

Virginia Master Naturalist Program Basic Training Course Evaluation



We hope you are enjoying your experience as a new trainee in the Virginia Master Naturalist program. To make sure we keep improving our training materials to meet our volunteers' needs, we would like to ask several questions to get your feedback on the training given to you today on **Aquatic Ecology and Management**. This will help us determine the quality of the materials we have developed and continuously improve them for future classes.

1. Please respond to the following statements: 1 = strongly disagree, 2 = disagree, 3 = neutral, 4 = agree, or 5 = strongly agree.

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	
Training goals and objectives were clearly stated	1	2	3	4	5	
Time allocated for the training was sufficient	1	2	3	4	5	
The instructor was effective at teaching the material	1	2	3	4	5	
The background readings I received were useful	1	2	3	4	5	
I enjoyed the small group activity	1	2	3	4	5	

2. What was your level of confidence in participating in the following activities before and after the training: 1 = not at all confident, 2 = somewhat confident, 3 = confident, and 4 = very confident.

	BEFORE THIS TRAINING....				AS A RESULT OF THIS TRAINING....			
	Not At All Confident		Very Confident		Not At All Confident		Very Confident	
Educating others about aquatic ecology and management	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Participating in volunteer service projects related to aquatic ecology and management	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Finding additional information to learn more about aquatic ecology and management	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Identifying common features of aquatic systems	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4

3. What was your level of knowledge of these topics before and after the training: 1 = no knowledge, 2 = some knowledge, 3 = knowledgeable, and 4 = very knowledgeable.

	BEFORE THIS TRAINING....				AS A RESULT OF THIS TRAINING....			
	No Knowledge			Very Knowledgeable	No Knowledge			Very Knowledgeable
The definition of a watershed and the major watersheds of Virginia	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of streams	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Key organisms in freshwater aquatic systems and how these organisms indicate water quality	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Threats affecting aquatic systems in Virginia	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
The role of Virginia's state agencies in managing aquatic systems	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
The definition of a Meaningful Watershed Educational Experience	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4

4. What overall rating would you give the training you received?

Excellent Good Average Poor Very Poor

5. Please provide any additional comments relevant to your experience participating in this training.

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