

**COUNTY OF FAIRFAX
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY COUNCIL (EQAC)**

TREE IMPACTS FROM LARGE LINEAR VEHICULAR TRANSPORTATION

**Ad Hoc Group
Popes Head and Lee Chapel projects**

PROJECT MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 22, 2024

TIME: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**LOCATION: 12000 Government Center Pkwy
Fairfax, VA 22035
Conference Room 7**

Ad Hoc Group Member Attendance

Name	Present/ Absent*	Name	Present/ Absent*
Clyde Wilber	P	Glenna Tinney	P
Eric Goplerud	P	Perry Rhodes	P
Richard Healy	P	Renee Grebe	P
Cory Suter	P	Richard Weisman	P

* P indicates present; A indicates absent

Staff Attendance

None

Visitor Attendance

None

Agenda Items, Discussion, Decisions and Votes

Clyde Wilber called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1) Public Comment Period

a) No public comment

2) Meeting was called to discuss the developing comments on the Popes Head and Lee Chapel Transportation projects and their impacts on trees.

a) The following items were discussed:

i) Purpose: ad hoc focus on two projects

ii) Initial purposes for discussion (in balance with other public health benefits and detriments):

(1) Minimize loss of trees

- (2) Restore “quality” trees within the project where possible
- (3) No net loss of trees
- (4) Long-term maintenance of VDOT row trees
- (5) Understand other public benefits and determinants
- (6) Policy process to ensure all of the above

iii) Potential action steps:

- (1) Agree on the process (vote/individual action/positions)
- (2) Leader- Tree Commission
- (3) Request information- edit draft letter
- (4) Engage supervisors
- (5) Meet with Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) and VDOT
- (6) Develop/make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors
- (7) Deliver a report to the BOS on specific recommendations to restore and preserve trees in the VDOT right of way on these projects

iv) No votes were taken.

- v) The meeting ended at 9 p.m. following a motion for adjournment by Clyde Wilber, seconded by Rich Weisman, and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.