

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

July 14, 2010

Archdale Building-Ground Floor Hearing Room

12:00 Noon - 2:00 p.m.

General Statute § 138A-15 mandates that the Chairman inquire as to whether any member knows of any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to matters before the EMC Water Quality Committee. If any member knows of a conflict of interest or appearance of conflict, please so state at this time.

12:00 Noon-Opening Comments

Chairman Peterson

1. Summary of Final Draft for the Catawba River Basinwide Water Quality Plan and a Request for Approval to Send the Final Draft to the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) for Approval – (Action Item) (Melanie Williams)

DWQ staff will request permission from the Water Quality Committee (WQC) to take the final draft *Catawba River Basinwide Water Quality Plan* to the EMC for approval. Staff will present a summary of plan highlights and public comments. (Attachments enclosed: [Powerpoint Presentation](#) and [final draft Catawba River Basinwide Water Quality Plan](#))

2. Request to Proceed to the EMC with Draft Rules for Chlorophyll-a Threshold for Nutrient Enriched Waterbody Management – (Action Item) (Matt Matthews)

DWQ staff will present draft rules that establish chlorophyll-a threshold levels, a mechanism for identifying affected water bodies, and implementing management strategies to proactively address nutrient enrichment and thereby prevent impairment. The management strategies will address both point and nonpoint sources of nutrients. DWQ will request that the WQC grant approval to proceed to the EMC with draft rules for chlorophyll-a threshold levels. (Attachments enclosed: [Powerpoint Presentation](#) and [Draft Rules of 15A NCAC 2B .0611 Water Quality Management Plans for Impairment, Prevention and Protection of Waters Downstream of Receiving Waters, 15A NCAC 2B. 0612 Water Quality Management Plans for Impaired Waters, and 15A NCAC 2B .0613 Nutrient Impairment Prevention Strategy: Wastewater Discharge Requirements](#))

3. Request Permission to Proceed to the EMC with the Proposed Reclassification of a Section of the Haw River in Alamance, Caswell, Guilford, and Rockingham Counties (Cape Fear River Basin) from Class WS-V to Class WS-IV CA and WS-IV - (Action Item) (Elizabeth Kountis)

A request to reclassify a portion of the Haw River has been received by the DWQ. The City of Greensboro (“City”) received permission from the Division of Environmental Health and funding from the Division of Water Resources to construct and use an emergency intake on the Haw River. The waters draining to the intake meet water supply water quality standards according to DWQ studies. The intake, which is a permanent structure, was utilized from October 2007 through April 2008, and is planned to be utilized on an emergency basis. DWQ waited for the rulemaking associated with the Jordan Lake rules to be completed prior to taking current actions on this reclassification due to the complexity involved in those rules. The City requested that the intake be reclassified to WS-V in order to recognize it as a potable

water supply intake, but in order for the intake to be used as a public water supply source, it must be classified as a WS-I, WS-II, WS-III, or WS-IV. The WQC will be asked to approve this reclassification request to proceed to the full Commission to get permission to begin the rule-making process and send the proposed reclassification out to public notice. (Attachments enclosed: [Reclassification Memo](#) and [Map](#))

4. Update on 2010 Annual Report on Division of Water Quality Water Supply Ordinances and Enforcement Actions, Universal Stormwater Management Program Ordinance Approvals, and Phase II Delegations – (Information Item)(Julie Ventaloro and Bill Diuguid)

When these programs were delegated to DWQ, the WQC asked for periodic reports. DWQ has routinely been providing these reports in July each year to the WQC. (Attachment Enclosed: [2010 Annual Report on Division of Water Quality Water Supply Ordinances and Enforcement Actions, Universal Stormwater Management Program Ordinance Approvals, and Phase II Delegations](#))

Closing comments – Charles P. Peterson

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