

**SCENIC RIVER DESIGNATION
EXTENSION**

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY

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October 26, 2010

Ms. Regina V.K. Williams
City Manager
City of Norfolk
1101 City Hall Building
810 Union Street
Norfolk, VA 23510

Dear Ms. ^{REGINA}~~Williams~~:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding proposed legislation to extend the State Scenic River designation to the lower reach of the Nottoway River. I'm enclosing herewith a copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors which incorporates the language that you suggested. I trust that this ameliorates your concerns and hope that we can count on the City of Norfolk's full support of the legislation.

Thank you in advance for sharing this with Ms. Lentz.

With kind personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,


Michael W. Johnson
County Administrator



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Southampton County requested the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) to conduct an evaluation of the Nottoway River from Cary's Bridge, Route 653, to its confluence with the Blackwater River at the North Carolina line; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Conservation and Recreation completed its evaluation on May 19-20, 2010 and concluded that a total of 72.5 miles of the Nottoway River meets the designation criteria of the Virginia Scenic Rivers Program; and

WHEREAS, Southampton County intends to recognize, designate and protect its environmental treasures including the Nottoway River for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Southampton County desires to develop and strengthen its partnerships between our citizens, adjoining localities and the Commonwealth of Virginia;

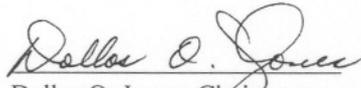
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia supports the scenic river designation for the Nottoway River and hereby requests that the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia amend the Code of Virginia by amending Chapter 4 of Title 10.1, Section 10.1-414, relating to Scenic Rivers:

10.1-414. Nottoway State Scenic River.

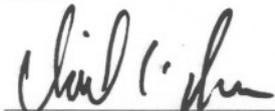
The Nottoway River in Sussex County and Southampton County, from the Route 40 bridge at Stony Creek to the ~~Careys Bridge at Route 653 North Carolina Line~~, a distance of approximately ~~39 1/2~~ 72.5 miles, is hereby designated a component of the Virginia Scenic Rivers System. *Nothing in this section shall preclude the Commonwealth or a local governing body from constructing, reconstructing, operating, or performing necessary maintenance on any transportation or public water supply project.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be provided to delegates and senators representing Southampton County in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia for inclusion in the 2011 General Assembly legislative session.

Adopted this 27th day of September, 2010.


Dallas O. Jones, Chairman

Attest:


Michael W. Johnson, Clerk

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November 5, 2010

The Hon. Roslyn C. Tyler
25359 Blue Star Highway
Jarratt, VA 23867

Dear Delegate Tyler:

I'm pleased to enclose herewith a copy of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Board of Supervisors seeking your consideration in introducing legislation in the 2011 session to extend the State Scenic Rivers Designation on the Nottoway River to the North Carolina State Line, a distance of 33 additional miles.

This segment of the Nottoway River was evaluated by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation last May and successfully judged to meet the designation criteria.

Embedded in the enclosed resolution is the suggested language to amend Sec. 10.1-414 of the *Code of Virginia*. Please note that the language was developed with input from the City of Norfolk, which has a raw water withdrawal on this segment of the river, and it is my understanding that they are fully supportive of our request.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in introducing this amendment on our behalf.

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The Hon. L. Louise Lucas
P.O. Box 700
Portsmouth, VA 23705-0700

Dear Senator Lucas:

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The Hon. William K. Barlow
P.O. Box 240
Smithfield, VA 23431

Dear Delegate Barlow:

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The Hon. Frederick M. Quayle
P.O. Box 368
Suffolk, VA 23439

Dear Senator Quayle:

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