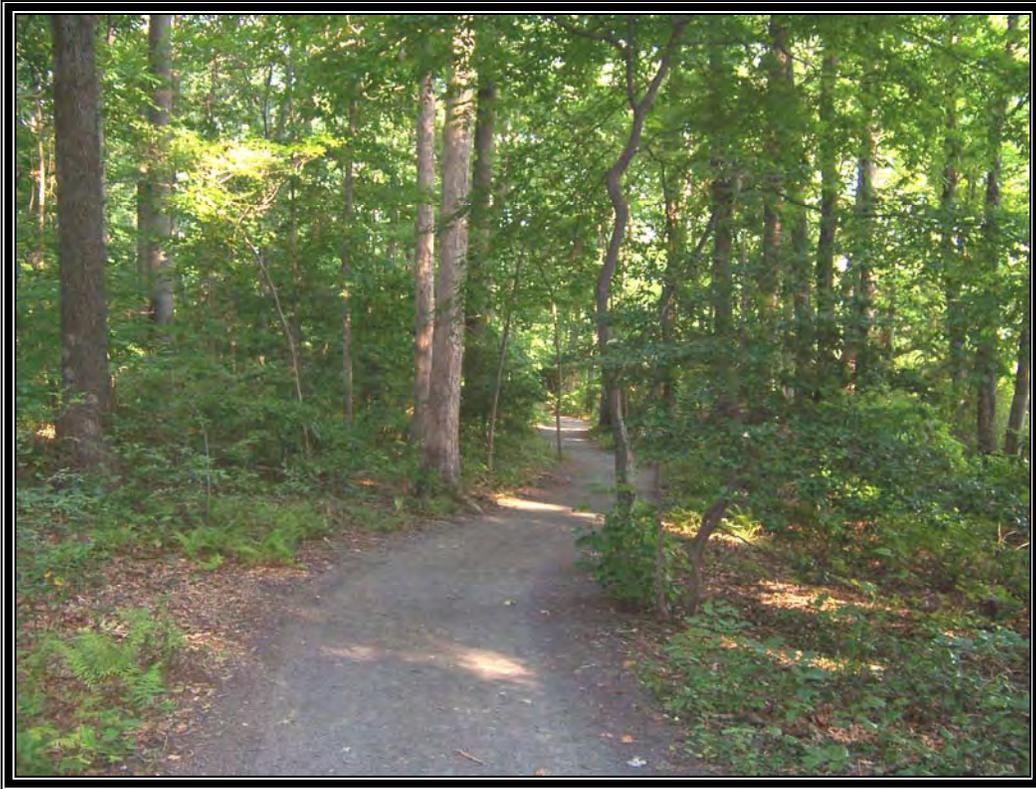


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INTRODUCTION

This year's Annual Report on the Environment has been prepared by the Environmental Quality Advisory Council. Staff support for the coordination and printing of the report has been provided by the Planning Division of the Department of Planning and Zoning.

The Annual Report on the Environment, which is an update on the state of the county's environment, serves a threefold purpose. Initially, it is intended to assist the Board of Supervisors in evaluating ongoing environmental programs and to provide the basis for proposing new programs. The document also aids public agencies in coordinating programs to jointly address environmental issues. In addition, the report is directed to residents and others who are concerned with environmental issues.

The report continues to include chapters on major environmental topics including: land use and transportation; air quality; water resources; solid waste; hazardous materials; ecological resources; wildlife management; and noise, light, and visual pollution. In this year's report, EQAC has added a chapter addressing global climate change issues as they relate to Fairfax County. An appendix addressing state legislation relating to the environment has also been added. Within each chapter are: a discussion of environmental issues; a summary of relevant data; and a discussion of applicable government programs. Most of the chapters conclude with recommendations that identify additional actions that EQAC feels are necessary to address environmental issues. In this year's report, recommendations are presented in two formats: items addressing ongoing considerations and continued support for existing programs are noted as "comments." Items addressing new considerations, significant refinements of previous recommendations, or issues that EQAC otherwise wishes to stress are presented as "recommendations."

This report covers activities affecting the environment in 2006; however, in some cases, key activities from 2007 are also included.

