Economic Impact Analysis Virginia Department of Planning and Budget

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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to Regulation

The Virginia Waste Management Board (Board) proposes to list the permissible open burning activities within this regulation in lieu of incorporating them by reference.

Result of Analysis

The benefits likely exceed the costs for all proposed changes.

Estimated Economic Impact

The Board's proposal improves clarity and increases convenience for those seeking the list of permissible open burning activities, while not producing any cost. Thus, it creates a net benefit.

Businesses and Entities Affected

The proposed amendments do not change requirements and thus do not significantly affect any businesses or other entities. The regulations affect all individuals, businesses or other entities that conduct any conditional exempt open burning activities.

Localities Particularly Affected

The proposed amendments do not disproportionately affect any particular localities.

Projected Impact on Employment

The proposed amendments will not affect employment.

Effects on the Use and Value of Private Property

The proposed amendments will not affect the use and value of private property.

Small Businesses: Costs and Other Effects

The proposed amendments will not increase costs for small businesses.

Small Businesses: Alternative Method that Minimizes Adverse Impact

The proposed amendments do not adversely affect small businesses.

Real Estate Development Costs

The proposed amendments will not affect real estate development.

Legal Mandate

The Department of Planning and Budget (DPB) has analyzed the economic impact of this proposed regulation in accordance with Section 2.2-4007.04 of the Administrative Process Act and Executive Order Number 14 (10). Section 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include, but need not be limited to, a determination of the public benefit, the projected number of businesses or other entities to whom the regulation would apply, the identity of any localities and types of businesses or other entities particularly affected, the projected number of persons and employment positions to be affected, the projected costs to affected businesses or entities to implement or comply with the regulation, and the impact on the use and value of private property. Further, if the proposed regulation has an adverse effect on small businesses, Section 2.2-4007.04 requires that such economic impact analyses include (i) an identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the regulation; (ii) the projected reporting, recordkeeping, and other administrative costs required for small businesses to comply with the regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparing required reports and other documents; (iii) a statement of the probable effect of the regulation on affected small businesses; and (iv) a description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the regulation. The analysis presented above represents DPB's best estimate of these economic impacts.