**RIVANNA RIVER STEWARD REPORT**

**River Steward Names:** Justin Altice and Dan Triman **Date:** 7-9-14

**Starting Location and Time:** Darden Towe (10:15 PM)

**Ending Location and Time:** Milton (1:30 PM)

**Weather:** Overcast **Recent Precipitation:** Heavy afternoon storm the day prior

**Water Flow:** Rapid **Water Color:** Brownish (murky)  **Water Odor:** None

**Water Temp. :** 26 deg C **Air Temp. :** 85 deg F

**DO:** 1 ppm **PH:** 7 **Turbidity:** 40 JTU

**USGS Water Gauge Reading:** Fluvanna 3.7 ft.

**Physical Location Characteristics:** Same as above

**Location Tested:** I-64 Bridge underpass.

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**Land Use:**

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| Development with a wooded buffer around the river that contains the RTF then turning to more rural land uses towards Milton |

**Wildlife Sightings and Plant Life:**

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| Heron (some smaller heron like birds with an interesting Mohawk on top of head), various small birds, hawk, turtles, frogs, small fish |

**People Interactions:**

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| Spoke with 2 ladies walking from Clifton Inn down to Milton put-in to check river level, saw 2 fly fishermen near Milton |

**Litter and Pollution:**

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| Trash was spotty but abundance was found in some areas where debris pulled up due to storm, and along beach areas adjacent to RTF |

**Overall Summary:**

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| The weather was iffy at start of day but turned into pretty nice day. River was flowing at a fairly rapid rate due to previous night’s rain (enough for one unnamed steward to flip his kayak in rapids) and this particular stretch with its rapids provided for an exciting paddle. Did not see many people, most likely to middle of the day timeframe. Will start going out in the evenings more to see if more people can be found. |

**Actions Needed – level of priority (1 highest/5 lowest):**

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| 2 – Remove Darden Towe Boat Ramp piece in river near Riverview Park 4- Increase visibility of marker for Milton Access Point |