While the Environmental Quality Advisory Council has prepared and is responsible for this report, contributions were made by numerous organizations and individuals. Many of the summaries provided within this report were taken verbatim from materials provided by these sources. EQAC therefore extends its appreciation to the following:

Audubon Naturalist Society
Citizens for the Abatement of Airport Noise
Clean Fairfax Council, Inc.
Coalition for Smarter Growth
Fairfax County Deer Management Committee
Fairfax County Department of Systems Management for Human Services
Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning
Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services
Fairfax County Department of Transportation
Fairfax County Executive's Office
Fairfax County Environmental Coordinator
Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department
Fairfax County Health Department
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Fairfax ReLeaf
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Illuminating Engineering Society of North America
International Dark-Sky Association
Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin
McLean Land Conservancy
Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Northern Virginia Conservation Trust
Northern Virginia Regional Commission
Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority
Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District
The Occoquan Watershed Coalition
Reston Association
The Thomas Jefferson Institute for Public Policy
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Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Virginia Department of Forestry
Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries
Virginia Department of Environmental Quality
Virginia Department of Transportation
Virginia Outdoor Lighting Taskforce
Virginia Outdoors Foundation

In addition, EQAC wishes to acknowledge the efforts of the county's interagency Environmental Coordinating Committee, which coordinated the staff responses to the recommendations within EQAC's 2006 *Annual Report on the Environment*.



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Board of Supervisors
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November 19, 2007

Chairman Connolly and Members of the Board:

The Environmental Quality Advisory Council is pleased to present the 2007 Annual Report on the Environment. In this report, we discuss various environmental issues in Fairfax County and make recommendations as to what actions the county should take to resolve identified problems. The report consists of nine chapters – each chapter addressing a different aspect of the environment. This year we have the addition of a new chapter to reflect the county's leadership and efforts to address global climate change. This is the initial chapter and the rest of the chapters are arranged to reflect the order of topics listed in the board of supervisors' Environmental Agenda.

Again EQAC thanks the board for its continued strong support of environmental programs. We continue to find that every year, Fairfax County's programs improve and advance in their efforts at environmental stewardship. But this year we specifically thank the board for its leadership on climate changes issues at the county, regional and national levels.

As real estate tax revenues continue to flatten, we understand that budget constraints are increasing on all programs, including environmental ones. We therefore have only two very specific requests this year. First, we ask that you establish an Energy Coordinator position as recommended in the FY 2009 Environmental Improvement Program. Implementation of this position would allow Fairfax County to more fully implement efforts in support of the Cool Counties initiative that the county played such an integral role in establishing. We also note that this position may result in long-term cost savings through continued improvements in energy efficiency. We are concerned that, without this position, many of the actions that are needed to support the Cool Counties initiative will not be able to be implemented. Secondly, we ask that you continue to support the depth of environmental programs that have been developed over the last decade. We have achieved much and need to maintain that momentum by staying the course.

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We note that during the past years the county has made significant improvements in watershed and stream stewardship, reflected by substantial increases for stormwater funding and the commitment to having watershed planning completed and implementation projects begun for all 30 Fairfax County watersheds. In addition we acknowledge the improvements to the air quality program. We again thank you for the addition of an Air Quality Program Manager, for leading the region in air quality programs by purchasing wind energy, doing diesel retrofits for county Connector and school buses, for the purchase of hybrid automobiles for county fleets and for actively promoting the county's telework program.

We also thank you for your commitment and funding for the replacement of the county's rather old information system UDIS with a highly flexible database that will allow the county to do innovative design and management for all the county's resources and make information much more accessible to citizens.

All of these programs are essential if we are to maintain the high quality of life we have in Fairfax County and the high standards we have set for ourselves. This includes funding of all requests for the Environmental Improvement Program for the upcoming fiscal year. The EIP is a reflection of those non-stormwater programs, including implementation of the Cool Counties initiative. Funding the EIP is necessary to implement the Environmental Agenda adopted by the board for this county.

Each chapter of this year's Annual Report contains the remainder of our recommendations. We urge you to consider and act on each of these.

This report covers 2006, but also includes significant actions from 2007 that could impact EQAC's comments and recommendations. We recognize that the report does not capture all ongoing actions; if we tried to accomplish this, the report would never be finished and would be even longer.

