



Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Program

Public Involvement Office

MEMORANDUM

TO: Roanoke River Basin Regional Council Members

FROM: Joan Giordano, Outreach Coordinator

SUBJ: Next Meeting - January 25, 2002

DATE: January 11, 2002

Hi Folks:

The next meeting of the Roanoke River Basin Regional Council will be held on January 25, 2002 at Claudine's Restaurant in Rich Square, beginning at 9:30am. The agenda is enclosed.

Plans for the Water Supply Seminar, being co-sponsored by the Neuse and Roanoke Regional Councils, are progressing nicely. Because I didn't hear from any of you regarding the draft agenda I mailed prior to the holidays, I'm assuming y'all are content with the overall plan for the Seminar. I'd like to talk more about it at our next meeting.

I've arranged with Callie Dobson to have a number of the new (just printed!) Roanoke River Basinwide Water Quality Management Plans available for our next meeting. I know you'll be interested in seeing what your input generated. Possibly, Callie may be able to attend the meeting.

I look forward to seeing each of you and beginning another year of Regional Council work. I know sometimes, it appears as if we're not making progress. But then, as we see the fruit of our labor, as in our demonstration project or the Basinwide Plans, it all seems worthwhile. I'll see you on the 25th!

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Roanoke River Basin Regional Council
Claudine's Restaurant
Rich Square, NC
January 25, 2002

AGENDA

9:30am	Welcome and Call to Order	Chairman Holloman
9:35	Roll Call	Joan Giordano
9:40	<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> Revisit Program of Work Plans for Water Supply Conference	All
10:30	<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> Nomination of Officers Roanoke Basinwide Plan	All Callie Dobson
11:15	Proposed Topics for Joint RC Demonstration Project	All
11:45	Public Comment	
11:50	Plans for Next Meeting	All
12:00	Adjourn	



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TO: Roanoke River Basin Regional Council Members
FROM: ^{Betty} Betty Sandow, Public Outreach Assistant
SUBJ: Minutes of January 25, 2002 Meeting
DATE: February 22, 2002

Hi folks,

Enclosed are the minutes from our last meeting held on January 25, 2002 at Claudine's Restaurant in Rich Square. A big "thank you" goes out to those members who were present.

As indicated in the minutes, our next scheduled meeting will be held on April 12, 2002. Please make every effort to attend. A reminder notice and agenda for the meeting will be mailed as the meeting time draws closer.

Thank you for your continued commitment to protecting the beautiful and valuable natural resources of eastern North Carolina. We look forward to seeing you again on April 12.



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ROANOKE RIVER BASIN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Claudine's Restaurant

Rich Square, NC

January 25, 2002

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order with members present as follows:

Jimmy Outland	Diane Hardison for Jerry Coker
Michael Taylor	Alex McLennan (proxy to Kay Winn)
James Early	Jerry Holloman
Kay Winn	Callie Dobson - Staff
Joan Giordano - Staff	

Under old business, Joan directed attention back to the Program of Work, focusing on priority actions as Council. These actions/interests have led to the Water Supply Seminar to be held on March 15th, at ECU's Regional Development Institute, in Greenville. Hearing no comments as to changes in the suggested program as mailed to members, she continued to explain that Weyerhaeuser is helping to underwrite the seminar. She asked that we let her know if we are planning to bring a guest, so adequate plans may be made.

Jimmy Outland mentioned that the lake associations might be invited to send representation, and also the Roanoke River Association. He also mentioned he has been told Va. Beach has been pumping 60 million gallons of water per day whether they need it or not, spilling the excess into the ocean. Callie Dobson said that official drought status has reduced their withdrawals to minimum. Joan agreed to have Noah Hill check into this matter.

Also under old business, Council elected new officers as follows:

Jimmy Outland, Chair
Michael Taylor, Vice Chair
Kay Winn, Secretary

Joan brought copies of the newly updated Roanoke Basinwide Water Quality Monitoring Plan, and Callie Dobson carried Council through a quick overview. Newly impaired waters in the basin are due to a statewide fish consumption advisory for mercury in bowfin. After Council noted several points about the Plan, Callie explained she will take the plan and develop an implementation packet and that periodic follow-ups are made to see if the recommendations are being implemented or not.

Other issues discussed in the course of the meeting were hydrilla, beaver dams blocking streams, International Paper's large land sale, and the impact of mills. Also, Council was asked to watch for news on the proposed co-generation plant at Nucor, where the Roanoke may be planned as a discharge point for wastewater from the Chowan basin.

Joan also asked for suggestions for a joint Regional Council demonstration project, emphasizing the need for the results to be transferable to all basins. Jerry Holloman asked what aspects would be most important if prioritized. Callie responded that habitat degradation, due to needed nutrient and sediment reduction, would probably top the list.

Jimmy Outland suggested a study of strip till vs. no-till vs. conventional tillage, especially in light of the use of Roundup Ultra and its impact on erosion at the ends of fields. Kay Winn brought up the Florida Yards and Neighborhoods program that NC Cooperative Extension is hoping to implement in North Carolina.

Council asked Joan to give a written summary of suggestions from each of the Regional Councils before the next meeting, if possible, so that Council can consider all suggestions.

The Coordinating Council most likely will not meet again until Guy's position is filled.

The next meeting date was determined to be April 12, 2002, at Claudine's, beginning at 9:30am.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTENDANCE

ROANOKE RIVER BASIN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Claudine's Restaurant
Rich Square, North Carolina
January 25, 2002

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
1. <i>Jean Firestone</i>	<i>APNEP Staff</i>
2. <i>Callie Dobson</i>	<i>NC Division of water Quality</i>
3. <i>Kay Winn</i>	<i>RRBAC Secretary</i>
4. <i>Marie Hardison</i>	<i>Weighhauser</i>
5. <i>James Rutland</i>	<i>Hickman</i>
6. <i>Michael Fry</i>	<i>Northampton Soil + Water Insp.</i>
7. <i>John H. Egan</i>	<i>Greene Co.</i>
8. <i>Timothy Loman</i>	<i>RRMR / PWS</i>
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