

“Strawman” Options for Executive Order 52

For Discussion Purposes Only

- Determine the feasibility of appropriations to the Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF) Nutrient Offset Fund (§ 10.1-2128.2) and evaluate existing Code language to determine if priority for animal waste to energy projects remains relevant. Timeframe: 2016
- In concert with the Nutrient Credit Exchange Association, explore options for now authorized (HB 448, SB 314) longer term or permanent credits: Timeframe 2016-17
- DEQ and permit registrants review 2005 allocations on a regular schedule to determine if they remain relevant to current or projected conditions, demand in service areas, discharge concentrations and other factors used in setting the original allocations or new factors that may be relevant: Timeframe – Determine based on permit cycle
- Examine planned water reuse projects to determine possible future allocation availability: Timeframe – Ongoing
- Revisit water reuse regulations to determine feasibility of increasing amount of available allocation through reuse projects: Timeframe: Begin 2017
- Review and propose as necessary amendments to § 10.1-2131 of the Water Quality Improvement Act to determine eligibility for reuse project grants that result in reduced nutrient discharges and increase available allocations: 2016