

Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB1454

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☒ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Scott, E.T.

3. **Committee:** Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources

4. **Title:** Artificial wetlands and stream restoration.

5. **Summary/Purpose:** The bill allows any person engaged in the creation and operation of wetlands mitigation banks in multiple jurisdictions, which are permitted by the Department of Environmental Quality, the Marine Resources Commission or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, to file general erosion and sediment control specifications annually with the Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Board for its review and approval. The board shall have 60 days in which to approve the specifications, and individual approval of separate projects is not required when approved specifications are implemented through a project-specific erosion and sediment control plan.

6. **Fiscal Impact Estimates are:** Preliminary.

6a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2005-06	\$0	0.00	N/A
2006-07	\$158,154	2.00	General
2007-08	\$148,154	2.00	General
2008-09	\$148,154	2.00	General
2009-10	\$148,154	2.00	General
2010-11	\$148,154	2.00	General
2011-12	\$148,154	2.00	General

7. **Budget amendment necessary:** Yes, Item 358 of HB 30.

8. **Fiscal implications:** According to the Department of Conservation and Recreation, two additional erosion and sediment control inspectors are needed to review the erosion and sediment control plans submitted under the provisions of the bill.

9. **Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Department of Conservation and Recreation.

10. **Technical amendment necessary:** No.

11. Other comments: The engrossed bill includes an enactment clause which states that the bill does not take effect unless a general fund appropriation to support the provisions of the bill is included in the 2006 Appropriation Act.

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cc: Secretary of Natural Resources