

**Tyrrell County 2010 CAMA Core Land Use Plan  
Implementation Status Report  
May 2, 2022**

The following serves as an overview and update to the Tyrrell County Core CAMA Land Use Plan Implementation Status Report submitted and reviewed by the NC Division of Coastal Management in August 2018. This report provides a status and synopsis of actions associated with Tyrrell County, including any strategies that involve a collaborative effort between the County and the Town of Columbia.

Implementing actions with similar context have been grouped together and a single status has been provided for those strategies. For example, strategies addressing the need or intentions of the County to establish and adopt county-wide zoning regulations have been grouped together and a comprehensive status regarding these statements is provided. The report has been compiled in this manner to reduce redundancy and more effectively communicate where the County currently stands regarding these issues.

***Management Goal – Public Access***

I.1 – Tyrrell County/Town of Columbia will work with Pettigrew State Park to increase waterfront access opportunities along the Scuppernong River. ***Schedule: Fiscal Year 2008-2010.***

***Status: Continuing Activity***

*Commentary: No additional public waterfront access points have been secured since the August 2018 reporting period. However, the County continues to seek out additional opportunities to provide public access adjacent the riverine/estuarine shoreline. One recent example of Tyrrell County's ongoing efforts is the negotiation with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to obtain a 30-year easement for barge land, northwest of Alligator River. The easement is currently pending NCDOT final approval. The County will continue these efforts and, if feasible, do so in collaboration with Pettigrew State Park.*

I.2 – Tyrrell County/Town of Columbia will consider revising its subdivision ordinance to include the provisions of NCGS 153A-331 which allow for requiring the developer of a subdivision to be charged recreation fees as follows: "The subdivision ordinance may provide that a developer may provide funds to the County whereby the County may acquire recreational land or areas to serve the development or subdivision, including the purchase of land which may be used to serve more than one subdivision or development within the immediate area." The funds may be used to provide increased shoreline access. ***Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.***

***Status: Delayed***

I.3 – Tyrrell County, in conjunction with the Town of Columbia, will prepare a shoreline access plan and request Division of Coastal Management funding for the preparation of the plan. ***Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.***

***Status: Continuing Activity***

I.4 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will pursue funding under the North Carolina CAMA Shoreline Access funding program (15A NCAC 7M, Section .0300, Shorefront Access Policies). **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.5 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will pursue private sources of funding for the development of shoreline access facilities, including donation of land. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.6 – The County will cooperate with state and federal agencies to secure estuarine access areas to ensure adequate shoreline access within all areas of the County. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County is a steward of public access and will continue to cooperate with all state and federal agencies to promote this cause. This task includes the effort to seek and secure grant funding, as well as collaborate on projects with these agencies.*

**Management Goal – Land Use Compatibility: Residential**

I.7-Until a County-wide zoning ordinance may be drafted and adopted, the County will continue to rely on the Tyrrell County subdivision ordinance for land use regulation. The Town of Columbia will continue to enforce its current zoning and subdivision regulations. The town will extend its ETJ to the one-mile limit allowed, reflecting recent annexations that have moved the town limits outward. **Schedule: Continuing Activity (contingent upon the County developing a zoning ordinance – Fiscal Years 2009-2011).**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: A zoning ordinance was drafted and presented for adoption in Fiscal Year 2015-2016; however, due to public sentiment the ordinance was never adopted. The effort has since lost steam; nonetheless, development remains subject to the County's subdivision regulations.*

I.9 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will permit residential development to occur in response to market needs provided that the following criteria are met:

- (1) Due respect is offered to all aspects of the environment.
- (2) If deficient community facilities and services are identified, the county should attempt to improve such to the point of adequately meeting demands (see infrastructure carrying capacity policies).
- (3) Additional residential development should concurrently involve planning for improvements to community facilities and services if excess capacity does not exist within those facilities and services.
- (4) Residential development is consistent with other Tyrrell County and Town of Columbia policies and the land use map as contained in this plan update. **Schedule: Continuing Activity**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to support this statement and provides a range of services focused on promoting and assisting individuals with responsible land development.*

I.10 – The county will consider revisions to its subdivision regulations for non-residential sites to ensure adequate buffering and landscaping to separate residential and incompatible non-residential uses, and adequate regulation of off-site lighting, hours of operation, and vehicular driveway locations. This includes buffering between residential development and agricultural operations. The county will also strongly consider establishing strong language relating to this requirement within the context of a potential zoning ordinance. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Delayed**

I.11 – The county will require through subdivision regulation an interior road system that provides vehicular access to lots abutting major thoroughfares. The County will consider reviewing existing design standards to ensure effective limitation of driveway entrances. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Delayed**

