

MINUTES
CULPEPER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
EverGRO
Orange County, Virginia
June 2, 2026

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lynn Graves at 10:41 AM.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Lynn Graves, Madison County
Mike Sands, Rappahannock County
Robert Williamson, Culpeper County
Dennis Verhoff, 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
Molly Elgin McWilliams, Associate Director, Orange County
Sarah Sharpe, Virginia Cooperative Extension, Greene County

DIRECTORS NOT PRESENT:

David Cox, Greene County

STAFF PRESENT:

David Massie, District Manager
Stevie Ross, Administrative Secretary/Financial Specialist
Jack Bourdon, Conservation Specialist
Henny Calloway, Conservation Specialist
Kendall Dellinger, Conservation Specialist
Stephanie DeNicola, Education Specialist
Richard Jacons, Conservation Specialist
Cheyenne Sheridan, Conservation Specialist
Trevor Talley, Conservation Specialist
Spencer Yager, Conservation Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Debbie Cross, CDC, DCR
Ashleigh Cason, DC, NRCS
Ed Furlow, VDOF
Holly Savage, EVHS

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

L. Graves called the meeting to order at 10:41 AM. He introduced Ms. Holly Savage, Eastern View High School graduate intending to study Agriculture Education at Virginia Tech, and presented her with a District Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000. All congratulated her. Following a moment of silence, S. Yager led the Pledge of Allegiance. There were three handouts: Technical Committee Additions, DCR Report, and NRCS Report.

2) DRAFT MINUTES

L. Graves called for approval of the substance of May 5, 2026, Draft District Board Meeting Minutes and for any substantive corrections or additions. M. Sands moved to approve the Minutes as presented. M. Biniek seconded the motion. (M. Sands, M. Biniek, unanimous)

3) AGENDA APPROVAL

L. Graves called for Agenda approval. The Operations Committee Report was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.1. The Technical Committee Report was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Agenda as 5.2. A Closed Session for Personnel Matters was added to the Agenda as 5.3. S. Morris moved to adopt the Agenda as modified. D. Verhoff seconded the motion. (S. Morris, D. Verhoff, unanimous)

4) CONSENT AGENDA

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

NRCS CONSERVATION PLANS

Madison	EQIP Act Now	High Tunnel
Madison	EQIP Act Now	Forestry Practices – Improve Wildlife Habitat
Culpeper	EQIP Act Now	Forest Management Plan (CPA 106)
Madison	EQIP Act Now	Forest Management Plan (CPA 106)
Orange	EQIP Act Now	Forest Management Plan (CPA 106)
Orange	EQIP Act Now	Forest Management Plan (CPA 106)
Greene	EQIP Act Now	Forest Management Plan (CPA 106)
Orange	EQIP Act Now	High Tunnel
Culpeper	EQIP Act Now	High Tunnel

5) ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

5.1) OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

M. Sands made a motion to grant authority to the Chairman of the Board for the approval and signing of the FY27 DCR Grant Agreements (Administrative and Operational Support Agreement and Cost-share and Technical Assistance Agreement) when they become available. R. Williamson seconded the motion. (M. Sands, R. Williamson, unanimous)

R. Bradford moved to accept the Operations Committee Report as presented. R. Runkle seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, R. Runkle, unanimous)

5.2) TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

May 19, 2026 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes (Updated)

Present: Robert Bradford, Chairman; Lynn Graves, Madison; Mike Sands, Rappahannock; Bob Williamson, Culpeper; David Massie, District Manager; Spencer Yager, Conservation Specialist; Kendall Dellinger, Conservation Specialist; Cheyenne Sheridan, Conservation Specialist; Trevor Talley, Conservation Specialist; Jack Bourdon, Conservation Specialist; Henny Calloway, Conservation Specialist; Richard Jacobs, Conservation Specialist

Items in italics were added at the June 2, 2026 Board Meeting in Orange County, Virginia

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

Carl Kerby	CP-7-25-0064
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Jason Herring	CP-7-26-0014
Rhon Manor	CP-7-26-0028
Amy Ferguson	CP-7-26-0049
Cid Owens	CP-7-26-0051
<i>Belair Dairy LLC</i>	<i>CP-7-26-0052</i>
<i>Eugene Deane</i>	<i>CP-7-26-0050</i>

- 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.

