Potomac River DWSP Partnership Our Interest in MS4s

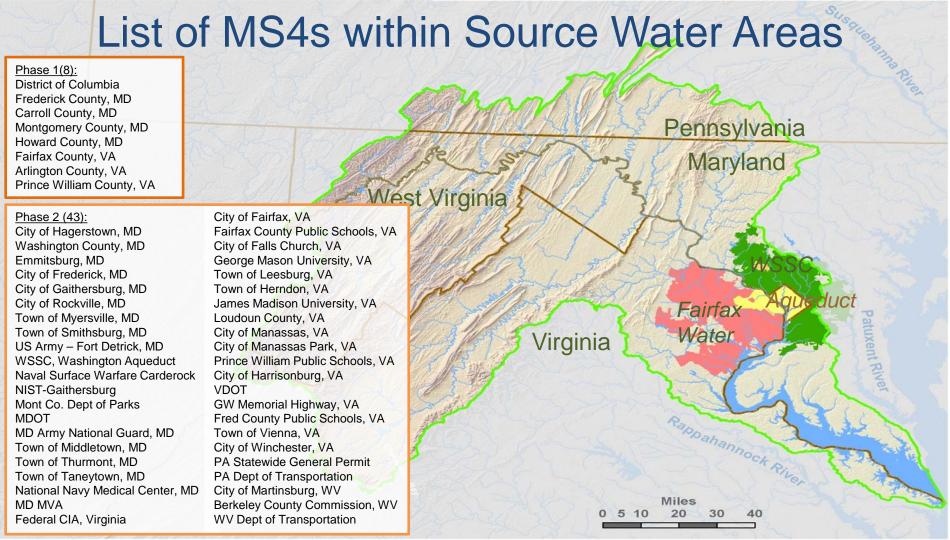
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Overview / About MS4s

- MS4 = Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)
 - Regulated under the Clean Water Act as point source discharges
 - MS4 regulations were developed and implemented in two phases, based on population:
 - Phase 1: >100,000
 - Phase 2: Small MS4s in "urbanized areas" (as defined by the latest decennial census)
- Can be Individual Permits or General Permits
- TMDL Requirements / TMDL Implementation Plans



Benefits to Source Water Protection



Better understand of source areas from watershed studies

Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

Erosion & Sediment Control Programs

Water Quality Improvements

- Stream restoration
- Wetland creation
- Stormwater management projects

Road Maintenance (inlet maintenance, street sweeping, etc.)

Major Pollutant Reductions (TMDL/Chesapeake Bay Program)

Public Education & Outreach

