

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Helen Kuhns](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Monday, October 17, 2011 10:05:02 AM

Oct 17, 2011

George Washington National Forest Plan Revision

Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I support the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area. This area has outstanding natural characteristics, contributes to public water supplies and provides many recreational opportunities.

I also support the designation of the Big Schloss National Scenic Area with Three High Heads Wilderness and the Northern Massanutten National Recreation Area. Big Schloss and Northern Massanutten are both a very popular recreation destination for mountain bikers, hikers, and hunters. Protecting and enhancing these recreational opportunities helps sustain a tourism economy that includes outfitters, guides, and lodging.

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I encourage the Forest Service to ban horizontal drilling on the national forest. This is a commonsense provision to protect streams and wildlife habitat, and it reflects the wishes of forest users and neighbors.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Mary Harshfield](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Monday, October 17, 2011 8:33:00 AM

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Harshfield
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Michael Keegan](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Saturday, October 15, 2011 8:42:30 PM

Oct 15, 2011

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Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Keegan
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [OTTO GUTENSON](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Friday, October 14, 2011 9:35:43 AM

Oct 14, 2011

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Dorothy Laverdiere](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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Virginia Beach, VA 23452-5804

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [mary picardi, m.d.](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Whitney Byrd](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011 1:13:35 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Whitney Byrd
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Charlottesville, VA 22902-6239

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Gary Humenik](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011 11:32:52 AM

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Sincerely,

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Chesapeake, VA 23320-9496
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [don faulkner](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011 10:24:21 AM

Oct 13, 2011

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Wyn Hodnett](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011 7:10:00 AM

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Sincerely,

Mrs. Wyn Hodnett
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Ashland, VA 23005-3129

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [diana artemis](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 11:16:40 PM

Oct 12, 2011

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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I support the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area, as well as the designation of the Big Schloss National Scenic Area with Three High Heads Wilderness and the Northern Massanutten National Recreation Area.

Protecting and enhancing these recreational opportunities helps sustain a tourism economy that includes outfitters, guides, and lodging.

I strongly support a permanent ban on horizontal drilling in the George Washington National Forest in order to protect finite resources such as streams and wildlife habitat.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Ralph Grove](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 7:13:38 PM

Oct 12, 2011

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Sincerely,

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Harrisonburg, VA 22801-4308

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [David Campbell](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
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Sincerely,

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Virginia Beach, VA 23464-8319

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [jaycee shaver](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 4:26:49 PM

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Sincerely,

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To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Charlottesville, VA 22901-5402
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Jon Roller](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 3:15:32 PM

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Sincerely,

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Louisa, VA 23093-4719

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Patricia Kurpiel](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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Stafford, VA 22554-5826
(540) 657-6674

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Stephen Pedersen](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Apt 302
Midlothian, VA 23112-8652

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Dick Peacock](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Catherine Redfearn](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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George Washington National Forest Plan Revision

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Christopher Kunkel](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Chad Ransom](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Katarina Bezakova](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Wayne Teel](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I support the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area. This area has outstanding natural characteristics, contributes to public water supplies including mine and provides many recreational opportunities.

I also support the designation of the Big Schloss National Scenic Area with Three High Heads Wilderness and the Northern Massanutten National Recreation Area. Big Schloss and Northern Massanutten are both a very popular recreation destinations for mountain bikers, hikers, and hunters, all three of which take place across the street from my house in the National Forest. Protecting and enhancing these recreational opportunities helps sustain a tourism economy that includes outfitters, guides, and lodging. It is a great place to go for walks, which I do all the time.

I support the Wilderness additions recommended in the Draft Plan. I also support the proposed designation of the Beech Lick Knob Proposed Wilderness Area and Little Allegheny Mountain Proposed Wilderness Area. Beech Lick Knob is one of the largest roadless tracts on the GWNF that the Forest Service failed to include in its official inventory of roadless areas. Little Allegheny Mountain is very remote and inherently rugged, offering outstanding opportunities for primitive recreation.

