



# Board of Directors Meeting

November 19, 2024

2:15pm

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority

**DATE:** NOVEMBER 19, 2024

**LOCATION:** Rivanna Administration Building (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room),  
695 Moores Creek Lane, Charlottesville, VA 22902

**TIME:** 2:15 p.m.

### AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **AGENDA APPROVAL**
3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING ON OCTOBER 22, 2024**
4. **RECOGNITION**
5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
6. **ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**  
*Matters Not Listed for Public Hearing on the Agenda*
7. **RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS**
8. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - a. *Staff Report on Finance*
  - b. *Staff Report on Operations*
  - c. *Staff Report on CIP Projects*
  - d. *Staff Report on Administration and Communications*
  - e. *Staff Report on Wholesale Metering*
  - f. *Staff Report on Drought Monitoring*
  - g. *Approval of Board Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2025*

- h. Approval of the Holiday Schedule for Calendar Year 2025*
- i. Approval of Term Contract for Professional Commissioning Services for Utility Buildings and Facilities - Facility Dynamics Engineering*
- j. Approval of Term Contracts for Commissioning Services for Industrial Controls Integration, Management and Inspection Services - E-Merge and Short Elliot Hendrickson*

**9. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Presentation: Long-Range Planning for Water & Wastewater Services  
Bill Mawyer, Executive Director*

**10. OTHER ITEMS FROM BOARD/STAFF NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**11. CLOSED MEETING**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

## GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AT RIVANNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

If you wish to address the Rivanna Board of Directors during the time allocated for public comment, please raise your hand or stand when the Chairman asks for public comments.

Members of the public requesting to speak will be recognized during the specific time designated on the meeting agenda for “Items From The Public, Matters Not Listed for Public Hearing on the Agenda.” Each person will be allowed to speak for up to three minutes. When two or more individuals are present from the same group, it is recommended that the group designate a spokesperson to present its comments to the Board and the designated speaker can ask other members of the group to be recognized by raising their hand or standing. Each spokesperson for a group will be allowed to speak for up to five minutes.

During public hearings, the Board will attempt to hear all members of the public who wish to speak on a subject, but it must be recognized that on rare occasion comments may have to be limited because of time constraints. If a previous speaker has articulated your position, it is recommended that you not fully repeat the comments and instead advise the Board of your agreement. The time allocated for speakers at public hearings are the same as for regular Board meetings, although the Board can allow exceptions at its discretion.

Speakers should keep in mind that Board of Directors meetings are formal proceedings and all comments are recorded on tape. For that reason, speakers are requested to speak from the podium and wait to be recognized by the Chairman. In order to give all speakers proper respect and courtesy, the Board requests that speakers follow the following guidelines:

- Wait at your seat until recognized by the Chairman.
- Come forward and state your full name and address and your organizational affiliation if speaking for a group;
- Address your comments to the Board as a whole;
- State your position clearly and succinctly and give facts and data to support your position;
- Summarize your key points and provide the Board with a written statement, or supporting rationale, when possible;
- If you represent a group, you may ask others at the meeting to be recognized by raising their hand or standing;
- Be respectful and civil in all interactions at Board meetings;
- The Board may ask speakers questions or seek clarification, but recognize that Board meetings are not a forum for public debate; Board Members will not recognize comments made from the audience and ask that members of the audience not interrupt the comments of speakers and remain silent while others are speaking so that other members in the audience can hear the speaker;
- The Board will have the opportunity to address public comments after the public comment session has been closed;
- At the request of the Chairman, the Executive Director may address public comments after the session has been closed as well; and
- As appropriate, staff will research questions by the public and respond through a report back to the Board at the next regular meeting of the full Board. It is suggested that citizens who have questions for the Board or staff submit those questions in advance of the meeting to permit the opportunity for some research before the meeting.

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3 **RWSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
4 **Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
5 **October 22, 2024**

6 A regular meeting of the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority (RWSA) Board of Directors was  
7 held on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 2:15 p.m. at Rivanna Administration Building, (2nd Floor  
8 Conference Room), 695 Moores Creek Lane, Charlottesville, VA 22902.

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10 **Board Members Present:** Mike Gaffney, Jeff Richardson, Sam Sanders, Ann Mallek, Brian  
11 Pinkston, Quin Lunsford, Lauren Hildebrand

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13 **Board Members Absent:** none

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15 **Rivanna Staff Present:** Bill Mawyer, Lonnie Wood, David Tungate, Jennifer Whitaker, Betsy  
16 Nemeth, Scott Schiller, Austin Marrs, Victoria Fort, Stephanie Deal, Rob Haacke, Annie West,  
17 Tom Corrice, Deborah Anama, Jacob Woodson

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19 **Attorney(s) Present:** Valerie Long

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21 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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23 Mr. Gaffney convened the October 22, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the  
24 Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority at 2:15 p.m.

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26 **2. AGENDA APPROVAL**

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28 There were no comments on or questions for the agenda.

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30 **Ms. Mallek moved that the Board approve the agenda. Mr. Sanders seconded the motion,**  
31 **which carried unanimously (7-0).**

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33 **3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2024**

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35 There were no comments on or questions regarding the minutes for the meeting held on  
36 September 24, 2024.

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38 **Mr. Pinkston moved that the Board to approve the minutes from the meeting held on**  
39 **September 24, 2024. Ms. Hildebrand seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-**  
40 **0).**

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42 **4. RECOGNITION**

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44 *Resolution of Appreciation for Robert Haacke, Wastewater Department Manager*

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46 Mr. Gaffney presented and read:

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**Resolution of Appreciation for Robert Haacke**

50 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Haacke has served in the Wastewater Department in various positions  
51 including Wastewater Operator, Assistant Wastewater Manager, and Wastewater Manager, for  
52 the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority for 35 years; and

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54 **WHEREAS**, over the same period of 35 years, Mr. Haacke has demonstrated leadership in  
55 his field and has been a valuable resource to the Authority and its employees; and

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57 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Haacke's understanding of the Authority's operation and dedication and  
58 loyalty to the Authority has positively impacted the Authority, its customers, and its employees;  
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61 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Haacke's understanding of the wastewater operations of the Water &  
62 Sewer Authority has supported a strategic decision-making process that provided benefits to the  
63 customers served by the City of Charlottesville and the Albemarle County Service Authority as  
64 well as the community as a whole. Through the leadership and skillful support of Mr. Haacke,  
65 major treatment process improvements were implemented during his tenure including:

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  - 68 ○ A high strength waste sampling program to protect the treatment stream
  - 69 ○ Aeration basin ammonia control to optimize the air blowers creating an estimated
  - 70 ○ Optimization of the sodium hydroxide feed program for long-term savings

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72 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority  
73 Board of Directors recognizes, thanks, and commends Mr. Haacke for his distinguished service,  
74 efforts, and achievements as a member of the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority, and presents  
75 this Resolution as a token of esteem, with its best wishes in his retirement.

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77 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution be entered upon the permanent  
78 Minutes of the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority.

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80 **Ms. Mallek moved that the Board to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Robert**  
81 **Haacke, Wastewater Department Manager. Mr. Sanders seconded the motion, which**  
82 **carried unanimously (7-0).**

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84 Mr. Haacke thanked Rivanna for all the good years, during which he raised his two healthy,  
85 successful daughters.

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87 Mr. Mawyer stated that no matter what time they got here in the morning, Mr. Haacke was here  
88 with his coffee cup. He stated that allegedly, he got here around 4:30 a.m., so it would be a new  
89 phenomenon to not have Mr. Haacke at the plant. He asked Mr. Haacke what he would be doing  
90 at 4:30 a.m. in the future.

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92 Mr. Haacke stated that he would still be sleeping.

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Mr. Mawyer thanked Mr. Haacke and his wife and daughter for attending as well.

## **5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Bill Mawyer, Executive Director, stated that as one career ends, another continues. He stated that Mr. Haacke was their Wastewater Manager, and Brian Haney had been promoted to take Mr. Haacke's place, which left the opening of Assistant Wastewater Manager. He stated that Mr. Tom Corrice had been promoted to Assistant Wastewater Manager. He stated that Mr. Corrice had been with their organization for over seven years, working his way up through the system, and held both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in education. He stated that they were pleased to see Mr. Corrice's career advancement to Assistant Wastewater Manager.

Mr. Corrice stated that he was honored and excited to start in his new position.

Mr. Mawyer stated that he would like to introduce a new team member, Annie West. He stated that Ms. West was the new Sustainability and Grants Coordinator. He stated that they had hired her directly from college. Ms. West stated that she graduated in May from the University of the South at Sewanee and majored in Environmental Humanities and Anthropology. He stated that she was from Norfolk, Virginia. She stated that she had lived in Crozet for three years during middle school.

Mr. Mawyer stated that he had to look up what anthropology was and was impressed to learn that anthropology majors develop expertise in historical and contemporary cultural and linguistic diversity, as well as skills in reading, research, and writing that prepare them for many professional careers. He stated that he appreciated the skills and expertise that Ms. West would bring to her position as Sustainability and Grants Coordinator, particularly in finding funding to support our projects. He stated that he was grateful to have Ms. West on board and welcomed her to their team.

Mr. Mawyer stated that they took pride in growing their own water and wastewater operators, and he had heard colleagues express difficulties in hiring qualified individuals. He stated that their philosophy was to hire engaged people and train them so they could get their licenses. He stated that they had three individuals who had recently obtained their licenses.

Mr. Mawyer stated that Dennis Barbieri recently passed his Class 1 Wastewater Operator license after four years with their organization. He stated that Dylan Schweickert passed his Water Operator Class 2 license after one year. He stated that Johanna Vaughn also passed her Water Operator Class 2 after one year. He stated that all three individuals had college degrees, which had expedited their licensing process and added valuable skills to their repertoire. He stated that they were thrilled to increase the credentials of their staff.

Mr. Mawyer stated that as part of their strategic plan priority of Communication and Collaboration, they typically invited elected officials to visit during Congress's summer recess. He stated that last year, Senator Deeds and Delegate Amy Laufer visited, and this year, Delegate Katrina Callsen took them up on the offer. He stated that they provided her with a windshield

139 tour and a virtual presentation about their organization. He stated that Mr. Gaffney also joined  
140 the group to meet with Ms. Callsen. He stated that as they applied for grants, she encouraged  
141 them to let her know if she could help. He stated that it was good networking opportunity.  
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143 Mr. Mawyer stated that at the national level, there was a House Bill H.B. 7944 Water Systems  
144 Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Liability Protection Act. He stated that they had  
145 sent a letter to House Speaker Johnson and Congressman Good requesting their support for this  
146 bill. He stated that the situation was that Congress had declared PFAS a hazardous substance  
147 under the CERCLA federal laws, which prohibited the discharge of hazardous substances on  
148 land or water. He stated that unfortunately, they had PFAS in their wastewater they were not  
149 removing. He stated that this law would shield utilities like RWSA from litigation for  
150 discharging hazardous materials, so they were hopeful the legislation would move forward.  
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152 Mr. Mawyer stated that he had previously discussed an amendment to the local and regional  
153 water supply planning regulations with the Board last month. He stated that they received  
154 comments from Mr. Lunsford and Ms. Hildebrand about that amendment, which they forwarded  
155 to DEQ. He stated that DEQ acknowledged the comments, but they had not heard further  
156 updates. He stated that the next step was to coordinate with all the members of the planning  
157 group and designate representatives for the regional planning area, including the County, ACSA,  
158 City, RWSA, and presumably Scottsville.  
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160 Mr. Mawyer stated that DEQ would invite them to the first regional planning meeting to be held  
161 before April. He stated that this process was moving forward, with the goal of strategically  
162 planning regional and local water supply and how they could work together to achieve those  
163 goals. He stated that one of their comments was that they were glad to help their neighbors, but  
164 they hoped that the DEQ did not make the projects mandatory or require cross-jurisdictional  
165 projects. He stated that this was included in the comments.  
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167 Mr. Pinkston asked if that comment was formally stated to DEQ.  
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169 Mr. Mawyer confirmed that it was included in the comments. He stated that they hoped the  
170 concepts would not be made mandatory by DEQ.  
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172 Ms. Mallek stated that it was distressing to read in the town hall literature that their analysis was  
173 that there would be no impact on local governments or regional authorities, such as this one, and  
174 they were giving them \$20,000 to conduct this regional planning.  
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176 Mr. Mawyer stated that there was still significant coordination required in this process, and the  
177 ultimate plan over the next five years aimed to develop a regional plan ensuring clean drinking  
178 water for citizens in Albemarle, Greene, Louisa, Buckingham, and Fluvanna Counties, along  
179 with the City of Charlottesville.  
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181 He stated that on another note, they had conducted a regional dam safety tabletop exercise,  
182 which was led by Senior Engineer, Victoria Fort. Ms. Fort effectively brought together  
183 representatives from their region, including state police, VDOT, the National Weather Service,  
184 and local government agencies. Mr. Mawyer stated that she conducted exercises on potential



185 scenarios, such as issues with the Beaver Creek Dam or Sugar Hollow Dam, and how they would  
186 communicate and prepare for emergencies. He stated that Rivanna has Emergency Action Plans  
187 for every dam, which include procedures and processes that should be followed in case of an  
188 emergency, with the worst-case requiring evacuation of people from the danger zones.

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190 Mr. Mawyer stated that RWSA co-sponsored the Imagine a Day Without Water program with  
191 the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County Service Authority, a youth art contest with  
192 applications due by October 28, featuring the theme "What's Your Drop in the Bucket?" He  
193 stated that they were also supporting Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and their team wore pink  
194 t-shirts and took a photo outside to express their support for fellow team members and the  
195 community.

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197 Mr. Mawyer stated that the recent storm Helene had impacted the pipeline transferring water to  
198 Ragged Mountain from Sugar Hollow, and they were currently restoring the 100-year-old pipe.  
199 He stated that fortunately, they did not require water at Ragged Mountain at present, and they  
200 expected to have the pipe restored in a month or two, allowing them to resume transfers if  
201 needed.

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203 Mr. Mawyer stated that thankfully, drought appeared to be behind them, and they had lifted the  
204 Drought Watch on October 2 after consulting with the Regional Drought Committee and  
205 Chairman Gaffney. He stated that they had notified the City and County of their decision to lift  
206 the Drought Watch, and their area had received 9 inches of rainfall in September, which had  
207 alleviated dry conditions. He stated that however, some concern remained in the state drought  
208 map, primarily due to reservoir levels, which was not a concern for Rivanna.

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210 Mr. Mawyer stated that their daily reports showed Ragged Mountain's water level was slightly  
211 lower than usual, but this was intentional as their team had conducted an inspection of the pipe  
212 used to release water from the reservoir. He stated that Ms. Fort and their engineers had  
213 inspected the pipe, so they had deliberately lowered the reservoir level to prevent water from  
214 entering the tunnel during the inspection. He stated that once the pipe was restored, they would  
215 replenish the reservoir and reach 100% capacity.

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217 Mr. Mawyer stated that in November 2023, he had reported to the Board that there was a  
218 chemical release at the South Rivanna Water Treatment Plant, where liquid lime was  
219 inadvertently released from the lime storage building into the storm pipe and entered the South  
220 Rivanna River. He stated that they reported this incident to DEQ, who had investigated and  
221 issued a civil charge, a fish investigation fee, and a fish replacement fee totaling approximately  
222 \$16,000. He stated that they had accepted the Consent Order and paid the fees.

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224 Mr. Mawyer stated that in a similar incident, but with a different outcome, they had also reported  
225 a submergence of the Rivanna Pump Station in January to DEQ. He stated that to dewater the  
226 facility, they had had to pump wastewater into Moores Creek, and they had notified DEQ of this  
227 action. He stated that David Tungate, Director of Operations and his staff had effectively  
228 communicated with DEQ throughout the pumping process, both before and after, and had  
229 conducted a visual inspection of Moores Creek, making multiple reports to DEQ. He stated that  
230 additionally, their attorney from Williams Mullen, "Speaker" Pollard, had reviewed their permit

231 and coordinated with DEQ. He stated that on October 10, DEQ notified them that there was no  
232 violation of their permit, resulting in no fine. He stated that this was welcome news.

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234 Mr. Mawyer stated that it had been reported in the news that a court in California had ordered the  
235 EPA to reevaluate the risk of adding fluoride to drinking water, citing concerns about its impact  
236 on unborn children and children's IQ. He stated that they followed the recommendations of the  
237 EPA and the Virginia Department of Health. He stated that they had previously lowered their  
238 fluoride level from 1.2 milligrams per liter to 0.7 milligrams per liter, which they currently  
239 complied with in our treatment process.

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241 Mr. Mawyer stated that they were waiting for any guidance from the EPA and VDH before  
242 making any adjustments to their fluoride level. He stated that fluoride helped prevent tooth  
243 decay. He stated that it was noted in his report that the American Dental Association 2018  
244 webpage stated that fluoride was one of the most effective public health measures to prevent  
245 tooth decay and was one of the 10 great public health achievements of the 20th century. He  
246 stated that they were waiting for guidance from their regulators before making any adjustments  
247 to fluoride. Mr. Mawyer stated that he understood Mr. Lunsford had received an inquiry from a  
248 resident about whether their community was considering changing the fluoride application. He  
249 stated that at this time, they remained at 0.7 milligrams per liter and were waiting for further  
250 guidance from VDH.

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252 He stated that this concluded his report. He stated that on a sad note, Fred Landis, the former  
253 attorney for both authorities, had passed away the previous month. He stated that they were sorry  
254 to hear about his passing.

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256 Mr. Lunsford asked if Mr. Mawyer could provide the letter they sent regarding House Bill 7944.

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258 Mr. Mawyer stated yes, he would send that to the Board members.

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260 Mr. Richardson stated that Ms. Mallek, in her role on the Board of Supervisors, had heard this  
261 report several weeks ago, but their Emergency Management team formally presented a report to  
262 the Supervisors on the activities in the County during Hurricane Helene. He stated that those  
263 staff specifically mentioned and commended Mr. Mawyer and his team for the outstanding work  
264 and coordination they provided during the storm event.

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266 Mr. Richardson stated that they shared significant stream and water level data with the EMS  
267 teams in real-time, which greatly informed their response efforts. He stated that they were able to  
268 deploy swift water rescue teams across the County, with three successful rescues and no  
269 fatalities. He stated that Mr. Mawyer and his team played a crucial part in this success. He stated  
270 that he would like to extend his gratitude to them, as requested by the team, and express their  
271 appreciation for the coordination.

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273 Mr. Mawyer thanked Mr. Richardson. He stated that Ms. Whitaker, Ms. Fort, and Mr. Tungate  
274 were integral in those operations.

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276 Ms. Mallek stated that she would like to add that there was discussion at the Board of

277 Supervisors level and with senior staff regarding the benefits of having more distributed  
278 measuring in place. She stated that given the significant topographical differences, it was  
279 challenging to accurately predict where high water would be located. She stated that this was an  
280 issue that they should all consider as they moved forward to better plan for future storm events.

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282 She stated that she would like to pose a question that she would leave open for now, if necessary,  
283 for a future discussion. She asked if the Sugar Hollow Pipeline had been inspected recently, as  
284 she had not received any updates since 2008, and there was a lot of wet terrain in pastures in  
285 White Hall, which had become more prevalent in recent years.

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287 Ms. Whitaker stated that she could not provide the exact date, but she would locate it and send it.  
288 She stated that typically, they tried to walk the entire alignment at least once a year to inspect for  
289 broken equipment, as some were located in farm fields where tractors may occasionally hit  
290 various objects.

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292 Ms. Mallek stated that subsidence had been a common issue in her fields, which was unrelated to  
293 pipeline problems. She stated that the situation was that a pipe that was originally four feet below  
294 ground level may now be six inches below due to the surrounding area sinking. She stated that  
295 she believed that changes were occurring at a more dramatic pace than they used to be.

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297 Mr. Mawyer stated that this emphasized that the new pipe to be constructed from Rivanna to  
298 Ragged reservoirs would replace the pipe that was 100 years old. He stated that this was part of  
299 the water supply strategy envisioned, and he was pleased that they would be able to implement  
300 the plan.

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## 302 **6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC**

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304 There were none.

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## 306 **7. RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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308 There were no comments from the public, therefore, there were no responses.

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## 310 **8. CONSENT AGENDA**

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312 *a. Staff Report on Finance*

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314 *b. Staff Report on Operations*

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316 *c. Staff Report on CIP Projects*

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318 *d. Staff Report on Administration and Communications*

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320 *e. Staff Report on Wholesale metering*

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322 *f. Staff Report on Drought Monitoring*

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324 Mr. Lunsford stated that he had a question regarding project 14 in the Capital Improvement Plan  
325 project report. He asked if the water quality study report that was mentioned previously available  
326 yet.

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328 Mr. Mawyer stated that it was not yet available, but was expected by the end of October. He  
329 stated that they would send it as soon as it was available.

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331 **Ms. Mallek moved that the Board approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Hildebrand seconded**  
332 **the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).**

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334 **9. OTHER BUSINESS**

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336 *a. Presentation: Financial Update and Year-end Results*  
337 *Lonnie Wood, Director of Finance and Information Technology*  
338 *Stephanie Deal, Finance Manager*

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340 Stephanie Deal, Finance Manager, stated that she and Mr. Wood were presenting a financial  
341 update on fiscal year-end 2024 results for the year. She stated she would begin by reviewing the  
342 overall presentation, which would include a brief refresher on their specific financial policies,  
343 followed by a more in-depth discussion by Mr. Wood. She stated they would cover the policies  
344 that applied today, and they would not be discussing all of the policies. She stated Mr. Wood  
345 would review the year-end results, the operating working capital target, the disposition of rate  
346 center results, and would make a request for Board action to approve the fund transfers.

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348 Ms. Deal stated they would first see the Financial Policies Index, which outlined the components  
349 that made up their policies. She stated these policies guided their decisions and prepared them for  
350 long-term sustainability. She stated over time, these policies had originated from various sources,  
351 including the original four-party agreement, cost allocations with Albemarle County Service  
352 Authority and the City, and bond issue requirements, which were overseen by their bond  
353 trustees.

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355 Ms. Deal stated that today, she would touch briefly on the policy objectives and the reserve and  
356 fund policies, specifically the operating portion of Tier 2 and the discretionary portion of Tier 3.  
357 She stated the financial policy objectives were designed to prepare them for and insulate them  
358 from fiscal crisis, enhance their financing opportunities by supporting the highest credit ratings  
359 possible, promote long-term financial stability by focusing on the total financial picture of the  
360 Authority, and link their long-term financial planning with day-to-day operations.

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362 Ms. Deal stated the reserve and fund policies were made up of three tiers, defined mostly by  
363 bond requirements or the purpose of use. She stated Tier 1 was a debt service reserve, strictly  
364 reviewed, enforced, and held by the bond trustee. She explained that Rivanna made monthly  
365 payments to the trustee for this fund, but they did not control the ins and outs after that point.

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367 Ms. Deal stated the operating portion of Tier 2 was the Authority's operating fund, which served

368 as the daily cash account and was not accounted for by the rate center. She stated all cash  
369 received and paid out by the Authority was processed through this account. She stated the  
370 reserve balances by rate center were calculated manually following each fiscal year audit, which  
371 they would be reviewing today.

