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WATER QUALITY ADVISORY GROUP

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| <u>CREATED:</u> | Montgomery County Code, Section 19-49, Adopted November 1994 |
| <u>PURPOSE:</u> | To protect, maintain, and restore high-quality chemical, physical, and biological conditions in the waters of the state in the County; reverse past trends of stream deterioration through improved water management practices; maintain physical, chemical, biological and stream habitat conditions in County streams that support aquatic life along with appropriate recreational, water supply, and other water uses; restore County streams damaged by inadequate water management practices, by reestablishing the flow regime, chemistry, physical conditions, and biological diversity of natural stream systems as closely as possible; help fulfill interjurisdictional commitments to restore and maintain the integrity of the Anacostia River, the Potomac River; and the Chesapeake Bay; and promote and support educational and volunteer initiatives that enhance public awareness and increase direct participation in stream stewardship and reduction of water pollution. Recommends to the Executive and the Council by March 1 each year water quality goals, objectives, policies and programs. |
| <u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> | 18 members, including up to three non-voting representatives of government agencies and three representatives each of the public-at-large, academic and scientific experts, environmental groups, the agricultural community, and the business community. |
| <u>FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE:</u> | Not required. |
| <u>TERMS:</u> | Three year terms—no compensation. |
| <u>MEETINGS:</u> | Second Monday night of each month, virtual Microsoft Teams meetings and in person meetings at the DEP Office, 2425 Reedy Drive, 5th Floor, Wheaton, MD 20902 |
| <u>WEBSITE:</u> | https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/water/advisory-group.html |
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