I encourage the Forest Service to ban horizontal drilling on the national forest. Even though there is controversy about fracking, we are moving way too fast in implementing the technology without understanding its long term environmental impacts. We could quite easily be destroying our own house. Banning is a commonsense provision to protect streams and wildlife habitat, and it reflects the wishes of forest users and neighbors.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Lillian Duffey](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [John Reeves](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Betty Ware](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

Mrs. Betty Ware
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Richmond, VA 23226-2204

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Michaux Wilkinson, Ph.D](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 11:48:37 AM

Oct 12, 2011

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Schuyler Richardson](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Megan Gallagher](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I strongly support the proposed ban on horizontal drilling on the national forest. This is a commonsense provision to protect streams, wildlife habitat and drinking water resources. It clearly reflects the wishes of forest users and local governments.

I support the designation of public drinking watersheds and the call for expanded buffers around drinking water resources that supply more than 260,000 Shenandoah Valley residents. I encourage the Forest Service to develop more detailed strategies to protect these drinking water resources in the future.

I support the following designations: Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area, Big Schloss National Scenic Area, Three High Heads Wilderness Area, Northern Massanutten National Recreation Area, the Beech Lick Knob Proposed Wilderness Area and Little Allegheny Mountain Proposed Wilderness Area. Protecting and enhancing these areas for recreation helps sustain our region's tourism economy.

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Sincerely,

Ms. Megan Gallagher
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [David Bernard](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I support the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area.

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I support the Wilderness additions recommended in the Draft Plan. I also support the proposed designation of the Beech Lick Knob Proposed Wilderness Area and Little Allegheny Mountain Proposed Wilderness Area.

Please do not allow any gas or fossil fuel extraction on GWNF. It is astounding that humans are burning our fossil fuel reserves so fast. We need to immediately develop renewables on a large scale so that fossil fuel reserves can be kept in the ground, either for posterity or for later use as industrial raw material rather than fuel.

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Sincerely,

Mr. David Bernard
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Richmond, VA 23225-1118

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Nancy Bell](#)
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Dan Crawford](#)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Charles Kline](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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George Washington National Forest Plan Revision

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Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Kline
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Jeff Ryan](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 10:42:18 AM

Oct 12, 2011

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [David Maxson](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

As a long-time Virginia resident who actively uses our national forests in the region, I support the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area. This area has outstanding natural characteristics, contributes to public water supplies and provides many recreational opportunities.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Joseph Scalf](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Scalf
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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Sue Gier](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 10:42:17 AM

Oct 12, 2011

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Pamela Jiranek](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Ms. Pamela Jiranek
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Earlsville, VA 22936-9218

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Mary Hodges](#)
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Sincerely,

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Warm Springs, VA 24484-0010

From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Judith Shematek](#)
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Sincerely,

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From: [david.jones](mailto:david.jones@fs.fed.us)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 6:15:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Dr. david jones
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Martinsville, VA 24112-6007

From: [Rebekah Paulson](mailto:Rebekah.Paulson@fs.fed.us)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Wednesday, August 17, 2011 4:45:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Ms. Rebekah Paulson
690 Sunshine Farm Ln
Blacksburg, VA 24060-8900

From: [Isaac Nolte](#)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Tuesday, August 16, 2011 3:12:00 PM

Aug 16, 2011

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Sincerely,

Mr. Isaac Nolte
3208 Denver St
Henrico, VA 23231-2212

From: [Matthew Wade](#)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Monday, August 15, 2011 8:19:00 AM

Aug 15, 2011

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I work with the Water and Sewer Department for Rockingham County, VA. The proposed horizontal drilling sites in Bergton and other parts of the County threaten the County (and the City of Harrisonburg's) water supply. One accident could contaminate the drinking water for 125,000 people.

In addition, horizontal drilling uses hundreds of thousands of gallons of water a day. The Shenandoah Valley is the breadbasket of Virginia. Losing this much water to drilling will create a desert and ruin the local agricultural economy. Drilling will also lower the water table and create dangerous and destructive sinkholes throughout the area.