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373 Ms. Deal stated the operating account was recommended to have a minimum balance of 20% of  
374 the annual budget by the bond indenture, but they were not required to maintain it at that level.  
375 She stated that rather, the Authority had agreed to target the operating account to have 60 days'  
376 worth of the total annual budget available for daily and monthly cash flow needs. She stated the  
377 Tier 3 reserves were internally restricted at the Authority's discretion. She stated they were  
378 focusing on the discretionary reserves. She stated the rate center separation was crucial for these  
379 reserve accounts to avoid the combination of funds, ensuring true data by rate center.

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381 Ms. Deal stated for the discretionary portion, they maintained a central depository for each rate  
382 center to track inflows and outflows. She stated inflows included planned depreciation from  
383 operating budgets, yearly surpluses, and planned excess rate revenues from the CIP growth rate.  
384 She stated outflows were the yearly deficits being funded from these reserves to replenish the  
385 operating account balance using the disposition of year-end results process. She stated the use of  
386 these reserves required Board action and approval, which is what they would be asking for today.

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388 Lonnie Wood, Director of Finance and Information Technology, stated that they have brought  
389 this agenda item with the Board for the past 15 to 20 years. He stated that as Ms. Deal had  
390 mentioned, it was part of their internally developed financial policies, which they had created  
391 and adopted in 2011. He stated that this particular item focused on reviewing their operating cash  
392 or working capital target amounts and how they related to their year-end results. He stated that  
393 their year-end result was approximately \$700,000 in surplus, which was a significant  
394 improvement over last year's fiscal 2023 year-end results, which showed a \$1.4 million deficit.

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396 Mr. Wood stated that the key factor in achieving this improvement was the actual revenue  
397 exceeding their budget estimates by \$1.1 million, which helped cover their expenses, which  
398 came in about \$644,000 above their budget estimate. He stated that the two line items that  
399 contributed to the deficit, utilities and chemicals, were the main culprits they had discussed in  
400 their Fiscal Year 2025 budget work session. He stated that they believed that these issues would  
401 be resolved in 2025. He stated that in 2024, the main reason for the budget exceeding their target  
402 was these two line items were not keeping up with significant inflation the past several years. He  
403 stated that all other line items came in under budget, which helped mitigate the issue.

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405 Mr. Wood stated that after reviewing their year-end results, they examined their year-end target  
406 cash balances and compared them to their year-end balance. He stated that in this case, they  
407 ended the year with 7.89 in their operating account, which was slightly above their target of 7.84  
408 for 2024. He stated that although it may seem like they should have achieved a \$700,000 surplus,  
409 one factor to consider was that they had restricted cash reserves held by the trustee at the Bank of  
410 New York, which is not included in the operating cash account.

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412 Mr. Wood stated that the interest earnings from these reserves were reported on their income  
413 statement, but the cash itself remained with the trustee and was not included in the operating

414 account. He stated that this was why there was a slight discrepancy. He stated that essentially,  
415 they had effectively hit their target.

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417 Mr. Wood stated that they then compared their 2024 target to their 2025 target, which was  
418 calculated by dividing the total budget by 365 and then multiplying by 60 to get a 60-day target.  
419 He stated that the target increase for the new fiscal year was \$1.2 million, which was the  
420 difference between their 2025 target and where they had ended up in 2024. He stated that  
421 therefore, they were confident that the funds needed to transfer from their discretionary reserve  
422 to their operating account to make it whole again were a result of the new policy target for FY  
423 2025

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425 Mr. Wood stated that the transfer process was summarized in the report, based on the year-end  
426 results. He stated that they calculated each rate center's share of the transfer amount and showed  
427 it on the last slide. He stated that these were the year-end balances of the discretionary reserves,  
428 adjusted to prepare for the new fiscal year.

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430 Mr. Wood stated that one notable aspect was the large negative balance in the capital account,  
431 which was for specific capital projects. He stated that this balance had been intentionally created  
432 as part of a bond issue process. He stated that in June, they had been working on a bond issue,  
433 and the Board had passed a resolution to approve it, including a reimbursement resolution. He  
434 stated that this resolution allowed them to spend down their capital account, issue bonds, and  
435 then replenish the capital account.

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437 Mr. Wood stated that in August, they had closed on the bond and immediately pulled \$9 million  
438 to \$10 million out, bringing the capital account back to a positive or break-even status. He stated  
439 that they did this because of IRS regulations for bond issues, which required a two-year spend-  
440 down period. He stated that within this two-year window, they had targets to meet, with the first  
441 target being to draw 10% of the bond proceeds within six months.

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443 Mr. Wood stated that they had already met this target. He stated that the purpose of building up a  
444 healthy reimbursement was to get a head start on the spend-down requirement. He stated that in  
445 essence, they followed this process every few years.

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447 He stated that for the last couple of years, they had been tracking this as shown in the chart  
448 included with the memo. He stated that some rate centers had a surplus, while others had a  
449 deficit. Mr. Wood stated that their goal was to prevent co-mingling of funds between rate  
450 centers, as four of these rate centers were fully funded solely by the Service Authority, and these  
451 two were split between the Service Authority and City. He stated that they kept the rate centers  
452 separate to avoid mixing all of those funds. He stated that they were now requesting the Board to  
453 transfer funds from the discretionary reserves to the operating account in the amounts shown to  
454 bring their operating account up to their target balance.

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456 Mr. Richardson asked to see the slide referring to the 20% for best practices and the 60-day on-  
457 hand requirement. He asked if he understood correctly that they currently had 60 days on hand.

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459 Mr. Wood stated that was right.

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Mr. Richardson asked if it was recommended they be at 20% but not mandatory.

Mr. Wood stated that it was in the bond trustee documents; the difference was 13 days. He stated that it was 73 days versus 60 days. He stated that 60 days seemed like a good cutoff point. He stated that they had two customers that paid their bills on time (City and ACSA), so they did not have a problem with delinquent accounts. He stated that in July, they billed their two customers by August 5. He stated that by the end of the month, they were paid by their two customers, so they had to float those 60 days. He stated that they had two debt service payments in July and August, four or five payrolls, and uses that working capital to float these payments that until the first bill was paid in the fiscal year.

Mr. Richardson asked if Mr. Wood had ever felt uncomfortable or if things had thinned too much to where he would have preferred to have 20%.

Mr. Wood stated that historically, yes, but not currently.

Mr. Mawyer asked if they had to get a loan at one time.

Mr. Wood stated that they had to get a loan from the Solid Waste Authority to cover payroll expenses many years ago.

Mr. Mawyer stated that it was the Board's support for building the rates that allowed them to establish those cash balances.

Mr. Gaffney stated that yes, the significant difference was that the Board had changed the policy regarding Rivanna's need for money to build these reserves.

Mr. Wood stated that they continued to gather information and build upon suggested policies until the Board was comfortable adopting some of these policies in 2011. He stated that they had to address the drought, which necessitated a significant mid-year rate increase. He stated that this was particularly challenging, as a rate increase was not ideal when advising people to reduce their water consumption.

Mr. Gaffney stated that one of the Board members made a notable suggestion in the spring after the drought, stating that since they were no longer in a drought, they should reconsider lowering the water rates. He stated that the Board ultimately decided against lowering the rates, citing the need for the Authority to fund its operations, and therefore did not make any changes to the rates.

Mr. Wood stated that this led to the development of the reserve policies and explained why they were necessary, as well as how they would be beneficial during emergencies.

**Mr. Richardson moved that the Board transfer the funds as recommended by staff. Mr. Sanders seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).**

505           *b. Presentation and Vote to Consider Approval: Construction Contract Award and CIP*  
506           *Amendment: Ragged Mtn to Observatory WTP Raw Water Pipeline and Pump Station*  
507           *Jennifer Whitaker, Director of Engineering & Maintenance*

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509 Jennifer Whitaker, Director of Engineering & Maintenance, stated that she was here today to  
510 present information on the Ragged Mountain Reservoir to Observatory Water Transmission  
511 Pipeline and Pump Station Project. She stated that she would like to start by acknowledging the  
512 significance of this critical project, which had been in the works for approximately 20 years. She  
513 stated that it was first included in their Capital Improvement Plan in 2006, making it a vital  
514 project for their Authority. She stated that to provide some background, she would like to briefly  
515 review the history of this project.

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517 Ms. Whitaker stated that the Observatory Water Treatment Plant was currently served by two  
518 water mains: the Ragged Mountain Water Line, a pipe that from Ragged Mountain Dam to the  
519 east, across Rt. 29 passing through Fontaine Research Park, along the railroad, and then on to the  
520 Stadium Road Pump Station. She stated that this pipe was built in the 1940s as part of a  
521 substantial infrastructure upgrade at the University and within the City. She stated that the  
522 second pipe, the Lower Sugar Hollow Water Line, was constructed in the 1920s and originally  
523 extended from Sugar Hollow Reservoir.

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525 Ms. Whitaker stated that when they upgraded the Ragged Mountain Dam, they split the pipe into  
526 two segments, resulting in an upper and lower Sugar Hollow pipeline. She stated that this pipe  
527 followed parallel to Reservoir Road, crossed Route 29, goes uphill to the Royal Pump Station, up  
528 Hereford Drive to the back of the Observatory water treatment plant. She stated that both of the  
529 mains were 18-inch pipes. She stated that this project aimed to replace both pipes and pump  
530 stations with a single, modern main and pump station. She stated that the proposed design  
531 featured a 4-mile stretch of 36-inch pipe, with a new pump station located at Foxhaven Farm.

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533 Ms. Whitaker stated that this project would ultimately enable RWSA to transfer 10 million  
534 gallons of water per day from Ragged Mountain to the Observatory Treatment Plant, allowing  
535 them to utilize the full capacity of the plant, that had recently been constructed. She stated that in  
536 the future, they would also be able to pump 16 million gallons per day simultaneously back to  
537 South Rivanna WTP, which she would discuss in more detail later. She stated that eventually, the  
538 pump station would have a total capacity of 26 million gallons per day. She stated that they  
539 anticipated beginning construction in January, and she would elaborate on the budget in a  
540 minute.

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542 Ms. Whitaker stated that this project, the Ragged Mountain to Observatory project, is a key  
543 component of the greater Community Water Supply Plan. She stated that following the 2002  
544 drought, RWSA developed this concept and began working on it from a planning, design, and  
545 legal standpoint. She stated that between 2012 and 2014, they rebuilt Ragged Mountain Dam and  
546 Reservoir, increasing its capacity. She stated that they were now planning to raise the pool within  
547 an additional 12-feet, as well as construct the pipeline from Ragged Mountain to Observatory,  
548 and the small connector piece that heads north.

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550 Ms. Whitaker stated that the pump station at Foxhaven Farm would be a critical component of  
551 this project. She stated that in the near future, they expect to begin bidding the remaining portion  
552 of the Community Water Supply project, which includes the pipe from South Fork Reservoir, as  
553 well as an intake and a pump station. She stated that the provided schematic of the Ragged  
554 Mountain Raw Water Pump Station site showed that it was about 1.5 acres located off Reservoir  
555 Road.

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557 Ms. Whitaker stated that it was purchased from the University of Virginia Foundation at  
558 Foxhaven Farm. She stated that the proposed building depicted on the right of the slide would be  
559 about 4800 square feet, climate-controlled and brick-veneered. She stated that there was a small  
560 retaining structure around the outside, and it would have solar panels on the roof.

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562 Ms. Whitaker stated that they believed there was some value in being able to run this facility  
563 with solar power for a portion of the time. She stated that the facility features seven interior  
564 pumps, eight valve vaults in the yard, and a network of pipes that will allow them to interconnect  
565 each reservoir and treatment plant. She stated that they will also have a generator and sump  
566 system to ensure continuous operation and prevent water submergence. She stated that during  
567 construction, they will need to relocate the existing 18-inch water line through the site.

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569 Ms. Whitaker stated that to provide a clearer schematic, she had included a brief overview of the  
570 Reservoir Road facility. She stated that on the right side, there will be a driveway entrance with  
571 architectural-grade fencing surrounding the facility. She stated that extensive landscaping is  
572 planned, although it is not visible in this image. She stated that their agreement with the UVA  
573 Foundation includes both architectural and landscaping design control, which had been reviewed  
574 extensively by the Foundation and Albemarle County.

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576 Ms. Whitaker stated that the provided mock-up of the facility's interior featured two rooms,  
577 including an electrical room on the back side beyond a wall. She stated that the configuration of  
578 the seven interior pumps was also shown. She stated that the design included a roll-up door,  
579 simple door, and LED lighting with a drop ceiling to minimize the conditioned envelope. She  
580 stated that solar panels would be installed on the roof to reduce electrical consumption. She  
581 stated that the intent was to minimize electrical consumption while meeting their objectives. She  
582 stated that the facility also featured a roll-up door and bridge crane to allow them to move pieces  
583 in and out of the facility.

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585 Ms. Whitaker stated that the piping contract had been divided into three segments, with 21,000  
586 linear feet of 36-inch pipe to be installed. She stated that the segments are designated as Line A,  
587 Line B, and Line C, with Line A covering the far western portion, Line B connecting to the  
588 University, and Line C connecting to the golf course. She stated that the main in the golf course  
589 had previously been completed, and they aimed to make this connection while having a  
590 contractor on site.

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592 She stated that they had issued an invitation for bids in late August and opened them on October  
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595 Ms. Whitaker stated that they received two bids. She stated that the bids were close to each other.

596 She stated that one was from Thalle Construction for \$56.5 million, and they were based in  
597 North Carolina, having previously constructed the Ragged Mountain Dam, which meant they  
598 were familiar with the area. She stated that English Construction submitted a bid for just over  
599 \$59 million. She stated that their engineer's estimate on the day of bidding was slightly under  
600 \$49 million.

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602 Ms. Whitaker stated that piping prices had been extremely volatile over the past couple of years.  
603 She stated that the engineer's estimate, six months, three months, nine months, and 12 months  
604 prior to this, were lower. She stated that they had been receiving bid tabulations from other  
605 municipalities to better understand the construction market. She stated that RWSA staff had also  
606 been researching pipe prices and attempting to create their own estimate. She stated that given  
607 that the cost estimates came in significantly over budget, staff spent time negotiating with Thalle  
608 Construction to see how much they could bring the price down.

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610 Ms. Whitaker stated that they were able to identify approximately \$2.6 million worth of cost  
611 savings in the project. She stated that as a result, they were able to bring the price down to just  
612 shy of \$54 million, covering the pipe and pump station. She stated that the per square foot cost  
613 for building construction, particularly for this type of building, was still very high. She noted that  
614 there was also concern from contractors about rock removal along this alignment. She stated that  
615 the difficulty in finding workers and contractors for the building trades was driving up pricing.

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617 Ms. Whitaker stated that in the CIP, the pipeline project had \$33.5 million allocated, and the  
618 pump station had \$12.35 million allocated, leaving them with a total of approximately \$46  
619 million. She stated that to move forward with this project, they needed a \$61.5 million Capital  
620 Improvement Program budget, which represented an increase of \$15.6 million, a 34% increase in  
621 capital budget.

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623 Mr. Pinkston asked if the difference between \$61 and \$54 M were the soft costs.

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625 Mr. Mawyer stated yes, the consultant fees, easement fees, permits, and contingency for  
626 construction were all costs included in the total project budget of \$61.5 M.

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628 Mr. Pinkston asked if any of those costs went up, or if it was just construction.

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630 Ms. Whitaker stated that the increase was primarily for construction. Engineering costs did not  
631 increase because those were fixed early in the design.

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633 Mr. Pinkston asked what kinds of reductions they had to take.

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635 Ms. Whitaker stated that the biggest reduction they included was a change in pipe wall thickness.  
636 She stated that historically, pipe manufacturers had a thickness class, which was an American  
637 National Standards Institute (ANSI)-specified standard. She stated that this was a standard that  
638 had been used for a very long time. She stated that the industry and many utilities have been  
639 migrating to a pressure class standard. She stated that they chose to accept the pressure class pipe  
640 rather than the wall thickness-based classification. She stated that it was a relatively small  
641 difference in wall thickness, but it was about \$1.5 million in differential cost for the 4 miles of

642 pipe.

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644 Mr. Gaffney asked if there was any difference in warranty, guarantee, or lifespan of the pipe.

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646 Ms. Whitaker stated no.

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648 Mr. Lunsford asked if they had completed a geotechnical survey or consider classifying some of  
649 the type of rock in the original bid.

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651 Ms. Whitaker stated that it was all classified.

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653 Mr. Pinkston asked what classified meant.

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655 Ms. Whitaker stated that they had estimated the quantity of rock within the contract and asked  
656 the contractor to provide a unit price based on that removal of that quantity. She stated that this  
657 method helped to transfer some of the risk from the contractor and reduce costs. She stated that  
658 historically, many utilities would bid unclassified rock, meaning that contractors took all of the  
659 responsibility for determining the quantity of rock and removing it from the ground. She stated  
660 that however, in the past, they had instances where the contractor was not prepared for the actual  
661 quantity of rock, such as during the Schenks Branch Interceptor work. She stated that in that  
662 case, they had only a few borings, and they had listed the area as unclassified, only to find that it  
663 was solid granite. She stated that the contractor was not well-prepared for this situation, and it  
664 was a challenge.

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666 Mr. Mawyer stated that the unit price for removal of rock and the estimated rock quantity were  
667 included in the total base bid, making it a competitive price. He stated that the utility took on the  
668 risk of the actual quantity of rock required, as it could vary. He stated that they had specified  
669 11,000 cubic yards of rock, and the contractor would be paid their unit bid price for that amount  
670 if required to be removed. He stated that if the actual quantity removed exceeded 11,000 cubic  
671 yards, they had to make an adjustment and pay additionally; if the actual quantity fell below that  
672 amount, they received a credit, thereby sharing the risk.

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674 Ms. Mallek stated that otherwise, the contractor would raise the contingency, in which case they  
675 would pay for it anyway.

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677 Ms. Whitaker stated that this classification method involved more accounting in the field, but it  
678 generally helped keep everyone on the same page regarding the current quantity and cost of rock.

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680 Mr. Pinkston stated that he would like more information on the difference between the original  
681 estimate and the actual bids for the pump station.

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683 Ms. Whitaker stated that their original CIP allocation, which was not the engineer's estimate, was  
684 approximately \$12 million for construction costs. She stated that in the actual bid, it was over  
685 \$18 million.

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687 Mr. Pinkston asked if this was mostly due to the cost of equipment now.

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689 Ms. Whitaker stated that it did not appear to be the issue. She stated that when they spoke with  
690 the contractor, Thalle stated that they had limited feedback from potential building envelop  
691 constructors and were unable to find anyone willing to construct the shell. The cost in the bid  
692 reflects their uncertainty.

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694 Mr. Mawyer stated that Thalle's price for constructing the pump station was very similar to  
695 English's price.

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697 Ms. Whitaker stated that one of the key takeaways from their conversations with the contractors  
698 was that they were all extremely busy. She stated that as a result, the competition for projects  
699 within this time window was not as high as one might expect, particularly in terms of location  
700 and economic profile. She stated that North Carolina was currently experiencing a high demand  
701 for heavy equipment and contractors, which was further reducing the competitiveness of this  
702 market.

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704 Mr. Mawyer stated that the University also recently reported they had over \$1 billion in projects  
705 under construction right now.

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707 Mr. Pinkston stated that he assumed that delaying the project was not a good idea for a variety of  
708 reasons. He stated that if they came back in six months, the prices would likely not be better.

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710 Ms. Whitaker stated that they had discussed internally various ways to try to reduce this price.  
711 She stated that one option was to go back and rebid, or another was to break this apart into two  
712 contracts and rebid. She stated that she believed the risks of not accepting the market as it is, and  
713 the risk of not having these two projects coordinated by a single contractor, were relatively high.  
714 She stated that therefore, she was not sure they would achieve the desired result by pursuing that  
715 route.

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717 Ms. Whitaker stated that they were able to pull approximately \$2.6 million out of the costs of the  
718 projects. She stated that they were still discussing cost reduction options, particularly for the  
719 building. She stated that there was still a possibility of reducing the price via negotiated field  
720 orders. She stated that however, they would not be able to make up the \$15.6 million difference.

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722 Ms. Mallek stated that having a smaller pipeline would provide a benefit, serving as a form of  
723 practice to gain experience. She stated that this experience could then be applied when moving to  
724 the larger pipeline, potentially allowing for smoother mobilization and continued progress.

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726 Ms. Whitaker stated that she attended a dam safety conference in September, and Thalle was a  
727 sponsor of that conference. She stated that they were interested in the Beaver Creek Dam  
728 Spillway project, and the rest of the pipeline work. She stated that this may just be their initial  
729 foray into some of the RWSA work.

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731 Ms. Mallek stated that it would give us a chance to try them out too, so they could potentially  
732 work with them on bigger projects. She stated that she was not an engineer, but she would guess  
733 that there was 20 years of work being scheduled for contractors working in North Carolina, so

734 they could not wait that long for the market to settle down. She stated that it would take forever  
735 to rebuild there.

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737 Ms. Hildebrand stated that Ms. Whitaker mentioned that the cost of the change in piping to  
738 pressure piping was approximately \$1.5 million of the \$2.62 million in reductions. She stated  
739 that that this left \$1.1 million. She asked if this was a long list of small items.

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741 Ms. Whitaker stated yes, mostly. She stated that they were able to come up with some cost  
742 savings on the building envelope by clarifying the specifics on it. She stated that there was a  
743 section of pipe that they had originally planned to have several treatments, including poly  
744 wrapping and zinc coating; however, they decided not to zinc coat certain sections. She stated  
745 that it was a laundry list of \$150,000 items such as that. She stated that she could provide the full  
746 list if Ms. Hildebrand would like.

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748 Ms. Hildebrand asked if the engineer helped coordinate all of that.

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750 Ms. Whitaker stated yes. She stated that both teams' engineers reviewed these items. She stated  
751 that they had three conference calls as well as a few other calls in between to work through the  
752 details of where they could look for some opportunities.

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754 Mr. Richardson asked if it was staff's recommendation that the Board increase the budget by  
755 \$15.5 million and award the project to the bidder.

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757 Ms. Whitaker stated that there were two projects embedded in one, and each one had an increase.  
758 She stated that they needed a motion to award the contract and the contingency, as well as to  
759 increase the capital budget for the pipeline project as well as the pump station project.

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761 Mr. Gaffney asked if there were three separate amendments or a single amendment that  
762 encompassed all three.

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764 Ms. Whitaker stated that she believed they could do them all in one so long as it was clear.

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766 Mr. Pinkston asked if they would see the impact to the CIP in the spring.

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768 Mr. Mawyer stated yes.

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770 Ms. Whitaker stated that staff was beginning to review the other projects in the CIP to try to  
771 assess the potential implications.

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773 Mr. Mawyer stated that they had the Central Water Line scheduled to be bid in January, which  
774 would provide another significant budget data point. He stated that this information would be  
775 incorporated into the next year's five-year CIP, helping them determine where they needed to go,  
776 what their rates and charges would be, and whether they needed to reconsider some of the  
777 projects they were undertaking. He stated that specifically, they were prioritizing the three  
778 waterline projects, including this one, the Central Water Line, and the Rivanna to Ragged  
779 projects, as they aligned with their community water supply plan, which had been on the books

780 for a long time.

