



## Letter to Accotink General Assembly Members

18 February 2021

A portion of your district lies in the Accotink Creek watershed.

Now that crossover has occurred, the Friends of Accotink Creek urge you once again to support these bills, resolutions, and budget amendments introduced in the 2021 General Assembly session. Each of these directly affects the wellbeing of Virginia streams:

[HB 1902](#) Expanded Polystyrene  
Bans "Styrofoam" use by food vendors by 2025.

[HJR 527](#) / [SB 1100 Item 373 #4s](#) Invasives Study  
Funds a study to produce recommendations on limiting sale of invasive plant species.

[HB 2030](#) Neonicotinoid pesticides  
Limits uses of neonicotinoid insecticides and permits localities to ban them.

[HB2042](#) Tree Replacement  
Permits localities to strengthen their tree replacement standards, especially for stormwater control.

[HB1800 Item 377 #6h](#) / [SB 1100 Item 377#2s](#) Research to Reduce Salt in Water  
Funds a DEQ research project to test using native, salt-tolerant plants growing in biochar soil to remove salt from stormwater runoff.

[SB1274](#) Wildlife Corridors  
Incorporates wildlife corridors into Commonwealth agency planning.

[SB 1199](#) Conservation Easements  
Protects original intent of conservation easements.

We also urge you to **OPPOSE**:

[SB 1164](#) "Advanced Recycling"  
Loosens regulation of plastic waste plants. This one is opposed by environmental groups and supported by the chemical lobby. It promotes pseudo-recycling while doing nothing to reduce plastic trash entering the environment.

Sincerely,

Friends of Accotink Creek : : [www.accotink.org](http://www.accotink.org) : :

**"Dominion over nature is a gift which has been given us yoked to the trust for its preservation." -  
Accotink motto**

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