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WEG is dedicated to keeping our clients informed on the ever-changing landscape of environmental regulations. This eNewsflash provides a brief summary of recently approved legislation that may be of importance to you.

## Senate Bill SB1055 Requires golf courses to implement nutrient management plans

In the summer of 2011, Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell signed several pieces of environmental stewardship legislation. Of particular interest to our golf clients is Senate Bill SB1055 which **requires golf courses to implement nutrient management plans** by July 1, 2017. The plans are to be submitted to the Department of Conservation and Recreation for review and approval. If a golf course has an approved nutrient management plan, the bill prohibits localities from any further regulation of that course. This legislative action offers a sustainable approach for the golf industry to continue to manage its resources,



while enhancing water quality and working toward compliance with Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and Virginia's Watershed Implementation Plan. WEG has **Certified Nutrient Management Planners** on staff as well as environmental experts, Glenn Muckley, P.E. and Mike Ballard, P.E., who contributed to the recently published Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association's (VGCSA) *Best Management Practices for Protection of Environmental Quality on Virginia's Golf Courses* manual. These environmental professionals can help you identify ways to capitalize your turf intensive facility and generate revenue while laying the ground work for your required nutrient management plan. To learn more about WEG's Environmental Asset Analysis and to start preparing now for this latest legislative change, please contact one of WEG's environmental planners at any of our office locations below. Complete information and history on this new SB 1055 bill can be found by clicking here: <http://lis.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/legp604.exe?111+sum+SB1055>

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