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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Neuse River Basin Regional Council Members

FROM:

Joan Giordano, Outreach Coordinator

SUBJ:

Agenda for September 28, 2001

DATE:

September 20, 2001

Hi folks,

Enclosed is the agenda for our next regularly scheduled meeting being held on September 28, 2001. As you can see, we'll convene at 9:30 am at the Wayne Center in Goldsboro and plan to adjourn by noon. Thanks again to Norman Ricks for arranging our meeting space!

Our agenda promises to be interesting as well as informative. Please notice that we have several items to discuss and need everyone's input. Also, Surabhi Shah with the NC Public Water Supply Section of DWR, will be presenting information on the SWAP program which she coordinates. Because water supply is an issue of great concern to the Neuse Regional Council, Ms. Shah's presentation is seen as preparatory to our anticipated Water Supply Seminar scheduled for early next year.

Please make every effort to attend the meeting. Thank you for your continued participation and commitment to protecting the natural resources of the Neuse River Basin and all of eastern North Carolina. I look forward to seeing you on September 28th and please drive safely.





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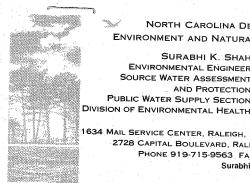
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AGENDA

9:30 am	Welcome & Call to Order	Andy McLawhorn, Chairman
9:35	Roll Call	Joan Giordano, APNEP
9:45	Consideration of Minutes from Last meeting	Chairman McLawhorn
9:50	OLD BUSINESS Discussion: - Update on Public Meeting for Water Supply Conference to be held in February/March	Joan Giordano
	- "Best in the Basin" Brochure	Joan Giordano
10:15	SWAP (Source Water Protection Program)	Surabhi Shah, NC Source Water Protection Program Coordinator
11:15	New Business	
11:30	Public Comment	
11:40	Plans for Next Meeting	All
12:00	Adjourn	



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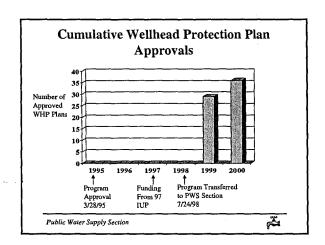
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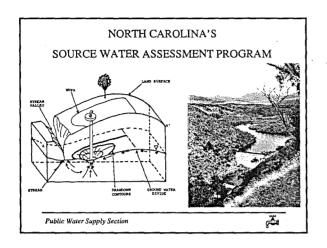
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Source Water Assessment Program Requirements

- Delineate Boundaries of Source Water Assessment Areas
 - Groundwater and Surface Water Intakes
- · Inventory Potential Contaminants
- Determine Susceptibility of PWS_Sources

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Assessment
Area of a
Groundwater
Intake

Delineated Area
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 A_{SWAP} = Zone A + Zone B

Zone A area = Zone B area = 0.5 A_{SWAP} area

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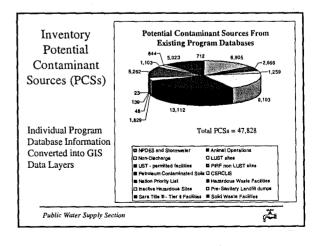
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Determine Susceptibility of Public Water Supply (PWS) Systems

Susceptibility =

Contaminant Rating
+
Inherent Vulnerability Rating

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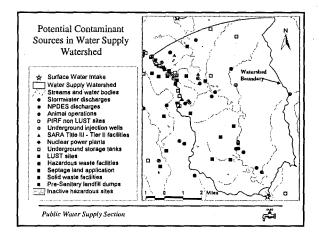
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Contaminant Rating

- Rating Based On:
 - Number of PCSs
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Inherent Vulnerability Rating

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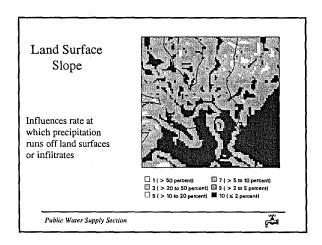
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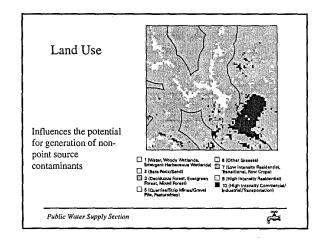
Surface Water Intake Inherent Vulnerability Rating

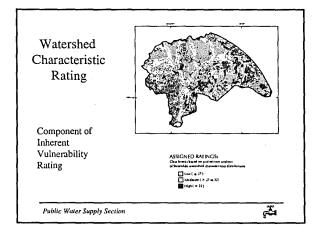
- Watershed Classification (I, II, III, IV, or V)
- Intake Location
- · Raw Water Quality
- · Watershed Characteristics Rating
 - Average Annual Precipitation
 - Land Slope, Land Cover, Land Use
 - GW Contribution