Practice	Fund	Participant	Contract	Instance	County	Amount	Tax Credit
CCI-SL-6W	2026 VACS	David Sears	07-26-0662	738097	Orange	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL-6W	2026 VACS	Heather Suzanne	07-26-0676	738683	Greene	\$ 3,031.25	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL6W	2026 VACS	Robert Bradford	07-26-0691	738812	Orange	\$ 7,187.50	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL6N	2026 VACS	Robert Bradford	07-26-0690	738813	Orange	\$ 4,801.50	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2026 VACS	Cid Owens	07-26-0675	738667	Orange	\$ 22,875.00	\$ 489.50
SL-6W	2026 VACS	Rhon Manor	07-26-0685	738752	Orange	\$ 43,124.00	\$ 0.00
SL-6W	2026 VACS	Glendale Farms LLC.	07-26-0691	738814	Orange	\$ 14,925.00	\$ 0.00
<i>CCI-SL-6N</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Hall's Haven LLC</i>	<i>07-26-0693</i>	<i>738834</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 7,067.00</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>CCI-WP-2N</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Hall's Haven LLC</i>	<i>07-26-0693</i>	<i>738837</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 972.00</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>SL-6W</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Scott W. Lovelace</i>	<i>07-26-0617</i>	<i>737605</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 46,143.45</i>	<i>\$ 730.76</i>

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

Practice	Fund	Participant	Contract	Instance	County	Amount	Tax Credit
CCI-SL-6W	2026 VACS	David Sears	07-26-0662	738097	Orange	\$ 7,400.00	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL-6W	2026 VACS	Heather Suzanne	07-26-0676	738683	Greene	\$ 3,031.25	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL6W	2026 VACS	Robert Bradford	07-26-0692	738812	Orange	\$ 7,186.50	\$ 0.00
CCI-SL6N	2026 VACS	Robert Bradford	07-26-0690	738813	Orange	\$ 3,806.25	\$ 0.00
FR-1	2026 VACS	Keyur Parikh	07-26-0207	719683	Rappahannock	\$ 1,795.31	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2026 VACS	Three Springs Farm & Feed LLC	07-26-0283	726090	Madison	\$ 10,875.00	\$ 0.00
SL-1	2026 VACS	Three Springs Farm & Feed LLC*	07-26-0283	726082	Madison	\$ 23,925.00	\$ 0.00
SL-6W	2025 VACS	Vivian Utz	07-25-0182	622422	Orange	\$ 24,834.15	\$ 89.84
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Mine Run Ag Inc.	07-26-0232	721515	Orange	\$ 46,600.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Mine Run Ag Inc.	07-26-0232	721523	Orange	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	AJ Miller Farms, LLC	07-26-0219	720821	Orange	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 0.00
SL8H	2026 VACS	AJ Miller Farms, LLC	07-26-0220	720831	Orange	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Jett Farms Inc	07-26-0307	727865	Madison	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Jett Farms Inc	07-26-0307	727866	Madison	\$ 400.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Piedmont Grain and Cattle Inc.**	07-26-0311	727896	Orange	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Piedmont Grain and Cattle Inc.	07-26-0311	727895	Orange	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Thornhill Farms LLC	07-26-0228	721492	Culpeper	\$ 14,357.70	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Michael Nicholson	07-26-0206	719681	Culpeper	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Dale Welch	07-26-0226	721253	Rappahannock	\$ 13,120.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	John Ford	07-26-0261	724884	Culpeper	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Mystic Hill Farms LLC	07-26-0262	724951	Culpeper	\$ 3,360.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Mathews Custom Farming Inc.	07-26-0120	699214	Culpeper	\$ 58,340.50	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2026 VACS	Justin Crigler	07-26-0624	737796	Madison	\$ 2,574.75	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2026 VACS	Justin Crigler	07-26-0624	737798	Madison	\$ 3,485.00	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2026 VACS	Justin Crigler	07-26-0624	737799	Madison	\$ 8,175.00	\$ 0.00
<i>CCI-SL-6N</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Courtney Conroy***</i>	<i>07-26-0343</i>	<i>730890</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 2,807.75</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>CCI-SL-6N</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Upper Nonesuch Farms</i>	<i>07-26-0595</i>	<i>737046</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 1,725.50</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>CCI-SL-6W</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>A Le Boi Farms LLC</i>	<i>07-26-0209</i>	<i>724134</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 3,745.00</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>FR-1</i>	<i>2026 VACS</i>	<i>Adisa Hinton</i>	<i>07-26-0405</i>	<i>732913</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 23,294.22</i>	<i>\$1,703.75</i>

