

Financing Stormwater Protection in the Shenandoah Valley

A financing charrette presented by the
Environmental Finance Center, University of Maryland
Shenandoah County Government Center
600 N. Main Street
Woodstock, VA-22664
December 5, 2006
9:30 to 4:30 pm

The goal of this charrette is to provide Shenandoah Valley officials with a strategy for financing Stormwater protection. The day will include issues related to wet weather management as well as drinking water protection.

9:30 – 9:45

Welcome and Introductions/Setting the Stage

Facilitator Dan Nees of the Environmental Finance Center will introduce panelists, provide an overview of the charrette process and briefly explain the goals for the day.

9:45 – 10:15

The Status of Stormwater in Virginia – Paula Estornell and Doug Fritz

An update on government regulation, state programs and permitting requirements from EPA and DCR will be given.

10:15 – 11:15

Stormwater Management: Financial Challenges and Solutions – Dan Nees

Introduction and open discussion of key financing issues and problems associated with Stormwater management. Focus will be on specific community concerns in the Shenandoah Valley.

11:15 – 12:00

County/City Work Teams Convene: Breakout session

County and City teams will convene with assigned panelists to draw up plans for investing in Stormwater protection. Teams will identify the barriers and top priorities for their community.

12:00 – 12:30

Group Reporting and Evaluation

Each team will summarize their responses from the break out session. The facilitator will lead a review and discussion of responses with input from the panelists.

12:30 – 1:15

**Working Lunch – Integrating Drinking Water into Watershed Protection-
Presentation by Beth Hall, EPA**

A catered lunch will be provided.

1:15 – 2:00

Case Studies in Stormwater Management- Panel Discussion with Paul Shirey and Diane Cameron

Learn how other communities in Virginia and nationwide have developed unique Stormwater Management financing strategies. Panelists from Fairfax and Montgomery County, MD will provide recommendations with nationwide examples from other panelists.

2:00 – 3:00

Innovative Techniques in Stormwater Management – *Panel Discussion with Chris Kloss, David Hirschman and Jeff Edelstein*

This session will examine Low Impact Development, drinking water and flood control. Discussion with panelists will include various techniques that can be used to generate revenue and identify technical resources for the community.

3:00 – 3:15

Break

3:15 – 3:45

County/City Work Teams Convene: *Breakout Session*

County and City teams will convene with panelists to identify 3 things that can be done in their communities to improve Stormwater Protection based on the information from the today's discussions. Teams will also identify resources needed to implement change.

3:45 – 4:15

Group Reporting and Evaluation

Each team will summarize their responses from the second break out session. The facilitator will lead a review and discussion of responses with input from the panelists.

4:15 – 4:30

Discussion of Next Steps

Facilitator Dan Nees will sum up the afternoon's accomplishments and describe what type of continued engagement the group can anticipate.