As previous reports have done, we would like to commend the outstanding efforts of the following groups whose actions improve and safeguard the environment in Fairfax County. The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District continues its work to provide excellent education programs, to consult with the county on innovative stream restoration work, to have a large and successful stream monitoring program and to be available to residents and developers alike for site work consultation. The Northern Virginia Conservation Trust continues to obtain easements on privately owned environmentally sensitive land. Volunteers from the Audubon Naturalist Society provide valuable data on water quality. Fairfax ReLeaf continues to promote tree preservation and tree replacement programs. The Park Authority staff continues to provide exemplary service due to a small group of dedicated individuals, working with a very small budget, who are slowly enhancing environmental efforts in the county's parks. The members of EQAC thank all these groups, and all others who work to preserve and enhance the environment of the county.

EQAC would like to thank and commend the county staff for its continued outstanding work. We thank staff especially for providing the data for this report and for a continued willingness to meet with EQAC to discuss various issues. We commend the county's

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Environmental Coordinating Committee, which is chaired by Deputy County Executive Robert A. Stalzer, for its continued efforts at managing environmental action within the county. We appreciate the ECC's willingness to meet with EQAC twice a year and to discuss issues of environmental significance.

EQAC would also like to thank and acknowledge the work of two individuals. Every year we do this and every year the members of council continue to be impressed with the work and input of these two people. First, we need to mention Noel Kaplan of the Environment and Development Review Branch, Department of Planning and Zoning. Noel provides county staff support to EQAC. Noel sets up and tapes every EQAC meeting, follows up on actions generated from the meetings, and coordinates the inputs and publication of the Annual Report. Although the members of EQAC write the Annual Report, it is Noel who makes publication of the document possible. EQAC cannot thank him enough for his hard work and long hours in our support.

Second, we thank Kambiz Agazi, Environmental Coordinator, Office of the County Executive, who also attends all of our meetings and provides helpful advice and suggestions. His insight and his overview of county environmental activities are invaluable to our work. EQAC thanks him for his assistance and valuable contributions.

Third, I would like to personally recognize my fellow EQAC members. They represent a diversity of views that allows for knowledgeable discussions and results in thoughtful recommendations. They spend extensive time investigating issues, write excellent resolutions and produce comprehensive chapters on subjects they have carefully researched. They are to be commended for their efforts.

In conclusion, EQAC encourages the Board of Supervisors to both support and fully fund all of the valuable programs designed to protect the county's environment and enhance the quality of life for its residents. We continue to urge you to take a look at how to integrate these excellent programs to maximize your efforts and returns.

The members of EQAC thank the Board of Supervisors for its leadership and look forward to continue working with you to achieve the goals of the Environmental Agenda in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,



Stella M. Koch, Chairman
Environmental Quality Advisory Council

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Progress Report on 2006 Recommendations

I. LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION

Land Use & Transportation Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1a. EQAC recommends that the county produce an updated version of the “State of the Plan, An Evaluation of Comprehensive Plan Activities.”	As stated in the 2005 response to the similar EQAC recommendation, the publishing of the analysis of Plan changes was anticipated in late 2005. However, due to the need to shift staff resources to other planning efforts, the Plan change analysis document has not been completed. It is now anticipated that this document will be completed by late 2007.	EQAC encourages staff to proceed on this recommendation and reiterates its recommendation.	In process.
1b. EQAC recommends that the county assess the state of the county with respect to the PLUS principles set forth in 1975.	Staff supports EQAC’s recommendation to evaluate the extent to which the county has addressed the PLUS principals. Staff feels that EQAC’s recommendation presents one type of framework for evaluating change in the county. The development of Plan monitoring measures and the scope of the next Area Plan Review cycle is underway. Staff can include EQAC’s recommendation within these considerations and can bring forward the suggested measure to the Policies and Procedures Committee of the Planning Commission for review and approval.	EQAC encourages staff to proceed on this recommendation and reiterates its recommendation.	No.
2a. EQAC recommends that the county acquire the expanded set of planimetric data and continue to acquire oblique imagery.	Staff concurs with the recommendation to update the planimetric data. The DIT GIS Branch submitted a funding request for the FY 2008 budget for this purpose, and the requested funds were provided.	EQAC is pleased that staff concurs with the recommendation and that the requested funding has been provided.	In process.
2b. EQAC recommends that the county begin leveraging three-dimensional models into the planning process.	Staff has begun to use both oblique imagery and three-dimensional modeling in the planning process. However, additional resources are needed for continued program development, hardware purchases, license acquisition, and staff training.	As staff stated, this recommendation is being addressed; however, more needs to be done.	In process.

