CHOWAN RIVER BASIN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Albemarle-Pamlico Regional Councils "Kick-off" Meeting September 25, 1997 -- Plymouth, NC

Results of Regional Councils break out sessions

During a break out session at the September 25th Regional Councils "Kick-off" Meeting, members of the Chowan River Basin Regional Council were asked to respond to the following question:

What are the priority environmental concerns in your river basins?

Below are the results/answers given by members who participated in the break out session.

Concerns:

- leakage from fertilizer plant on river
- Ahoskie Creek
- Potecasi Creek
- Merchant's Mill Pond
- irrigation water
- Union Camp Company (Virginia paper mill)
- Nonpoint source pollution (agriculture, forestry and septic tanks)
- population and landower increases

Hopes:

- pro-active state agencies in the field
- don't lose the quality of our groundwater
- Rethinking of channelization/drainage practices
- Technology: wastewater treatment improvements
- reduced population density in some areas
- all bear costs fairly
- recycle, reduce & reuse nutrients
- Education
- remove dioxin health advisory
- recognition of area