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As required by Virginia's Agricultural Stewardship Act (ASA), I am providing the attached annual report of the ASA program for the period April 1, 2019, through March 31, 2020.

As administrator of the ASA program, I take this opportunity to express my thanks for the continued support and cooperation of Virginia's agricultural communities, local soil and water conservation districts, and other agencies of local, state, and federal government who assist in carrying out the provisions of the ASA.

After 23 years of experience, the ASA program continues to provide a practical and positive approach to addressing pollution complaints involving agricultural operations. During these challenging times, the agency remains committed to responding to these complaints and to working with Virginia farmers to correct water quality issues through effective stewardship measures.

I welcome your comments and questions regarding this report and the ASA program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jewel H. Bronaugh'.

Jewel H. Bronaugh, Ph.D.
Commissioner

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