

## Friends of the Middle River Stream Assessment Training

July 30, 8am-5pm

Augusta Co. Government Center

Reservations required/space is limited.

Friends of the Middle River will be partnering with Stream Sweepers to perform a stream assessment of the lower part of the Middle River in August. The assessment will be used to geo-locate items that need to be cleaned up by Stream Sweepers team in areas where we have not done our own cleanup work in the past following the completion of our assessment. Stream Sweepers is a non-profit that has cleaned up other rivers in Virginia and is looking to help us with the Middle River.

Two person teams will paddle the river with one canoeist documenting the locations of the trash to be removed and the other canoeist paddling the boat. Trash removal is not part of these assessment trips.

**A training session for volunteers to assist with the assessment will be held at the Augusta County government Center South Board room from 8 AM to 5 PM on July 30<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited for the training so please signup to attend prior to the event.**

If you are interested in assisting either as a trash locator or paddler, please contact Wayne Nolde at [shenandoahnoldes@gmail.com](mailto:shenandoahnoldes@gmail.com). He will respond to your signup when he gets back in the area the week of July 22<sup>nd</sup> to coordinate with you on the schedule of assessment float trips which will be done in August. Wayne will not have email access on a frequent basis between July 8<sup>th</sup> and July 22<sup>nd</sup>. The tentative dates for the assessment are August 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> if we don't finish by the 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks for considering helping!