.
- D. Massie reported that staff have been busy with cover crop activity and preparing for the close of the fiscal year.
- G. Wichelns reported that quarterly 319 grant reports have been submitted to DEQ. He noted that DEQ is considering reallocating additional funds to CSWCD from unspent balances in other districts, with the goal of ensuring those funds are effectively utilized. He also mentioned that new federal grant agreements are under consideration, which include increased funding amounts. At this time, he does not anticipate any disruptions to federal funding. Additionally, he reported that county budget request processes are currently underway. Dam work is progressing, although weather-related delays may still impact the schedule.

8) AGENCY REPORTS

DCR – D. Cross submitted a written report and highlighted several key points. She announced that Vanessa Lewis has been hired to assist with training programs. D. Cross encouraged everyone to review the End of Fiscal Year 2025 Checklist to ensure that all deliverables are met before the close of the year. She also reported that the Governor has signed the budget and that the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board is expected to act on policies and grant agreements during their meeting on May 28. D. Cross recommended using the proposed amounts for now until final figures are available. Additionally, she provided several reminders regarding FY26 Budgets, FY26 APWs, FY27 Budget Templates/Attachment Ds, Carryovers, Secondary Considerations, and Average Cost Lists. She also mentioned upcoming training sessions.

NRCS – R. Rexrode reported that agency staff across the state have been reduced by 23%, with 178 employees at the beginning of the year and 137 currently. Although IRA funds have been withdrawn, the already obligated funds within that program remain secure. He also mentioned that all EQIP funds have been allocated and he does not anticipate receiving additional funds. He shared that two of his soil conservationists have been reinstated and expressed hope that they will be able to retain their positions. Additionally, his staff biologist is preparing to take an extended medical leave. He noted that USDA Rural Development currently has one local and one national employee on site. He reported that nine EQIP pre-approvals have recently moved to the contract phase. R. Rexrode stated that he has not received much communication from the government regarding what changes to expect moving forward.

9) PLAN FOR MAY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committees will meet at the Culpeper District Office on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Personnel 9:00, Operations 9:30, Technical 10:00, followed by the RMP Technical Review Committee. The Education Committee will not meet in May. **BOARD MEETING FOR JUNE WILL BE HELD AT 10:00 AM ON TUESDAY, June 3, 2025, in person, at PVCC in Greene County.**

10) ADJOURNMENT

R. Runkle motioned to adjourn the May 6 Board meeting at 10:51 AM. A. Jewett seconded the motion. (R. Runkle, A. Jewett, unanimous)

Respectfully Submitted, Stevie Ross, Administrative Secretary/Financial Specialist Lynn Graves, Chairman

Date Approved: June 3, 2025