Land Use & Transportation Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
2c. EQAC recommends that the county invest in models that leverage GIS capabilities and county data.	<p>Staff recognizes the importance of developing models that leverage GIS capabilities and county data. While runoff modeling has been completed in 11 watersheds, they are large scale, macro models which should be reduced to the micro level for greater accuracy. Staff is therefore planning to reduce county macro models to micro models in the future.</p> <p>Staff is developing a countywide comprehensive multi-modal transportation model.</p> <p>Staff notes that air quality is a regional problem and that efforts in this area are conducted by the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee.</p>	EQAC is pleased that portions of its recommendation are being addressed and reiterates the full recommendation.	In process.
3. EQAC recommends that the county adopt ordinances, incentives and proffers that encourage Green Building and energy conservation practices.	County staff is working on the development of a Policy Plan amendment that would, as part of a broader Plan Amendment addressing air quality issues, incorporate Plan guidance supporting the application of green building practices.	EQAC is pleased that this recommendation is being addressed and on the way to being satisfied.	In process.

II. AIR QUALITY

There were no Air Quality recommendations in the 2006 Annual Report.

III. WATER RESOURCES

Water Resources Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1. EQAC continues to recommend either posting of health warnings at county streams with high bacterial levels OR the creation of an improved public outreach information campaign that is effective in reaching more residents, including different social and economic groups.	Staff concurs with the recommendation for an improved public information campaign. Staff believes that the posting of signs is an ineffective approach. Therefore, DPWES continues to work with the Division of Environmental Health to ensure that the public outreach program is effective and efficient in protecting the health of Fairfax County residents.	EQAC encourages staff to continue improving the public outreach program.	In process.
2. EQAC recommends that the county conduct a study to analyze and explore options for disposal of materials dredged from stormwater management ponds, such as creating spoil disposal/recycling areas in various parts of the county to assist private facility owners and help protect water quality.	Staff has formed an inter-agency work group and is considering various ideas. Staff will continue to investigate the pros and cons of dredging, hauling, and disposal options and plans to present its findings and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors by the end of FY 2008.	EQAC commends the county for establishing the inter-agency work group. EQAC is pleased that staff is investigating the pros and cons and will present its findings and recommendations to the BOS by the end of FY 2008.	In process.
3. Because of the approximately 30,000 homes in Fairfax County that have septic systems, EQAC recommends the inclusion of a groundwater monitoring and management program in the county.	The Health Department has an extensive database and GIS layer of all the water well systems installed in the county. Water sampling and analysis are conducted on dwellings that are being purchased and by occupants who request a routine water sample. The Health Department is currently working with a private contractor to complete a feasibility study for the formation of a management entity to ensure that required maintenance is conducted on private sewage disposal systems.	EQAC supports the Health Department's feasibility study.	In process.

IV. SOLID WASTE

There were no Solid Waste recommendations in the 2006 Annual Report

V. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

There were no Hazardous Materials recommendations in the 2006 Annual Report

VI. ECOLOGICAL RESOURCES

Ecological Resources Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1. Fairfax County no longer has soil science expertise on the county staff. However, the BOS did provide funding to the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District for mapping of the county's soils. EQAC recommends that the Board of Supervisors continue the agreement with NVSWD to provide soil scientist expertise.	Staff concurs with this recommendation. In order to ensure the ongoing expertise of a soil scientist, additional funds were included in the <u>FY 2008 Advertised Budget Plan</u> for the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District. The Board of Supervisors did approve this budget item.	EQAC commends the Board of Supervisors for ensuring that soil expertise will continue to be available in the County. EQAC does recommend that such funding be included in the NVSWCD budget in future years.	Yes.

