



Upper & Middle James Riparian Consortium

Growing partnerships to create healthy streamside ecosystems for clean water in the James River today and tomorrow.



Our Mission

The Upper and Middle James Riparian Consortium is a network of private, non-profit, and public partners. We share expertise and resources to increase implementation, as well as awareness of riparian buffers and their value to landowners, with a priority focus on riparian forest buffers, across the Upper and Middle James watersheds.

Our Values



Collaboration

We can go further together and seek opportunities to support, collaborate with, and learn from diverse partners both within and outside the James River watershed.



Holistic

We integrate practices such as livestock exclusion fencing, streambank stabilization, grass and forest buffers, and conservation easements that respond to landowner, landscape, and habitat needs.



Stewardship

We care for our existing riparian buffers and believe that stewardship is vital to sustained improvements in water quality and successful buffers.



Initiative

We are proactive and take initiative to create solutions that respond to the needs of Consortium partners and our streamside ecosystems for long-term health of the James River and our communities.

Why Do We Love Streamside Forests?

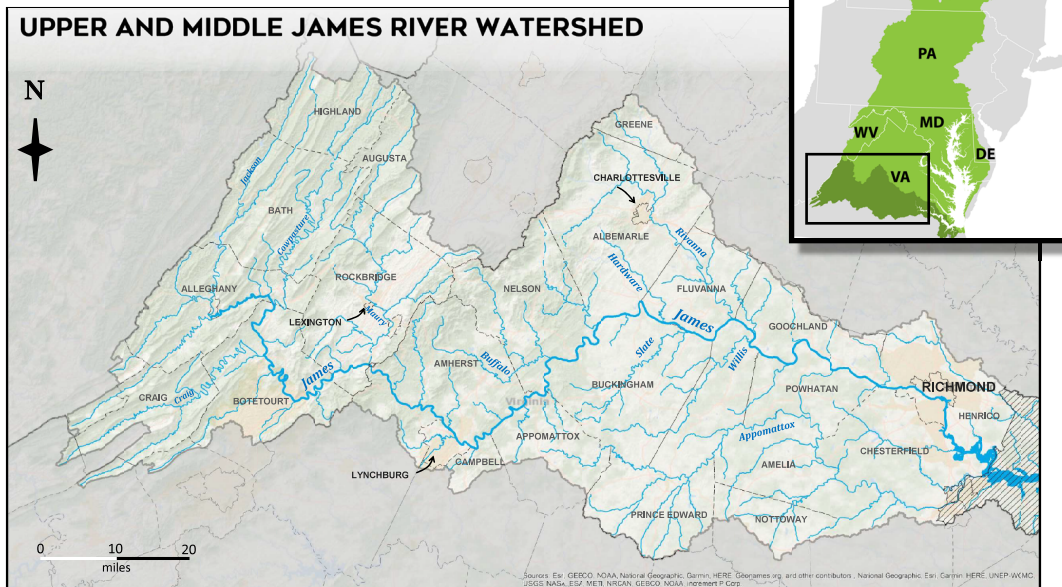
The James River is a great place to fish, kayak, birdwatch, or just appreciate the beauty of nature. Trees, shrubs, and grass along our creeks and rivers help keep our waters healthy, while also providing habitat for honey bees, butterflies, brook trout, waterfowl and other animals. You can play a role in keeping the James clean and productive, as well as benefit from the resources the Consortium provides.



Photo by Kyle LaFerriere

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Where We Work



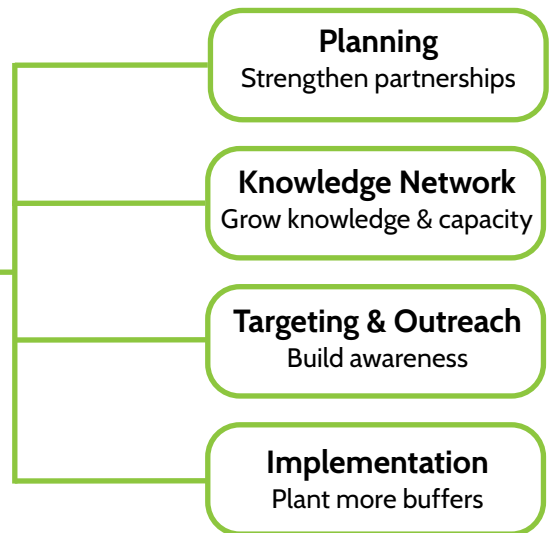
How We Are Organized

Steering Committee

- Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
- Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Chesapeake Bay Landscape Professionals
- Dialogue + Design Associates
- Green Fin Studio
- James River Association
- Monacan SWCD
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Natural Bridge SWCD
- Peter Francisco SWCD
- Stroud Water Research Center
- Thomas Jefferson SWCD
- Trout Unlimited
- Virginia Department of Forestry
- Virginia Dept. of Wildlife Resources
- Virginia Tech

300+ members; new partners are welcome!

The **Action Teams** work to implement Consortium goals. To contact an Action Team or use the Streamside and Practitioner online tools, please visit the website below.



How Can You Get Involved?



Join our mailing list and meetings
Visit the Consortium website to sign up for the monthly newsletter.



Join an Action Team
Membership is open to anyone. These Teams move ideas into action.



Join the Steering Committee
The decision-making body for the Consortium that meets monthly.

Visit www.jamesriverconsortium.org to learn more about the Consortium, our tools, and events.