I.13 – The county will consider the merits of establishing a minimum housing code to ensure that all occupied structures are fit for human habitation. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: The County has not developed or adopted a Minimum Housing Code after the scrutiny afforded the draft zoning ordinance. However, Tyrrell County continues to acknowledge the value and importance of quality housing stock.*

I.14 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will pursue Community Development, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency, and United States Department of Agriculture funds from state and federal sources for rehabilitation or redevelopment of substandard housing. **Schedule: Review Annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: The County recently completed the grant cycle for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), awarded since the 2018 reporting period. As funding becomes available, the County will continue to work diligently to secure grants to address both housing and infrastructure needs.*

#### **Management Goal – Land Use Compatibility: Commercial/Industrial**

I.15 – Tyrrell County will pursue all grant funding opportunities available to assist in enhancing the eco-tourism industry within the county. **Schedule: Review Annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: As funding becomes available, the County will continue to work diligently to secure grants to address both housing and infrastructure needs.*

I.16 – The county will enforce its subdivision regulations and rely on state permitting agencies to regulate mining activities. The county will take a more active stance regarding the State permitting authorities and their oversight of mining/heavy industrial activities by communicating grievances to the appropriate State agencies and officials. **Schedule: Continuing Activity**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.18 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will review their respective zoning and subdivision ordinances to ensure compliance with policies P.18 and P.20 through P.27. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**

**Status: Delayed**

I.19 – Tyrrell County will work in conjunction with the Town of Columbia to discuss the option of developing an industrial park. Establishment of this facility will require resources from both the town and county. **Schedule: Fiscal Years 2009-2015.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: As previously reported, Tyrrell County is not currently seeking development of an industrial park within the County.*

**Management Goal – Land Use Compatibility: Conservation**

I.20 – Tyrrell County will consider the development of a county-wide zoning ordinance to ensure compliance with policies P.33 and P.36. The Town of Columbia will review its existing zoning ordinance for compliance with these policies. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**

**Status: Delayed**

I.21 – Tyrrell County will coordinate all housing code enforcement/redevelopment project/public works projects with the NC Division of Archives and History to ensure the preservation and identification of significant historic structures and archaeological sites. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County supports the efforts of the NC Division of Archives and History and will continue to work with them to protect the County's cultural resources.*

I.22 – In order to protect property and ensure public safety, Tyrrell County will implement the following:

- Continue to enforce its Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.
- Implement its Storm Hazard Mitigation Plan, as necessary.
- Continue to coordinate development within special flood hazard areas with the County's Building Inspections Department, North Carolina Division of Coastal Management, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the US Army Corps of Engineers.
- Participate in the Federal Flood Insurance Program. **Schedule: Continuing Activities.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to address the issue of hazard mitigation through enforcement of the County's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance and participation in the Northeastern NC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Community's flood maps have been updated since the August 2018 report.*

I.23 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will rely on the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Management to regulate development through the CAMA permitting process. Also, it will rely on the regulations of other state and federal agencies with regulatory authority, as well as existing local development regulations, to mitigate threats to AECs. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.24 – Tyrrell County will rely on the US Army Corps of Engineers to monitor development proposals for compliance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and will continue to enforce local land use ordinances. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to enforce County Subdivision Regulations, but will continue to work closely with and rely on the following agencies to regulate the issues noted:*

- *NCDEQ – Stormwater*
- *US Army Corps of Engineers – Non-coastal wetlands*
- *NCDCM – Regulation of areas of environmental concern*
- *NCDEQ – Sedimentation and erosion control*

I.25 – In order to monitor possible sea level rise, Tyrrell County will implement the following:

- Rely on the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Management to monitor and regulate development in areas susceptible to sea level rise and wetlands loss.
- Rely on state and federal agencies to monitor the effects of sea level rise and cooperate with local, state, and federal efforts to inform the public of the anticipated effects of sea level rise.
- Consider updates or amendments to its land use plan policies as necessary to protect the county’s public and private properties from rising water levels.
- Support bulkheading to protect its shoreline areas from intruding water resulting from rising sea levels.
- Consider establishing setback standards, density controls, bulkhead restrictions, buffer vegetation protection requirements, and building designs through the Building Code, County Subdivision Regulations, and Town of Columbia Zoning Regulations, which will facilitate the movement of structures, if necessary. **Schedule: Continuing Activities.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

**Management Goal – Land Use Compatibility: Stormwater Control**

I.26 – Any adopted Tyrrell County zoning ordinances will regulate construction of marinas. **Schedule: Fiscal Years 2009-2011.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: These strategies have not been accomplished and have been further delayed due to the pushback received with the draft county-wide zoning ordinance discussed above.*