LE-1T	2026 VACS	Susan Pooton	07-19-0385	332109	Madison	\$ 968.72	\$ 42.73
NM-5P	2026 VACS	Brandy Rock Farm Inc.	07-26-0579	736929	Culpeper	\$ 5,440.00	\$ 0.00
NM-5P	2026 VACS	Pullen Farm LLC	07-26-0591	737032	Culpeper	\$ 3,360.00	\$ 0.00
SL-6W	2026 VACS	Brandon Lohr	07-26-0377	731965	Madison	\$ 22,845.75	\$1,745.06
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Glenburnie Farm LLC	07-26-0301	726450	Orange	\$ 1,474.50	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Glenburnie Farm LLC	07-26-0301	735007	Orange	\$ 139.20	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Harris Ag. Properties	07-26-0217	720250	Orange	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Harris Ag. Properties	07-26-0217	750250	Orange	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	J. C Smith Farm Part. LLP	07-26-0292	726319	Madison	\$ 5,421.20	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	J. C Smith Farm Part. LLP	07-26-0292	726318	Madison	\$ 713.20	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	J. Wells Waugh	07-26-0271	726003	Orange	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	J. Wells Waugh	07-26-0271	726002	Orange	\$ 13,090.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Terri Elgin	07-26-0267	725442	Orange	\$ 2,869.40	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Bar M Farms LLC	07-26-0224	720942	Orange	\$ 29,914.30	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	William McDaniel	07-26-0303	726546	Greene	\$ 10,441.80	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Bobby McDaniel	07-26-0326	729759	Greene	\$ 3,953.70	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Nixon Farms LLC	07-26-0359	731331	Culpeper	\$ 6,240.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Glenmary Family Farm Partnership	07-26-0411	732985	Culpeper	\$165,464.10	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Glenmary Family Farm Partnership	07-26-0411	733037	Culpeper	\$112,441.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Glenmary Family Farm Partnership**	07-26-0411	732986	Culpeper	\$ 6,051.90	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Western View LLC	07-26-0360	731333	Culpeper	\$118,384.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Western View LLC	07-26-0360	733043	Culpeper	\$ 48,683.30	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Western View LLC*	07-26-0360	731334	Orange	\$ 5,067.30	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm**	07-26-0319	728811	Madison	\$145,448.40	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Shepherd Sons Farm	07-26-0319	728814	Madison	\$ 5,400.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Pullen Farm LLC**	07-26-0176	713259	Culpeper	\$ 5,370.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Pullen Farm LLC	07-26-0162	712684	Culpeper	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8H	2026 VACS	Merlyn Koontz	07-26-0308	727899	Orange	\$ 460.00	\$ 0.00
SL-8B	2026 VACS	Faith Gil	07-26-0173	713249	Madison	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2026 VACS	Val Verde Farm, LLC	07-26-0225	721252	Culpeper	\$ 9,750.00	\$ 0.00
SL-10	2026 VACS	William Lovelace	07-26-0197	717280	Madison	\$ 2,482.50	\$ 0.00

**The Technical Committee approved an increase for additional acres plated.

**The Technical Committee approved an increase for additional cover crop acres.

***The Technical Committee approved an increase for additional stream exclusion fence.

4) The following BMP participants have been cancelled by the Technical Committee:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Tax Credit</u>
CCI-SL-6N	2026 VACS	Anzel Hall	07-26-0563	736798	Madison	\$ 7,646.50	\$ 0.00
CCI-WP-2N	2026 VACS	Anzel Hall	07-26-0563	736870	Madison	\$ 1,472.00	\$ 0.00
SL-7	2026 VACS	A Le Boi Farms LLC	07-26-0209	719743	Orange	\$ 6,630.40	\$ 414.00

