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August 5, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Coastal Resources Commission
FROM: Jonathan Howell
SUBJECT: Rule Adoption – 15A NCAC 07J .1401 Standards for Work Plats for CAMA Major and Dredge And Fill Permits, .1402 Project Narrative, .1403 Complete CAMA Major Permit and Dredge and Fill Applications, .1404 Complete Minor Permit Applications, .1405 Permit Fee, .1501 Application Processing, .1502 Circulation of CAMA and Dredge and Fill Applications and .1503 Permit Conditions.

Through the Periodic Rules Review process under the NC Administrative Procedure Act (APA), G.S. 150B-21.3A, five of the CRC's administrative rules regarding permit processing were returned to the agency on October 5, 2023 and removed from the NC Administrative Code; specifically, 15A NCAC .07J .0203, 15A NCAC .07J .0204, 15A NCAC .07J .0206, 15A NCAC .07J .0207 and 15A NCAC .07J .0208. These rules defined permit application processing including information required on workplans and the manner in which permits were conditioned.

At that time, the Commission determined it was necessary to start the rule making process and at your April 2024 CRC meeting, directed staff to move forward with rulemaking to restore the previously removed rules. The fiscal analysis was approved by the Commission at a special meeting on August 6, 2024 and a public hearing was held on September 26th, 2024 at the Division of Coastal Management's Morehead City office. No public comments were received and the public comment period ended on November 4, 2024.

Through litigation, the rules were returned to the administrative code on March 3, 2025. The decision to return the rules was appealed by the Rules Review Commission on March 19, 2025 and that appeal is presently under consideration. However, regardless of the outcome of the appeal, staff believe the revisions we are presenting to you represent an improvement of the existing rules and wish to restart for that reason.



The rules for your consideration are:

- 15A NCAC 07J .1401 Standards for Work Plats for CAMA Major and Dredge And Fill Permits
- 15A NCAC 07J .1402 Project Narrative
- 15A NCAC 07J .1403 Complete CAMA Major Permit and Dredge and Fill Applications
- 15A NCAC 07J .1404 Complete Minor Permit Applications
- 15A NCAC 07J .1405 Permit Fee
- 15A NCAC 07J .1501 Application Processing
- 15A NCAC 07J .1502 Circulation of CAMA and Dredge and Fill Applications and
- 15A NCAC 07J .1503 Permit Conditions.
- 15A NCAC 07J .0206 Public Notice of the Proposed Development

Staff look forward to answering any questions about the proposed rules or the rule making process at your upcoming August CRC meeting.



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