



REGION 3

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

April 10, 2025

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invites the public to comment on its preliminary Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Prince George County, Virginia's Water Transmission Main Appomattox River Crossing project. The project includes replacement of 2,200 linear feet of 16-inch waterline that is currently hanging on a bridge over the Appomattox River with 1,300 linear feet of new 24-inch waterline that will be placed by directional drilling under the river. The project will be partially financed with the EPA funding appropriated by Congress under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024, P.L. 118-42.

The EPA has prepared this preliminary FONSI based on its independent Environmental Assessment of the project pursuant to Section 102 of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the EPA's NEPA procedures under 40 C.F.R. Part 6.

- Environmental Assessment: The EPA assessed the Geotechnical Data Report, construction plans, and federal and state permits to evaluate the effects of project implementation on environmental resources. The Environmental Assessment did not identify significant effects to resources as a result of implementing the project.
- FONSI: The EPA has concluded that the environmental impacts of the proposed Water Transmission Main Appomattox River Crossing project are expected to be minimal if the mitigation measures identified are implemented. As such, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

The EPA is holding a 30-day public comment period from April 10, 2025, through May 9, 2025. Comments should be submitted to the EPA on or prior to May 9, 2025, via email to R3CommunityProjects@epa.gov or in writing to:

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The EPA will consider all comments received prior to making a final determination. The preliminary FONSI will become final after the 30-day comment period expires if no new significant information is provided to alter this determination.

The EPA's preliminary FONSI, the Environmental Assessment, and other supporting documents are available on the EPA's NEPA Compliance Database website at: <https://cdxapps.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-II/public/action/nepa/search>, and for public review at the EPA Region 3 office noted above and the Prince George County Administrative Office located at 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, VA 23875.