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782 Mr. Pinkston asked how they were going to do this.

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784 Mr. Richardson asked if Ms. Long had any advice on how they should handle this.

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786 Ms. Long stated that they could hold three separate votes, which would likely be the most  
787 conservative approach.

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789 Mr. Mawyer stated that both the second and third items were for the construction contracts, so if  
790 they did not get the money for one of those two, they could not do the construction contract. He  
791 stated that they would like them to be all together. He stated that one awarded the contract to the  
792 contractor, and the second and third amended the CIP and budgets to fund the project.

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794 Mr. Richardson stated that his suggestion would be to vote on the second and third items with  
795 one motion, and then the Board could take up the motion to award the contract.

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797 **Mr. Richardson moved that the Board approve the amendment to the FY 25-29 CIP for the**  
798 **Ragged Mountain Reservoir to Observatory Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Line**  
799 **Project, increasing the budget by \$7.26 million, bringing the total budget for this project to**  
800 **\$40,760,000, and to approve the amendment to the FY 25-29 CIP for the Ragged Mountain**  
801 **Raw Water Pump Station Project to increase the budget by \$8.3 million, bringing the total**  
802 **budget for this project to \$20,730,000. Ms. Mallek seconded the motion, which carried**  
803 **unanimously (7-0).**

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805 **Mr. Richardson moved that the Board authorize the Executive Director to award the**  
806 **construction contract to Thalle Construction Company for a total negotiated value of**  
807 **\$53,908,400, and any change orders to the construction contract necessary for completion**  
808 **of the work not to exceed 10% of the original construction contract award. Ms. Mallek**  
809 **seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).**

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811 Mr. Pinkston asked when staff would have a pricing estimate for the Ragged to South Fork  
812 project.

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814 Ms. Whitaker stated that they would be bidding in October of 2025. She stated that they were at  
815 50% to 60% design completion now.

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817 Mr. Pinkston asked what the schedule was for the Central Water Line Project.

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819 Ms. Whitaker stated that they would be bidding at the end of the year.

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821 Mr. Mawyer stated that they would receive bids in January and hopefully would be before the  
822 Board in January or February to approve the award for the Central Water Line Project.

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824 *c. Presentation: Major Capital Projects Update*

825 *Scott Schiller, Engineering Manager*

826 Scott Schiller, Engineering Manager, stated that he would be presenting the major capital  
827 projects update to the Board. He stated that they would begin with projects currently under  
828 construction. He stated that the Rivanna Pump Station Restoration Project had been discussed at  
829 length over the past few months. He stated that a control malfunction occurred at the facility on  
830 January 9 during a wet weather event, causing the dry well to be inundated with water and  
831 affecting the pumps and the electrical equipment. He stated that shortly thereafter, they set up a  
832 bypass pump system to maintain flow to the treatment plant and facilitate rehab work within the  
833 pump station.

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835 Mr. Schiller stated that they had been working collaboratively with Hazen and Sawyer, SEH, and  
836 MEB to design and construct these improvements simultaneously. He stated that they anticipated  
837 the work to be completed by May 2025, although this was part of the full project. He stated that  
838 they planned to have the bypass pumps removed by February, which cost approximately  
839 \$330,000 per month to rent. He stated that removing them would result in a significant cost  
840 savings. He stated that the estimated budget for the project was between \$20 and \$22 million,  
841 developed shortly after the incident.

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843 Mr. Schiller stated that the dollar value included not only the rehab of the facility but also the  
844 betterment work to prevent similar incidents in the future. He stated that the estimated  
845 reimbursement from VRSA via an insurance claim was around \$10.5 million, which brought  
846 them back to the January 8 conditions. He stated that currently, the pricing for the project had  
847 been efficient, and staff was hopeful that the total budget number would decrease, but they were  
848 not yet in a position to adjust it. He stated that they were proceeding as efficiently as possible.

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850 Mr. Schiller stated that next, he would discuss the 5KV electrical system upgrade. He stated that  
851 this was to replace major electrical equipment at this plant, which was nearing the end of its  
852 serviceable life, including motor control centers, transformers, and the installation of a new  
853 switchgear building, as shown on the screen. He stated that the new switchgear building was  
854 being brought in and installed.

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856 Mr. Schiller stated that they had experienced significant equipment delays on this project due to  
857 the pandemic and issues discussed during the last Board meeting regarding duct banks. He stated  
858 that to provide a visual aid, he would like to show a picture of the wiring and cabling, which  
859 consisted of approximately 2- to 3-inch diameter cabling being pulled through the conduits. He  
860 stated that as previously discussed, excessive bends in the conduits could make it difficult to pull  
861 the cable, leading to the modification. He stated that due to the delays, they were now  
862 anticipating completion of this project in June 2025 and a budget of \$5.6 million.

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864 Mr. Schiller stated that the Airport Road Pump Station and Piping Project, which aimed to  
865 reliably interconnect the urban water system with the Piney Mountain pressure zone, was also  
866 underway. He stated that the completed pump station was what they were currently viewing. He  
867 stated that they were currently in the demonstration period, which, if successful, would enable  
868 them to put the pump station into operation. He stated that they were listing this month as the  
869 completion schedule. He stated that the project had a budget of \$10 million.

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871 Mr. Gaffney asked if that meant the North Rivanna Water Treatment Plant was no longer

872 required once the project was fully operational.

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874 Mr. Schiller stated that the agreement they had with the Service Authority was that they needed  
875 both the Airport Road Pump Station completed and the second South Rivanna River Crossing  
876 installed before they could decommission that facility. He stated that their operations group  
877 would have more flexibility in operating the plant with to the pump station in service. He stated  
878 that they were considering a schedule of five days on and two days off, or vice versa, as they  
879 could not allow the treatment plant to sit idle for an extended period, which would compromise  
880 its capabilities. He stated that once the South Rivanna River Crossing was completed, they could  
881 begin the decommissioning process.

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883 Mr. Schiller stated that next was the Red Hill Water Treatment Plant Upgrades Project. He stated  
884 that the current facility was a well house and hydropneumatic tank. He stated that the facility  
885 contained a significant amount of chemicals, and the intent of this project was to add additional  
886 chemical storage, monitoring, and automation equipment, as well as include granular activated  
887 carbon (GAC) treatment. He stated that they had received bids at the end of last year, but the one  
888 bid they received was significantly over budget. He stated that they had worked with the  
889 contractor to reduce costs, revising the building expansion layout to achieve this.

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891 Mr. Schiller stated that the recommended prefabbed structure resulted in a more cost-effective  
892 solution. He stated that they had revised the layout and submitted the revised site plan to the  
893 County for approval. He stated that they were awaiting their response before commencing  
894 construction, which was initially expected to begin this month. He stated that the project was  
895 scheduled to be completed in March 2026, with a budget of \$2 million, which included the cost  
896 reduction achieved through collaboration with the contractor. He stated that the project was  
897 100% funded by ACSA, with an additional \$400,000 provided by the County via a grant related  
898 to ARPA during the pandemic.

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900 Mr. Schiller stated that next was the South Fork Rivanna River Crossing. He stated that the  
901 second pipe across the South Rivanna River was a high density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe to be  
902 installed via horizontal directional drilling methods. He stated that the yellow line on the map  
903 represented the horizontal directional drill length, while the blue lines indicated standard ductile  
904 iron pipe installed via open cut methods. He stated that they had previously presented this to the  
905 Board last month for award to Faulconer Construction, and they were working with them to  
906 establish a notice to proceed date and a pre-construction meeting. He stated that they anticipated  
907 on-site construction activities to begin in January 2025 and continue through January 2027, with  
908 a budget of \$7.3 million.

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910 Mr. Schiller stated that finally, they had the Ragged Mountain Reservoir to Observatory Water  
911 Treatment Plant Water Line and Pump Station project. He stated that he would not belabor the  
912 details of this project, as there had already been significant discussion on this topic. He stated  
913 that they were looking forward to initiating this project and beginning the process with Thalle  
914 Construction.

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916 Mr. Schiller stated that next, he would discuss the design phase and upcoming construction  
917 projects. He stated that the Crozet Pump Station Rehabilitation Project involved rehabilitating



918 the four pump stations that conveyed flow from the town of Crozet to their urban wastewater  
919 collection system. He stated that these pump stations were interconnected, so upgrading one  
920 station required upgrading all of them.

921  
922 Mr. Schiller stated that this project entailed replacing the pumps, valves, roofs, motor control  
923 centers, generators, automatic transfer switches, and PLCs. He stated that it was a comprehensive  
924 upgrade of the pump stations, which had been in use for over 40 years. He stated that the bids for  
925 this project were currently out, with a deadline of October 31, and they anticipated construction  
926 to begin in April 2025 and continue through September 2027, with a budget of \$11 million.

927  
928 Mr. Schiller stated that the Central Water Line project aimed to improve water flow pressure in  
929 the urban system by connecting the Observatory Water Treatment Plant directly to the Pantops  
930 area. He stated that this project involved approximately five miles of 24- and 36-inch pipe, as  
931 well as two railroad crossings. He stated that they were approximately 90% complete with the  
932 design of phase one, which spanned from Observatory to the point where they interconnected  
933 with East High Street.

934  
935 Mr. Schiller stated that per previous discussions, they had decided to relocate the water line from  
936 East High Street into a City parcel, as well as a couple of other easements. He stated that as a  
937 result, they were considering this work as phase two. He stated that phase one would be  
938 advertised in late November and early December, with bids due in January. He stated that phase  
939 two was expected to be advertised next summer. He stated that construction for phase one was  
940 anticipated to take place from May 2025 to March 2029, with a current budget estimate of \$47  
941 million, which would be discussed in January.

942  
943 Mr. Schiller stated that the next project was the Ragged Mountain Reservoir Pool Raise, also  
944 previously mentioned, which would raise the normal pool of the reservoir 12 feet, from 671 feet  
945 to 683 feet. He stated that it would provide an additional 700 million gallons in capacity to the  
946 reservoir. He stated that the project involved predominantly tree clearing around the reservoir,  
947 along with minor improvements and modifications to the intake tower.

948  
949 Mr. Schiller stated that a minor geotechnical investigation of the earthen dam would also be  
950 performed as a due diligence measure, due to the increased head pressure on the dam. He stated  
951 that this investigation included electrical resistivity imaging to assess the condition of the dam.  
952 He stated that the project was at 30% design, construction was anticipated to take place from  
953 September 2025 to September 2026, with a budget of \$5 million.

954  
955 Mr. Schiller stated that the South Rivanna to Ragged Mountain Pipeline Intake Facilities Project  
956 included a six-mile pipeline from the reservoir and water treatment plant to the northern end of  
957 the Birdwood water main, installed near the renovated golf course. He stated that the project also  
958 included a 41 MGD pump station intake facility, designed to replace the existing intake and  
959 pump station. He stated that they were currently at approximately 50% design, as previously  
960 mentioned. He stated that construction was anticipated to take place from February 2026 to  
961 December 2030, with a currently estimated budget of \$80 million, which may need to be revised  
962 based on available data.

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964 Mr. Pinkston asked if the pump station was located near the dam.

965  
966 Mr. Schiller stated yes. He stated that there was a parking area and boat ramp near the location.

967  
968 Mr. Mawyer stated that it was City property that they had leased, which was intended for public  
969 use, although it would eventually be repurposed due to the construction of the new pump station.

970  
971 Mr. Schiller stated that he believed that there were plans for future public access to the reservoir  
972 at another location, so they were working to coordinate with others to ensure that this was taken  
973 into consideration. He stated that the next project was the expansion of granular activated carbon  
974 at the Crozet Water Treatment Plant. He stated that this would involve the construction of an  
975 additional building and expansion of their GAC system, increasing the GAC treatment capacity  
976 from 1 MGD to 2 MGD.

977  
978 Mr. Schiller stated that the two existing vessels currently in the facility, which were smaller than  
979 the ones they typically installed, would be maintained with additional larger vessels installed in  
980 the new building. He stated that the new building would be located within the ACSA storage  
981 area, and staff was working closely with ACSA to coordinate that. He stated that they were  
982 currently at approximately 60% design completion for this project, with construction scheduled  
983 to begin in August 2025 and be completed by March 2027. He stated that they had secured a  
984 grant from VDH for \$6.24 million, which would cover a significant portion of the overall budget  
985 of \$6.6 million, which was a substantial investment.

986  
987 Mr. Mawyer stated that they were plus 15 and minus 6 in terms of their budgeting standpoint.

988  
989 Mr. Schiller stated that next, they would be moving onto South Rivanna for the powdered  
990 activated carbon (PAC) upgrades. He stated that this project involved installing a new PAC silo  
991 with feed pumps to replace the existing one. He stated that the existing silo on site was actually a  
992 repurposed lime silo, which had had two previous uses and was now ready for retirement. He  
993 stated that they were proceeding with the design for this project, which was currently  
994 approximately 100% complete.

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996 Mr. Schiller stated that they had been notified that they were being considered for a  
997 congressionally directed spending grant of \$880,000. He stated that as a result, they were holding  
998 off on the bidding process until they determined whether this grant would be awarded to them.  
999 He stated that this may impact their construction schedule, which was currently planned for  
1000 August 2025 to December 2026, and their total budget, which was estimated at \$1.1 million.

1001  
1002 Mr. Mawyer stated that the grants required them to be shovel-ready and prepared to go, but they  
1003 should not spend any money until they had approved it. He stated that he believed it was taking  
1004 years for some of these grants to be finalized.

1005  
1006 Mr. Schiller stated that it was so they could add in a number of other requirements that they  
1007 needed to consider. He stated that moving onto the Moores Creek facility, this project involved  
1008 structural and concrete rehabilitation, including repairs throughout the facility. He stated that  
1009 they would be conducting concrete repairs in the holding ponds, which were located on the west

1010 side of the campus.

1011  
1012 Mr. Schiller stated that they would also be working on the EQ basins, situated on the other side  
1013 of the admin building, and the digester facility, which was located on the opposite side of the  
1014 campus. He stated that the compost shed, now considered an equipment shed, would undergo  
1015 roof replacement, and they would also be implementing a monorail system to improve the  
1016 removal of pumps in the aeration basins. He stated that they had reached 100% design for this  
1017 project and planned to advertise it next month, with construction scheduled to take place between  
1018 February 2025 and May 2027, and a budget of \$11.3 million.

1019  
1020 Mr. Schiller stated that also at the Moores Creek facility, they had the Building Upfits and  
1021 Gravity Thickener Improvement Project. He stated that this project involved the renovation of  
1022 existing wastewater operations and maintenance buildings, which dated back to the 1980s and no  
1023 longer met their current staffing or operational needs. He stated that the renovation would  
1024 include the creation of office space, meeting rooms, lunch rooms, break rooms, and conference  
1025 rooms.

1026  
1027 Mr. Schiller stated that furthermore, they would be improving the gravity thickener system,  
1028 including chemical feed system upgrades and adding clean-outs to the sludge pump suction lines  
1029 to facilitate cleaning. He stated that a rendering of the proposed renovation was available,  
1030 depicting a reconstructed maintenance facility, which would include offices, a conference room,  
1031 and a break room. He stated that they were approximately 90% designed for this project, and  
1032 they planned to advertise it in November, followed by a similar construction period from  
1033 February 2025 to December 2026, with an overall budget of \$7.5 million.

1034  
1035 Mr. Schiller stated that also at Moores Creek, they had recently undertaken the Administration  
1036 Building Renovation project, which shared similarities with the upfits project. He stated that the  
1037 building they were currently in was constructed in the 1980s as part of the main plant  
1038 construction process and was in need of an interior renovation and expansion to accommodate  
1039 their growing operations. He stated that the new building or modified building would feature a  
1040 new boardroom, an educational exhibit center, and updated lab space, in addition to other  
1041 required offices.

1042  
1043 Mr. Schiller stated that the exhibit space had undergone refinement during the design process,  
1044 and they had revised the layout to better incorporate it into the building and its design. He stated  
1045 that these renderings represented the conclusion of that revised layout process. He stated that  
1046 they had the most current renderings available, showing the east-facing wall layout and the  
1047 north-facing side of the structure. He stated that they were at 75% design for the Administration  
1048 Building Renovation project, with construction anticipated between June 2025 and December  
1049 2027, and a current budget of \$25 million.

1050  
1051 Mr. Schiller stated that the Beaver Creek Dam Pump Station Piping Modifications Project  
1052 involved upgrading their existing spillway to meet Department of Conservation and Recreation  
1053 (DCR) dam safety standards. He stated that the intended design for the spillway was a labyrinth  
1054 spillway, the elaborate zigzag structure, which they were showing on the slide. He stated that as  
1055 a result of the spillway construction process, they would need to replace the current raw water

1056 pump station, located downstream of the spillway.

1057  
1058 Mr. Schiller stated that this project also included a new raw water pump station located to the  
1059 west of the dam and the replacement of the raw water line that went to the treatment plant, which  
1060 was currently asbestos cement and needed to be taken out of commission. He stated that they  
1061 were at 50% design for this project, with construction anticipated between May 2026 and  
1062 January 2030, and they were anticipating a federal National Resources Conservation Service  
1063 (NRCS) grant for this project, currently estimated at \$17 million. He stated that the total project  
1064 budget was \$47 million.

1065  
1066 Mr. Pinkston asked if VRSA was going to give them \$10.5 million as reimbursement for the  
1067 Rivanna Pump Station Restoration.

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1069 Mr. Schiller stated that they had developed an estimate for the rehab components, which  
1070 included the initial evaluation, response, setup of bypass pumps, payment for bypass pumps,  
1071 investigation work, design work related to the rehab components, and construction work related  
1072 to the rehab components. He stated that this process was challenging, as they had to sift through  
1073 the information from their consultants and contractors to break it down. He stated that after going  
1074 through this process, they arrived at an estimated cost of approximately \$10.5 million. He stated  
1075 that VRSA were conducting their own analysis to verify their value. He stated that they would  
1076 then meet to discuss any discrepancies and determine the next steps. He stated that it was worth  
1077 noting that these estimates were preliminary and may change; if the final cost ended up being  
1078 \$12 million, they could revisit the process at the end.

1079  
1080 Mr. Mawyer noted that they had been reimbursed \$3.8 million from the insurance company for  
1081 the rehab work. He stated that this was not an addition to the overall total, but rather a portion of  
1082 the \$10.5 million that had been reimbursed, with \$3.8 million being the amount that had been  
1083 received so far.

1084  
1085 Ms. Mallek stated that to clarify, the insurance coverage only replaced what was already in place,  
1086 and the additional \$10 million was intended to prevent future disasters from occurring.

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1088 Mr. Schiller stated that was correct. He stated that their estimated costs for the rehabilitation  
1089 work were greater than what they were currently spending. He stated that therefore, he believed  
1090 that the total budget would have some room for improvement. He stated that based on the current  
1091 information, the estimated cost for the rehab was \$10.5 million.

1092  
1093 Mr. Gaffney asked if Mr. Mawyer had included the entire \$20 million into their budget.

1094  
1095 Mr. Wood stated that they had put the whole project in the CIP and built it into the rates to  
1096 receive \$10 million from insurance.

1097  
1098 Mr. Gaffney asked if they were planning on receiving \$10 million.

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1100 Mr. Wood stated that was correct. He stated that the budget anticipated \$10 million from  
1101 insurance recovery, and another \$10 million from the bond issue. He stated that the bond issue

1102 was already there to pay for it and was built into the rate.

1103  
1104 Mr. Schiller stated that he wanted to show the Board some pictures from September. He stated  
1105 that what they would see was that they had temporary lines running across the plant, which was a  
1106 result of their efforts to replace the headworks valves located just outside this building. He stated  
1107 that if they had seen the construction effort, they would know that they were essentially creating  
1108 a bypass for the bypass, which typically occurred during early evening and early morning hours,  
1109 once a week. He stated that they had one more of these bypasses to complete, and so far, they  
1110 had had two successful replacements.

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1112 Ms. Mallek stated that they had mentioned the geotechnical work being done at Ragged Dam.  
1113 She stated that it was originally designed for a full depth, but then modified to accommodate the  
1114 changes.

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1116 Mr. Schiller stated that was correct. He stated that they were conducting a thorough review for  
1117 due diligence to ensure that all necessary steps had been taken and potential issues had been  
1118 identified before they proceeded with increased pressure.

1119  
1120 Ms. Mallek asked if the solar panels at the Ragged Pump Station could operate off-grid. She  
1121 stated that it would be greatly beneficial if the generator on the site could keep going during  
1122 Dominion Power outages.

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1124 Ms. Whitaker stated that there would be a generator, regardless of whether the solar system  
1125 could run independently of it. She stated that they may need the generator to be operational in  
1126 order for the system to function properly, but they would need to investigate this further.

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1128 Mr. Pinkston asked how the controls would work at the pump station at Ragged Mountain.

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1130 Mr. Schiller stated that there would be a fiber line, so they would have communication with  
1131 everyone.

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1133 **10. OTHER ITEMS FROM BOARD/STAFF NOT ON AGENDA**

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1135 There were no items to discuss.

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1137 **11. CLOSED MEETING**

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1139 **Ms. Mallek moved that that the Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority enter into a closed**  
1140 **session to discuss confidential information related to the terms of a purchase and sale**  
1141 **agreement or the terms of a lease agreement pertaining to the acquisition or lease of real**  
1142 **property located in the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, where discussion or consideration**  
1143 **of the acquisition or lease of real property for a public purpose in an open session would**  
1144 **adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Rivanna Water and**  
1145 **Sewer Authority, as permitted by the exemptions at Section 2.2-3711-A(3) of the Code of**  
1146 **Virginia. Mr. Pinkston seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).**

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1148 **Mr. Pinkston moved that The Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority hereby certifies by**  
1149 **recorded vote that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters**  
1150 **lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of**  
1151 **Information Act, and those public business matters as were identified in the motion**  
1152 **authorizing the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting to**  
1153 **which this certification resolution applies. Ms. Mallek seconded the motion, which carried**  
1154 **unanimously (7-0).**

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1156 ***12. ADJOURNMENT***

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1158 **At 4:05 p.m., Mr. Sanders moved to adjourn the meeting of the Rivanna Water and Sewer**  
1159 **Authority. Mr. Pinkston seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).**

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

*STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY: EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT*

### **New Deputy Executive Director**

After a competitive national recruitment process, David Tungate has been selected as our first Deputy Executive Director for the Rivanna Authorities. In this new position, Dave will oversee the Operations & Environmental Services Division as well as the Engineering & Maintenance Division while also serving as the backup to the Executive Director.



Dave has 27 years of experience in the water and wastewater industry including 12 years with RWSA. Since 2018, he has served as RWSA's Director of Operations & Environmental Services, leading the division's staff of 47 employees in the Water, Wastewater, Water Resources, and Laboratory Departments. Prior to joining RWSA in 2012 as Manager of the Water Dept, Dave was the Utilities Director and Water Manager in South Bend, Indiana for 15 years. Dave holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Illinois, Bachelor of Science degree from Purdue University, and is a licensed Class 1 Water Operator in VA.

