EPA PUBLIC NOTICE
Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program
Notice of Proposed Permit Issuance for:

Hampton Roads Sanitation District
1434 Air Rail Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA 23455

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III (EPA) is issuing a proposed permit under the authority of the federal Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Parts 124, 144, 146, and 147 to Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD).

Description: HRSD applied for a permit for ten (10) UIC Class V injection wells, to be used for the aquifer recharge of the Potomac Aquifer System. The injection wells are located at the James River Treatment Plant, 101 City Farm Road in Newport News, Virginia. The draft permit will allow HRSD to inject wastewater which has undergone advanced treatment to meet Safe Drinking Water Act drinking water standards into the Upper Potomac and Middle Potomac Aquifers at depths ranging from 400 feet to 1200 feet below ground surface. If the final permit is issued to HRSD, it will remain in effect for ten (10) years. A permit is required to meet the provisions of the EPA-administered UIC Program in Virginia.

Tentative Public Hearing: EPA has tentatively scheduled a virtual public hearing using Microsoft Teams on July 7, 2022. An in-person hearing will not take place. The call-in and log-in information for the virtual meeting is listed below:

Call-in Number: (484) 352-3221
Conference ID: 818 913 195#
MS Teams Link: https://msteams.link/GW9K

There is no need to register in advance for the virtual hearing. Attendees may utilize MS Teams by calling via telephone or entering the URL into a web browser. During the hearing, callers will receive instructions on how to join the queue to make a comment. The meeting organizer will call on people to deliver their oral comments. Participants who want to supply written or printed materials can do so using the information listed below.

Requests to hold this public hearing must be received via email or telephone to EPA by June 30, 2022. When requesting a public hearing, please state the nature of the issues you propose to raise. EPA expressly reserves the right to cancel this hearing unless a significant degree of public interest is evidenced by June 30, 2022.

EPA Requests Public Comments on the Permit Issuance
Public Comments on the permit issuance will be accepted until July 8, 2022

The administrative record for this permitting action is available for review. The draft permit, the statement of basis for the draft permit, and permit application materials have been posted on EPA’s website at https://www.epa.gov/va/epa-public-notices-virginia. Comments on the draft permit may be directed to:

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