



Virginia Stormwater Regulations Update

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This morning, Dec. 9, the State Water Control Board ("Board") finally passed the stormwater regulations that have caused so much concern in the development community. In a late-breaking development that occurred over the last few days of a multi-year process, the Board did relax the key proposed phosphorus standard from a very strict 0.28 pounds per acre per year to 0.45. This certainly is a significant improvement for the development community, although it may well only be temporary. Over the next year, the EPA will be issuing new nutrient limits for the northern half of Virginia that drains to the Chesapeake Bay. The Board will be reconsidering its brand new phosphorus limit in conjunction with development of the EPA limits. So stay tuned!

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