Union County - Proposed Interbasin Transfer

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

October 3, 2013, 4:30 PM
Stanly County Public Library
133 East Main Street
Albemarle, NC 28001

October 14, 5:00 PM
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College – Salisbury Campus
1333 Jake Alexander Blvd. South
Salisbury, NC 28146-1595

October 15, 2013, 5:00 PM
Northeast Technical College – Cheraw Campus
1201 Chesterfield Highway
Cheraw, SC 29520

Union County will hold public meetings to receive comments on their request for an interbasin transfer (IBT) certificate from the source river basin of the Yadkin River Sub-Basin to the receiving river basin of the Rocky River Sub-Basin, both of which are part of the Yadkin River Basin. Union County currently serves customers in the Catawba River Basin and the Rocky River Sub-Basin of the Yadkin River Basin. Union County is requesting an IBT certificate for a maximum daily flow of 28 million gallons per day (mgd) from the Yadkin River Sub-Basin to the Rocky River Sub-Basin. The requested transfer amount is based on 2050 water demand projections in Union County's Yadkin River Basin service area.

These meetings are being held to provide stakeholders and the public an opportunity to participate in this project through an open and active public process, and in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 143-215.22. This statute requires that one public meeting be held in the source river basin (i.e. the Yadkin River Sub-Basin) both upstream and downstream from the proposed point of withdrawal, and that one public meeting be held in the receiving river basin (i.e. the Rocky River Sub-Basin).

The meetings will be at the times listed above. The format of the meetings will include a short overview presentation (~30 minutes) of the IBT request at the beginning and 90 minutes into the session (e.g. at 5:00 PM and 6:30 PM for meetings scheduled at 5:00 PM). The presentation will be the same at each venue. The remaining time will be utilized for public questions and comment. Based on the number of people who desire to comment, the length of the verbal presentations may be limited. All statements made at the meeting will be audio recorded, but will not be transcribed to prepare a written record of the event. Verbal comments will be given equal consideration as written comments. The North Carolina Division of Water Resources staff may be in attendance. Individuals who prefer to enter written comments need to submit these comments no later than November 15, 2013.

These meetings are being conducted as part of the scoping phase of the project where Union County, the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and other agencies are considering the

alternatives to be evaluated, and the scope of impacts to be evaluated in an environmental impact statement (EIS).

Written comments should be mailed to:

Union County – YRWSP – IBT Comments
HDR Engineering Inc. of the Carolinas
Attn: Mr. Kevin Mosteller, PE
440 South Church Street
Charlotte, NC 28202

Comments may also be submitted electronically to unioncountyYRWSP@hdrinc.com. Mailed and emailed comments will be given equal consideration. The public comment period for this phase of the project closes on November 15, 2013. Interested parties will have future opportunities to provide input during the overall IBT certificate request process.