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City Hosts Utility Fee Credit Application Workshop

Harrisonburg, Va. – Harrisonburg’s Public Works Department is accepting applications from property owners for the Stormwater Utility Fee Credit Program and also offering assistance in completing those applications.

**The workshops will be held at the Public Works Department, 320 E. Mosby Road on May 6 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. and May 12 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m.**

Property owners in Harrisonburg will have two opportunities to meet with city staff members to ensure credit applications are completed correctly and to answer site-specific questions about the Stormwater Utility Fee Credit Program. The workshops will be organized as an open house where property owners can arrive anytime between the designated times and questions will be addressed one-on-one with a city stormwater representative. There will not be a formal presentation. Prior to attending the event, participants are asked to review the credit manuals and fill out as much of the application as possible.

“A lot of information has already been distributed to the community,” said Kelley Junco, stormwater program coordinator. “The goal of the scheduled workshops is to continue educating the public on the program in a more personal manner, address questions about impervious areas, explain fees for properties, and provide guidance on how to properly fill out the credit applications.”

This credit program encourages property owners, both residential and non-residential, to improve local stormwater quality and reduce the stormwater quantity leaving commercial and residential properties.

New stormwater practices need to be installed and applications for both existing and newly constructed stormwater credit practices must be submitted to the Public Works Department by July 1 of each year.

The program manual, sample pictures and the stormwater utility mapping tool can be found at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/stormwater-utility](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/stormwater-utility). All questions can be directed to Public Works at 540-434-5928 or by email at stormwater@HarrisonburgVA.gov.

Do you know... the **Public Works Department** collects rain water harvested from their equipment storage building and utilizes the water for street sweeping and storm drain flushing? Let’s all be good stewards in our city!

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