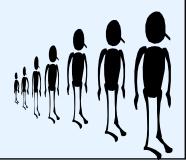


Results of Population Increases

- Rapid deterioration in the water quality of the Occoquan Reservoir
- State Water Control Board development moratorium
- ▶ Series of water quality studies





Occoquan Reservoir

The Occoquan Reservoir: History and Statistics

- ➤ Impounded in 1957 by Alexandria Water Company
- Ownership transferred to Fairfax Water in 1967
- ➤ Reservoir Drainage Area: 570 mi²
- Encompasses all or part of six counties and cities
- ➤ Original Storage: 9.8 x 10⁹ gallons
- ➤ Dam height increased in 1982, and storage raised to 11.2 x 10⁹ gallons



Algal Bloom in Occoquan Reservoir: Summer, 1973

Results of Population Increases (Continued)

- ▶ State Water Control Board employed Metcalf and Eddy (M&E) to perform comprehensive evaluation of Occoquan Reservoir
- ▶ Studies conducted, 1968-69





Metcalf & Eddy Study

- Both point and non-point source pollution contributed to water quality deterioration
- Principal culprits—discharge from 11 secondary sewage treatment plants





During 1970

- Extensive review and comments on Metcalf
 Eddy findings and recommendations by
 Public agencies and consultants
- Many public hearings





SWCB Proposed In-Basin Solution

- High performance regional water reclamation plant to replace existing plants in the Watershed (UOSA)
- Independent agency to monitor reservoir water quality (OWML)





State Water Control Board

Adopted

"Policy for Water Treatment and Water Quality Management in the Occoquan Watershed."

Short Title: "Occoquan Policy"





Upper Occoquan Service Authority

- ▶ Established in 1971 by concurrent resolution of Fairfax and Prince William Counties and the Towns (now cities) of Manassas and Manassas Park.
- ▶ Forms of Government: Authority

Public Body Politic and Corporate of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Operation began in 1978













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