

Water Quality Goal Implementation Team Nomination for Vice-Chair

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Nominee: Russ Perkinson, Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

Nominated by: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Nomination: Pennsylvania DEP nominates Russ Perkinson to be the Water Quality GIT Vice-Chair. Russ has been a valued partner in the Chesapeake Bay restoration effort for over 20 years and has earned the respect of his watershed colleagues. Additional information on Russ's background is provided below.

Russ Perkinson has been Assistant Division Director for NPS Programs of Virginia DCR's Div. of Soil and Water Conservation since 2006. Prior to this, he was DCR's Nutrient Management Program Manager from 1990 until 2006 and also served six years as an Extension Agent with Virginia Cooperative Extension. He served as chair of the Agricultural Nutrient Reduction Workgroup of the former NSC for three terms at various times over the past 20 years. He was DCR's representative to the NSC since 2006 and a representative to the former WQSC and current WQGIT since 2006.

Russ oversaw the development of DCR's portion of Virginia's Phase I WIP (agriculture, urban stormwater, and forestry).

He holds a B.S. in Agronomy / Soil Science and a Master's in Business Administration, both from Virginia Tech.