

PVS Proposed Amendment to USA-S Rules and Regulations

## **Proposed Amendment for Article 603.2**

The following amendment would be added to the Potomac Valley (PV) and Virginia (VA) geographical areas/boundaries description:

"Any pool within the boundaries of Loudoun County, Prince William County, and the city of Manassas in the Commonwealth of Virginia shall be available for the use of the Potomac Valley Swimming and Virginia Swimming LSCs and their respective member clubs, and both LSCs may sanction swimming events in these pools under their own rules and regulations."

## Background

Jan 2007 – April 2020:

PVS and VSI had a Sanction Fee Reciprocity Agreement

2021 – 2025 payout by PVS Athletes and families to VSI totaled more than \$198,350

March/April 2020:

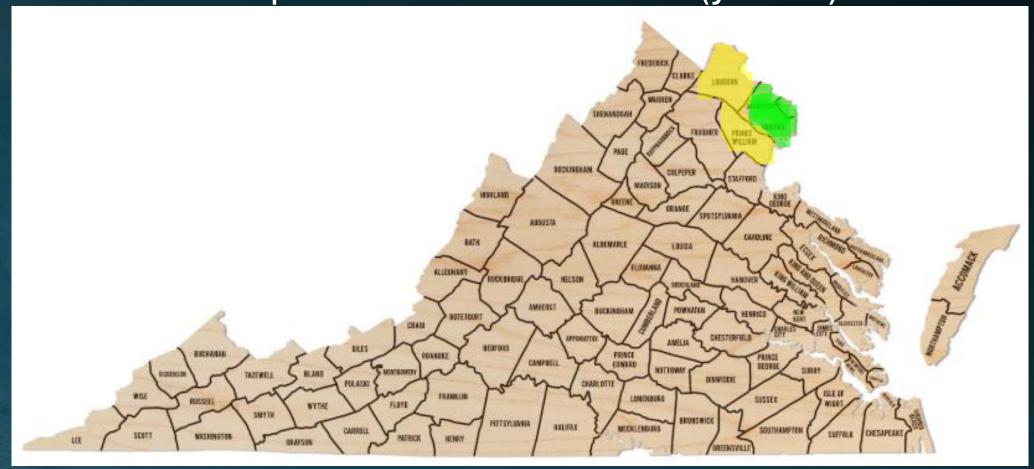
VSI unilaterally dissolved the agreement and replaced it with a \$2.50/swimmer surcharge for all meets held by out of LSC teams in VSI boundaries

September 2023-April 2025:

PVS met/corresponded with VSI several times to negotiate an agreement, to no avail, in the best interest of the athletes in the proposed area.

PVS complied with USA Swimming's rules and guidance throughout the process of working to resolve the issue.

## Map of Virginia showing PVS counties (green) and Proposed shared counties (yellow)



## Population Growth of the Region 1980-2020

PVS area population grew by 56% (2.7M to 4.2M)

VSI area population grew by 57% (4.5M to 7.0M)

Proposed shared territory grew by 330% (224K to 963K)

## **Current Pool Usage in Proposed Shared Areas**

#### **Practices:**

- PVS has 15 teams servicing the populations in the proposed shared areas
- VSI has 1 team servicing the populations in Prince William County
- VSI has NO teams servicing the populations in Loudoun County

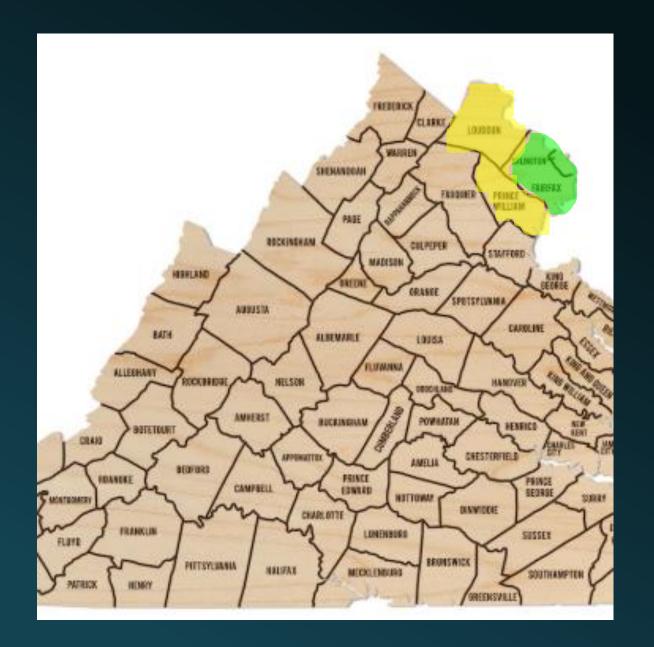
#### Meets:

- PVS teams host approximately 20-25 meets per season in the proposed shared areas
- VSI hosted 1 meet in Prince William county in the 2024-2025 season
- VSI hosted NO meets in Loudoun county in the 2024-2025

### **Bottom Line**

- SHARE the territory
- Provide athletes the ability to compete in their communities

 Serve the populations that have grown throughout the years



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# We ask for your support to pass this amendment.

Thank you