### **Professional Coursework**

The professional qualifications of our staff continue to improve and enhance our services. We congratulate the following employees for successfully completing classes at Valley Career & Technical Center (ValleyVoTech):

- Steve Minnis - Mechanical Blueprint Reading, Communications
- Matt Walker - Communications
- Joshua Powell - Microsoft 365
- Tyrone Hughes – Mechanical Blueprint Reading
- Garrett Carver – OSHA 30 - Industrial Safety

We congratulate the following staff for successfully completing professional coursework and certifications:

- Leah Beard - Employment Law Graduate Certificate
  - Society for Human Resource Management, Senior Certified Professional- Renewal
- Betsy Nemeth - Professional Human Resources Certification - Renewal

*STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY: COMMUNICATION AND COLLABORATION*

**Fan Favorite Voting: Imagine A Day Without Water**



The 10th annual **Imagine a Day without Water Art Contest** has on-line Fan Favorite Voting from November 18th through December 4th at: [Imagine A Day Without Water | Charlottesville, VA.](#)

Winners will be announced via press release on December 11th. This youth art event is sponsored by the City of Charlottesville, Albemarle County Service Authority, and Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority.

**Employee Appreciation Lunch**

We celebrated the contributions of our staff on November 6<sup>th</sup> with lunch and service awards presented to employees who have been with Rivanna in increments of 5 years of service. We celebrated the following staff for their years of service:

- Lonnie Wood, 25 years
- Michelle Simpson, 20 years
- Cliff Hunt, Steven Minnis Jr, and Scott Shiller, 10 years
- Thomas Barger, 5+ years
- Josh Bowen, James Hansberry, John Hull, David Jeffries, Dyon Vega, Haider AlSafee, and Ceara Lyon, 5 years

As part of our employee appreciation and sustainability initiatives, each employee was given a Rivanna Authorities Yeti water bottle.

**Civil Engineering Capstone**

Jennifer Whitaker, Director of Engineering and Maintenance presented to the UVA Civil Engineering 4<sup>th</sup> year capstone class on 10/23/24. Jennifer discussed Public Sector Engineering and provided an overview about the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority.

*STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY: PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE*

**Virginia Municipal Drinking Water Association (VMDWA)**



I attended the VMDWA quarterly membership and Board of Directors meetings in Glen Allen on November 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. VMDWA advocates for laws, regulations, and policies that help ensure safe and affordable drinking water for Virginians.



### **Sugar Hollow Transfer Pipe**

In October, I reported to the Board that an elevated section of 18-inch cast iron pipe over the Mechums River was damaged as a result of Tropical Storm Helene. On October 26th, FEMA added Albemarle County to the list of locations eligible to apply for Public Assistance grants for damages that occurred as a result of this storm. We are in the process of submitting a disaster assistance grant application for this damage.



### *STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY: ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP*

#### **DEQ Grandfathered Withdrawals**

I attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the DEQ’s “Grandfathered Water Withdrawals” Workgroup on October 24<sup>th</sup>. This informal workgroup is formulating a plan for allocation of water resources in the state including implementation of Surface Water Management Areas. Additional meetings are planned in the coming months.



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: LONNIE WOOD, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND INFORMATION  
TECHNOLOGY**

**REVIEWED: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY – FY 2025**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

**Financial Snapshot**

The Authority’s actual operating revenues for the first quarter of this fiscal year are \$716,700 more than the prorated annual budget estimates, and operating expenses are over the prorated budget by \$1,410,300, resulting in an operating deficit of \$172,800. Urban Water and flows and operating rate revenue through September are 13.2% over budget estimates. Urban Wastewater flows and operations rate revenue are 7.2% over budget.

Total revenues are \$763,200 over budget estimates, but total expenses are \$1,362,500 over budget, resulting in a slight overall deficit of \$78,300 for the quarter. Revenues and expenses are summarized in the table below:

	<b>Urban Water</b>	<b>Urban Wastewater</b>	<b>Total Other Rate Centers</b>	<b>Total Authority</b>
<b>Operations</b>				
Revenues	\$ 3,296,803	\$ 3,238,516	\$ 793,070	\$ 7,328,389
Expenses	<u>(3,603,079)</u>	<u>(3,002,060)</u>	<u>(896,041)</u>	<u>(7,501,180)</u>
Surplus (deficit)	<u>\$ (306,276)</u>	<u>\$ 236,456</u>	<u>\$ (102,971)</u>	<u>\$ (172,791)</u>
<b>Debt Service</b>				
Revenues	\$ 3,365,804	\$ 2,867,642	\$ 748,848	\$ 6,982,294
Expenses	<u>(3,360,847)</u>	<u>(2,779,192)</u>	<u>(747,734)</u>	<u>(6,887,773)</u>
Surplus (deficit)	<u>\$ 4,957</u>	<u>\$ 88,450</u>	<u>\$ 1,114</u>	<u>\$ 94,521</u>
<b>Total</b>				
Revenues	\$ 6,662,607	\$ 6,106,158	\$ 1,541,918	\$ 14,310,683
Expenses	<u>(6,963,926)</u>	<u>(5,781,252)</u>	<u>(1,643,775)</u>	<u>(14,388,953)</u>
Surplus (deficit)	<u>\$ (301,319)</u>	<u>\$ 324,906</u>	<u>\$ (101,857)</u>	<u>\$ (78,270)</u>

A more detailed financial analysis is in the following monthly report and reviews more closely actual financial performance compared to budgeted estimates. There are comments listed that will reference the applicable line items in the financial statement for each rate center and each support

department in the following pages. Please refer to the Budget vs Actual financial statements when reviewing these comments.

### **Detailed Financials**

The following comments help explain most of the other budget vs. actual variances.

- A. Annual and Quarterly Transactions - Some revenues and expenses exceed the prorated annual budget due to up-front annual receipts of revenue and quarterly or annual payments of expenses. These transactions appear to significantly impact the budget vs. actual monthly comparisons, but they usually even out as the year progresses. Septage receiving support revenue of \$109,440 is billed to the County annually in July. Annual payments are made at the beginning of the fiscal year for certain maintenance agreements and for employer contributions to employees' health savings accounts. The annual payment to UVA for the Observatory lease (\$175,000) is made in August. Insurance premiums are paid at the beginning of each quarter.
- B. Personnel Costs (most departments – pages 2-12) – The prorated budget amounts through September are calculated as 3/12 (or 25%) of the annual budget on these financial statements. However, actual payroll is paid biweekly, and there have been 7 out of 26 total pay periods through September (or 26.92%). This affects the comparison of budget vs. actual payroll costs. Urban Water's salaries are also higher than budgeted due to the loss of spill at the South Rivanna Dam and the transition to extra operations at Observatory WTP.
- C. Professional Services (Urban Water, Scottsville Wastewater, Administration, Finance & IT – pages 2, 7, 8, 9) – Urban Water is \$100,000 over the prorated budget for engineering and technical services for Glenmore and UVA water quality and the Sugar Hollow pipe joint rehabilitation. Scottsville Wastewater has exceeded the annual budget for engineering and technical services by \$19,000 for a needs assessment, and the Administration Department is currently over budget for web page design services. Bond issuance costs totaling \$749,000 have been incurred to issue Bond 2024B to fund various water and wastewater capital projects and up to \$743,300 in bond issuance costs. A total of \$656,600 of issuance costs have been reimbursed so far.
- D. Other Services & Charges (Urban Water, Urban Wastewater, Administration – pages 2, 5, 7) – Urban Water paid \$20,000 to Rivanna Conservation Alliance for water quality monitoring services for the year. Urban Wastewater is currently over the monthly budget for Crozet Pump Station odor control costs. The Administration department has incurred \$12,500 in dues, permit fees and bank fees that were inadvertently left out of the budget and is over budget for executive director recruiting expenses.
- E. Operations & Maintenance (Urban Water, Crozet Water, Glenmore Wastewater – pages 2, 3, 6) – Urban Water is currently \$391,000 over the prorated budget in this category due to a GAC exchange at South Rivanna WTP costing \$188,000 (this will last up to the next 9 to 12 months). Pipeline and appurtenances costs were higher than budget for several smaller line maintenance needs, and \$175,000 annual rent was paid to UVA in August as mentioned in section A. Crozet Water is \$24,000 over the prorated budget for chemicals

due to a GAC exchange. Glenmore Wastewater is over budget for equipment repair and replacement costs.

- F. Information Technology (Urban Wastewater – page 5) – Urban Wastewater is currently \$12,500 over budget on computer hardware purchases.

Rivanna Water & Sewer Authority  
 Monthly Financial Statements - September 2024  
 Fiscal Year 2025

**Consolidated**  
**Revenues and Expenses Summary**

<i>Budget</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Variance</i>
<i>FY 2025</i>	<i>Year-to-Date</i>	<i>Year-to-Date</i>	<i>vs. Actual</i>	<i>Percentage</i>

**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 25,533,965	\$ 6,383,491	\$ 6,960,190	\$ 576,698	9.03%
Lease Revenue	120,000	30,000	35,867	5,867	19.56%
Admin., Finance/IT, Maint. & Engineering Revenue	905,200	226,300	236,371	10,071	4.45%
Other Revenues	667,768	166,942	254,617	87,675	52.52%
Use of Reserves (Water Resources Fund)	-	-	-	-	
Interest Allocation	165,400	41,350	77,716	36,366	87.95%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 27,392,333</b>	<b>\$ 6,848,083</b>	<b>\$ 7,564,760</b>	<b>\$ 716,677</b>	<b>10.47%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	<b>A,B</b> \$ 12,816,065	\$ 2,683,147	\$ 3,495,780	\$ (812,633)	-30.29%
Professional Services	<b>C</b> 492,650	123,163	350,511	(227,348)	-184.59%
Other Services & Charges	<b>D</b> 4,371,588	1,092,897	1,145,381	(52,484)	-4.80%
Communication	244,950	61,238	85,210	(23,972)	-39.15%
Information Technology	<b>F</b> 1,470,050	367,513	335,253	32,259	8.78%
Supplies	51,200	12,800	12,186	614	4.80%
Operations & Maintenance	<b>A,E</b> 6,698,884	1,674,721	2,008,174	(333,453)	-19.91%
Equipment Purchases	316,950	79,238	72,556	6,681	8.43%
Depreciation	930,000	232,500	232,500	-	0.00%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 27,392,337</b>	<b>\$ 6,327,215</b>	<b>\$ 7,737,551</b>	<b>\$ (1,410,336)</b>	<b>-22.29%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (4)</b>	<b>\$ 520,868</b>	<b>\$ (172,791)</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

**Revenues**

Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 25,612,554	\$ 6,403,139	\$ 6,403,140	\$ 2	0.00%
Septage Receiving Support - County	109,440	27,360	109,440	82,080	300.00%
Buck Mountain Lease Revenue	10,000	2,500	1,784	(716)	-28.66%
Trust Fund Interest	430,300	107,575	120,524	12,949	12.04%
Reserve Fund Interest	1,580,800	395,200	347,406	(47,794)	-12.09%
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 27,743,094</b>	<b>\$ 6,935,774</b>	<b>\$ 6,982,294</b>	<b>\$ 46,520</b>	<b>0.67%</b>

**Debt Service Costs**

Total Principal & Interest	\$ 16,164,506	\$ 4,041,127	\$ 4,787,066	\$ (745,940)	-18.46%
Reserve Additions-Interest	1,580,800	395,200	347,406	47,794	12.09%
Debt Service Ratio Charge	725,000	181,250	181,250	-	0.00%
Reserve Additions-CIP Growth	9,271,960	2,317,990	1,572,050	745,940	32.18%
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 27,742,266</b>	<b>\$ 6,935,567</b>	<b>\$ 6,887,773</b>	<b>\$ 47,794</b>	<b>0.69%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 828</b>	<b>\$ 207</b>	<b>\$ 94,521</b>		

<b>Summary</b>					
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 55,135,427	\$ 13,783,857	\$ 14,547,054	\$ 763,198	5.54%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	55,134,603	13,262,781	14,625,324	(1,362,543)	-10.27%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 824</b>	<b>\$ 521,075</b>	<b>\$ (78,270)</b>		

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**Urban Water Rate Center**  
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

<b>Revenues</b>					
Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 11,425,341	\$ 2,856,335	\$ 3,234,039	\$ 377,704	13.22%
Lease Revenue	90,000	22,500	27,491	4,991	22.18%
Miscellaneous	-	-	1,700	1,700	
Use of Reserves (Water Resources Fund)	-	-	-	-	
Interest Allocation	71,500	17,875	33,573	15,698	87.82%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 11,586,841</b>	<b>\$ 2,896,710</b>	<b>\$ 3,296,803</b>	<b>\$ 400,093</b>	<b>13.81%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Personnel Cost	A,B \$ 2,570,828	\$ 642,707	\$ 771,502	\$ (128,795)	-20.04%
Professional Services	C 177,000	44,250	159,838	(115,588)	-261.22%
Other Services & Charges	D 1,076,746	269,187	285,033	(15,846)	-5.89%
Communications	89,700	22,425	29,886	(7,461)	-33.27%
Information Technology	109,400	27,350	21,994	5,356	19.58%
Supplies	7,900	1,975	2,510	(535)	-27.08%
Operations & Maintenance	A,E 3,334,814	833,704	1,225,188	(391,485)	-46.96%
Equipment Purchases	23,300	5,825	7,470	(1,645)	-28.24%
Depreciation	300,000	75,000	75,000	-	0.00%
<b>Subtotal Before Allocations</b>	<b>\$ 7,689,688</b>	<b>\$ 1,922,422</b>	<b>\$ 2,578,420</b>	<b>\$ (655,998)</b>	<b>-34.12%</b>
Allocation of Support Departments	3,897,153	980,036	1,024,659	(44,623)	-4.55%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 11,586,841</b>	<b>\$ 2,902,458</b>	<b>\$ 3,603,079</b>	<b>\$ (700,622)</b>	<b>-24.14%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ (5,748)</b>	<b>\$ (306,276)</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

<b>Revenues</b>					
Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 12,593,874	\$ 3,148,469	\$ 3,148,470	\$ 2	0.00%
Trust Fund Interest	185,000	46,250	51,922	5,672	12.26%
Reserve Fund Interest	744,800	186,200	163,628	(22,572)	-12.12%
Lease Revenue	10,000	2,500	1,784	(716)	-28.66%
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 13,533,674</b>	<b>\$ 3,383,419</b>	<b>\$ 3,365,804</b>	<b>\$ (17,615)</b>	<b>-0.52%</b>
<b>Debt Service Costs</b>					
Total Principal & Interest	\$ 7,078,274	\$ 1,769,569	\$ 2,048,550	\$ (278,982)	-15.77%
Reserve Additions-Interest	744,800	186,200	163,628	22,572	12.12%
Debt Service Ratio Charge	400,000	100,000	100,000	-	0.00%
Est. New Debt Service - CIP Growth	5,310,600	1,327,650	1,048,669	278,982	21.01%
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 13,533,674</b>	<b>\$ 3,383,419</b>	<b>\$ 3,360,847</b>	<b>\$ 22,572</b>	<b>0.67%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 4,957</b>		

<b>Rate Center Summary</b>					
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 25,120,515	\$ 6,280,129	\$ 6,662,607	\$ 382,478	6.09%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	25,120,515	6,285,876	6,963,926	(678,050)	-10.79%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ (5,748)</b>	<b>\$ (301,319)</b>		
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 3.41		\$ 3.75		
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 7.39		\$ 7.24		
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated</b>	3,397,700	849,425	961,653	112,228	13.21%
<b>or</b>					
<b>Flow (MGD)</b>	9.309		10.453		

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**Crozet Water Rate Center**  
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

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**Revenues**

Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 1,420,644	\$ 355,161	\$ 355,161	\$ -	0.00%
Lease Revenues	30,000	7,500	8,377	877	11.69%
Interest Allocation	8,900	2,225	4,197	1,972	88.61%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,459,544</b>	<b>\$ 364,886</b>	<b>\$ 367,734</b>	<b>\$ 2,848</b>	<b>0.78%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	<b>B</b> \$ 365,428	\$ 91,357	\$ 107,151	\$ (15,794)	-17.29%
Professional Services	22,900	5,725	11,521	(5,796)	-101.24%
Other Services & Charges	163,107	40,777	36,358	4,418	10.84%
Communications	19,000	4,750	5,243	(493)	-10.38%
Information Technology	35,000	8,750	1,805	6,945	79.37%
Supplies	1,600	400	888	(488)	-122.01%
Operations & Maintenance	<b>E</b> 426,600	106,650	130,577	(23,927)	-22.43%
Equipment Purchases	3,300	825	1,151	(326)	-39.45%
Depreciation	60,000	15,000	15,000	-	0.00%
<b>Subtotal Before Allocations</b>	<b>\$ 1,096,935</b>	<b>\$ 274,234</b>	<b>\$ 309,694</b>	<b>\$ (35,461)</b>	<b>-12.93%</b>
Allocation of Support Departments	362,608	91,174	95,564	(4,389)	-4.81%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 1,459,543</b>	<b>\$ 365,408</b>	<b>\$ 405,258</b>	<b>\$ (39,850)</b>	<b>-10.91%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ (522)</b>	<b>\$ (37,524)</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

**Revenues**

Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 2,590,368	\$ 647,592	\$ 647,592	\$ -	0.00%
Trust Fund Interest	32,400	8,100	9,075	975	12.04%
Reserve Fund Interest	93,800	23,450	20,497	(2,953)	-12.59%
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 2,716,568</b>	<b>\$ 679,142</b>	<b>\$ 677,164</b>	<b>\$ (1,978)</b>	<b>-0.29%</b>

**Debt Service Costs**

Total Principal & Interest	\$ 1,131,172	\$ 282,793	\$ 282,793	\$ -	0.00%
Reserve Additions-Interest	93,800	23,450	20,497	2,953	12.59%
Estimated New Principal & Interest	1,491,600	372,900	372,900	-	0.00%
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 2,716,572</b>	<b>\$ 679,143</b>	<b>\$ 676,190</b>	<b>\$ 2,953</b>	<b>0.43%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (4)</b>	<b>\$ (1)</b>	<b>\$ 974</b>		

<b>Rate Center Summary</b>					
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 4,176,112	\$ 1,044,028	\$ 1,044,899	\$ 871	0.08%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	4,176,115	1,044,551	1,081,448	(36,897)	-3.53%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (3)</b>	<b>\$ (523)</b>	<b>\$ (36,549)</b>		
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 7.20		\$ 6.05		
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 20.60		\$ 16.16		
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated</b>	202,697	50,674	66,933	16,259	32.08%
<b>Flow (MGD)</b>	0.555		0.728		

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**Scottsville Water Rate Center**  
 Revenues and Expenses Summary

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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 741,984	\$ 185,496	\$ 185,496	\$ -	0.00%
Interest Allocation	4,600	1,150	2,176	1,026	89.22%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 746,584</b>	<b>\$ 186,646</b>	<b>\$ 187,672</b>	<b>\$ 1,026</b>	<b>0.55%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	\$ 239,452	\$ 59,863	\$ 66,683	\$ (6,820)	-11.39%
Professional Services	5,000	1,250	551	699	55.94%
Other Services & Charges	68,490	17,123	11,869	5,253	30.68%
Communications	7,000	1,750	6,408	(4,658)	-266.15%
Information Technology	13,400	3,350	11,743	(8,393)	-250.53%
Supplies	200	50	839	(789)	-1578.30%
Operations & Maintenance	154,600	38,650	15,908	22,742	58.84%
Equipment Purchases	2,200	550	807	(257)	-46.80%
Depreciation	40,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
<b>Subtotal Before Allocations</b>	<b>\$ 530,342</b>	<b>\$ 132,586</b>	<b>\$ 124,808</b>	<b>\$ 7,778</b>	<b>5.87%</b>
Allocation of Support Departments	216,247	54,323	56,979	(2,656)	-4.89%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 746,589</b>	<b>\$ 186,909</b>	<b>\$ 181,786</b>	<b>\$ 5,122</b>	<b>2.74%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (5)</b>	<b>\$ (263)</b>	<b>\$ 5,886</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

**Revenues**

Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 190,416	\$ 47,604	\$ 47,604	\$ -	0.00%
Trust Fund Interest	4,000	1,000	1,109	109	10.88%
Reserve Fund Interest	7,000	1,750	1,737	(13)	-0.74%
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 201,416</b>	<b>\$ 50,354</b>	<b>\$ 50,450</b>	<b>\$ 96</b>	<b>0.19%</b>

**Debt Service Costs**

Total Principal & Interest	\$ 148,815	\$ 37,204	\$ 37,204	\$ -	0.00%
Reserve Additions-Interest	7,000	1,750	1,737	13	0.74%
Estimated New Principal & Interest	45,600	11,400	11,400	-	0.00%
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 201,415</b>	<b>\$ 50,354</b>	<b>\$ 50,341</b>	<b>\$ 13</b>	<b>0.03%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 109</b>		

**Rate Center Summary**

<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 948,000	\$ 237,000	\$ 238,122	\$ 1,122	0.47%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	948,004	237,262	232,127	5,135	2.16%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (4)</b>	<b>\$ (262)</b>	<b>\$ 5,995</b>		
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 43.33		\$ 33.99		
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 55.02		\$ 43.40		
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated</b>	17,230	4,308	5,349	1,042	24.18%
<b>or</b>					
<b>Flow (MGD)</b>	0.047		0.058		



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**Urban Wastewater Rate Center**  
**Revenues and Expenses Summary**

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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

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**Revenues**

Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 11,007,464	\$ 2,751,866	\$ 2,950,861	\$ 198,995	7.23%
Stone Robinson WWTP	17,768	4,442	3,036	(1,406)	-31.66%
Septage Acceptance	600,000	150,000	141,076	(8,924)	-5.95%
Nutrient Credits	50,000	12,500	108,805	96,305	770.44%
Miscellaneous Revenue	-	-	-	-	
Interest Allocation	74,000	18,500	34,739	16,239	87.78%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 11,749,232</b>	<b>\$ 2,937,308</b>	<b>\$ 3,238,516</b>	<b>\$ 301,208</b>	<b>10.25%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	A,B \$ 1,615,345	\$ 403,836	\$ 452,407	\$ (48,571)	-12.03%
Professional Services	35,000	8,750	6,836	1,914	21.87%
Other Services & Charges	D 2,721,750	680,438	716,269	(35,831)	-5.27%
Communications	14,800	3,700	4,736	(1,036)	-28.00%
Information Technology	F 95,500	23,875	36,379	(12,504)	-52.37%
Supplies	2,600	650	308	342	52.69%
Operations & Maintenance	2,190,500	547,625	451,941	95,684	17.47%
Equipment Purchases	73,500	18,375	18,375	-	0.00%
Depreciation	470,000	117,500	117,500	(0)	0.00%
<b>Subtotal Before Allocations</b>	<b>\$ 7,218,995</b>	<b>\$ 1,804,749</b>	<b>\$ 1,804,751</b>	<b>\$ (2)</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
Allocation of Support Departments	4,530,238	1,138,830	1,197,310	(58,480)	-5.14%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 11,749,233</b>	<b>\$ 2,943,578</b>	<b>\$ 3,002,061</b>	<b>\$ (58,482)</b>	<b>-1.99%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (1)</b>	<b>\$ (6,270)</b>	<b>\$ 236,456</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

