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UPDATE TO STONY CREEK ADVISORY

(Petersburg, Va.)- The Crater Health District is updating its advisory concerning the Stony Creek waterway in Dinwiddie County. Due to decreased levels of E. coli in water samples collected by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Crater Health District concludes the Stony Creek waterway between Route 1 and Courthouse Road no longer poses a major health risk to residents. Sampling by DEQ has been ongoing in the monitoring site (between Route 1 and Courthouse Road) in Dinwiddie County. Recent E. coli levels in the monitoring site have been within safe limits for recreational usage. In addition, recent weather events have not had any impact on bacterial levels within the monitoring site. Residents may resume recreational use of the waterway.

In July 2015, DEQ investigated a complaint of a foul odor in the Stony Creek waterway, and found elevated levels of E. coli. Subsequently, Crater Health District advised Dinwiddie residents to avoid human contact with water in Stony Creek. Since the initial investigation, DEQ has continued regular sampling and monitoring to assess the quality and safety of the Stony Creek waterway.

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