5) The following Locally Funded 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	Locally Funded	Timothy Cotter	07-26-0340	738741	Culpeper	\$ 292.50
RB-1	Locally Funded	Linda Darnell	07-26-0678	738732	Madison	\$ 360.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Angelia Williams-Tibbs	07-26-0677	738715	Orange	\$ 337.50
RB-1	Locally Funded	Percy Patterson	07-26-0687	738756	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Jeffrey Willis	07-26-0680	738734	Orange	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Cheryl Thompson	07-26-0681	738735	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Denelda Riley	07-26-0682	738736	Orange	\$ 2,600.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	James Kerns	07-26-0697	738886	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Stephen Koch	07-26-0698	738894	Greene	\$ 270.00
RB-1	Locally Funded	Tamara Treadway	07-26-0699	738895	Madison	\$ 337.50

<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Lee Boslett</i>	<i>07-26-0701</i>	<i>738904</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 292.50</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>James Weaver</i>	<i>07-26-0710</i>	<i>738931</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Lloyd Williams</i>	<i>07-26-0711</i>	<i>738933</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Adrianna Sotelo Bernal</i>	<i>07-26-0703</i>	<i>738911</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 2,600.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Stacie Allred</i>	<i>07-26-0418</i>	<i>738863</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 4,875.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Jennifer Loach</i>	<i>07-26-0696</i>	<i>738885</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 1,787.50</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Cindy Mangrum</i>	<i>07-26-0707</i>	<i>738927</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 3,250.00</i>
<i>RB-4P</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Pedro Ramos</i>	<i>07-26-0704</i>	<i>738916</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 8,250.00</i>

- 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>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	PO17406	Jennifer Kayton	07-26-0674	738586	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	PO17406	Daisy Backe	07-26-0686	738754	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Heather Atterberry	07-26-0684	738751	Culpeper	\$ 5,200.00
RB-4P	PO17406	Matthew McCracken	07-26-0498	738750	Culpeper	\$ 8,250.00
<i>RB-4</i>	<i>PO17406</i>	<i>Dennis Tate</i>	<i>07-26-0695</i>	<i>738884</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 6,875.00</i>
<i>RB-5</i>	<i>PO17406</i>	<i>Alice Kuhlman</i>	<i>07-26-0705</i>	<i>738925</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$17,325.00</i>

- 7) The following Robinson River 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	DEQ17220	Jennifer Lamb	07-26-0683	738739	Madison	\$ 225.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Amy Greene</i>	<i>07-26-0709</i>	<i>738929</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>James Berry II</i>	<i>07-26-0706</i>	<i>738926</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Melody Langone</i>	<i>07-26-0700</i>	<i>738896</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>

- 8) The following Upper Hazel River 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	DEQ17084	John A. Grundberg	07-26-0672	738392	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	John A. Grundberg	07-26-0672	738393	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Eric Plaksin	07-26-0673	738511	Rappahannock	\$ 225.00
RB-1	DEQ17084	Eric Plaksin	07-26-0673	738753	Rappahannock	\$ 225.00
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17084</i>	<i>Weiming Zheng</i>	<i>07-26-0689</i>	<i>738791</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17084</i>	<i>Weiming Zheng</i>	<i>07-26-0688</i>	<i>738790</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>

- 9) The following Upper York River 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>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>PO17407</i>	<i>John Dawson II</i>	<i>07-26-0708</i>	<i>738928</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>PO17407</i>	<i>Bruce Hoover</i>	<i>07-26-0702</i>	<i>738905</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 337.50</i>

- 10) The following Locally Funded 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	Locally Funded	David Prendergast	07-26-0527	736180	Orange	\$ 225.00
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Michelle Norton	07-26-0571	736881	Culpeper	\$ 225.00
RB-4P	Locally Funded	Rebecca Clore	07-26-0433	734050	Madison	\$ 10,725.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Dewey Turner</i>	<i>07-26-0482</i>	<i>735420</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Lucia Lorenzo</i>	<i>07-26-0613</i>	<i>737431</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 360.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Sheena Holmes</i>	<i>07-26-0653</i>	<i>738023</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 212.50</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Guy Hargrave</i>	<i>07-26-0526</i>	<i>736177</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 212.50</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Derek Shifflett</i>	<i>07-26-0376</i>	<i>731978</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 212.50</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Rebecca Fisher</i>	<i>07-26-0513</i>	<i>736088</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 300.00</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Christina Evans-Zook</i>	<i>07-26-0184</i>	<i>716094</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>

