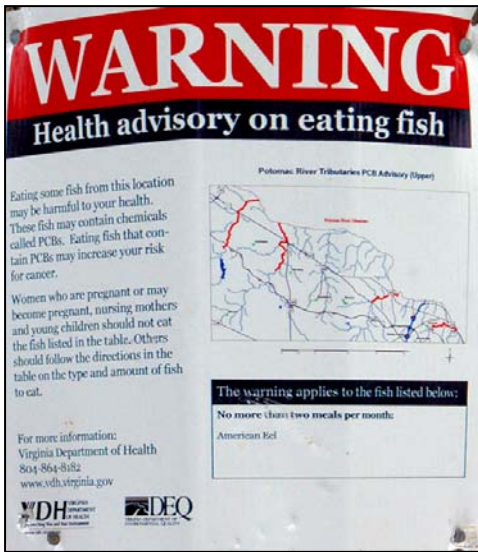


ALERT!

ARE LOUDOUN STREAMS CLEAN & HEALTHY?



A 2009 EPA funded study found **78% of Loudoun stream miles to be stressed or severely stressed due to water pollution**. The Loudoun County 2009 Annual Water Resources report showed that bacteria in 53% - 83% of streams sampled between 2005 and 2009 exceeded the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality limits for recreational/swimming use. In 2007 carcinogenic PCBs were found in fish caught in Goose Creek and signs (at left) posted as a warning.

**TAKE ACTION FOR
CLEAN STREAMS**

On September 21st, the Board of Supervisors will consider the Chesapeake Bay Protection Ordinance (CBPO). This ordinance will protect trees and vegetation adjacent to streams so that they can remove many pollutants before they reach the water and pass on to your downstream neighbors. **What can you do to help?**

1. Visit **Loudoun Clean Streams Coalition** at www.loudounstreams.org to:
 - Separate the facts about the CBPO from the fiction being spread by opponents.
 - Learn how preserving Mother Nature's own filtration system can work for us all while affecting fewer than 10% of existing county property parcels.
 - Sign an On-line Petition supporting the CBPO by September 20.
2. **Contact your Supervisor** by Sep. 20 to urge moving forward on the CBPO.
3. **Attend and/or speak at the BOS Public Input sessions** on Sep. 7th or Sep. 20th. Contact the Loudoun Clean Streams Coalition for assistance.

