

Potomac Watershed Roundtable

Warrenton Visitors Center

33 North Calhoun Street

Warrenton, VA 20186

(for directions see <https://goo.gl/maps/ZTESetd7ztaCHPTq5>)

Friday, January 10, 2020

9:30 Registration and Morning Refreshments Served Prior to the Meeting

(The Potomac Council will meet from 9:00 to 9:50)

10:00 Call to Order and Introductions

Approval of the Minutes of the October 11, 2019 meeting at Ida Lee Recreation Center in Leesburg, Virginia.

10:15 Updates from the Chair

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10:40 Updates from around the Region

11:15 Plant NOVA Natives

Corey Miles, Senior Environmental Planner, Northern Virginia Regional Commission

Plant NOVA Natives is the joint marketing campaign of a grand coalition of non-profit, governmental, and private groups, all working to reverse the decline of native plants and wildlife in Northern Virginia. Our strategy is to encourage residents as well as public and commercial entities to install native plants as the first step toward creating wildlife habitat and functioning ecosystems on their own properties. Learn about the background of this campaign and the similar initiatives across the Commonwealth.

12:00 Lunch and Networking - \$15 in cash or check (made out to the *Northern Virginia SWCD*); receipts will be provided.

1:00 The Clifton Institute - For Ecology, Education, and the Environment

Bert Harris, Ph.D. Executive Director, The Clifton Institute

The Clifton Institute is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Warrenton, VA. Our mission is to inspire the next generation of environmental stewards, to learn about the ecology of the northern Virginia Piedmont, and to conserve native biodiversity. We accomplish our mission by providing environmental education, conducting ecological research, and restoring habitat for native plants and animals. Our 900-acre field station, which includes forests, grasslands, shrub fields, and wetlands, provides a beautiful and easily accessible location for all of our programs and is permanently protected under a conservation easement.

2:00 Adjourn