



RIVANNA RIVER STEWARD REPORT

River Stewards: Dan Triman

Date: 07-06-18

Starting Location and Time: UVA Boathouse – SF Reservoir (9:30 AM)

Ending Location and Time: UVA Boathouse – SF Reservoir (11:30 AM)

Weather: Cloudy Recent Precipitation: Rain shower just before paddle

USGS Gauges: Earlysville 1.73 ft (72 cfs), Palmyra 3.16 ft (390 cfs)

Water Color: Mostly Clear Water Odor: None Air Temp: 80° F

DO: 6 ppm PH: 7 Turbidity: 20 JTU Water Temp: 32° C

Water Testing Location: UVA Boathouse Dock (38°05.8'N 78°29.2'W)

Land Use:

Residential mainly along the banks of the Reservoir, with some private commercial properties as well.

Wildlife Sightings and Plant Life:

Turtles, Fish, Pigeons, Geese, 2 Blue Heron. Dead fish found floating under Earlysville Rd Bridge. Vegetation was in decent shape along the banks.

People Interactions:

This was a paddle with the Boys and Girls Club Cherry Avenue, as part of a larger RCA summer education program. We partnered with Rivanna River Company to provide this educational paddle opportunity. 11 children (ages 8-11) and 4 staff from Boys and Girls Club paddled today. We started at the UVA dock and paddled towards the Dam, and then finished at the UVA dock. There were also several rowers out on the Reservoir today.

Litter and Pollution:

No trash found during the paddle today.

Overall Summary:

It was a very successful event and everyone had a good time. All the participants got to see some wildlife, get the experience of paddling on the Reservoir, and learn about some of the work RCA does. We hope to provide future paddling opportunities to the Boys and Girls Club.

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

None



Figure 1: Preparing for the paddle



Figure 2: Starting our paddle heading towards the bridge



Figure 3: Learning how to paddle a tandem kayak



Figure 4: Taking a break from paddling



Figure 5: Stopping to pose for the camera



Figure 6: Enjoying the nice weather



Figure 7: Heading around the corner after the bridge



Figure 8: Everyone having a good time paddling



Figure 9: Blue Heron flying above



Figure 10: Geese joining us on the paddle



Figure 11: Heading back towards the dock



Figure 12: Mimosa tree along the bank



Figure 13: Dead fish under Earlysville Rd bridge



Figure 14: Finishing up the paddle



Figure 15: Group photo on the dock