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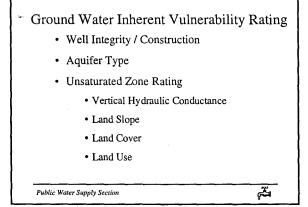
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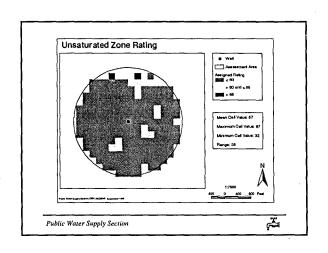






Intake Characteristics	Higher Vulnerability	Moderate Vulnerability	Lower Vulnerability
Watershed Classification	WS-IV, WS-V	WS-III, WS-II	WS-I 1
Intake Location	Direct Stream	Class 3 Impoundments	Class 1 and 2 Impoundments 2
Raw Water Quality (water plant data)	T.U. > 100 or T coliform > 2000 5	T.U. >25 or T coliform > 1000 3	T.U. ≤ 25 and T coliform ≤ 1000
Watershed Characteristics Rating	10	5	1
otals	33 - 21	13 - 20	5 - 12





Ground Water Intake Inherent Vulnerability Rating

Intake Characteristics	Higher Vulnerability	Moderate Vulnerability	Lower Vulnerability
Aquifer	10	5	-1
Unsaturated Zone	10	5	1
Well Integrity/Construction	5	. 3	1
Totals	25-18	17-15	14-1
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Susceptibility Determination

- Combine Ratings for Potential Contaminant Sources and Inherent Vulnerability
- Result is Qualitative Susceptibility
 Determination (Higher, Moderate, or Lower)

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Susceptibility Determination for PWS Intakes by Combining the Inherent Vulnerability and Contaminant Ratings.

Contaminant	Inherent Vulnerability Rating			
Rating	Higher	Moderate	Lower	
Higher	H	Н	М	
Moderate	Н	М	М	
Lower	М	М	L	

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SWAP Plan Approval and Implementation

- EPA Approved November 1999
- · Assessments Complete May 2003

Public Distribution of SWAP Results

- Maps and Reports
- Internet www.deh.enr.state.nc.us/pws



 Paper Copies to PWS Systems Owners and to Others by Request

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Source Water Protection

- SWAP Goal: to equip <u>local</u> drinking water protection initiatives, provide support through a Source Water Protection (SWP) Program
- SWAP Workshop planned to help local SWP efforts to use SWAP results
- SWP pilot project currently underway

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Ideas or Questions about... Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) or Source Water Protection (SWP)?

We'd love to hear from you! Please contact: Surabhi Shah Source Water Assessment & Protection Coordinator PWS Section, NC DENR 919-715-9563

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- Brices Creek Boat Ramp Croatan National Forest
 141 E. Fisher Ave.
 New Bern, NC 28560
- Union Point Park New Bern, NC 28563
- Hancock & Cahoogue Creeks Croatan National Forest Cahoogue Creek Rd. (off Hwy. 101)
- Camp Don Lee Route 65, Box 80-A Arapahoe, NC 28510

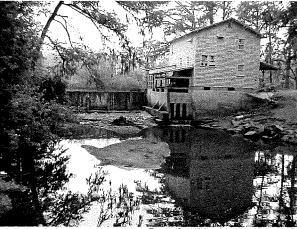


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Best in the Basin 2000



Trenton Old Mill Pond in Jones County, NC

The 20 Best Sites in the Neuse River Basin

Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Program



From the Chairman...

March 1995, Governor James B. Hunt, Jr. created five river basin Regiona Councils corresponding to the five major river basins that comprise the Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Program (APNEP) region. The APNEP is located in the Division of Water Quality within the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR)



and is cosponsored by the US EPA and the State of North Carolina.

The purpose of the Regional Councils is to advise and consult with

Hancock Creek

local, state and federal governments, as well as stakeholders and the general public, regarding the implementation of management strategies contained in the APNEP's Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). The Neuse River Basin Regional Council (NRBRC), the first Regional Council to be established, has met regularly since its inception in November, 1995 to address and discuss many environmental concerns.

Council members, which include representa from all counties located within the basin, decided to celebrate the year 2000 by underscoring many of the positive aspects of water quality in the Neuse basin. The result is the "Top 20 Places to Celebrate the Neuse River Basin in the Year 2000." The locations listed in this brochure were chosen as outstanding sites and deserving of a word of praise.

The NRBRC wishes to say "Thank-you" to those who work to keep these places beautiful and environmentally sound. They make the lives of all residents a little better.