<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Geneva Reynolds</i>	<i>07-26-0492</i>	<i>735917</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 233.75</i>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>David Reeder</i>	<i>07-26-0557</i>	<i>736750</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 360.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>James Ryan</i>	<i>07-26-0410</i>	<i>732934</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 425.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Donald Kramer</i>	<i>07-26-0650</i>	<i>738008</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 812.50</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Terry Lilly</i>	<i>07-26-0449</i>	<i>737997</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 2,500.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Steven Daniels</i>	<i>07-26-0485</i>	<i>735868</i>	<i>Rappahannock</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>

- 11) The following Mountain Run, Muddy Run, and Lower Hazel 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	PO17406	Lauren Fotenos	07-26-0619	737755	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-1	PO17406	Nancy Lagasse	07-26-0564	736828	Culpeper	\$ 340.00
RB-3M	PO17406	Neil Wyse	07-26-0464	735013	Culpeper	\$ 425.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>PO17406</i>	<i>Gisselle Caldron</i>	<i>07-26-0634</i>	<i>737891</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 212.50</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>PO17406</i>	<i>John Lindgren</i>	<i>07-26-0618</i>	<i>737754</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>

- 12) 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	Terrence Leslie	07-26-0519	736161	Madison	\$ 200.00
RB-1	DEQ17220	Melinda Geer	07-26-0550	736738	Madison	\$ 200.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Thomas Plumb</i>	<i>07-26-0632</i>	<i>737826</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 200.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Culver Long</i>	<i>07-26-0533</i>	<i>736222</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 300.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Sandra Barth</i>	<i>07-26-0588</i>	<i>736985</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 2,640.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>DEQ17220</i>	<i>Timothy Hill</i>	<i>07-26-0465</i>	<i>735014</i>	<i>Madison</i>	<i>\$ 2,840.00</i>

- 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>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-1	DEQ17084	Anita Smith	07-26-0639	737908	Culpeper	\$ 200.00
RB-3M	DEQ17084	Justin Warner	07-26-0663	738148	Culpeper	\$ 200.00

- 14) The following Upper Rapidan 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>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>PO17083</i>	<i>Nathan Mammen</i>	<i>07-25-0507</i>	<i>650608</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>PO17083</i>	<i>Nathan Mammen</i>	<i>07-26-0565</i>	<i>736841</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 3,250.00</i>

- 15) The following Upper York River Residential participant has 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>
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>PO17407</i>	<i>Anthony Rogers</i>	<i>07-26-0407</i>	<i>737813</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 225.00</i>

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

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Instance</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RB-3M	Locally Funded	Timothy Cotter	07-26-0340	730727	Culpeper	\$ 2,112.50
RB-3M	PO17406	Matthew McCracken	07-26-0498	735946	Culpeper	\$ 1,625.00
<i>RB-1</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Timothy Cotter</i>	<i>07-26-0340</i>	<i>738741</i>	<i>Culpeper</i>	<i>\$ 292.50</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Stacie Allred</i>	<i>07-26-0418</i>	<i>733449</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 2,437.50</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Matthew Strauss</i>	<i>07-26-0335</i>	<i>730358</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 1,625.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Marguerite Taliaferro</i>	<i>07-26-0094</i>	<i>736842</i>	<i>Greene</i>	<i>\$ 5,200.00</i>
<i>RB-3M</i>	<i>Locally Funded</i>	<i>Ralph McGehee</i>	<i>07-26-0178</i>	<i>714866</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>\$ 5,200.00</i>

- 17) The following Virginia Conservation Assistance Program (VCAP) practices have been approved by the Technical Committee for payment:

<u>Practice</u>	<u>Participant</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Amount</u>
RWH	Colton Dunning	Culpeper	\$ 1,804.50
RG	Peter Doherty	Orange	\$ 6,346.87
CL-3	Peter Doherty	Orange	\$ 3,770.03

- 18) The District Manager gave an update on the dams:

- Protexis Command and Control Services LLC will be installing automated dam and reservoir monitoring equipment in mid-June that measures water levels, track environmental conditions, and trigger multi-level emergency alerts. This equipment will be replacing the existing cellular based equipment on watershed dams.
- District Staff will continue to monitor beaver activity on Mountain Run #13 and remove debris from the primary spillway as needed.