Ecological Resources Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
<p>2. FCPA approved a Natural Resource Management Plan in 2004. However, most of this plan cannot be implemented without additional staff and funding. A phased funding approach will allow FCPA to begin to manage ten percent of parklands and set up the program to be phased in over time. Phase 1 would require \$650,000 and six positions. EQAC recommends funding and staff positions to implement Phase 1 and that some of the six positions be found from internal FCPA staff assets.</p>	<p>Funding for this item was not included in the <u>FY 2008 Advertised Budget Plan</u>. The Park Authority will continue to work with the Department of Management and Budget to seek funding in future years.</p>	<p>EQAC continues to support the Park Authority in seeking funds for implementing the Natural Resource Plan. However, EQAC also notes that a portion of its recommendation was that the Park Authority use internal staff assets to fill some of the required staff positions. This was not done and EQAC believes that this should be done. EQAC reiterates its recommendation.</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>3. EQAC continues to recommend that the Virginia State Code §15.2-961 be amended to include tree preservation requirements.</p>	<p>The county's 2006 and 2007 Legislative Programs both contained legislative positions supporting tree conservation legislation. Bills were introduced in both the Senate and House of Delegates to this end. One bill was tabled and the other was defeated. Staff recommends that Fairfax County and other Northern Virginia jurisdictions facilitate meetings with the local building industry to build consensus on this issue. (The bills received considerable opposition from the Home Builders Association of Virginia.)</p>	<p>EQAC continues to recommend that Virginia State Code §15.2-961 be amended to include tree preservation requirements. EQAC considers the staff suggestion about meetings with the local building industry an excellent suggestion and encourages that approach.</p>	<p>No.</p>

VII-1. IMPACTS OF DEER IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

Deer Management Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1. EQAC strongly recommends additional staffing for the county's wildlife management program in the form of one full-time equivalent Assistant Wildlife Biologist to assist the County Wildlife Biologist in the Deer Management Program, with several specific areas of responsibility.	The Police Department's Animal Services Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority concurred with this recommendation. The <u>FY 2008 Advertised Budget Plan</u> included funding for a Naturalist III to serve as an Assistant Wildlife Biologist. The Board of Supervisors approved this funding and position.	EQAC commends the Board of Supervisors for funding this needed additional staff.	Yes.

VII-2. IMPACTS OF GEESE IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

Geese Management Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1. EQAC strongly recommends additional staffing for the county's wildlife management program in the form of a second full-time equivalent Assistant Wildlife Biologist, to undertake several initiatives relating to geese management.	The <u>FY 2008 Advertised Budget Plan</u> included funding for one Naturalist III and did not include funding for a second position. Staff believes that the single position added will further wildlife management goals, but recognizes that this may not be fully sufficient to support both deer and geese management.	EQAC reiterates its recommendation.	No.

VII-3. COYOTES IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

There were no recommendations in the 2006 Annual Report

VII-4. WILDLIFE BORNE DISEASES OF CONCERN IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

There were no recommendations in the 2006 Annual Report

VIII-1. NOISE

Noise Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
1. In recognition of the federal approval of construction of new runways at Washington Dulles International Airport, formally request the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority and the Federal Aviation Administration to evaluate options for the operation of the existing and new runways to identify approaches that will optimize flight operations in a manner that minimizes community noise exposure.	Staff generally concurs with this recommendation; however, it notes that the first of the two new runways will not be operational until late 2008. Therefore, staff feels that it is premature to issue such a request at this time. Staff also notes that the Fairfax County Airports Advisory Committee advises the Board of Supervisors on airport-related issues and will have an interest in this issue. Therefore, Staff encourages EQAC to coordinate with the Airports Advisory Committee and to reiterate or refine its recommendation based on the outcome of this coordination.	EQAC reiterates the recommendation.	No.
2. Develop and distribute materials to educate the public on airport noise issues. Incorporate these educational materials into the county's overall environmental educational efforts.	Staff agrees with the merits of this recommendation, but there are limited staff resources available. Staff is developing basic noise-related materials to include on the county's Web site; however, resources are not available for a broader initiative at this time. Staff recommends that EQAC work with the Fairfax County Airports Advisory Committee for ideas on how this recommendation can be pursued in light of the limited resources.	EQAC reiterates the recommendation.	No.