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Sincerely,

Mr. Matthew Wade
1212 Old Richmond Cir
Harrisonburg, VA 22802-4649

From: [Kristin Peckman](mailto:Kristin.Peckman@fs.fed.us)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Sunday, August 14, 2011 3:06:00 PM

Aug 14, 2011

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Sincerely,

Ms. Kristin Peckman
8131 Webster Dr
Roanoke, VA 24019-2333

From: [John Cruickshank](mailto:John.Cruickshank@fs.fed.us)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Mr. John Cruickshank
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Charlottesville, VA 22902-4631

From: [Martha Wingfield](mailto:Martha.Wingfield@fs.fed.us)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Saturday, August 13, 2011 5:34:00 PM

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Sincerely,

Mr. John Roberts
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Richmond, VA 23227-4806

From: [ELIZABETH CHRISTELLER](#)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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From: [Gwynn Litchfield](mailto:Gwynn.Litchfield@fs.fed.us)
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Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
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Mr. John Allen
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Richmond, VA 23225-4625

From: [Marilyn South](#)
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Sincerely,

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Wake, VA 23176-2134
(804) 776-6983

From: [Annette Ramos](#)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
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Ms. Annette Ramos
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Falls Church, VA 22042-2047

From: [Suzanne Keller](#)
To: comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson@fs.fed.us
Subject: George Washington National Forest Plan Revision Public Comment
Date: Saturday, August 13, 2011 7:02:00 AM

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George Washington National Forest Plan Revision

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Sincerely,

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Date: Friday, August 12, 2011 11:32:00 PM

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From: [Wallace Angles](#)
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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From: [Audrey Clement](#)
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Sincerely,

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Aug 12, 2011

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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

Dear USFS Chief Tom Tidwell,

Thank you for protecting Virginia's national forests--they're an important national treasure for all American citizens, including we Virginians.

Now that a plan for the George Washington National Forest (GWNF) has been drafted, I strongly urge the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife and plant species in the designated areas of GWNF.

I support the following elements of the plan that are mission-critical:

The Wilderness additions recommended in the Draft Plan, including the additions to Little River, Bald Ridge addition to Ramsey's Draft, Lynn Hollow, Little River, Skidmore Fork, Rich Hole, Rough Mountain, and Three Ridges, as well as the western addition to Saint Mary's.

The designation of the Beech Lick Knob Proposed Wilderness Areaone of the largest roadless tracts on the GWNF that the Forest Service failed to include in its official inventory of roadless areas.

The designation of the Big Schloss National Scenic Area with Three High Heads Wilderness--popular with mountain bikers, hikers, and hunters. The Three High Heads Wilderness will provide the strongest protection for this core area.

The designation of Little Allegheny Mountain Proposed Wilderness Area, a very remote and inherently rugged, area offering outstanding opportunities for primitive recreation.

The designation of the Northern Massanutten National Recreation Area, with its outstanding recreational value for citizens throughout the state and the Mid-Atlantic region.

There is one item of particular importance if we are to preserve GWNF for future generations and to protect the headwaters that feed the streams and rivers that serve as sources of public drinking water: The Forest Service must ban horizontal drilling on the national forest.

Whereas I agree that natural gas is an important energy source, the oil and gas industry has repeatedly shown that it is unwilling to extract natural gas in a safe and responsible manner. In Pennsylvania, the

extraction of natural gas has already contaminated residential wells, is responsible for fish kills in the Susquehanna River, and has resulted in access roads criss-crossing formerly pristine forest land. We simply cannot afford another environmental disaster here in the George Washington National Forest.

The stakes are high, and I recognize the heavy political pressure being waged by the natural gas industry. But we here in Virginia have a stake in protecting our natural treasures, our watersheds, and our heritage. I beg you to do everything possible to protect the George Washington National Forest.

Sincerely,
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Sincerely,
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I encourage the Forest Service to ban horizontal drilling on the national forest.

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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I encourage the Forest Service to ban hydraulic fracturing drilling on the national forest.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Virginia Conservation Network](#) on behalf of [Evelyn Waring](#)
To: [FS-comments-southern-georgewashington-jefferson](#)
Subject: Public Comment on GW Natl Forest plan
Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 1:35:13 PM

Oct 12, 2011

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Dear Plan Revision,

I encourage the U.S. Forest Service to protect high-priority wildlife areas and streams within the George Washington National Forest.

I am strongly opposed to any action that will allow exploration for, or extraction of, petroleum products on our national forest lands. This includes natural gas "fracking".

I am in favor of studying the impacts of wind energy generation on national forest lands.

I am in favor of the designation of Shenandoah Mountain as a National Scenic Area.

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