... Andy McLawhorn, Chairman Neuse River Basin Regional Council

The "Top 20"

Upper South Flat River Soil & Water Conservation District Hurdle Mills, NC 27541

- Ellerbe Creek
 Durham County, NC
- ◆ Eno River State Park 6101 Cole Mill Road Durham, NC 27705
- Lake Michie
 Durham County Water Resources
 101 City Hall Plaza
 Durham, NC 27701
- Hemlock Bluffs Nature Center 2616 Kildaire Farm Road Cary, NC 27511
- ◆ Falls Lake State Recreation Area 13304 Creedmoor Road Wake Forest, NC 27587
- Smithfield Town Commons Smithfield, NC 27577
- ◆ Cliffs of the Neuse
 State Park
 345-A Park Entrance Road
 Seven Springs, NC 28578
- Seven Springs
 Boat Ramp
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- Riggs Farm No Till & Irrigation Project
 Pollocksville, NC 28573 (Private Site)
- Clay Hill Farms Spray Field Improvements
 Pollocksville, NC 28573 (Private Site)
- ♦ Pollocksville Boat Ramp Pollocksville, NC 28573
- Trenton Old Mill Pond Trenton, NC 28585
- River Bend Wetlands Restoration
 Project
 River Bend, NC 28562
- Cool Springs Environmental Education Center Weyerhaeuser Corporation PO Box 1391 New Bern, NC 28563
- Hog Island & Turkey Island Neuse River Game Lands Craven County, NC

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Neuse River Basin Regional Council Members

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FROM:

Joan Giokdano, Outreach Coordinator

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Next Meeting - November 30, 2001

DATE:

November 1, 2001

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Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D.
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Joan Giordano Outreach Coordinator Enclosed is the agenda for our next regularly scheduled meeting (11/30/01) which will be held in Smithfield, at the Centenary United Methodist Church. The church is located in downtown Smithfield at the corner of Market and 2nd Streets. We'll begin at 10:00am. I have enclosed directions to the meeting place, and our thanks go to Chairman McLawhorn for making the meeting location arrangements. Also, he has agreed to bring kayaks for paddling, so keep your fingers crossed for beautiful weather!

As you can see from the agenda, we will have a presentation dealing with nitrogen runoff, which is something you have asked to hear. Dr. David Hardy, an Extension Specialist-Soil Science Dept. at NC State University will be our speaker. Given current rules that are in place dealing with nitrogen reduction in the Neuse, I'm sure you'll find Dr. Hardy's presentation interesting and informative.

Additionally, between now and November 30th, please give serious thought to the <u>nomination</u> of new officers for our Regional Council. <u>Election</u> of officers (Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary) occurs in January according to our by-laws, and we need to adhere to this schedule. In other words, at the meeting following the one on the 30th, we will be voting!

I look forward to seeing you on the 30th and, as always, thank you for your dedication and commitment to protecting the natural resources in eastern North Carolina.





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Wayne Center Chestnut Street Goldsboro, NC September 28, 2001

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Andy McLawhorn at 9:55am. He asked for self-introductions of those present (See Attachment A), and then for acceptance of the minutes from the previous meeting (6/8/01). Sondra Riggs moved that the minutes be accepted as mailed, and Marguerite Whitfield seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Joan Giordano gave an overview of the planning meeting, held at her office in August, which pertained to the proposed Water Supply Conference scheduled for February 2002. She then presented the completed Best in the Basin brochure, the NRBRC's ongoing outreach project. She added that mass distribution of the document would depend on available funds from the NC Division of Water Quality, and hoped that they would be forthcoming.

Following her comments, Mrs. Giordano introduced the meeting's featured speaker, Surabhi Shah who represents the NC Source Water Protection Program. Ms. Shah began her presentation by asking those present what their interest in, and issues with, water supply were. She then proceeded with her presentation on the Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) and its predecessor program, the Wellhead Protection Program. (See Attachments B,C). She explained that the Wellhead Protection Program dealt only with groundwater, while the SWAP deals with both surface and groundwater. She also mentioned that the SWAP has no pilot program in eastern North Carolina and asked that the NRBRC consider being a catalyst for such an effort. Discussion ensued.