**Revenues**

Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 10,156,560	\$ 2,539,140	\$ 2,539,140	\$ -	0.00%
Septage Receiving Support - County	109,440	27,360	109,440	82,080	300.00%
Trust Fund Interest	208,200	52,050	58,213	6,163	11.84%
Reserve Fund Interest	731,800	182,950	160,849	(22,101)	-12.08%
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 11,206,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,801,500</b>	<b>\$ 2,867,642</b>	<b>\$ 66,142</b>	<b>2.36%</b>

**Debt Service Costs**

Total Principal & Interest	\$ 7,780,072	\$ 1,945,018	\$ 2,411,976	\$ (466,958)	-24.01%
Reserve Additions-Interest	731,800	182,950	160,849	22,101	12.08%
Debt Service Ratio Charge	325,000	81,250	81,250	-	0.00%
Est. New Debt Service - CIP Growth	2,368,300	592,075	125,117	466,958	78.87%
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 11,205,172</b>	<b>\$ 2,801,293</b>	<b>\$ 2,779,192</b>	<b>\$ 22,101</b>	<b>0.79%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 828</b>	<b>\$ 207</b>	<b>\$ 88,450</b>		

**Rate Center Summary**

<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 22,955,232	\$ 5,738,808	\$ 6,106,159	\$ 367,351	6.40%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	22,954,405	5,744,871	5,781,253	(36,381)	-0.63%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 827</b>	<b>\$ (6,063)</b>	<b>\$ 324,906</b>		
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 3.47		\$ 3.30		
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 6.77		\$ 6.36		
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated</b>	3,390,400	847,600	908,796	61,196	7.22%
<b>or</b>					
<b>Flow (MGD)</b>	9.289		9.878		

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**Glenmore Wastewater Rate Center**  
**Revenues and Expenses Summary**

<i>Budget FY 2025</i>	<i>Budget Year-to-Date</i>	<i>Actual Year-to-Date</i>	<i>Budget vs. Actual</i>	<i>Variance Percentage</i>
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

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**Revenues**

Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 533,112	\$ 133,278	\$ 133,278	\$ -	0.00%
Interest Allocation	3,700	925	1,710	785	84.84%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 536,812</b>	<b>\$ 134,203</b>	<b>\$ 134,988</b>	<b>\$ 785</b>	<b>0.58%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	\$ 133,566	\$ 33,391	\$ 37,022	\$ (3,631)	-10.87%
Professional Services	10,000	2,500	335	2,165	86.60%
Other Services & Charges	41,840	10,460	9,572	888	8.49%
Communications	3,700	925	5,687	(4,762)	-514.80%
Information Technology	14,350	3,588	429	3,159	88.05%
Supplies	-	-	-	-	
Operations & Maintenance	E 130,600	32,650	80,350	(47,700)	-146.10%
Equipment Purchases	3,500	875	875	(0)	0.00%
Depreciation	40,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
<b>Subtotal Before Allocations</b>	<b>\$ 377,556</b>	<b>\$ 94,389</b>	<b>\$ 144,270</b>	<b>\$ (49,881)</b>	<b>-52.85%</b>
Allocation of Support Departments	159,262	39,946	41,450	(1,504)	-3.76%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 536,818</b>	<b>\$ 134,335</b>	<b>\$ 185,719</b>	<b>\$ (51,384)</b>	<b>-38.25%</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (6)</b>	<b>\$ (132)</b>	<b>\$ (50,732)</b>		

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

**Revenues**

Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 48,780	\$ 12,195	\$ 12,195	\$ -	0.00%
Trust Fund Interest	500	125	145	20	15.71%
Reserve Fund Interest	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Debt Service Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 49,280</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ 12,340</b>	<b>\$ 20</b>	<b>0.16%</b>

**Debt Service Costs**

Total Principal & Interest	\$ 18,720	\$ 4,680	\$ 4,680	\$ -	0.00%
Estimated New Principal & Interest	30,560	7,640	7,640	-	0.00%
Reserve Additions-Interest	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Debt Service Costs</b>	<b>\$ 49,280</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 20</b>		

<b>Rate Center Summary</b>					
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 586,092	\$ 146,523	\$ 147,327	\$ 804	0.55%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	586,098	146,655	198,039	(51,384)	-35.04%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (6)</b>	<b>\$ (132)</b>	<b>\$ (50,712)</b>		
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 12.97		\$ 18.12		
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 14.16		\$ 19.32		
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated or Flow (MGD)</b>	41,401	10,350	10,252	(98)	<b>-0.95%</b>
	0.113		0.111		

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**Scottsville Wastewater Rate Center**  
**Revenues and Expenses Summary**

Budget FY 2025	Budget Year-to-Date	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget vs. Actual	Variance Percentage
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

		Notes				
<b>Revenues</b>						
Operations Rate Revenue	\$ 405,420	\$ 101,355	\$ 101,355	\$ -		0.00%
Interest Allocation	2,700	675	1,321	646		95.73%
<i>Total Operating Revenues</i>	<b>\$ 408,120</b>	<b>\$ 102,030</b>	<b>\$ 102,676</b>	<b>\$ 646</b>		<b>0.63%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Personnel Cost	\$ 133,636	\$ 33,409	\$ 37,022	\$ (3,613)		-10.82%
Professional Services	5,000	1,250	20,179	(18,929)		-1514.30%
Other Services & Charges	33,400	8,350	10,043	(1,693)		-20.27%
Communications	3,650	913	274	638		69.96%
Information Technology	15,150	3,788	429	3,359		88.68%
Supplies	-	-	-	-		
Operations & Maintenance	44,500	11,125	10,634	491		4.42%
Equipment Purchases	3,500	875	875	(0)		0.00%
Depreciation	20,000	5,000	5,000	(0)		0.00%
<i>Subtotal Before Allocations</i>	\$ 258,836	\$ 64,709	\$ 84,455	\$ (19,746)		-30.52%
Allocation of Support Departments	149,278	37,450	38,822	(1,372)		-3.66%
<i>Total Operating Expenses</i>	<b>\$ 408,114</b>	<b>\$ 102,159</b>	<b>\$ 123,277</b>	<b>\$ (21,118)</b>		<b>-20.67%</b>
<i>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</i>	<b>\$ 6</b>	<b>\$ (129)</b>	<b>\$ (20,601)</b>			

**Debt Service Budget vs. Actual**

<b>Revenues</b>						
Debt Service Rate Revenue	\$ 32,556	\$ 8,139	\$ 8,139	\$ -		0.00%
Trust Fund Interest	200	50	60	10		20.50%
Reserve Fund Interest	3,400	850	695	(155)		-18.26%
<i>Total Debt Service Revenues</i>	<b>\$ 36,156</b>	<b>\$ 9,039</b>	<b>\$ 8,894</b>	<b>\$ (145)</b>		<b>-1.60%</b>
<b>Debt Service Costs</b>						
Total Principal & Interest	\$ 7,453	\$ 1,863	\$ 1,863	\$ -		0.00%
Reserve Additions-Interest	3,400	850	695	155		18.26%
Estimated New Principal & Interest	25,300	6,325	6,325	-		0.00%
<i>Total Debt Service Costs</i>	<b>\$ 36,153</b>	<b>\$ 9,038</b>	<b>\$ 8,883</b>	<b>\$ 155</b>		<b>1.72%</b>
<i>Debt Service Surplus/(Deficit)</i>	<b>\$ 3</b>	<b>\$ 1</b>	<b>\$ 11</b>			

Rate Center Summary						
<b>Total Revenues</b>	\$ 444,276	\$ 111,069	\$ 111,570	\$ 501		0.45%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	444,267	111,197	132,160	(20,963)		-18.85%
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 9</b>	<b>\$ (128)</b>	<b>\$ (20,590)</b>			
<b>Costs per 1000 Gallons</b>	\$ 17.26		\$ 26.64			
<b>Operating and DS</b>	\$ 18.79		\$ 28.56			
<b>Thousand Gallons Treated</b>	23,643	5,911	4,628	(1,283)		<b>-21.70%</b>
or						
<b>Flow (MGD)</b>	0.065		0.050			

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**Administration**

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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Payment for Services SWA	\$	364,200	\$	91,050	\$	91,050	\$	-	0.00%
Miscellaneous Revenue		-		-		4,593		4,593	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>364,200</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>91,050</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>95,643</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,593</b>	<b>5.04%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	<b>A,B</b>	\$	1,348,563	\$	337,141	\$	350,885	\$	(13,744)	-4.08%
Professional Services	<b>C</b>		153,250		38,313		47,358		(9,045)	-23.61%
Other Services & Charges	<b>D</b>		161,100		40,275		58,895		(18,620)	-46.23%
Communications			9,700		2,425		11,341		(8,916)	-367.67%
Information Technology			5,000		1,250		2,911		(1,661)	-132.89%
Supplies			14,000		3,500		3,948		(448)	-12.79%
Operations & Maintenance			57,250		14,313		13,292		1,021	7.13%
Equipment Purchases			9,000		2,250		2,250		-	0.00%
Depreciation			-		-		-		-	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,757,863</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>439,466</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>490,880</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(51,414)</b>	<b>-11.70%</b>

**Department Summary**

<b>Net Costs Allocable to Rate Centers</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>(1,393,663)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(348,416)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(395,237)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>46,821</b>	<b>-13.44%</b>
<b>Allocations to the Rate Centers</b>										
Urban Water	44.00%	\$	613,212	\$	153,303	\$	173,904	\$	(20,601)	
Crozet Water	4.00%	\$	55,747		13,937		15,809		(1,873)	
Scottsville Water	2.00%	\$	27,873		6,968		7,905		(936)	
Urban Wastewater	48.00%	\$	668,958		167,240		189,714		(22,474)	
Glenmore Wastewater	1.00%	\$	13,937		3,484		3,952		(468)	
Scottsville Wastewater	1.00%	\$	13,937		3,484		3,952		(468)	
	100.00%	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,393,663</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>348,416</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>395,237</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(46,821)</b>	

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**Finance and Information Technology**

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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Payment for Services SWA	\$	541,000	\$	135,250	\$	135,250	\$	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous Revenue		-		-		-		-	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>541,000</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>135,250</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>135,250</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	<b>A,B</b>	\$	2,083,478	\$	520,870	\$	561,010	\$	(40,140)	-7.71%
Professional Services	<b>C</b>		42,000		10,500		102,618		(92,118)	-877.31%
Other Services & Charges			46,000		11,500		3,131		8,369	72.77%
Communication			65,000		16,250		9,148		7,102	43.70%
Information Technology			962,850		240,713		236,525		4,187	1.74%
Supplies			14,500		3,625		2,183		1,442	39.77%
Operations & Maintenance			5,000		14,313		145		14,168	98.99%
Equipment Purchases			7,500		1,875		1,875		-	0.00%
Depreciation			-		-		-		-	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>3,226,328</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>819,645</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>916,635</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(96,991)</b>	<b>-11.83%</b>

**Department Summary**

<b>Net Costs Allocable to Rate Centers</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>(2,685,328)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(684,395)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(781,385)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>96,991</b>	<b>-14.17%</b>
<b><u>Allocations to the Rate Centers</u></b>										
Urban Water	44.00%	\$	1,181,544	\$	301,134	\$	343,810	\$	(42,676)	
Crozet Water	4.00%	\$	107,413		27,376		31,255		(3,880)	
Scottsville Water	2.00%	\$	53,707		13,688		15,628		(1,940)	
Urban Wastewater	48.00%	\$	1,288,957		328,509		375,065		(46,556)	
Glenmore Wastewater	1.00%	\$	26,853		6,844		7,814		(970)	
Scottsville Wastewater	1.00%	\$	26,853		6,844		7,814		(970)	
	100.00%	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,685,328</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>684,395</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>781,385</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>(96,991)</b>	

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**Maintenance**

Budget FY 2025	Budget Year-to-Date	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget vs. Actual	Variance Percentage
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Payment for Services SWA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Miscellaneous Revenue	-	-	1,008	1,008	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,008</b>	<b>\$ 1,008</b>	

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	B	\$ 1,645,860	\$ 411,465	\$ 431,690	\$ (20,225)	-4.92%
Professional Services		10,000	2,500	-	2,500	100.00%
Other Services & Charges		29,140	7,285	10,635	(3,350)	-45.99%
Communications		16,200	4,050	6,990	(2,940)	-72.58%
Information Technology		7,500	1,875	278	1,597	85.16%
Supplies		3,500	875	-	875	100.00%
Operations & Maintenance		138,800	34,700	44,466	(9,766)	-28.14%
Equipment Purchases		145,750	36,438	32,500	3,938	10.81%
Depreciation		-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 1,996,750</b>	<b>\$ 499,188</b>	<b>\$ 526,559</b>	<b>\$ (27,372)</b>	<b>-5.48%</b>

**Department Summary**

<b>Net Costs Allocable to Rate Centers</b>		<b>\$ (1,996,750)</b>	<b>\$ (499,188)</b>	<b>\$ (525,551)</b>	<b>\$ 28,380</b>	<b>-5.69%</b>
<b>Allocations to the Rate Centers</b>						
Urban Water	30.00%	\$ 599,025	\$ 149,756	\$ 157,665	\$ (7,909)	
Crozet Water	3.50%	69,886	17,472	18,394	(923)	
Scottsville Water	3.50%	69,886	17,472	18,394	(923)	
Urban Wastewater	56.50%	1,128,164	282,041	296,936	(14,895)	
Glenmore Wastewater	3.50%	69,886	17,472	18,394	(923)	
Scottsville Wastewater	3.00%	59,903	14,976	15,767	(791)	
	100.00%	<b>\$ 1,996,750</b>	<b>\$ 499,188</b>	<b>\$ 525,551</b>	<b>\$ (26,364)</b>	

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**Laboratory**

<i>Budget FY 2025</i>	<i>Budget Year-to-Date</i>	<i>Actual Year-to-Date</i>	<i>Budget vs. Actual</i>	<i>Variance Percentage</i>
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

N/A

**Expenses**

Personnel Cost	\$ 463,225	\$ 115,806	\$ 124,766	\$ (8,959)	-7.74%
Professional Services	-	-	-	-	
Other Services & Charges	9,550	2,388	271	2,116	88.64%
Communications	1,050	263	176	87	33.09%
Information Technology	-	-	508	(508)	
Supplies	1,300	325	32	293	90.16%
Operations & Maintenance	133,600	33,400	21,461	11,939	35.75%
Equipment Purchases	23,900	5,975	1,003	4,972	83.21%
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 632,625</b>	<b>\$ 158,156</b>	<b>\$ 148,216</b>	<b>\$ 9,940</b>	<b>6.28%</b>

**Department Summary**

<b>Net Costs Allocable to Rate Centers</b>		<b>\$ (632,625)</b>	<b>\$ (158,156)</b>	<b>\$ (148,216)</b>	<b>\$ (9,940)</b>	<b>6.28%</b>
<b><u>Allocations to the Rate Centers</u></b>						
Urban Water	44.00%	\$ 278,355	\$ 69,589	\$ 65,215	\$ 4,374	
Crozet Water	4.00%	25,305	6,326	5,929	398	
Scottsville Water	2.00%	12,653	3,163	2,964	199	
Urban Wastewater	47.00%	297,334	74,333	69,662	4,672	
Glenmore Wastewater	1.50%	9,489	2,372	2,223	149	
Scottsville Wastewater	1.50%	9,489	2,372	2,223	149	
	100.00%	<b>\$ 632,625</b>	<b>\$ 158,156</b>	<b>\$ 148,216</b>	<b>\$ 9,940</b>	

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**Engineering**

Budget FY 2025	Budget Year-to-Date	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget vs. Actual	Variance Percentage
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**Operating Budget vs. Actual**

Notes

**Revenues**

Payment for Services SWA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,469	\$ 4,469	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 4,469</b>	<b>\$ 4,469</b>	

**Expenses**

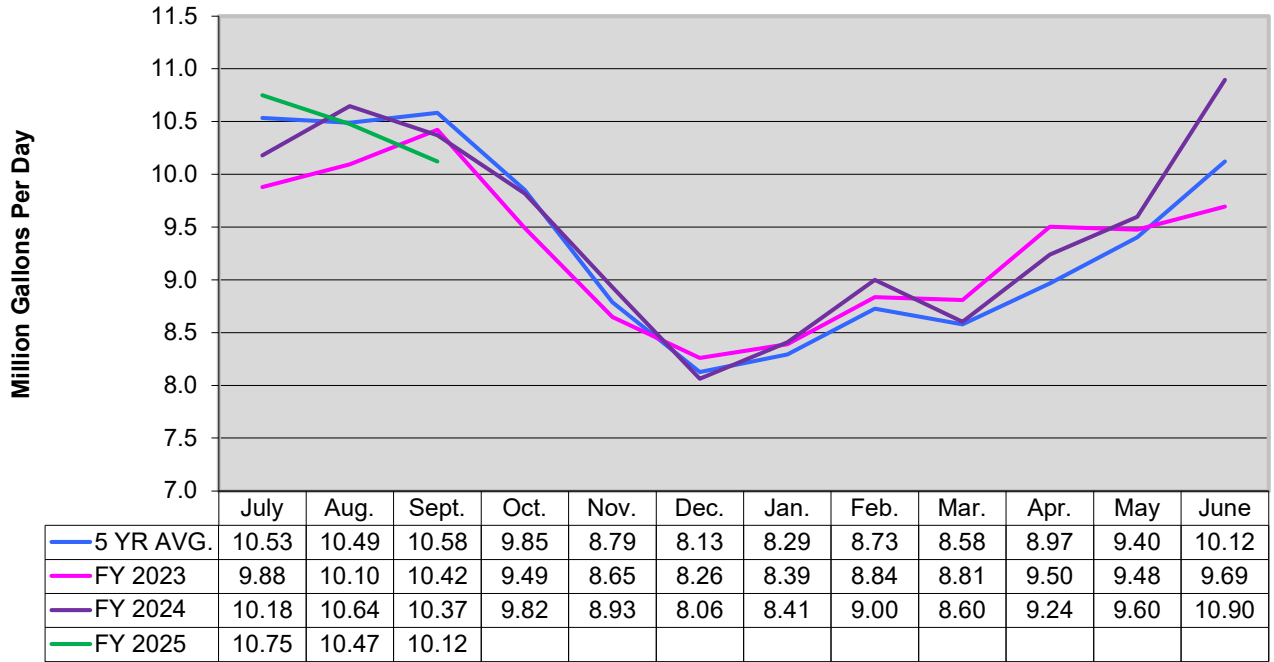
Personnel Cost	\$ 2,216,684	\$ 554,171	\$ 555,643	\$ (1,472)	-0.27%
Professional Services	32,500	8,125	1,275	6,850	84.31%
Other Services & Charges	20,465	5,116	3,305	1,812	35.41%
Communications	15,150	3,788	5,322	(1,535)	-40.52%
Information Technology	211,900	52,975	22,252	30,723	58.00%
Supplies	5,600	1,400	1,478	(78)	-5.60%
Operations & Maintenance	82,620	20,655	14,212	6,443	31.19%
Equipment Purchases	21,500	5,375	5,375	0	0.00%
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,606,419</b>	<b>\$ 651,605</b>	<b>\$ 608,862</b>	<b>\$ 42,743</b>	<b>6.56%</b>

Department Summary						
<b>Net Costs Allocable to Rate Centers</b>		<b>\$ (2,606,419)</b>	<b>\$ (651,605)</b>	<b>\$ (604,393)</b>	<b>\$ (38,273)</b>	<b>5.87%</b>
<b>Allocations to the Rate Centers</b>						
Urban Water	47.00%	\$ 1,225,017	\$ 306,254	\$ 284,065	\$ 22,190	
Crozet Water	4.00%	104,257	26,064	24,176	1,888	
Scottsville Water	2.00%	52,128	13,032	12,088	944	
Urban Wastewater	44.00%	1,146,824	286,706	265,933	20,773	
Glenmore Wastewater	1.50%	39,096	9,774	9,066	708	
Scottsville Wastewater	1.50%	39,096	9,774	9,066	708	
<b>100.00%</b>		<b>\$ 2,606,419</b>	<b>\$ 651,605</b>	<b>\$ 604,393</b>	<b>\$ 47,212</b>	

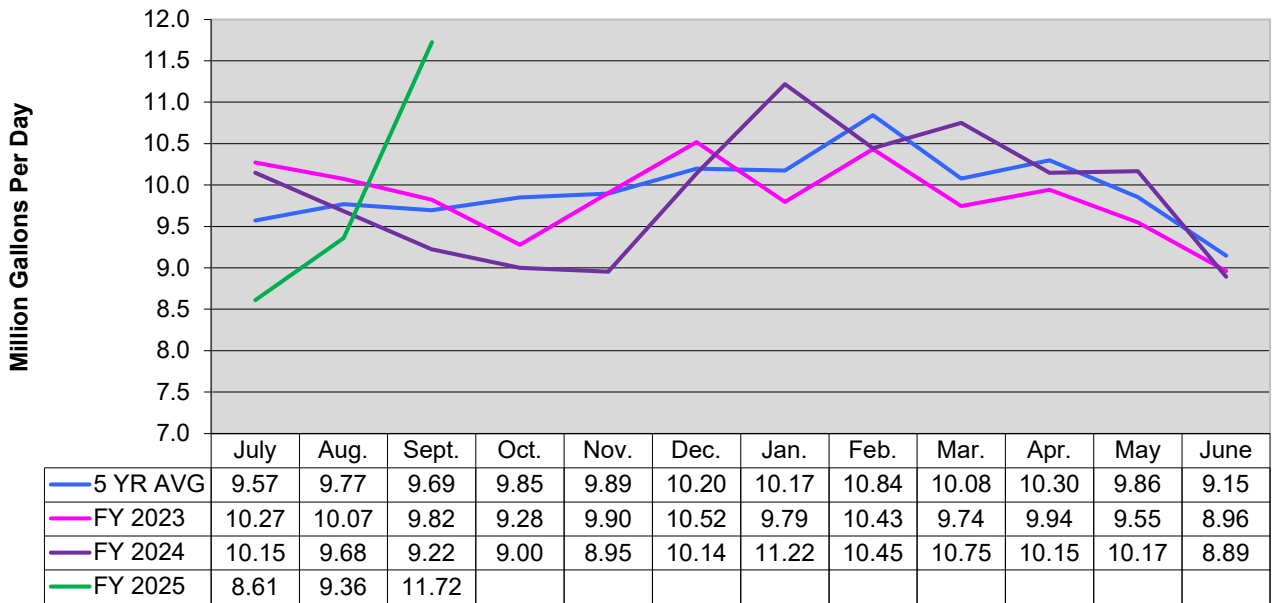


**Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority  
Flow Graphs**

**Urban Water Flows**



**Urban Wastewater Flows**





**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: DAVE TUNGATE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS & ENVIRONMENTAL  
SERVICES**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: OPERATIONS REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2024**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

**WATER OPERATIONS:**

The average and maximum daily water volumes produced in October 2024 were as follows:

<i>Water Treatment Plant</i>	<i>Average Daily Production (MGD)</i>	<i>Maximum Daily Production in the Month (MGD)</i>
South Rivanna	7.95	9.04 (10/30/2024)
Observatory	1.68	3.26 (10/25/2024)
North Rivanna	<u>0.17</u>	<u>0.51 (10/28/2024)</u>
<b><i>Urban Total</i></b>	9.80	10.83 (10/25/2024)
Crozet	0.67	0.90 (10/23/2024)
Scottsville	0.06	0.151 (10/29/2024)
Red Hill	<u>0.0024</u>	0.005 (10/17/2024)
<b><i>RWSA Total</i></b>	10.53	-

- All RWSA water treatment facilities were in regulatory compliance during the month of October.