- 19) District Staff gave a report on the Silvopasture Meeting held on May 14 in Charlottesville. Staff will provide input to the working group for potentially creating a new practice for the Virginia Agricultural Cost Share Program.

- 20) *The Technical Committee Chairman requests the approval of the Board of Directors to make end-of-year decisions for approvals, payments, tax credits, and carryovers. This authority will exist from June 2, 2026, through the first Board Meeting of the new fiscal year on July 7, 2026.*

R. Bradford recused himself from the room for the Technical Committee discussion.

M. Sands moved to accept the Technical Committee Report with the Additions as amended. R. Williamson seconded the motion. (M. Sands, R. Williamson, unanimous)

R. Bradford made a motion to grant authority of the Board to the Technical Committee Chairman for approvals, payments, tax credits, and carryovers between June 2, 2026, and July 7, 2026. M. Sands seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, M. Sands, unanimous)

5.3) **CLOSED SESSION: PERSONNEL MATTERS**

R. Runkle moved that the Board go into Closed Session at 10:51 A.M. as provided for in the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-3711(A) (1) to discuss Personnel Matters. The Associate Directors and the District Manager were invited to attend. M. Sands seconded the motion. (R. Runkle, M. Sands, unanimous)

Following the return from Closed Session, R. Runkle moved to reconvene at 10:58 A.M. (unanimous). Pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-.3712. (D), "I move that the Board certify that to the best of the Board's knowledge only matters lawfully exempted and as identified in the motion by which the Closed Session was convened were heard or discussed by this Board". M. Sands seconded the motion. (R. Runkle, M. Sands, unanimous)

R. Bradford moved to accept the recommendations from the Personnel Committee. S. Morris seconded the motion. (R. Bradford, S. Morris, unanimous)

6) **DIRECTOR REPORTS**

S. Morris provided an update on the agriculture program at Greene County United Christian Academy, noting that the lead educator had resigned. He was uncertain about the impact this may have on the program but stated that he would provide updates as more information becomes available. He also reported that the 2026 Greene County Ag & Livestock Show will be held July 30 – August 1.

M. Biniek reported that he attended the awards banquet and graduation ceremony at Rappahannock County High School. He noted that he observed two District scholarship recipients graduate. One recipient, Isaac Plaksin, was also the class Valedictorian and delivered his speech while juggling.

S. Sharpe reported that the new Culpeper County Agriculture Extension Agent is scheduled to begin on July 10. She also reported that she is planning a workshop on virtual fencing for late August or

early September. She noted that Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) programs are already incorporating virtual fencing components into their programs and hopes that Soil and Water Conservation Districts may eventually do the same. She also reminded Directors that those seeking information on drought relief assistance should contact their local Farm Service Agency (FSA).

M. Sands reported that he attended the Rappahannock County High School awards banquet with Mr. Biniek. He also shared remarks regarding his experiences with virtual fencing.

R. Williamson reported that he attended the commencement ceremonies at Culpeper County High School and Eastern View High School and was very impressed by the students from both schools.

L. Graves reported on the success of a recent Blue Grass Festival held at Graves Mountain Farm. He also shared observations regarding the recent rainfall and its impact on hay production.

7) STAFF REPORTS

S. DeNicola reported that Eastern View High School placed third at the State Envirothon Competition, improving upon its fourth-place finish from the previous year. She noted that the point difference between the first- and third-place teams was very small. She also reported that her Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience (MWEE) grant application to expand the program to serve fourth-grade students was approved. She expects to receive approximately \$50,000 in grant funding to support the expansion. The fourth-grade pilot program was very successful, and she expressed enthusiasm for the opportunity to continue and grow the program. She also noted that 4-H Agents will continue assisting with administering the program in the coming year.

