

Local Program Report to the SCC

Wake County

On May 16, 2012 Mell Nevils, Matt Poling, John Holley, and Joe Dupree conducted a review of the Wake County Local Program. The County's local program consists of 8 full time staff. The County reports having 265 active projects. The County has reviewed 136 plans with 69 approvals and 67 disapprovals. Staff has conducted 5,301 inspections, issued 7 notices of violations, and assessed one civil penalty in the past 12 months. During our review of the program, we reviewed 6 plans and inspected 6 projects.

The Wake County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

- 1) If violations are marked on the inspection report, the site is out of compliance with the SPCA. Please indicate this on all inspection reports.
- 2) Continue requiring that adequate ground cover is provided within the time limits of the local ordinance and approved plan.
- 3) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.

Staff recommends continued delegation with implementation of the above recommendations.

Durham County

On June 20, 2012, Matt Poling, John Holley and Joe Dupree conducted a review of the Durham County Local Program. The County's local program consists of 3 persons that contribute 2.5 full time equivalents. The County reports having 73 active projects. County staff reviewed 79 plans last year, with 78 approvals and one disapproval. Staff have conducted 1450 inspections, issued 9 notices of violations, and have not assessed any civil penalties in the past 12 months. During our review of the program, we reviewed 6 plans and inspected 6 projects.

The Durham County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

- 1) Continue requiring that adequate ground cover is provided within the time limits of the local ordinance and approved plan.
- 2) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.

Staff recommends continued delegation with implementation of the above recommendations.

Jackson County

On May 30, 2012 Matt Poling, Gray Hauser, Laura Herbert, Charles Koontz and Darlene Kucken conducted a review of the Jackson County Local Program. The County's local program consists of 5 staff that contribute 3.5 full time equivalents to erosion control. The County reports having 89 active projects. County staff has reviewed 18 plans with 17 approvals and one disapproval. Staff have conducted 1,646 inspections, issued 2 notices of violations, and no civil penalties in the past 12 months. During our review of the program, we reviewed 4 plans and inspected 5 projects.

The Jackson County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

- 1) Continue requiring that adequate ground cover is provided within the time limits of the local ordinance and approved plan.
- 2) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.

Staff recommends continued delegation with implementation of the above recommendations.

Swain County

On May 31, 2012 Matt Poling, Gray Hauser, Charles Koontz, and Jeff Wait conducted a review of the Swain County Local Program. The county's local program consists of two persons that contribute less than one full time equivalent. According to the county's data, two plans were reviewed and approved in the last year. Currently there are two active projects, both of which were reviewed and inspected.

The Swain County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

- 1) Continue requiring that adequate ground cover is provided within the time limits of the local ordinance and approved plan.
- 2) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.

Staff recommends continued delegation with implementation of the above recommendations.

Rowan County

On June 21, 2012, Matt Poling conducted a review of the Rowan County Local Program. One person contributes 0.5 full time equivalents to the erosion control program. The County reports having 15 active projects. The County reviewed 13 plans with 13 approvals and zero disapprovals last year. Staff have conducted 100 inspections, issued 4 notices of violations, and have not assessed any civil penalties in

the past 12 months. During our review of the program, we reviewed 5 plans and inspected 5 projects.

The Rowan County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

- 1) Continue requiring that adequate ground cover is provided within the time limits of the local ordinance and approved plan.
- 2) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.

Staff recommends continued delegation with implementation of the above recommendations.

City of Greenville

On July 25, 2012, Matt Poling, Pat McClain and Gray Hauser reviewed the City of Greenville's Local Program. The program is on probation. Six projects were evaluated. Two out of the six projects had violations. The City had previously noted these violations and has issued several Notices of Violations for multiple projects. The City has been working with the Washington Regional Office and is showing better practices for administering their erosion and sediment control program.

Pat McClain, PE, Washington Regional Engineer, has been working closely with the program and has given a summary of the productive meetings that he has had with the City of Greenville. Issues discussed during these meetings consisted of:

- 1) New NPDES Construction Permit requirements such as ground cover and dewatering of sediment basins.
- 2) Acquisition of notarized easements from property owners, to allow for grading activities to be conducted on their land by an entity that is not the land owner.
- 3) Reviewed contents of approval and disapproval letters.
- 4) Differentiated between types of erosion control violations in the field.

In conclusion, the City of Greenville is visiting their sites on a regular basis and is pursuing enforce as needed. Land Quality staff recognize the efforts by City of Greenville to improve their sedimentation and erosion control program. Staff recommends the removal of the current probationary status from the City of Greenville. and continued delegation of the erosion and sediment control program.

Catawba County

On August 1, 2012, Matt Poling, Ryan Kormanik, Zahid Khan and Gray Hauser conducted a review of the Catawba County Local Program. During the past three months, the Mooresville Regional Office has been working with Ms. Toni Norton, Water Resources Engineer on improving the program. Ms. Norton was severely injured the weekend before the review, and is on medical leave. Land Quality staff met with

four personnel from Catawba County. These Catawba County personnel will have to be coached on plan reviews, inspections and enforcement procedures.

Three projects were reviewed. Two of the three of the projects had violations and were considered out of compliance. The most recent County inspection reports were accurate. The County had previously noted these violations and had issued a Notice of Violation for one of the projects. The County has been working with the Mooresville Regional Office and is starting to show better practices for administering their erosion and sediment control program. Land Quality staff recognize the efforts by Catawba County to improve their Sedimentation and Erosion Control Program and would like to see continued improvements.

Because Catawba County's Water Resource Engineer is on extended medical leave, an accurate portrayal of the program cannot be made at this point in time. Staff recommends that Catawba County's probationary period be extended until the next SCC meeting which is scheduled for November 14, 2012.