Status of Reservoirs (as of November 12, 2024): Urban Reservoirs are 98% of Total Useable Capacity

- South Rivanna Reservoir is 100% full
- Ragged Mountain Reservoir is 96% full (water level lowered to complete an inspection)
- Sugar Hollow Reservoir is 100% full
- Beaver Creek Reservoir (Crozet) is 100% full
- Totier Creek Reservoir (Scottsville) is 100% full

**WASTEWATER OPERATIONS:**

All RWSA Water Resource Recovery Facilities (WRRFs) were in regulatory compliance with their effluent limitations during October 2024. Performance of the WRRFs in October was as follows compared to the respective VDEQ permit limits:

<b>WRRF</b>	<b>Average Daily Effluent Flow (MGD)</b>	<b>Average CBOD<sub>5</sub> (ppm)</b>		<b>Average Total Suspended Solids (ppm)</b>		<b>Average Ammonia (ppm)</b>	
		<b>RESULT</b>	<b>LIMIT</b>	<b>RESULT</b>	<b>LIMIT</b>	<b>RESULT</b>	<b>LIMIT</b>
<b>Moore's Creek</b>	10.9	<QL	9	<QL	22	<QL	2.2
<b>Glenmore</b>	0.126	<QL	15	4.0	30	NR	NL
<b>Scottsville</b>	0.06	<QL	25	4.7	30	NR	NL
<b>Stone Robinson</b>	0.002	NA	30	NA	30	NR	NL

NR = Not Required

NL = No Limit

<QL: Less than analytical method quantitative level (2.0 ppm for CBOD, 1.0 ppm for TSS, and 0.1 ppm for Ammonia).

Nutrient discharges at the Moore's Creek AWRRF were as follows for October 2024.

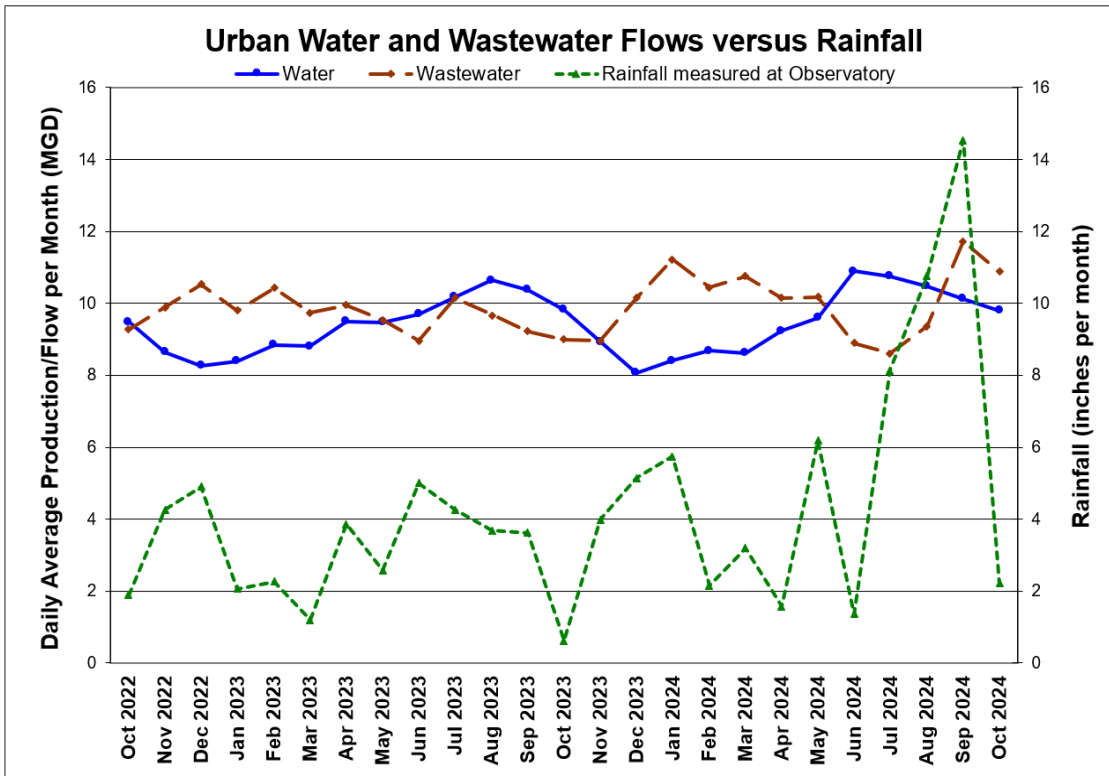
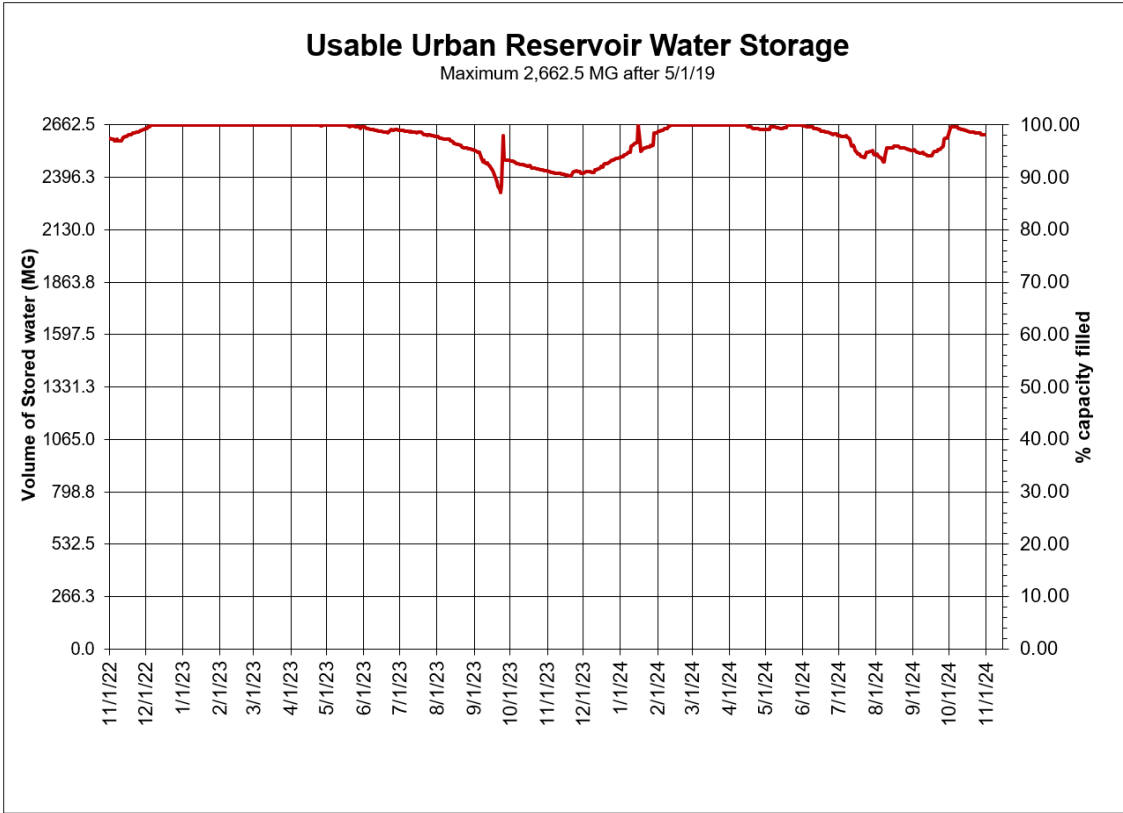
<b>State Annual Allocation (lb./yr.) Permit</b>		<b>Average Monthly Allocation (lb./mo.) *</b>	<b>Moore's Creek Discharge October (lb./mo.)</b>	<b>Performance as % of monthly average Allocation*</b>	<b>Year to Date Performance as % of annual allocation</b>
<b>Nitrogen</b>	282,994	23,583	9,170	39%	32%
<b>Phosphorous</b>	18,525	1,636	815	50%	20%

\*State allocations are expressed as annual amounts. One-twelfth of that allocation is an internal monthly benchmark for comparative purposes only.

**WATER AND WASTEWATER DATA:**

The following graphs are provided for review:

- Usable Urban Reservoir Water Storage
- Urban Water and Wastewater Flows versus Rainfall





## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: JENNIFER WHITAKER, DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING &  
MAINTENANCE**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: CIP PROJECTS REPORT**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

This memorandum reports on the status of the following major Capital Projects as well as other significant operating, maintenance, and planning projects.

For the current CIP and additional project information, please visit: <https://www.rivanna.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/2025-2029-CIP-Final-Draft.pdf>

### Summary

	<b>Project</b>	<b>Construction Start Date</b>	<b>Construction Completion Date</b>
1	MC 5kV Electrical System Upgrades	May 2022	June 2025
2	Rivanna Pump Station Restoration	July 2024	May 2025
3	Red Hill Water Treatment Plant Upgrades	January 2025	March 2026
4	South Fork Rivanna River Crossing	January 2025	January 2027
5	RMR to OBWTP Raw Water Line and Pump Station	January 2025	June 2029
6	MC Building Upfits and Gravity Thickener Improvements	February 2025	May 2027
7	MC Structural and Concrete Rehabilitation	February 2025	May 2027
8	Crozet Pump Stations Rehabilitation	April 2025	September 2027
9	MC Administration Building Renovation and Addition	June 2025	December 2027
10	Central Water Line	May 2025	March 2029
11	Crozet WTP GAC Expansion – Phase I	August 2025	March 2027
12	SRWTP – PAC Upgrades	August 2025	December 2026
13	RMR Pool Raise	September 2025	September 2026
14	SFRR to RMR Pipeline, Intake, and Facilities	February 2026	December 2030
15	Beaver Creek Dam, Pump Station, and Piping	May 2026	January 2030
16	Upper Schenks Branch Interceptor, Phase II	TBD	TBD
17	MC Pump Station Slide Gates, Valves, Bypass, and Septage Receiving Upgrades	June 2025	September 2026

Under Construction

- 1. MC 5kV Electrical System Upgrades
- 2. Rivanna Pump Station Restoration
- 3. Red Hill Water Treatment Plant Upgrades
- 4. South Fork Rivanna River Crossing
- 5. RMR to OBWTP Raw Water Line and Pump Station
- 6. Crozet Pump Stations Rehabilitation

Design and Bidding

- 7. MC Building Upfits and Gravity Thickener Improvements
- 8. MC Structural and Concrete Rehabilitation
- 9. MC Administration Building Renovation and Addition
- 10. Central Water Line
- 11. Crozet WTP GAC Expansion – Phase I
- 12. SRWTP – PAC Upgrades
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Planning and Studies

- 18. MCAWRRF Biogas Upgrades
- 19. Flood Protection Resiliency Study

Other Significant Projects

- 20. Urgent and Emergency Repairs
- 21. Security Enhancements

**Under Construction**

**1. MCAWRRF 5kV Electrical System Upgrades**

Design Engineer:	Hazen and Sawyer
Construction Contractor:	Pyramid Electrical Contractors (Richmond, VA)
Construction Start:	May 2022
Percent Complete:	77%
Base Construction Contract + Change Order to Date = Current Value:	\$5,180,000 - \$800,127 = \$4,379,873
Completion:	June 2025
Budget:	\$6,200,000

Current Status: The startup and integration process of the new 5kV switchgear continues. The Contractor is also working on the replacement of the low-voltage switchboard in the Grit Building, which feeds several processes, as well as the Administration and Engineering Buildings.

**2. Rivanna Pump Station Restoration**

Design Engineer:	Hazen/SEH
Construction Contractor:	MEB
Construction Start:	July 2024
Project Status:	Design, Material Acquisition & Construction
Completion:	May 2025
Budget:	\$22,000,000

Current Status: Contractor continues to order equipment/materials for replacement as design decisions are finalized and has mobilized to the site to begin interior piping modifications in advance of rebuilt pump deliveries. Rebuilt pumps will be installed and bypass pumping system removed by March 2025 with full restoration completed by May 2025.

**3. Red Hill Water Treatment Plant Upgrades**

Design Engineer:	Short Elliot Hendrickson (SEH)
Construction Contractor:	Anderson Construction (Lynchburg)
Construction Start:	January 2025
Percent Complete:	0%
Base Construction Contract + Change Order to Date = Current Value:	\$1,742,375
Completion:	March 2026
Budget:	\$2,050,000

Current Status: Work on-site is expected to begin in January after finalizing site plan details with the County. Submittals are reviewed and materials ordered. This project received partial grant funding from Albemarle County.

**4. South Fork Rivanna River Crossing**

Design Engineer:	Michael Baker International (Baker)
Construction Contractor:	Faulconer (Charlottesville)
Construction Start:	January 2025
Percent Complete:	0%
Base Construction Contract + Change Order to Date = Current Value:	\$4,916,940
Completion:	January 2027
Budget:	\$7,300,000

Current Status: A Pre-Construction meeting is scheduled for this month and issuance of a Notice to Proceed is anticipated next month.

**5. Ragged Mountain Reservoir to Observatory Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Line and Pump Station**

Design Engineer:	Kimley-Horn
Construction Contractor:	Thalle Construction Company, Inc. (North Carolina)
Construction Start:	January 2025
Percent Complete:	0%
Base Construction Contract + Change Order to Date = Current Value:	\$53,908,400
Completion:	June 2029
Budget:	\$61,490,000

Current Status: The Notice of Award was provided to Thalle Construction Company, Inc. on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Construction contracts are in the process of being finalized. Over the coming weeks, a pre-construction meeting will be held, and issuance of the Notice to Proceed anticipated in December.

#### **6. Crozet Pump Stations Rehabilitation**

Design Engineer:	Wiley   Wilson
Project Start:	July 2023
Project Status:	Award
Construction Start:	April 2025
Completion:	September 2027
Budget:	\$10,950,000

Current Status: One bid was received for this project on October 31<sup>st</sup> which exceeded our budget by about 10% (\$1.5 M). The bid is being reviewed with the contractor (WACO) for possible cost reductions. A recommendation for award is anticipated at the December Board meeting.

### **Design and Bidding**

#### **7. MCAWRRF Building Upfits and Gravity Thickener Improvements**

Design Engineer:	Short Elliot Hendrickson (SEH)
Project Start:	March 2023
Project Status:	Bidding
Construction Start:	February 2025
Completion:	May 2027
Budget:	\$7,500,000

Current Status: The project was advertised for bid on November 6 and bids are due in December.

#### **8. MCAWRRF Structural and Concrete Rehabilitation**

Design Engineer:	Hazen and Sawyer (Hazen)
Project Start:	April 2023
Project Status:	Bidding
Construction Start:	February 2025
Completion:	May 2027
Budget:	\$11,300,000



Current Status: The project advertised for bid on November 5, 2024 and bids are due in December.

**9. Moore's Creek Administration Building Renovation and Addition**

Design Engineer:	SEH
Project Start:	October 2022
Project Status:	90% Design
Construction Start:	June 2025
Completion:	December 2027
Budget:	\$25,000,000

Current Status: 90% documents have been completed and a design review workshop has been scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup>. Updated documents that include revised exterior and interior renderings have been submitted to the County ARB for approval and the exhibit design process has begun.

**10. Central Water Line**

Design Engineer:	Michael Baker International (Baker)
Project Start:	July 2021
Project Status:	95% Design
Construction Start:	May 2025
Completion:	March 2029
Budget:	\$47,000,000

Current Status: **Phase 1 Contract (west end):** The acquisition process continues for one private easement and an easement with UVA along Hereford Drive. Phase 1 will advertise for bids in late November. **Phase 2 Contract (east end):** Redesign efforts in the E. High Street area are in process and survey work is complete. An additional private easement will be required with the redesign as well as new easements on two City parcels. Phase 2 design will be completed in summer 2025.

**11. Crozet GAC Expansion – Phase I**

Design Engineer:	SEH
Project Start:	July 2023
Project Status:	95% Design
Construction Start:	August 2025
Completion:	March 2027
Budget:	\$6,550,000

Current Status: 95% documents have been completed and are under review. \$6.24 M in grant funds from VDH have been awarded for this project.

**12. SRWTP – PAC Upgrades**

Design Engineer:	SEH
Project Start:	November 2023
Project Status:	100% Design
Construction Start:	August 2025
Completion:	December 2026

Budget: \$1,100,000

Current Status: Design documents have been completed and are ready for bidding. RWSA applied for a Congressionally Directed Spending grant from Senators Kaine and Warner for this project in the amount of \$880,000 and have received approval of the grant by the Senate committee. Final grant approval will occur upon approval of the federal budget by Congress and the President. Bidding and construction will begin after this grant is finalized.

### **13. RMR Pool Raise**

Design Engineer: Schnabel  
Project Start: April 2024  
Project Status: 35% Design  
Construction Start: September 2025  
Completion: September 2026  
Budget: \$5,000,000

Current Status: Design Engineer has developed clearing plans around the reservoir and initiated permitting efforts with ACOE, VDCR and Albemarle County.

### **14. SFRR to RMR Pipeline, Intake, and Facilities**

Design Engineer: Kimley Horn/SEH  
Project Start: July 2023  
Project Status: 55% Design  
Construction Start: February 2026  
Completion: December 2030  
Budget: \$79,000,000

Current Status: Design Engineer continues to work on both the new reservoir intake and the pipe between SFRR and RMR. The Preliminary Engineering Report for the new reservoir intake was submitted this month. The nutrient report has also been submitted for review.

### **15. Beaver Creek Dam, Pump Station and Piping Improvements**

Design Engineer: Schnabel Engineering (Dam)  
Design Engineer: Hazen & Sawyer (Pump Station)  
Project Start: February 2018  
Project Status: 60% Design  
Construction Start: May 2026  
Completion: January 2030  
Budget: \$47,100,000

Current Status: Hazen has submitted the PER for the new raw water pump station, intake, raw water main, and hypolimnetic oxygenation system for review. Design work by Schnabel Engineering for the dam spillway upgrades, temporary detour, and spillway bridge is ongoing. Preliminary design submittals for the dam are currently under review by internal staff and NRCS. Discussions with the County have been initiated for acquisition or lease of property for the Pump Station. A significant construction grant from the NRCS is anticipated.

### **16. Upper Schenks Branch Interceptor, Phase II**

Design Engineer:	CHA Consulting
Project Start:	July 2021
Project Status:	Design
Construction Start:	TBD
Completion:	TBD
Budget:	\$4,725,000

Current Status: Meetings with the County and City are ongoing to finalize the piping location and design.

**17. MC Pump Station Slide Gates, Valves, Bypass, and Septage Receiving Upgrades**

Design Engineer:	Hazen and Sawyer (Hazen)
Project Start:	June 2023
Project Status:	65% Design
Construction Start:	June 2025
Completion:	September 2026
Budget:	\$3,600,000

Current Status: Staff has been interviewing software vendors for additional improvements to the current septage receiving equipment and billing software, and Hazen is completing a flood resiliency evaluation.

**Planning and Studies**

**18. MCAWRRF Biogas Upgrades**

Design Engineer:	SEH
Project Start:	October 2021
Project Status:	Preliminary Engineering/Study (99%)
Completion:	December 2024
Budget:	\$2,145,000

Current Status: RWSA and City staff continue to discuss all available options to reuse biogas.

**19. Flood Protection Resiliency Study**

Design Engineer:	TBD
Project Start:	August 2024
Project Status:	Preliminary Engineering/Study
Completion:	July 2025
Budget:	\$278,500

Current Status: This project will identify individualized flood mitigation measures of six facilities to increase their resiliency from a 1% to a 0.2% flooding event. Facilities include: Mechums River Raw Water PS, Glenmore WW PS, Moores Creek AWRRF, Scottsville WWRRF, Crozet FET, and Crozet WW PS #2. A consultant is being selected to perform this study and the specific scope of the evaluation

is being confirmed. This project received \$198,930 in grant funding from FEMA and VDEM.

## **Other Significant Projects**

### **20. Urgent and Emergency Repairs**

Staff are currently working on several urgent repairs within the water and wastewater systems as listed below:

Project No.	Project Description	Approx. Cost
2023-01	Finished Water System ARV Repairs	\$150,000
2024-08	Sugar Hollow Raw Waterline Break @ Mechums River	\$350,000

- **RWSA Finished Water ARV Repairs:** RWSA Engineering staff recently met with Maintenance staff to identify a list of Air Release Valves (ARVs) that need to be repaired, replaced, or abandoned. Several of these locations will require assistance from RWSA On-Call Maintenance Contractors, due to the complexity of the sites (proximity to roadways, depth, etc.). The initial round will include seven (7) sites, all along the South Rivanna Waterline. Three replacements have been completed at this time, with a fourth site in progress. This in progress site included abandonment of an existing manual ARV located in the middle of the Route 29-Hydraulic intersection, which has been completed, and was a major coordination effort with VDOT, as they intend to pave this area in the coming weeks. The Contractor is working with VDOT on permits for the final sites.
- **Sugar Hollow Raw Waterline Break at Mechums River:** On October 8<sup>th</sup>, it was discovered that the Sugar Hollow Raw Waterline had failed at its aerial crossing of the Mechums River, due to the impacts associated with Hurricane Helene. RWSA will be utilizing its On-Call Maintenance Contractor, Faulconer Construction, along with its Design Engineer, SEH, to help design and construct the repairs to the aerial crossing. Mobilization occurred on November 5<sup>th</sup> to address concerns with the existing access road to the site initially. The goal is to have the pipeline back in service prior to the end of the year, pending availability of materials, regulatory agency guidance, and weather/site conditions. Funding opportunities are being pursued through FEMA/VDEM.

### **21. Security Enhancements**

Design Engineer:	Hazen & Sawyer
Construction Contractor:	Security 101 (Richmond, VA)
Construction Start:	March 2020
Percent Complete:	90% (WA9), 99% (WA10)
Based Construction Contract + Change Orders to Date = Current Value:	\$718,428 (WA1) + \$834,742 (WA2-10)
Completion:	June 2024 (WA9), August 2024 (WA10)
Budget:	\$2,810,000

**Current Status:** WA9 will include installation of card access on all exterior doors at the South Rivanna WTP and has been amended to include interior doors at the new IT data center. WA10 will include installation of card access on the exterior doors of the finished water pump station and “795” tank buildings in Scottsville. Device installation is complete here as well, with programming and startup ongoing. Design of MCAWRRF entrance modifications with Hazen & Sawyer continues, with discussions with Dominion Energy also ongoing, as relocation of existing electrical infrastructure will

be required. This relocation process will need to be finalized prior to the project proceeding to the bidding phase. Relocation of existing electrical infrastructure will require coordination with the adjacent landowner, as the infrastructure must be completely relocated from the entrance area. As these discussions are ongoing, staff have submitted appropriate permitting documents to Albemarle County.



## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: BETSY NEMETH, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND  
COMMUNICATIONS**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

### Human Resources

Fiscal year-to-date turnover for the Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2024, is 4.8% through November 5, 2024.

We celebrated our employees on November 6, 2024 with an Employee Appreciation Day luncheon. Several service awards were presented:

- Lonnie Wood – 25 years of service
- Michelle Simpson – 20 years of service
- Clifford Hunt – 10 years of service
- Scott Schiller – 10 years of service
- Steven Minnis Jr. – 10 years of service
- John Hull – 5 years of service
- James Hansberry – 5 years of service
- David Jeffries - 5 years of service
- Joshua Bowen - 5 years of service
- Dyon Vega – 5 years of service
- Haider AlSafee - 5 years of service
- Ceara Lyon - 5 years of service
- Thomas Barger – 5+ years of service

### Safety

On October 16, 2024, we trained our managers on the new Incident Reporting System in Paychex. This system will eliminate paper incident reporting.

We have published a new Electrical Safety chapter as a part of our Safety Manual. Many thanks go to the staff from the University of Virginia for their assistance with this chapter.

### Community Outreach

On October 25, 2025, we welcomed the Environmental Public Health Class from the University of Virginia for a tour of the Moores Creek Advanced Water Resource Recovery Facility. We will be working with the

students in this class next semester when they do their Applied Practice Experience. They will be working with us to develop educational content and communication around what we do and how it affects public health.



## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: JENNIFER WHITAKER, DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING &  
MAINTENANCE**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: WHOLESALE METERING REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2024**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

The monthly and average daily Urban water system usages by the City and the ACSA for October 2024 were as follows:

	<i>Month</i>	<i>Daily Average</i>	
City Usage (gal)	149,037,059	4,807,647	<b>49.1%</b>
ACSA Usage (gal)	154,279,598	4,976,761	<b>50.9%</b>
<b><i>Total (gal)</i></b>	<b>303,316,657</b>	<b>9,784,408</b>	

The *RWSA Wholesale Metering Administrative and Implementation Policy* requires that water use be measured based upon the annual average daily water demand of the City and ACSA over the trailing twelve (12) consecutive month period. The *Water Cost Allocation Agreement (2012)* established a maximum water allocation for each party. If the annual average water usage of either party exceeds this value, a financial true-up would be required for the debt service charges related to the Ragged Mountain Dam and the SRR-RMR Pipeline projects. Below are graphs showing the calculated monthly water usage by each party dating back to the beginning of FY21, the trailing twelve-month average (extended back to November 2023), and that usage relative to the maximum allocation for each party (6.71 MGD for the City and 11.99 MGD for ACSA). Completed in 2019 for a cost of about \$3.2 M, our Wholesale Metering Program consists of 25 remote meter locations around the City boundary and 3 finished water flow meters at treatment plants.

Note 1: Wholesale Meter sites 3 and 14 were down for a portion of November. A 3-month average was used per the wholesale metering policy to fill in the data. Maintenance is in the process of fixing the meter.







**TO:** RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**FROM:** BETHANY HOUCHENS, WATER RESOURCES COORDINATOR  
DAVE TUNGATE, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS &  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

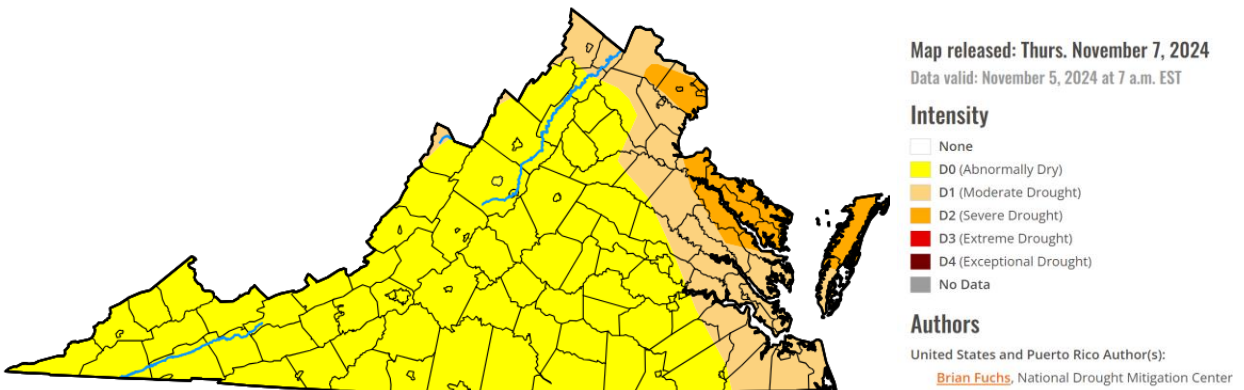
**REVIEWED:** BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** DROUGHT MONITORING REPORT

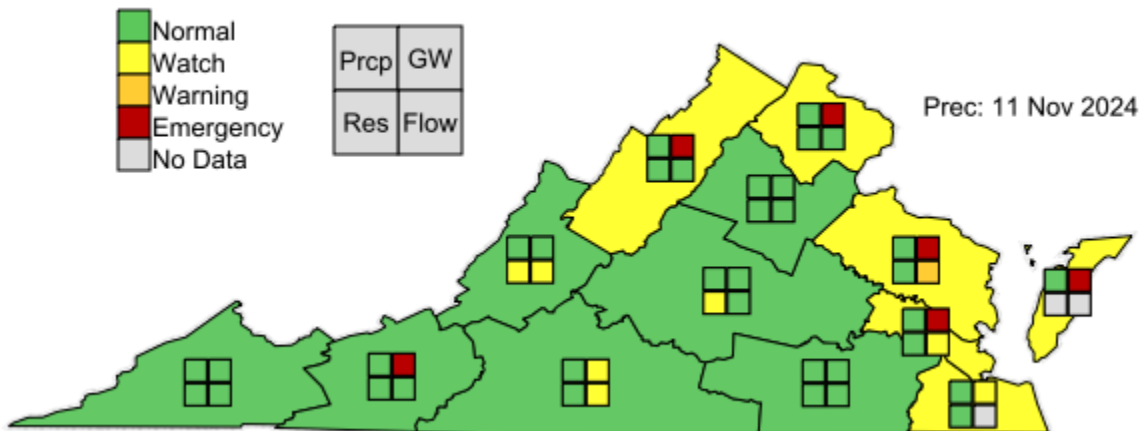
**DATE:** November 19, 2024

**State and Federal Drought Monitoring as of November 13, 2024:**

- U.S. Drought Monitoring Report: Indicates the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County are in abnormally dry conditions.



- VDEQ Drought Status Report: Our region is listed as being in a “Normal” level for precipitation, groundwater, and streamflow. Reservoir levels are in a “Watch” status.



## Precipitation & Stream Flows

Charlottesville Precipitation					
Year	Month	Observed (in.)	Normal (in.)	Departure (in.)	Comparison to Normal (%)
2021	Jan - Dec	33.82	41.61	-7.79	-19
2022	Jan - Dec	43.53	41.61	+1.92	+5
2023	Jan - Dec	26.95	41.61	-14.66	-35
2024	Jan - Oct	35.59	35.21	-0.38	+1.07

Source: National Weather Service, National Climatic Data Center, Climate Summary for Charlottesville, Charlottesville Albemarle Airport station

USGS Stream Gaging Station Near the Urban Area (Oct 31-Nov 6)				
Gage Name	Rolling 7-day Avg. Stream Flow		Median Daily Streamflow	
	cfs	mgd	cfs	mgd
Mechums River	57.7	37.3	54	34.9
Moormans River	26.8	17.4	27	17.5
NF Rivanna River	41.5	26.8	57	36.8
SF Rivanna River	114.4	74	129	83.4

Median daily flow: November 6 for the period of record (approx. 30 - 80 years)

## Status of Reservoirs as of November 13, 2024

- Urban Reservoirs are 98% of Total Useable Capacity
- Beaver Creek Reservoir (Crozet) is 100% of Total Useable Capacity
- Totier Creek Reservoir (Scottsville) is 100% of Total Useable Capacity

## Drought History in Central Virginia

- Severe: 1838, 1930, 1966, 1982, 2002
- Longest: May 2007 - April 2009; 103 weeks
- Significant: every 10 -15 years
- Drought of Record: 2001- 2002; 18 months



## Board Meeting Schedule

Listed below are the proposed RWSA Board of Directors meeting dates for calendar year 2025:

Tuesday, January 28, 2025  
Tuesday, February 25, 2025  
Tuesday, March 25, 2025  
Tuesday, April 22, 2025  
Tuesday, May 27, 2025  
Tuesday, June 24, 2025  
Tuesday, July 22, 2025  
Tuesday, August 26, 2025  
Tuesday, September 23, 2025  
Tuesday, October 28, 2025  
Tuesday, November 18, 2025 \*  
Tuesday, December 16, 2025 \*

\* The November and December meetings are advanced to avoid conflicts with the weeks of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

RWSA meetings will start following the RSWA Board Meetings but not earlier than 2:15 p.m. RWSA meetings will be held in the large conference room on the second floor of the Moores Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Administration Building, 695 Moores Creek Lane, Charlottesville, VA.

Written comments received from the public before the meeting will be presented by staff at the meeting. The public may view and comment virtually during the meeting via Zoom; a link will be posted on our website prior to each meeting. Video recordings of the meetings will be posted to our website.



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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: BETSY NEMETH, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION & COMMUNICATIONS**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

This memo is to propose a schedule for 13.5 paid holidays to be observed during calendar year 2025, as indicated by the attachment.

This schedule has been determined in accordance with our Personnel Management Plan Holiday Leave Policy. In addition to the 12.5 observed holidays listed in our Personnel Management Plan, this schedule includes Friday, December 26, 2025.

### **Board Action Requested**

Approval of the attached Holiday Schedule for Calendar Year 2025.

Attachment



## **2025 Holiday Schedule**

**New Year's Day – Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Martin Luther King, Jr Day (Floating) – Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**President's Day (Floating) – Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Memorial Day – Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Juneteenth (Floating) – Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Independence Day – Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Labor Day – Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Veteran's Day (Floating) – Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

**1/2 Day Before Thanksgiving – Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Day After Thanksgiving – Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Christmas Eve – Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Christmas – Thursday & Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**



## MEMORANDUM

**TO: RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**FROM: JENNIFER A. WHITAKER, DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING AND  
MAINTENANCE**

**REVIEWED BY: BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF TERM CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL  
COMMISSIONING SERVICES FOR UTILITY BUILDINGS AND  
FACILITIES**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2024**

This request is to authorize award of a Term Engineering Services Agreements with Facility Dynamics Engineering (FDE), to provide Professional Commissioning Services for Utility Buildings and Facilities Services and future Work Authorizations less than \$300,000 under the conditions of the Term Agreement. Fees for each Work Authorization will be negotiated based on the services required and hourly rates from the consultant which have been approved by staff. The term of the contract will be for one year, with the option for three one-year renewals.

### **Background**

RWSA has a significant Capital Improvement Program and is seeking the assistance of technical and managerial consult experts to develop a project commissioning program. The commissioning consultant will support design, construction, inspecting, testing and balancing of building systems including HVAC, lighting, and communications. The selected consultant will coordinate with the RWSA Project team, the engineering consulting design firm, and well as contracted IT service providers to augment and ensure building systems are properly designed, constructed and tested to achieve successful project operations.

A Request for Proposals (RFP 24-07) for a new term contract was developed and advertised on August 30, 2024. Six proposals were received on September 27, 2024. Based on the qualifications of the firms, the RFP selection committee short-listed and scheduled interviews with two firms. Interviews were conducted on October 28, 2024, and the committee determined that one firm was best qualified to provide these services. Facility Dynamics Engineering has been providing commissioning services for 35 years, has a local office, and has extensive experience working for regional partners and other Virginia agencies.

### **Board Action Requested:**

Authorize the Executive Director to execute a Professional Engineering Services Term Agreement with Facility Dynamics Engineering for Professional Commissioning Services for Utility Buildings and Facilities and Work Authorities less than \$300,000.



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS, RIVANNA WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY

**FROM:** JEFF SOUTHWORTH, MANAGER OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LONNIE WOOD, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & IT

**REVIEWED BY:** BILL MAWYER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** APPROVAL OF TERM CONTRACT FOR COMMISSIONING SERVICES FOR INDUSTRIAL CONTROLS INTEGRATION, MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES

**DATE:** NOVEMBER 19, 2024

This request is to authorize approval of Term Contracts with E-Merge (Gray Matter Systems) and Short Elliot Hendrickson Engineers to provide Commissioning Services for Industrial Controls Integration, Management and Inspection Services and Work Authorizations less than \$300,000 under the conditions of the Term Agreement. Fees for each Work Authorization will be negotiated based on the services required and hourly rates from the consultant which have been approved by staff. The term of the contract will be for one year, with the option for three additional one-year renewals.

Staff have developed software implementation standards (programming, infrastructure, system access and documentation); however, an efficient and effective implementation/inspection/certification program is still being developed. We want to establish a qualified list of technical support providers for industrial control implementation and management services. Over the next 2 years, we will complete design and begin construction of several large capital improvement projects that will have Industrial Controls and SCADA systems. Those projects will require significant technical support and oversight of the implementation, inspection, and certification of those industrial control systems to meet contract specifications and integration into Rivanna's existing operational technology environment. Additional Work Authorizations may be issued under the terms of the Services Agreement. The selected consultants must be able to respond quickly to Rivanna projects that may have short-term deadlines.

A Request for Proposals (RFP 24-08) for a new term contract was developed and advertised on September 7, 2024. Five proposals were received on October 1, 2024. Based on the qualifications of the firms, the RFP selection committee short-listed and interviewed three firms. Based on the written proposals and the interviews conducted on November 4, and November 5, 2024, the committee determined that two firms were best qualified to provide these services. Both firms have offices in Virginia and have extensive experience working under similar municipal term contracts, with E-Merge (Gray Matter Systems) and Short Elliot Hendrickson, both having provided services for RWSA under previous contracts. These consultants will become a part of the capital project design, construction and operational implementation teams along with the general contractors and design engineers. Funding for commissioning on projects will come from the project budget; however, some operating funds will be used to orient and onboard these contractors to the overall industrial control and SCADA ecosystem.

**Board Action Requested:**

Authorize the Executive Director to execute Term Contracts for Commissioning Services for Industrial Controls Integration, Management and Inspection Services with E-Merge (Gray Matter Systems) and Short Elliot Hendrickson and Work Authorizations less than \$300,000.





# Long-Range Planning for Water & Wastewater Services

Presented to the Board of Directors

By Bill Mawyer, Executive Director

November 19, 2024





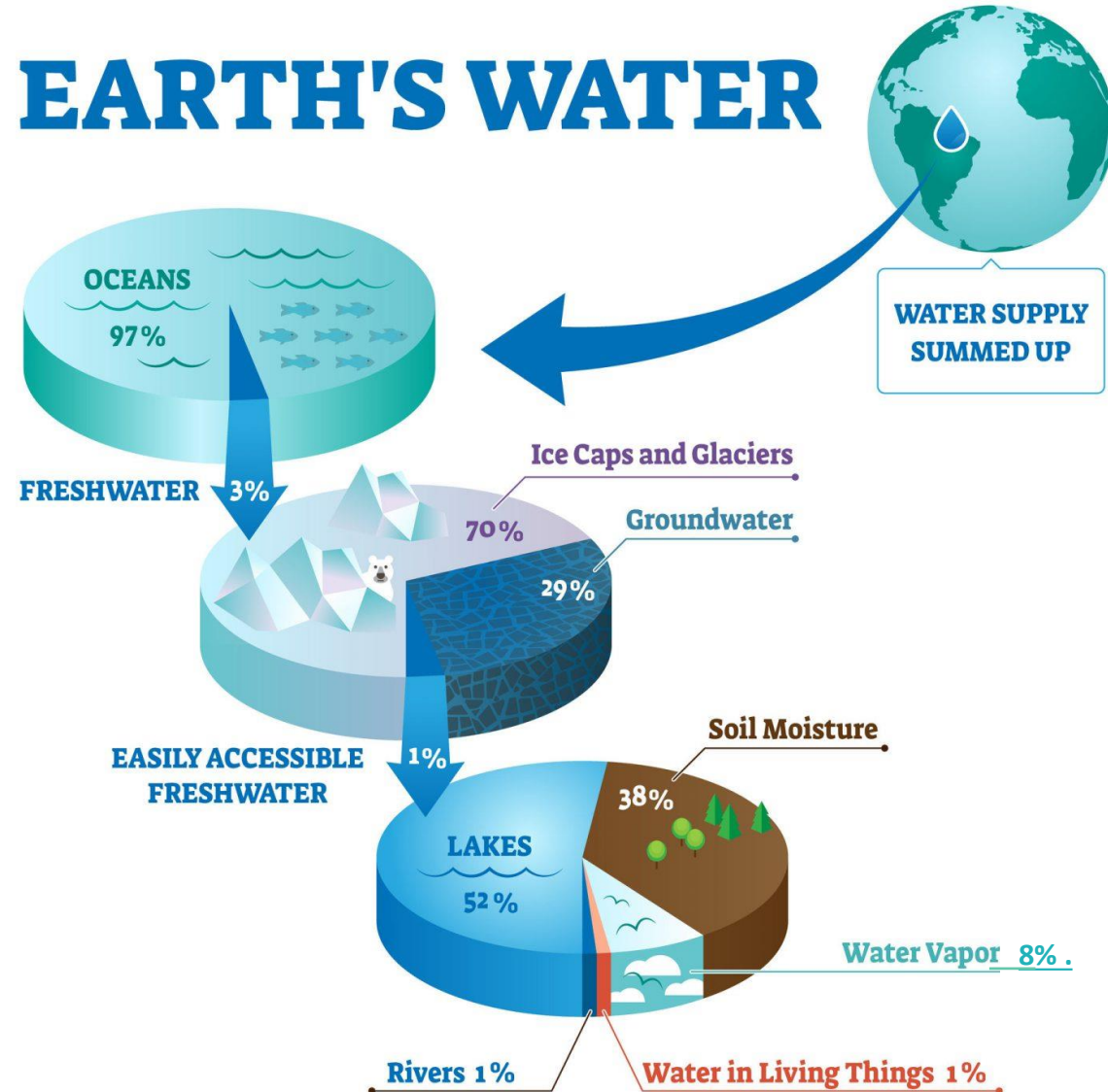
“When the well is dry, we know the worth of water.”  
*Benjamin Franklin*





# Will We Have Enough Drinking Water in the Future?

## EARTH'S WATER



- About 70% of the Earth's surface is water-covered. The oceans hold about 97% of Earth's water.

- Only 3% of Earth's water is freshwater, with only about 0.5 % accessible in lakes and rivers.

- The US is home to the largest freshwater lake system in the world, the Great Lakes, which holds 6 quadrillion gallons of water (6,000,000,000,000,000 gallons).

- According to Colorado State University, nearly half of the 204 freshwater basins studied in the United States may not be able to meet the monthly water demand by 2071.

- Two-thirds of the world's population, 5 billion people, will face at least one month of water shortages by 2050, according to the United Nations report on how climate change is affecting the world's water resources.

# WATER & WASTEWATER DRIVERS



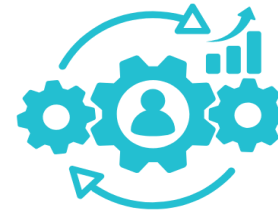
CAPACITY



REGULATIONS



EMERGING  
CONTAMINANTS



TECHNOLOGY



SUSTAINABILITY



AFFORDABILITY

# Capacity & Climate Changes

**UVA** - stable driver of local economy  
 UVA supports almost 30k jobs in Albemarle & Charlottesville.  
 Economic impact on VA's economy is est to be \$5.9 B annually.

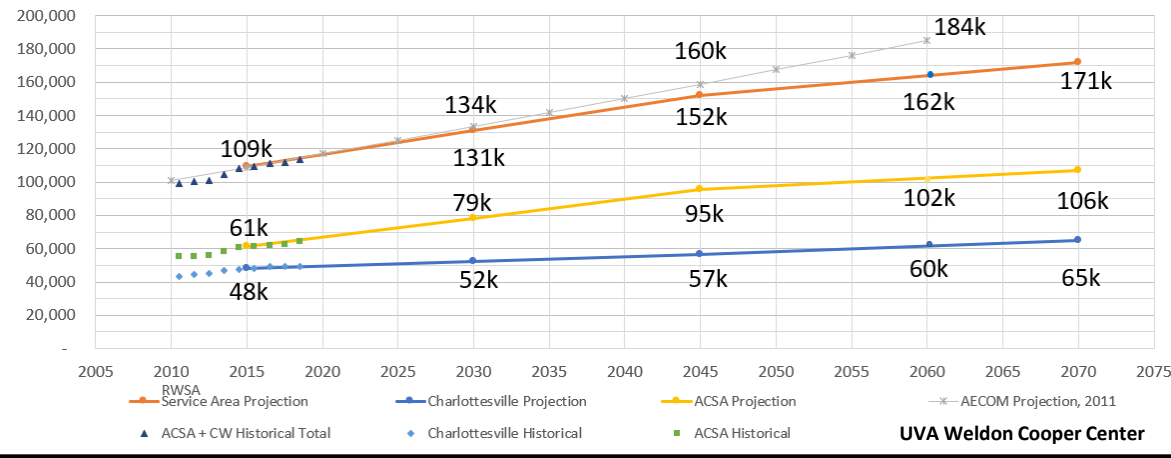


**Longer Periods of Drought**  
 In October 2024, our area was 20" (13%) below normal precipitation since Jan 2021.



## Population Growth – Urban Water Demand

• City, ACSA and RWSA Service Area Populations (2020)



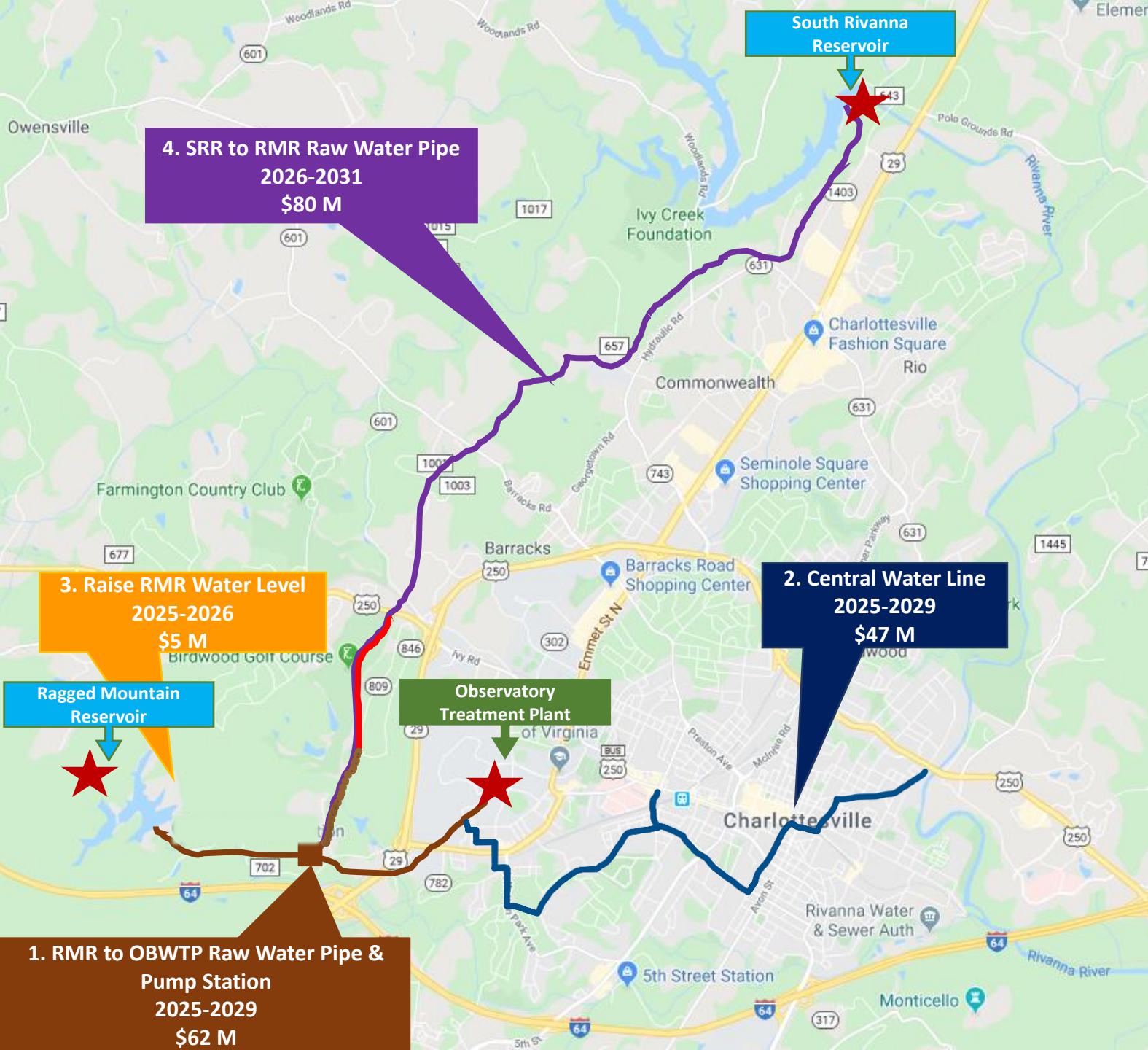
2070 projected **Service Area** population for ACSA is 106k and for Charlottesville is 65k.



