

Information Item D. Report on Local Program Assistance by Regional Offices

City of Greenville

Pat McClain of the Washington Regional Office met with the City of Greenville staff on April 18, 2013. The City has 10 active and 24 inactive projects. Six projects were inspected, five of which were in compliance.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: Overall, this program is well run by staff that frequently inspects their sites. The office review of plans and files found that the City of Greenville utilizes the computer for field inspections and project management. The files contained complete information on the projects reviewed including FR/O, pre-construction meetings and calculations. The files contained complete calculations on most projects. Staff recommendations for plan review pertained to attention issued concerning riparian buffers, control of tract at time of plan submittal and adherence to NPDES considerations. Staff recommends continued program delegation.

City of Charlotte

James Moore and Erich Schweiber of the Mooresville Regional Office met with Charlotte staff on April 23, 2013. The City had 207 active projects, and had conducted 2374 inspections last year. Three sites were inspected, two of which were in compliance.

The City is launching a new online plan review and inspection process that appears excellent. Plan reviews and inspections were adequate.

Lincoln County

Ryan Kormanik and Tamera Eplin of the Mooresville Regional Office met with Catawba County staff on April 24, 2013. The County had 150 projects, 49 of which were greater than one acre in area. The County had done 1450 single lot inspections, and 611 inspections of sites greater than one acre in area. Three sites were inspected, all of which were in compliance.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: The three sites we visited were all in compliance and had just minor repairs which needed to be made. All active sites are inspected at least once a month, some more if needed. It appears that the staff has worked diligently to increase their customer service as evidenced by the email correspondence to the engineers requesting additional information, thus getting the requested information back as quickly as possible.

Rowan County

Zahid Khan of the Mooresville Regional Office met with Rowan County staff on April 24, 2013. Rowan County had 15 active projects, and had done 67 inspections in the last year. Three sites were inspected, two of which had minor problems. Land Quality staff had the following comments: Overall, this program is well run by one staff person that frequently inspects his sites. On the majority of the sites inspected, strong emphasis appears to be placed on establishment of ground cover. The files contained complete information on the projects reviewed including FR/O, pre-construction meetings, letters, authorizations, and calculations. Most of the sites are very small in acreage or land disturbance. The two sites that were not in compliance needed minor repair and maintenance. Staff recommends continued program delegation.

Catawba County

Ryan Kormanik and Tamera Eplin of the Mooresville Regional Office met with Catawba County staff on April 25, 2013. The County had 33 active projects, and had done 291 inspections in the last 9 months. Two projects were inspected, one of which lacked inlet protection and sufficient ground cover.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: Overall, the program continues to progress. Please make sure that all erosion control measures are included within the limits of disturbance, all details are included, and most importantly a decision to approve or disapprove is made within the 30 day timeline from when the plan was received.

City of Monroe

James Moore of the Mooresville Regional Office met with City of Monroe staff on April 25, 2013. The City had 11 active projects, and had conducted 167 inspections in the last year. One site was inspected. A diversion ditch needed repair, which was done by the next day.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: Overall, the program is well run. Plan review is timely and inspection frequency is adequate. During the past year I assisted with a complaint investigation on an active City of Monroe site and found that site in compliance. The program requires bonding of sites up to \$10,000 and questions the impact of proposed State regulations that would not allow Local regulations to be more stringent than State regulations.

New Hanover County

Dan Sams and Trentt James of the Wilmington Regional Office met with New Hanover County staff on May 8, 2013. The County has 197 active projects and conducted 1963 inspections last year. Four projects were inspected. One site had violations requiring a revised plan, which was under review at the time.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: Overall the Local Program is doing an excellent job of review and approval of plan applications, and monitoring their active sites, making frequent inspections and getting quick and comprehensive response from the development community. Staff recommends continued program delegation.

City of Raleigh

Karyn Pageau and Joe Dupree of the Raleigh Regional Office met with the City of Raleigh on June 18, 2013. The City had 241 active projects, and had conducted 7401 inspections in the past 12 months. Three sites were inspected, two of which were in compliance.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: The City of Raleigh program is a well-organized program that inspects its sites frequently based on level of activity. They have filled two vacant positions since the previous review last fall. Land Quality staff recommends continued emphasis on concrete truck wash out areas during the plan review process. This program is active in Triangle area E&S control group. Land Quality staff recommends the continued delegation of the City of Raleigh program.

City of Burlington

Tim Latham of the Winston-Salem Regional Office met with the City of Burlington on July 22, 2013. The City has 16 active projects. Three projects were inspected. No violations were noted, but some comments were made on improving existing measures.

Land Quality staff had the following comments: The City of Burlington's staff continues to do an excellent job completing plan reviews and site inspections. Files are well organized and contain adequate documentation. Recommend continued program delegation