I.27 – Tyrrell County will consider adopting and enforcing a soil erosion and sediment control ordinance for development sites less than one acre. The County will continue to rely on NCDENR for enforcement of sedimentation and erosion control measures on developments greater than one acre. The Town of Columbia will consider adopting more stringent standards relating to this issue into the Town’s existing subdivision ordinance. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: The County has not adopted this ordinance, and will continue to rely on, and work closely with, NCDEQ on the issue of sedimentation and erosion control.*

I.28 – Tyrrell County will seek funding and technical assistance to study the effect of mosquito and other man-made ditches on the estuarine system. Effective mosquito control is essential to the health and welfare of Tyrrell County. **Schedule: Review Annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.29 – Tyrrell County will support control of agricultural runoff through implementation of Natural Resources Conservation Service Agricultural Best Management Practices program (see Appendix IV). **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.30 – Tyrrell County, in conjunction with the Town of Columbia, will seek funding and technical assistance to prepare a county-wide master drainage plan and develop a stormwater management plan and ordinance to aid in eliminating standing water, and to require that all development address stormwater management. This should include a water quality component. Additionally, this plan should address a comprehensive strategy for the clean out of the county’s arterial canal system. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2012.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.31 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will support control of forestry runoff through implementation of Forestry Best Management Practices as provided by the North Carolina Division of Forest Resources (see Appendix IV). **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Drainage and the mosquito problems associated with localized flooding continues to be a problem for the County. The County will continue to work closely with state and federal agencies to comprehensively address this issue. Tyrrell County has also been an active participant in the relief act centered around resilience and drainage.*

I.33 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will consider adopting and enforcing a stormwater control ordinance which should include regulations for water detention and/or retention facilities in new developments and provide regulations to control the amount of impervious surface in a development. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.34 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will implement a public education campaign regarding the impacts of stormwater runoff and methods of reducing stormwater runoff pollution, particularly among the County’s farmers and animal operation managers. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2012.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County has not developed a formal program regarding non-point source stormwater runoff and pollution to date but recognizes the importance of education and will work to provide services and education in relation to flooding and development in floodplains.*

**Management Goal – Infrastructure Carrying Capacity: Water/Sewer Infrastructure**

I.35 – Tyrrell County will continue to implement the current central sewer master plan, which involves county sewer lines being extending to a majority of buildable property located within the Scuppernong Township. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2007-2010.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.36 – Malfunctioning septic tanks will be inspected by the Martin-Tyrrell-Washington District Health Department and corrective action recommended for implementation by the owner. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County will continue to work through the Martin-Tyrrell-Washington District Health Department to monitor the permitting and proper functioning of septic tank systems. This effort will also include the potential establishment of localized package treatment plants.*

I.37 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will amend the future land use map, when needed, to reflect the county’s water and sewer extension projects as they are planned. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: No amendments to the Future Land Use Map have been made since the 2014 Implementation Status Report.*

I.38 – Tyrrell County will identify and contact state and federal agencies that provide typical and non-typical funding sources for assistance in providing central sewer. **Schedule: Review Annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: No extensions of infrastructure have occurred since the 2018 report. Tyrrell County will continue to seek state, federal, and other funding assistance for expansion of central sewer.*

I.39 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will consult the future land use map when considering new public facilities and private development. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.40 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will consider revising water and sewer extension policies to ensure that public/private cooperation in the provision of infrastructure to serve new development is encouraged. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: While Tyrrell County continues to review, and revise as necessary, its water and sewer extension policies, no amendments were made since the August 2018 reporting period.*

I.41 – The county will rely on the Division of Environmental Management in conjunction with the Martin-Tyrrell-Washington District Health Department to oversee the operation and management of all package treatment plants in the county. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: There are currently no package treatment plants located in Tyrrell County.*

I.42 – The county will consider adopting an operating and capital financing plan for the development of water and sewer systems outside of existing proposed water and sewer service areas. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County is currently utilizing a State Capital Infrastructure Fund (SCIF) grant to pursue the extension of water capacity on Highway 94 South.*

I.43 – The County will provide sufficient emergency management personnel and facilities to adequately serve the projected population growth. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.44 – The county will coordinate the development of recreational facilities with the school system. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County works closely with the local school system to maximize recreational opportunities. This effort includes the establishment of joint use agreements. No additional facilities to report since the 2018 report, but the County also coordinates youth programming with the local school system.*

I.45 – Tyrrell County will encourage cable television service provider(s) to provide facilities and service to ensure affordable, adequate, and dependable cable television and high-speed internet services to the citizens of the County. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.46 – Tyrrell County will encourage electrical service provider(s) to provide facilities and services to ensure adequate supplies of uninterruptible electric power to the citizens of the County. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to work diligently on these issues, especially with respect to high-speed internet access.*

