

**Coordinator's Report**  
**July 14, 2008**

**Project Activity**

Sustainable Agriculture:

- Buy Fresh Buy Local publication roll-out 6/28/08 at Harrisonburg Farmers Market;
- BFBL Working Group meeting 5/23/08, 5/30/08 – event planning;
- Teleconference to establish a statewide Food Policy Council by Executive Order, 6/13/08;
- 6/3/08 Harrisonburg Farmers Market Pavilion groundbreaking ceremony;
- 7/1/08 Biodiesel zoning work session Rockingham County Planning Commission;
- 7/8/08 Committee teleconference to consider Hudson Valley Agribusiness proposal;

Natural Resources:

- “Greening the Rockingham County Fair” meetings: 5/27/08; 6/9/08; 6/17/08;
- WSF conference call 6/9/08; 7/3/08;
- Talked with DCR re: adaptive Livestock Exclusion project 6/17/08;
- Met with Maria Papadakis about On-Farm Energy project 6/25/08;
- WSF II 6/19/08 Blue Ridge Community College, Plecker Center;

Managed Growth and Land Protection:

- Project planning discussion re: Conservation Buyers program, 5/14/08; 7/7/08;
- 7/8/08 Land Protection Committee meeting VCC;
- Better Models tour in Staunton 6/11/08;

Forestry:

- Press release done for Forestry Committee mini-grant winners 5/08;

Executive Committee:

- Teleconference 6/20/08;

**Grants/Funding**

- Agua Fund grantees in the Valley meetings 5/13/08; 6/26/08;
- Market Maker Advisory Committee teleconferences 5/16/08, 7/11/08;
- Livestock Exclusion grant quarterly report to VEE 5/31/08;
- Jerry McCarthy tour of Livestock Exclusion project 5/29/08;
- Draft proposal to Washington & Lee for Buy Fresh Buy Local Steering Committee (rejected);
- 6/4/08 Met re: Virginia State Dairymen's Association CIG proposal;
- Worked with David Richert to submit forestry mini-grant 6/12/08 to V Tech;
- Submitted grant to Winrock International re: Local Foods Steering Committee to be lead agency in region 6/16/08;
- Grant through RC&D for Smith Creek Partnership to NFWF rejected 7/7/08;

**NRCS Activities**

- Earth Team Meeting, Richmond, 5/19/08;
- First Monday and third Tuesday of the month SE Association teleconferences with VA coordinators, including 5/20/08, 6/2/08, 6/17/08, 7/7/08; lots of associated work on SE!
- Drafted Council Annual Plan of Work;
- Solicited Letters of Support for RWA Mainstem Shenandoah grant application;
- Compiled volunteer task list for SE Association and sent to SC Corridors RC&D;
- Spouses' Tour teleconference and associated tasks for SE meeting 6/9/08;
- POINTS refresher training 6/23/08;
- 7/2/08 LincPass enrollment in Richmond;

**Other**

- Headwaters SWCD meetings 5/20/08; 6/17/08;
- Buffalo Gap Young Farmers presentation 5/27/08;
- Cellulosic Biofuels Listening Session, 5/14/08;
- Updated awards nomination for SE competition for Joan Comanor;
- Prepared Council materials for 7/14/08 meeting, Annual Plan, etc.
- Sustainable VA meeting hosted by VCN 6/24/08;