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From: "Pho S. Palmer, Realtor" [jeopho@verizon.net]
Sent: 06/06/2010 01:48 PM AST
To: Jon Capacasa
Subject: Clean Water Permit for D.C.

Dear Mr. Capacasa:

I want a strong, effective District of Columbia polluted runoff permit to help create healthy rivers and healthy communities. I support the requirements in the draft permit for:

- Specific numbers of green infrastructure projects, such as tree plantings and the building of green roofs that create jobs and restore our waterways.
- Green infrastructure requirements for new development and redevelopment projects, including an on-site stormwater retention standard for federal and non-federal projects.

I also ask you to strengthen the permit's requirements for:

- Pollution cleanup plans for the Anacostia, Rock Creek and Potomac, with clear, consistent, and enforceable requirements and deadlines;
- Compliance with existing legal water quality standards;
- Pollution reduction requirements and programs, such as a specific number of new storm drain screens and trash traps with a timeline for completion; and
- Outcomes and plans to be subject to robust public participation, including public review and comment for draft plans, with adequate responses from the District government and the EPA.

This DC clean water permit needs to be more than just a piece of paper. It needs to reflect the serious commitment of EPA and the District government to creating healthy communities and growing our economy.

Sincerely,

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Pho S. Palmer
Proud Ward 8 Resident