**More Intense Storms**  
 Hurricane Helene washed away main water transmission lines built to withstand a typical hurricane event and buried 25 feet deep.







# Water Supply Projects

(October 18, 2024)

**1. RMR to OBWTP Raw Water Pipe & Pump Station**  
 2025-2029  
*Pipe: 80% ACSA / 20% City*  
*PS: 72% ACSA / 28% City*

\$62 M

**2. Central Water Line**  
 2025-2029  
*52% ACSA / 48% City*

\$47 M

**3. Raise RMR Water Level**  
 2025-2026  
*80% ACSA / 20% City*

\$5 M

**4. SRR to RMR Raw Water Pipe**  
 2026-2031  
*80% ACSA / 20% City*

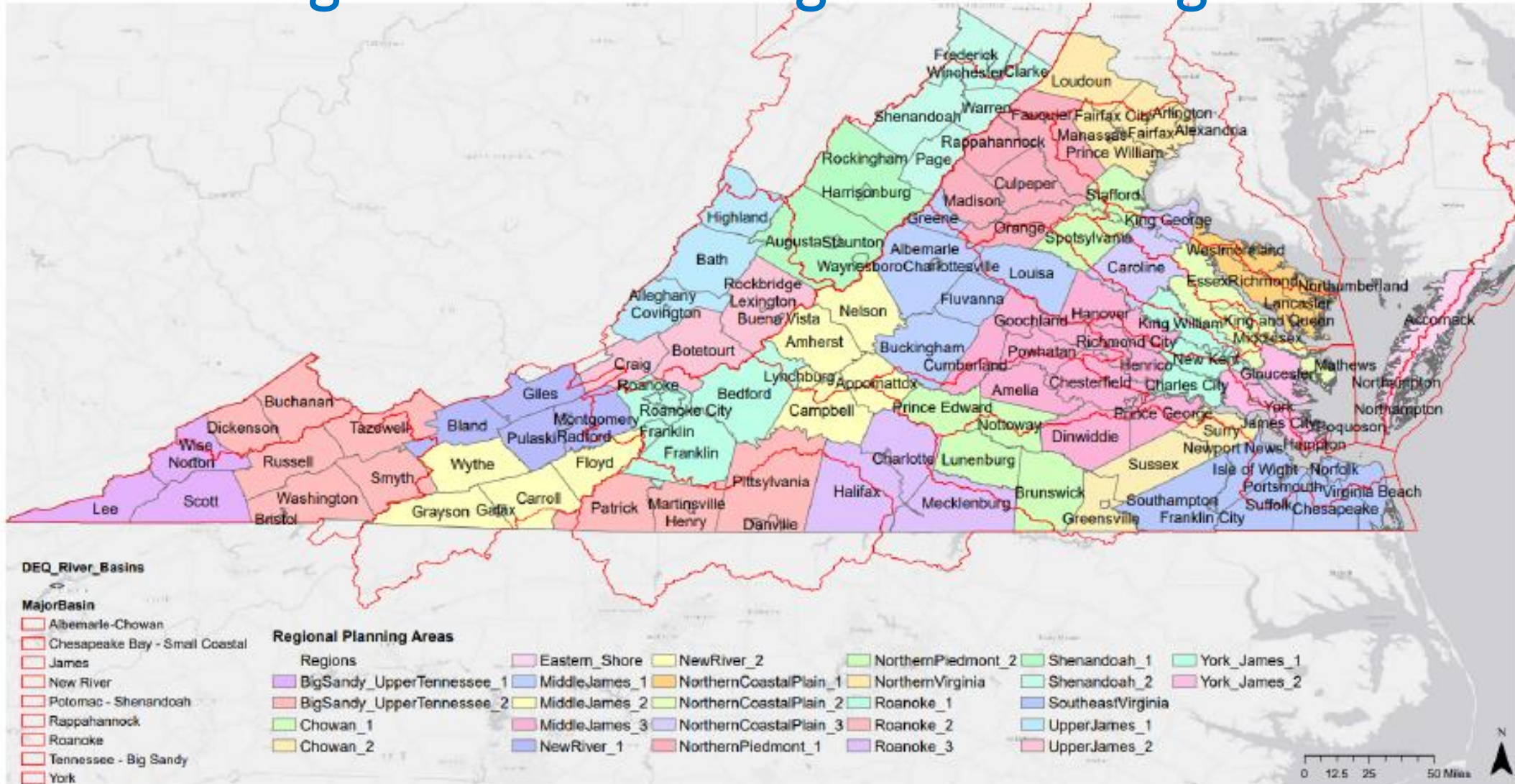
\$80 M

ACSA \$129 M  
 City \$65 M

**\$194 M**



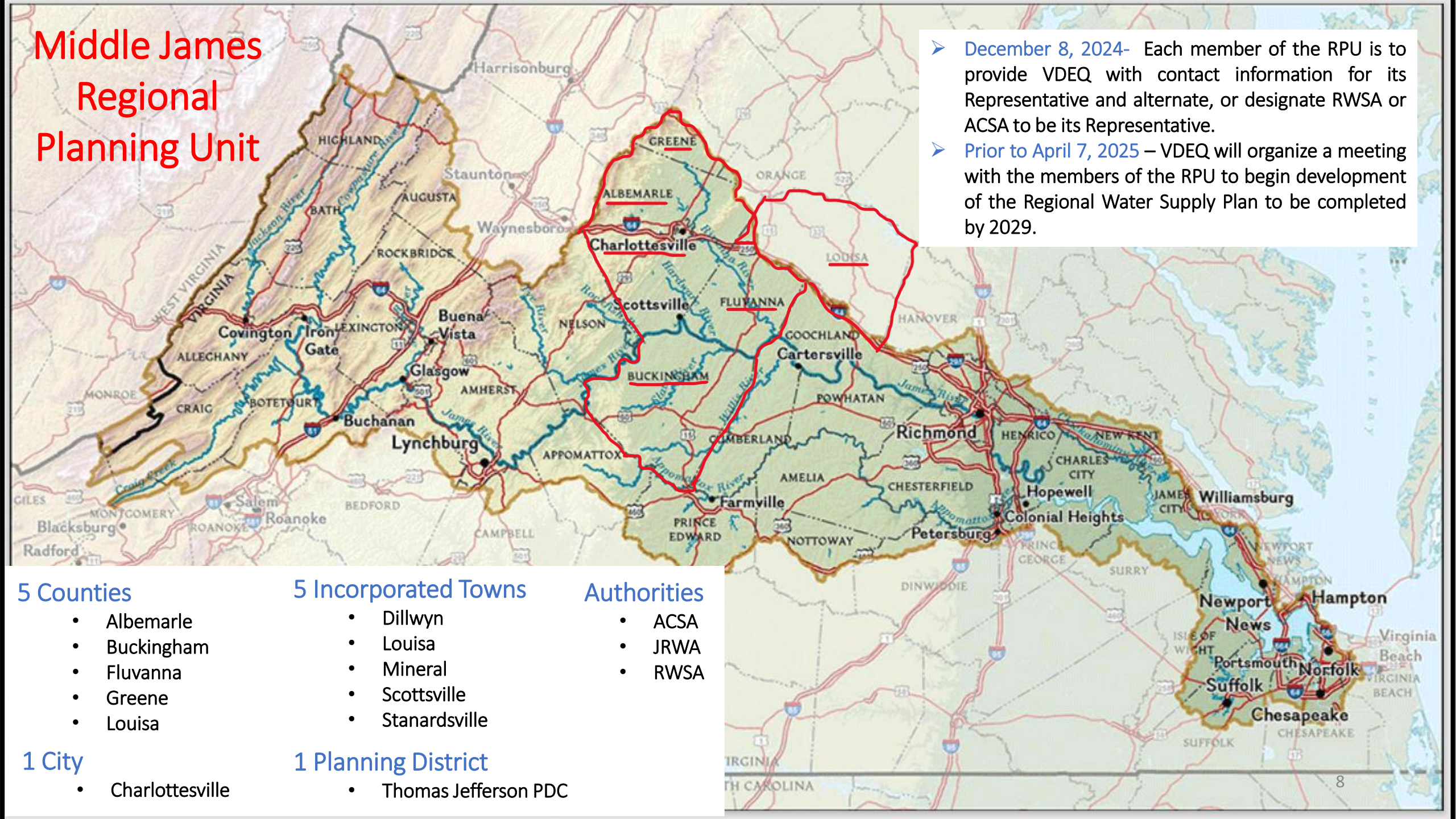
# Regulations: New Regional Planning Units





# Middle James Regional Planning Unit

- December 8, 2024- Each member of the RPU is to provide VDEQ with contact information for its Representative and alternate, or designate RWSA or ACSA to be its Representative.
- Prior to April 7, 2025 – VDEQ will organize a meeting with the members of the RPU to begin development of the Regional Water Supply Plan to be completed by 2029.



## 5 Counties

- Albemarle
- Buckingham
- Fluvanna
- Greene
- Louisa

## 5 Incorporated Towns

- Dillwyn
- Louisa
- Mineral
- Scottsville
- Stanardsville

## Authorities

- ACSA
- JRWA
- RWSA

## 1 City

- Charlottesville

## 1 Planning District

- Thomas Jefferson PDC





# New EPA PFAS Regulations for Drinking Water \*

PFAS Compound	MCLG	MCL (ppt or ng/L)#
PFOA	0	4.0
PFOS	0	4.0
PFHxS	10	10
HFPO-DA (Gen X chemicals)	10	10
PFNA	10	10
Mixture of two or more PFHxS, PFNA, HFPO- DA, and PFBS	Hazard Index 1 (unitless)	Hazard Index 1 (unitless)

1 part per trillion is the same as :

- 1 inch in 16 million miles
- 1 penny in \$10 B
- 1 second in 32,000 years

\* April 10, 2024

# *New PFAS Regulations ?*

- Wastewater
  - *Treatment Requirements ?*

- Biosolids

- *Disposal?*

*Avg. person contributes 37 lbs / yr*



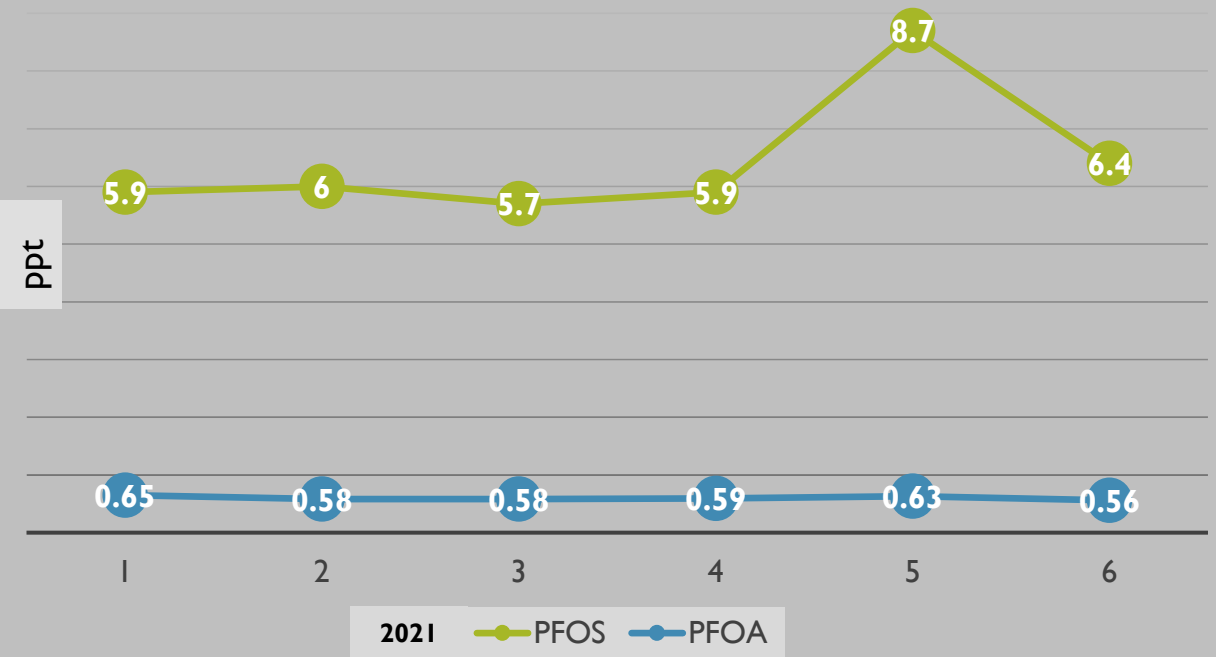
# BIOSOLIDS DISPOSAL OPTIONS

13,500 tons per year of biosolids

- Composting  
545 trips to McGill Environmental,  
Waverly, VA in 2023
- Land Application
- Landfill
- Incinerate



## PFAS in RWSA Biosolids



# Emerging Contaminants

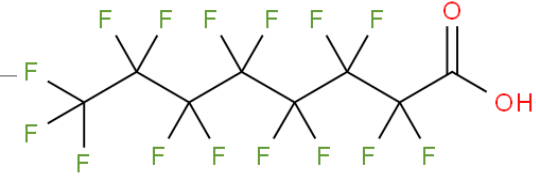
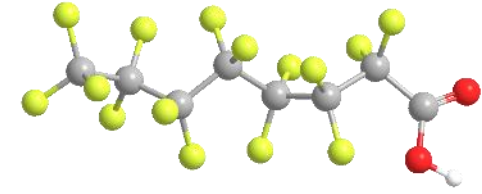
- **UMCR 5: 29 PFAS compounds and Lithium**
  - EPA manages the **Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule** to require collection of data on contaminants that are suspected to be in drinking water but don't have health-based standards. The Safe Drinking Water Act requires the EPA to monitor up to 30 unregulated contaminants every five years.
- **Fluoride**
  - Reduced level or elimination?
- **Nanoparticles**
  - Microplastics
- **Endocrine Interrupters**
  - Pharmaceuticals
  - Personal Care Products





# PFAS

- PFAS: Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances
- Synthetic chemicals that include several different classes (e.g. PFOA, PFOS, GenX)
- Used for water repellency (clothing), stain resistance (Scotchgard™), grease-proofing, and friction reduction (“non-stick”; Teflon)
- Primary ingredients in many fire-fighting foams
- PFAS compounds have long half-lives in humans (3—5 years)



# *Microplastics*



- Used in many industries including agriculture, cosmetics, personal care, recreational and commercial fishing, and clothing
- Can enter water sources via runoff from land or degradation of larger plastic materials
- 2018 Penn State study revealed an average of 325 particles/liter in most brands of bottled drinking water. Some brands contained as much as 10,000 particles/liter

# Technology

- Artificial Intelligence
- Real-time Process Applications
  - *Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition Systems (SCADA)*
- Cyber Security





# ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA CENTERS: WATER & POWER

- Data centers are among the top 10 water-consuming commercial industries in the United States, consuming millions of gallons of water each year to cool the computer equipment that generates immense amounts of heat.
- *Amazon and Google recently said they were investing in small nuclear reactors as new sources of carbon-free electricity to meet surging demand from data centers and artificial intelligence.*



	Water consumption
Average data center	300,000 gallons per day, or enough for 100,000 homes
Large data center	1–5 million gallons per day, or enough for 10,000–50,000 people

## Artificial Intelligence

- **Better Monitoring:** helps to efficiently monitor and control processes, ensuring smooth operations and reducing costs.
- **Cybersecurity Risks:** connected systems mean higher chances of cyberattacks, which can disrupt services and increase costs.



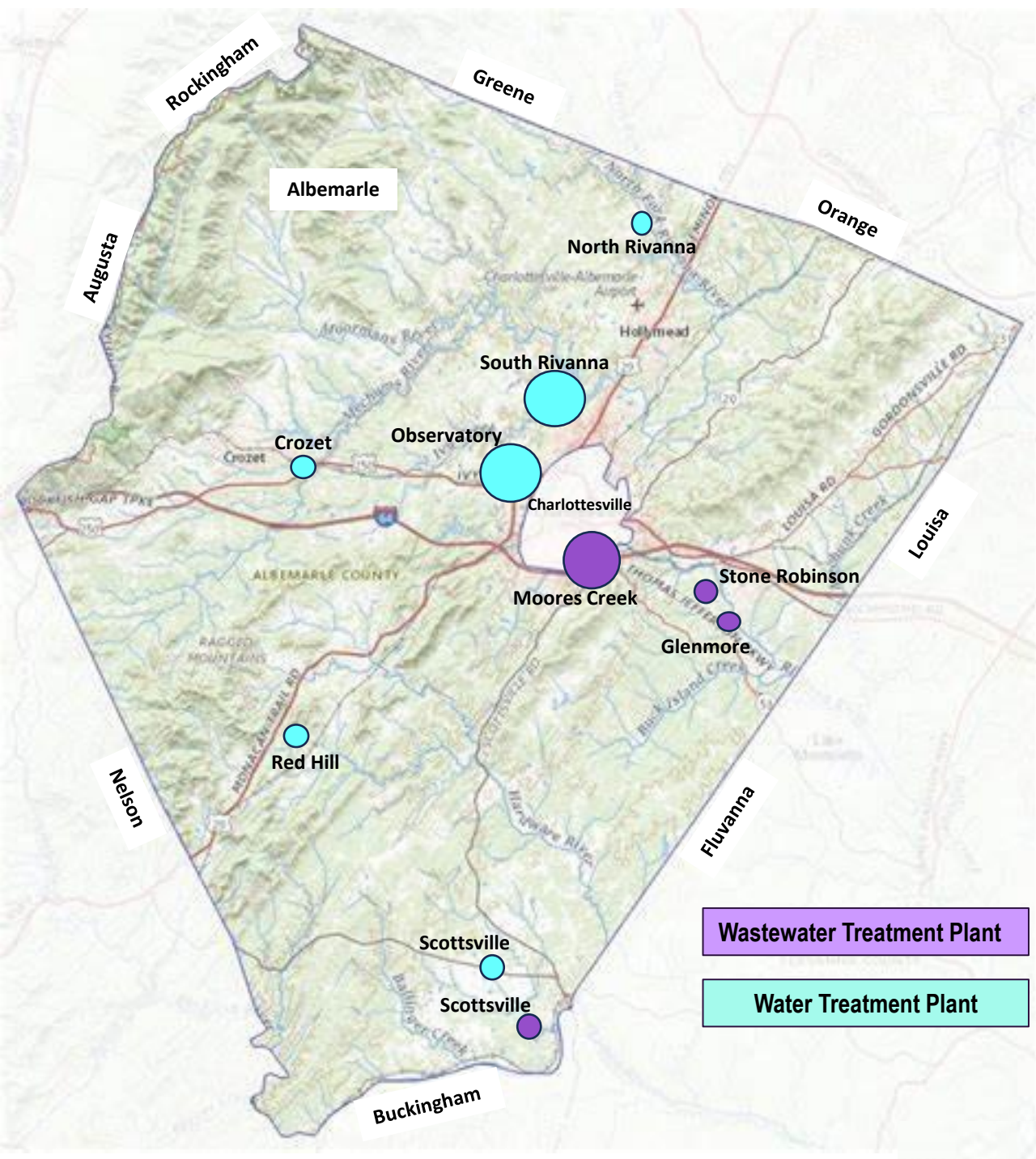
# Sustainability

- Energy management and reduction:
  - renewable energy from wastewater biogas and solar facilities
  - high efficiency vehicles and equipment to reduce energy demand
- Water Reuse; potable and non-potable
- Dedicated staff
  - *Sustainability & Grants Coordinator*  
*Annie West*



# Affordability Unify Water & Wastewater Systems 2025 – 2050

- North Rivanna WTP decommissioning
- SRR to RMR Water Piping Connection
- Glenmore and Stone Robinson Wastewater Piping Connection to Moores Creek
  - *Systemic alternatives to centralize facilities to achieve efficiencies and improve affordability*





# *2050 and Beyond*

- Additional reservoir at Buck Mtn  
~1300 acres are available
- Observatory WTP Lease expires in  
2069, with 50-year renewal option  
until 2119
- Expansion of South Rivanna WTP  
by 2045 and Observatory WTP by  
2070



# *Summary*

- Population growth driven by a stable local economy and climate changes may require our community to add reservoirs to increase its supply of drinking water.
- Regulatory requirements to address emerging contaminants will increase the cost of water and wastewater treatment.
- Local and regional unification of systems may provide options to optimize resources and minimize costs.
- A long-term Strategic Plan will be essential to guide the changes.

Questions?