There being no further public comment, plans for the next meeting were determined. It was decided that the next meeting would take place in Johnston County, preferably in Smithfield, and Chairman McLawhorn agreed to make logistical arrangements. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTENDANCE

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3 Joan Dividano	APNEP
4. Betty Sandow	APNEP
5. Jummy B. Clayton	Person County
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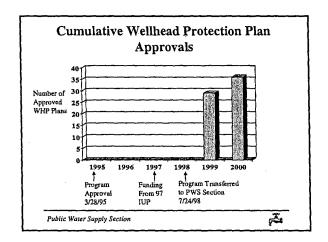
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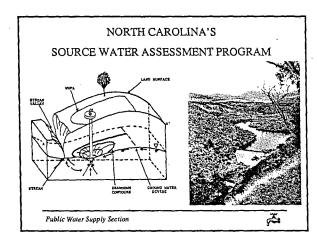
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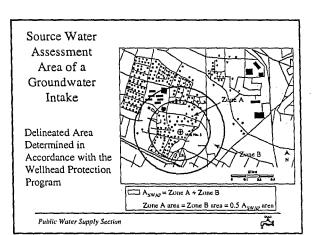
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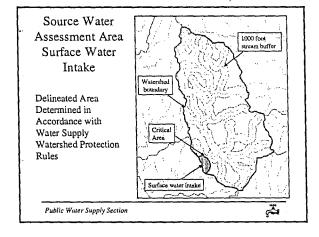


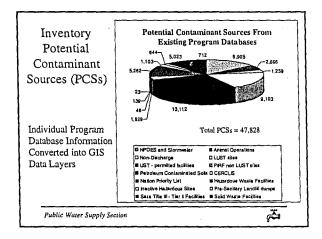
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Susceptibility =

Contaminant Rating + Inherent Vulnerability Rating

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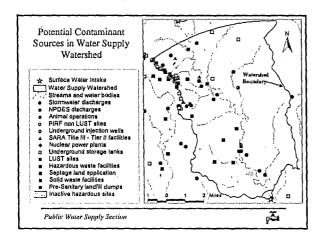
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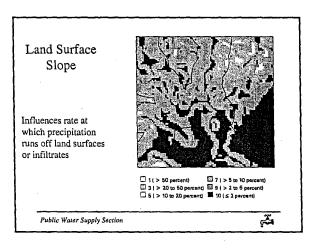
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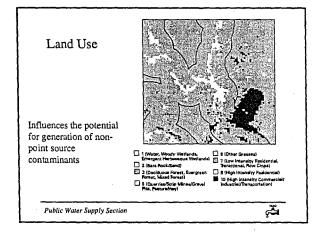
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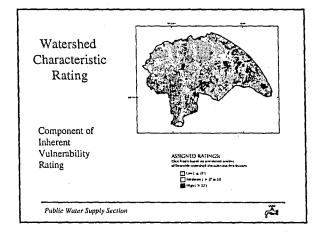
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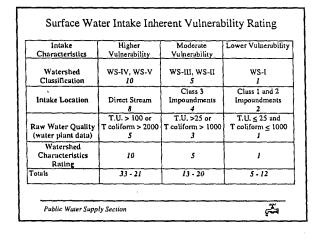
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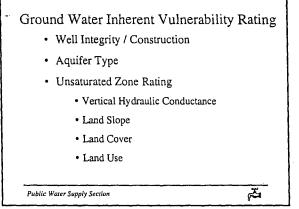


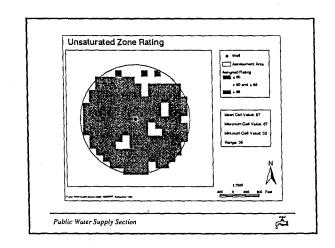












Ground Water Intake Inherent Vulnerability Rating

Intake Characteristics	Higher Vulnerability	Moderate Vulnerability	Lower Vulnerability
Aquifer	. 10	5	- 1
Unsaturated Zone	10	5	1
Well Integrity/Construction	5	. 3	1
Totals	25-18	17-15	14-1
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Susceptibility Determination

- Combine Ratings for Potential Contaminant Sources and Inherent Vulnerability
- Result is Qualitative Susceptibility
 Determination (Higher, Moderate, or Lower)

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Susceptibility Determination for PWS Intakes by Combining the Inherent Vulnerability and Contaminant Ratings.

Contaminant _	Inherent Vulnerability Rating			
Rating	Higher	Moderate	Lower	
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Moderate	II	М	М	
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SWAP Plan Approval and Implementation

- EPA Approved November 1999
- · Assessments Complete May 2003

Public Distribution of SWAP Results

- · Maps and Reports
- Internet www.deh.enr.state.nc.us/pws
- Paper Copies to PWS Systems Owners and to Others by Request

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Source Water Protection

- SWAP Goal: to equip <u>local</u> drinking water protection initiatives, provide support through a Source Water Protection (SWP) Program
- SWAP Workshop planned to help local SWP efforts to use SWAP results
- SWP pilot project currently underway

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Ideas or Questions about... Source Water Assessment Program (SWAP) or Source Water Protection (SWP)?

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