R. Jacobs reported that the Erosion and Sediment Control staff member in Orange County left that position to accept a role in Capital Improvements but has temporarily returned to the Erosion and Sediment Control position while the County works to fill the vacancy. He also noted that Orange County is currently hiring for a Community Development position. R. Jacobs reported that Culpeper County has been very busy processing pre-applications and reviewing site plans. He noted that the County anticipates as many as eight data centers breaking ground before the end of the calendar year. He has been in communication with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality regarding several observations related to these projects. He also discussed an upcoming presentation on the Virginia Conservation Assistance Program (VCAP), which will provide a program overview and address potential program changes, conservation leadership awards, and future program projections.

T. Talley reported that he and J. Bourdon have completed their Conservation Planner Certifications.

D. Massie reported on the upcoming closeout of FY26 and noted that the District has allocated more than 90 percent of its FY26 Agricultural Cost Share funding. He reported that L. Smith gave birth to her child on May 16 and is currently on 12 weeks of maternity leave. During her absence, D. Massie, T. Talley, and A. McCullen are assuming her responsibilities as Cost Share Program Manager. D. Massie also reported that inspections are expected to take place in early fall, with dates to be determined. Directors will be invited to attend. He noted that the Piedmont Environmental Council will be conducting inspections of easements in Orange County that are co-held with the District, and he plans to attend those inspections. Additionally, he reported that the District will transition from cellular water-level monitoring devices to satellite water-level monitoring devices later this summer. Finally, D. Massie announced an upcoming silvopasture workshop to be held at the George Washington Carver Agricultural Research Center.

8) AGENCY REPORTS

DCR – D. Cross submitted a written report and highlighted several key items. She congratulated T. Talley and J. Bourdon on completing their Conservation Planner Certifications. She reminded Directors that FY26 End-of-Year and Fourth Quarter Reports are due July 15. She also noted that the terms of the At-Large Appointed Directors will expire on December 31, 2026. D. Cross reported that FY27 Secondary Considerations and Average Cost Lists must be submitted before any FY27 contracts can be approved. She also noted that legislative proposals should be submitted by July 15 in preparation

for the Area II Legislative Development Zoom Meeting on August 6. She reminded Directors that nominations for the Clean Water Farm Award, including both Local and Grand Basin awards, are due October 1. Additional upcoming training and meeting dates were provided.

NRCS – A. Cason submitted a written report and highlighted several items. The report included nine Conservation Plans signed during the reporting period. She reported that there are six Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) pre-approvals, including two wildlife projects and four livestock/agricultural waste projects. Additionally, four Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) applications have received pre-approval, including two forestry projects and two agricultural land projects. A. Cason noted that the target date for achieving 100 percent obligation is August 21. She also announced that the June Joint Employee Development (JED) session will focus on invasive species and will feature the Blue Ridge PRISM. Finally, she reported that the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources currently has only one Private Lands Biologist on staff, and that individual is presently on medical leave.

VDOF – E. Furlow reported on the impressive turnout at a recent wildfire training, which was attended by representatives from multiple agencies. He noted that they are currently understaffed in Orange County and that interviews are underway to fill three forester positions. E. Furlow also reported that he will represent the Virginia Department of Forestry at the Black Bear Festival on June 6. S. DeNicola will also be in attendance representing the District. In addition, he reported that two agricultural forestry training sessions are being planned, although dates were not announced.

9) PLAN FOR JUNE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committees will meet at the Madison Extension Office on Wednesday, June 24, 2026: 9:00 Personnel, 9:30 Legislative, 9:45 Operations, 10:15 Education, 10:45 Technical. **BOARD MEETING FOR JULY WILL BE HELD AT 10:30 AM ON Tuesday, July 7, 2026, in person, at the Washington Volunteer Fire Hall in Rappahannock County.**

10) ADJOURNMENT

M. Biniek motioned to adjourn the June Board meeting at 12:06 PM. R. Runkle seconded the motion. (M. Biniek, R. Runkle, unanimous)

Respectfully Submitted,
Stevie Ross, Administrative Secretary/Financial Specialist

Lynn Graves, Chairman

Date Approved: