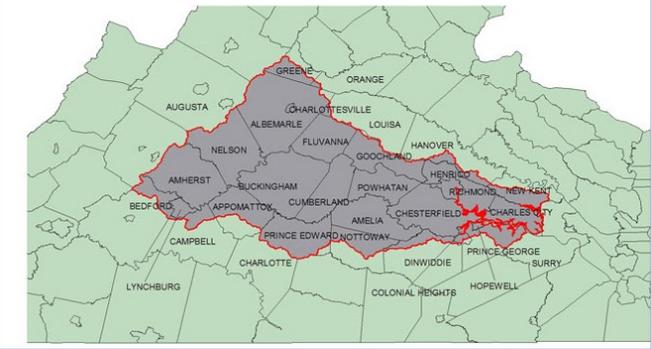




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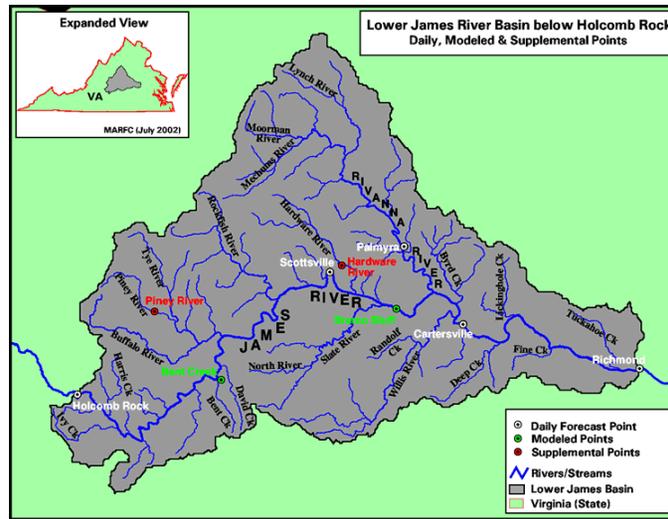


**What is a Watershed?** It's an area of land that drains to a body of water. Precipitation that falls on the watershed drains to a body of water such as a creek, river, lake, etc.

In our Region, all precipitation and runoff from Amelia, Buckingham, Cumberland, Nottoway, and Prince Edward Counties drains to the Chesapeake Bay, making us part of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

The Chesapeake Bay Watershed:

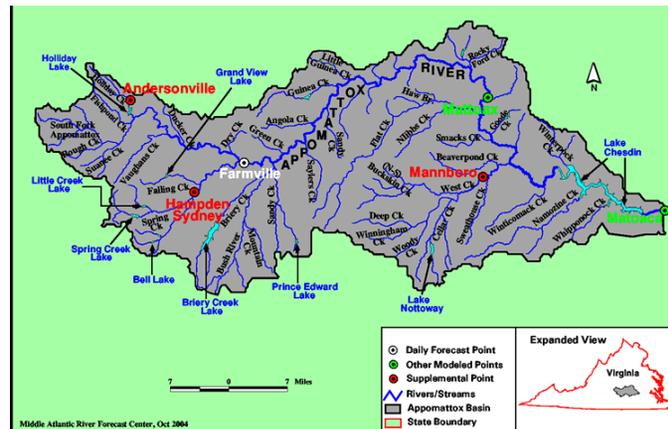
- Is the largest estuary in the US and 3rd largest in the World
- Supports more than 17 million people
- Covers 64,000 square miles
- Includes parts of Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, and Washington, D.C.
- Has 11,684 miles of shoreline, more than the entire US West Coast
- Contains more than 100,000 rivers and streams
- Helps filter and protect the drinking water of 75% of Bay watershed residents.



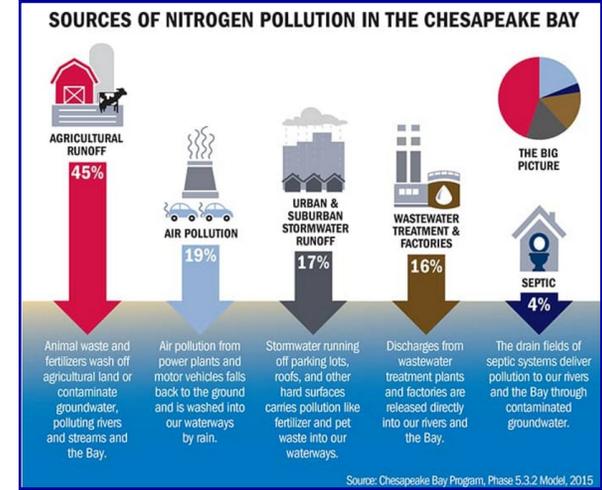
Middle James River Watershed

The Middle James Watershed covers approximately 6,190 square miles and is the largest and most diverse portion of the James River Watershed. All water drains to the James by way of the Appomattox River and its tributaries.

Impaired streams in the Appomattox River basin include: Winticomack Creek, Flat Creek, Nibbs Creek, Deep Creek, Sandy River, Briery Creek, and Sayers Creek.



Appomattox River Watershed



Agriculture and polluted runoff have been deemed the most problematic sources of watershed pollution in Virginia. Water quality problems experienced by the Appomattox River include forestry and agricultural erosion, and non-point pollution from factories, towns, and residential sources.

By exploring the extent of the impairment of the Appomattox River, and understanding the factors that affect the quality of the waterways, we can take steps to restore the waterway.

