



EDEN AREA WATERSHED RESTORATION PLAN

The Piedmont Triad Regional Council (PTRC) is working with the City of Eden, Rockingham County, the Dan River Basin Association and other organizations including Virginia to improve water quality in the Dan and Smith Rivers. These rivers are currently listed as “impaired” by the US Environmental Protection Agency for aquatic life and recreation. This is due to high levels of fecal coliform bacteria and stormwater impacts that make it potentially dangerous for swimming, boating and fishing. At the conclusion of the project, PTRC will provide a document assessing the watershed and a second document identifying actions the City and surrounding areas can take to improve the Smith and Dan Rivers. For more information, please visit www.edenareawater.org.



Edén residents are fortunate to live in a community rich in natural resources. Few cities are blessed with a river running through the center of town. Fewer still are blessed with two. Edén’s progressive government recognizes the importance the Smith and Dan Rivers play in the economy and strive to ensure these rivers play as large a role in the future as they have in the past.

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PIEDMONT TRIAD
REGIONAL COUNCIL



is working hard to
protect our waters!



and so should you!

WATER TREATMENT, WATER RESOURCES, AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT

These three divisions are essential to the health and livelihood of the community by ensuring safe water for drinking, recreation and the environment. These programs strive to exceed regulatory requirements to make sure your drinking water is the highest quality and wastewater is properly treated before returning to the environment.



PUBLIC WORKS

COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION maintains the pipes that carry drinking water to citizens and wastewater back to the treatment plant.

SOLID WASTE keeps the City clean and protects the environment by collecting all trash and recyclables. This helps keep our streams and rivers litter-free.

STREETS keeps the stormdrains free of debris. This prevents litter from washing into our waters and reduces flooding from clogged drains.

FLEET MAINTENANCE keeps oil, gas and other chemicals from leaking out and washing into our water during rain storms.

CAT TEAM

The Community Appearance Team (CAT) team is working hard to make Eden a more beautiful place to live, work and play. CAT teams pick up litter, mow, landscape, and provide general labor. How does this improve water quality? Not only is litter unsightly to look at, it can endanger wildlife including ducks, fish, turtles and birds. It can also leach toxic chemicals into the water as it decomposes. Landscaping improves water quality. Plants slow the flow of stormwater, allowing it to absorb into the ground. This natural process filters out pollutants and reduces flooding. The CAT team demonstrates the commitment Eden citizens show towards improving their community and helping the City save money.



TREE CITY USA

Trees mean cleaner air, cleaner water and healthier people. Eden has been a Tree City USA Community for 17 years. Investing in trees is perhaps the only part of a city's infrastructure that increases in value and contribution over time. Eden recognizes that trees are a community asset worth protecting!



HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

The City of Eden is in the process of including healthy community policies in their development ordinance. These policies will encourage sustainable land use development, improve physical activity opportunities, provide more access to Eden's rivers, encourage preservation of historic assets and more. This plan recognizes the importance healthy waters play in achieving a higher quality of life.