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Weekly Watershed Announcements November 30, 2018

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In The News

Water Monitoring Survey

(Department of Environmental Quality)



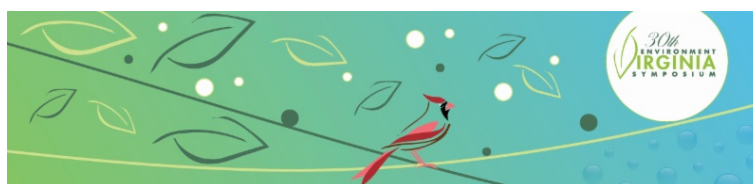
If you monitor water quality in Virginia, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) needs your help. By taking a 5 minute survey, the DEQ will be able to quantify the value of water quality monitoring by citizen volunteers and other organizations. Survey results will be used to help inform about the contributions of non-DEQ monitoring to the public and decision makers across the country.

Hurry, the survey will close on December 1, 2018! The survey is available at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D27785H>. Questions about the survey or about becoming a citizen monitor, please contact james.beckley@deq.virginia.gov.

Upcoming Events

30th Annual Environment Virginia Symposium

(Virginia Military Institute)



30th Annual Environment Virginia Symposium
Tuesday-Thursday, 26-28 March 2019
Learn more, visit the Website:
[Environment Virginia Symposium](#)

2019 Virginia Environmental Education Conference *(Save the Date)*



Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
February 7-9, 2019

Grant Opportunities

eco-Tech Grants

(Captain Planet Foundation)



CAPTAIN PLANET FOUNDATION

Grants up to \$2,500 are offered to engage children in inquiry-based, STEM-related projects that leverage technology and/or use nature-based design to address environmental problems in local communities. To learn more, see <https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/ecotech/>. Funded with ongoing support from Voya Financial Foundation through Captain Planet Foundation.

Five Star & Urban Waters Restoration Grant (National Fish & Wildlife Foundation)



Full Proposal Due Date: Thursday, January 31, 2019

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC), in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and others, are soliciting applications for the 2019 Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration program. The Five Star and Urban Waters program will award approximately \$1.7 million in grants.

This grant program seeks to develop community capacity to sustain local natural resources for future generations by providing modest financial assistance to diverse local partnerships focused on improving water quality, watersheds and the species and habitats they support. Projects may include a variety of ecological improvements along with targeted community outreach, education and stewardship. Ecological improvements may include wetland, riparian, forest and coastal habitat restoration; wildlife conservation, community tree canopy enhancement, water quality monitoring and green infrastructure best management practices for managing run-off. Projects should also increase access to the benefits of nature, reduce the impact of environmental hazards and engage local communities, particularly underserved communities, in project planning, outreach and implementation.

For more information, visit: <https://www.nfwf.org/fivestar/Pages/2019rfp.aspx>

Mini Environmental Education Grant (Chesapeake Bay Trust)



Funds are available to schools, organizations, and agencies to support educating students about their local environment and how they can become stewards and have an impact in their community. The program funds up to \$5,000 for Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience (MWEE) projects. Funds can cover field trips, fieldwork, transportation, substitute fees, supplies for student projects, etc. The next deadline is January 10, 2019. For more information, see <https://cbtrust.org/grants/environmental-education-mini/>.

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