WTA 2024-00001 and OTA 2024-00001 Amendments to the Water Protection Ordinance and Associated Fee Schedule

Albemarle County Board of Supervisors Meeting June 5, 2024

Background

State Law and Regulatory Changes:

- 2014 County adopted the VESCP and VSMP regulations (Chapter 17 of the County Code)
- 2016 Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Act (VESMA) was enacted by the General Assembly to replace the VESCP and VSMP programs with a combined program: VESMP.
- 2023 Final VESMP Regulations were adopted with a delayed effective date.
- July 1, 2024 New VESMP regulations become effective.

Required County Actions:

- Adopt a combined regulation to become effective July 1, 2024
- Amend the WPO Fee Schedule, also to become effective July 1, 2024

VESCP – Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Program

VSMP – Virginia Stormwater Management Program

VESMP – Virginia Erosion and Stormwater Management Program

Non-regulatory or clerical

Update definitions, section titles, fee schedule

Eliminate references to old programs (VESCP/VSMP)

Combination changes

Modernize language

Regulatory changes, clarifications and procedures

Single-family homes

Streamside Management Zones (SMZs)

Eliminate default approval

Land Disturbance Permit required

Other administrative procedures and clarifications

Board packet correction

From:

Monthly. At least once per month until the adequate stabilization of the land disturbing activity has been achieved.

To:

Bi-weekly. At least once in every two-week period until the adequate stabilization of the land disturbing activity has been achieved.

Questions?

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Board Motion – WTA2024-00001

Should the Board **choose to approve** this request, state the following:

I move to adopt the Chapter 17 ordinance attached to the staff report as Attachment A, as amended by the revised Section 17-811 dated May 31, 2024, with an effective date of July 1, 2024.

Board Motion – OTA2024-00001

Should the Board **choose to approve** this request, state the following:

I move to adopt the Chapter 1 ordinance attached to the staff report as Attachment B, with an effective date of July 1, 2024.