

2008 York Watershed & Small Coastal Basin Photo Contest

Photographers Name

Phone Number

Organization, School (if any)

address

city, state, zip

Category of this entry

Title of entry

Mail entries to: Three Rivers Soil and Water Conservation District, P.O. Box 815, Tappahannock, VA 22560, Att: Michelle Carter

Judging Standards:

Well framed – The photographer should be close enough to the subject to leave irrelevant or distracting items out of the shot.

Properly Exposed – Subjects faces should not be washed out or shadowy. Backlighting, improper use of a flash and incorrect exposure settings on the camera often cause exposure problems.

A recognizable center of interest – the photo should generally be well organized, so that the eye immediately recognizes one subject as the most important element of the picture. This element should not necessarily be in the center of the frame, but should follow the rule of thirds.

Action – A photograph should usually show some kind of action, particularly if people are the subject. However, some photographs, such as landscapes, should not include people.

Imagination and Creativity – An interesting camera angle or lighting effect can make the difference between a technically good but boring photograph and an award winning photograph.