VIII-2. LIGHT POLLUTION

Light Pollution Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
<p>1. EQAC recommends that the BOS direct the Department of Planning and Zoning to begin work on a revision to the Outdoor Lighting Ordinance consistent with EQAC's February 8, 2006 resolution on this matter to address glare and several minor issues not later than January 2007 and to have such ordinance revisions ready for board of supervisors approval not later than July 2007.</p>	<p>Any revision to the outdoor lighting standards would require the adoption of a Zoning Ordinance amendment by the Board of Supervisors. Every year the board adopts a Zoning Ordinance Amendment Work Program which contains a Priority 1 list of items that staff will be working on during the year and a Priority 2 list of items that will not be addressed during the year. The ordinance amendment recommended by EQAC is on the board-adopted Priority 2 list. The new amendments list and Priority 2 list will be considered by the board as part of the 2007 ZOAWP review.</p>	<p>EQAC reiterates its recommendation, now recommending that the ordinance revision be ready for board approval not later than July 2008.</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>2. EQAC recommends that the Board of Supervisors direct the Fairfax County Park Authority to plan and install no further athletic field lighting until the Board of Supervisors has approved revisions to the Outdoor Lighting Ordinance that address limitations on glare.</p>	<p>This issue has been somewhat addressed and will continue to be addressed through coordination and collaboration with key members of EQAC.</p>	<p>EQAC continues to feel that the specifications for athletic field lighting have deficiencies that need to be corrected.</p>	<p>No.</p>

VIII-3. VISUAL POLLUTION AND URBAN BLIGHT

Visual Pollution Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
<p>1. EQAC strongly recommends that the lack of an explicit provision in Article 12-300 of the present [sign] ordinance for assessment of civil penalties be rectified at the earliest opportunity. (EQAC provided suggested language.) It is further recommended that the modified ordinance be issued as a “Letter to Industry”. When an illegally posted sign is observed by an inspector, or reported by a resident, such a letter, containing the text of the ordinance, including the penalties clause, could be sent to the offending party as a means of strongly discouraging continuance or repetition of the violation.</p>	<p>On January 22, 2007, the Board of Supervisors requested additional information from the county staff before authorizing a public hearing on an agreement with the Commonwealth Transportation commissioner. This agreement would permit the county to enforce the provisions of Va. Code Ann § 33.1-373 (2005), which prohibits advertising in the public right-of-ways. Va. Code § 33.1-373 also provides for a civil penalty of \$100 for each violation and for injunctive relief for recurring violations. This additional information was requested to better assess the impact of taking over a state enforcement responsibility on current resources and enforcement responsibilities. The existing enforcement effort based on complaints has proven not to be effective in dealing with sign violations. As a result, staff recommends a more proactive effort by staff in addition to entering into an agreement with the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner.</p>	<p>EQAC continues to recommend changes to Article 12-300 to deal with illegal signs. EQAC does support other efforts such as entering into an agreement with the Commonwealth Transportation Commissioner and a more proactive effort by staff.</p>	<p>No.</p>

Visual Pollution Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
<p>2. The Fairfax County Sign Task Force made several recommendations. EQAC strongly urges the Board of Supervisors to again consider the task force's report and either implement its findings or reconstitute the task force to find alternatives that are more palatable to the board and residents of the county.</p>	<p>The Office of the Sheriff has offered to assist the county in dealing with illegal signs in public rights-of-way through the Community Labor Force programs (using prisoners). The Sheriff's Office, however, notes that the CLF program will only provide limited help. The recommendation for an amendment to the Code of Virginia that would treat illegal signs as trash was not recommended by the Board of Supervisors. The General Assembly in its 2004 Session considered House Bill 804 which would classify political signs as advertising and place limitations on these signs as to distance between signs, number and time limits for the signs. This bill was sent to the Privileges and Elections Committee in December and no further action has been taken.</p>	<p>EQAC continues to support this recommendation.</p>	<p>No.</p>

Visual Pollution Recommendations	Action taken by Agency or Department	EQAC Comments	Completed
<p>3. EQAC supports the general premise underpinning each of the Fairfax County Sign Task Force's recommendations, but believes that before the county seeks any amendments to the Code and introduces new programs of its own, a study should be performed to determine the impact on existing programs, staffing, and budget, and that a cost benefit analysis be performed to determine the extent to which the proposed amendments or additions would contribute to reducing visual pollution in a cost-effective manner, having due regard for the possibilities of cost recovery through the rigorous imposition of civil penalties.</p>	<p>As part of the development of the sign enforcement program, staff will identify the impacts on existing programs, staffing and budgetary considerations which will be presented to the Board of Supervisors. A cost benefit analysis for a sign removal program may be conducted upon the conclusion of the first six months of the program.</p>	<p>Staff proposed actions will satisfy EQAC's recommendation.</p>	<p>In process.</p>