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Mr. David Ward Loudoun Watershed Watch 38659 Bollington Road Lovettsville, VA 20180

Dear Mr. Ward,

cc:

Douglas W. Domenech

Secretary of Natural Resources

Thank you for the submission of four nomination requests for benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring. Jeff Talbott of the DEQ Northern Regional Office has reviewed your requests. We have composed a list of sites where DEQ will conduct follow up sampling at:

- 1. South Fork Broad Run DEQ will establish a benthic station near Rt. 621 for monitoring in (spring/fall) 2011.
- **2. Limestone Branch-** DEQ will establish a benthic monitoring station on Limestone Branch near Rte. 15 for monitoring in (spring/fall) 2011.
- 3. Crooked Run already an established DEQ station on Crooked Run. Continue to monitor for benthics in (spring/fall) 2010.
- 4. Clark's Run already an established DEQ station on Clark's Run. Continue to monitor for benthics in (spring/fall) 2010.

The citizen nomination process is an important resource that helps DEQ to identify waterbodies for future sampling. DEQ makes every effort to make monitoring data available to the public. If you would like to learn more about DEQ monitoring, please visit the website at <a href="www.deq.virginia.gov/watermonitoring">www.deq.virginia.gov/watermonitoring</a>. If you have any questions about monitoring in your area, please contact Jeff Talbott at (703) 583-3902 or via e-mail at <a href="jeffrey.talbott@deq.virginia.gov">jeffrey.talbott@deq.virginia.gov</a>.

Sincerely.

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