

The mission of WVDEP's **Watershed Improvement Branch (WIB)** is to inspire and empower people to value and work for clean water. WIB administers programs that educate, aid, plan and implement water quality protection, improvement and restoration projects.



Assistance is provided through the programs listed below:

§319 Nonpoint Source Program: NPS provides education, technical assistance, **watershed planning** and best management practice (BMP) implementation funding.

Save Our Streams Program: SOS provides education, project and technical assistance, and volunteer stream monitoring hands-on training and certification.

Stream Partners Program: SPP provides grants to support efforts of local watershed volunteers.

Chesapeake Bay Program: A wide variety of initiatives occur through CB including, implementation of West Virginia's watershed implementation plan (**WIP**), technical assistance for **urban stormwater**, **agricultural projects** etc.

Water Education for Teachers: Project WET is an interdisciplinary water education program.

In Lieu Fee Stream and Wetland Mitigation: ILF provides stream and wetland restoration and protection as part of compensatory mitigation.

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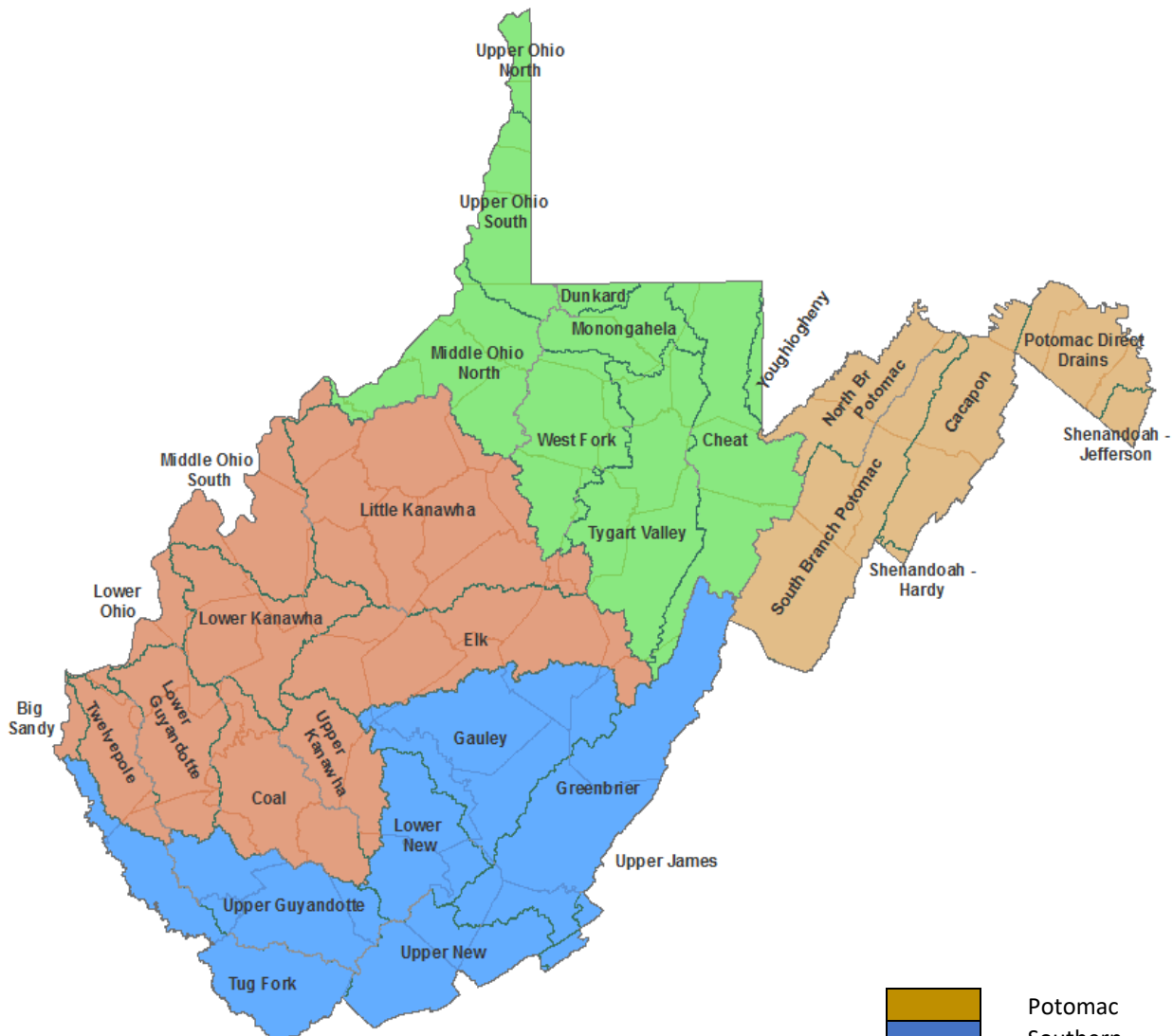
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