#### **Management Goal – Infrastructure Carrying Capacity: Transportation**

I.47 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will require, where reasonably possible, the use of frontage roads in non-residential development along federal and state major highways. The County and Town will consider revising their respective subdivision regulations in order to comply with this policy. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Delayed**

I.48 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will establish a requirement for reverse frontage lots within subdivisions to orient lots towards internal subdivision streets, not secondary roads and highways. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: The subdivision ordinance continues to govern land use. Amendments since the 2018 reporting period have been limited to include the provisions governed by changes in state legislation (160D). updated provisions did not address implementation of recreational fees, buffer requirements, access standards or building orientation.*

I.49 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will require the construction of acceleration/deceleration lanes for the entrances to major commercial and residential developments. This should be accomplished through revisions to the town and county's subdivision ordinances. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2010.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Acceleration and deceleration regulations have not been formally codified; however, the County has been an active partner in discussions with NCDOT regarding a four-lane Alligator River bridge improvement along Highway 64 East. Tyrrell County continues to recognize the importance of appropriate traffic mitigation to alleviate unanticipated consequences associated with new development along major commercial and residential areas.*

I.50 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will consider establishing traffic impact studies for large scale residential and mixed-use developments. This requirement will be based on recommendation by each jurisdiction's Planning Board. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: The County encourages all state and federal agencies that own refuges and large acreage tracts such as Pocosin Pear Tree, Free and Easy Farm, Futch Preserve, Preyer Preserve, Buck Ridge Preserve, and the US Department of the Interior Pocosin Lakes Preserve within the county to actively manage that*

*land and provide opportunities for partnership with the County for eco-tourism and progressive land, wetland, and agricultural practices.*

I.51 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will solicit local civic organizations to commit to the beautification of selected areas which will require initial labor for construction/planting and long-term regular maintenance. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: The Tyrrell Clean Club organization has taken the lead on beautification across the County for years and encourages additional participants.

I.52 – Tyrrell County will request that the NCDOT Division of Highways implement its wildflower research project and the Adopt-a-Highway program along US 64. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to work with NCDOT and the Albemarle Commission on the improvement of the County's streetscapes.

#### **Management Goal – Natural Hazard Areas**

I.53 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will continue to enforce its Floodplain Ordinance and participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. It will rely on the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Coastal Management to monitor and regulate development in areas up to five feet above mean high water susceptible to sea level rise and wetland loss. Subdivision regulations will be enforced requiring elevation monuments to be set so that floodplain elevations can be more easily determined. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.54 – The county will monitor development proposals for compliance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and will continue to enforce local land use ordinances to regulate development of freshwater swamps, marshes, and 404 wetlands. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.55 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia permit redevelopment of previously developed areas, provided all applicable policies, regulations, and ordinances are complied with. The county and town will encourage redevelopment as a means for correcting housing problems, upgrading commercial structures, and historic preservation (through rehabilitation and adaptive reuse). Redevelopment, including infrastructure, should be designed to withstand natural hazards. **Schedule: Continuing Activity**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: The County continues to actively promote infill and redevelopment strategies through ongoing economic development efforts.

I.56 – In response to possible sea level rise, Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will review all local building and land use related ordinances and consider establishing setback standards, density controls, bulkhead restrictions, buffer vegetation protection requirements, and building designs which will facilitate the movement of structures. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: Tyrrell County will continue to monitor the potential effects of sea level rise.

I.57 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will use the future land use maps to control development. These maps are coordinated with the land suitability map and proposed infrastructure maps. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to utilize the CAMA Land Use Plan as a guide for decision making associated with land development and infrastructure investment.

### **Management Goal – Water Quality**

I.58 – The county will comply with CAMA and NC Division of Environmental Management stormwater runoff regulations, and by coordinating local development activities involving chemical storage or underground storage tank installation/abandonment with Tyrrell County Emergency Management personnel and the Groundwater Section of the North Carolina Division of Environmental Management. The county will plan for an adequate long-range water supply. In the planning process, Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will cooperate with adjacent counties to protect water resources. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: As noted above, the County will continue to rely on and work with State and Federal agencies regarding environmental regulation. This effort includes the regulation and monitoring of underground storage tanks.

I.59 – The County will enforce its subdivision regulations to aid in protecting sensitive shoreline areas. It will rely on state and federal agencies to promote and protect the Palmetto-Pear Tree Preserve, the Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge, and the Pettigrew State Park, as well as other nursery areas, habitat areas, and coastal reserves. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

Commentary: Tyrrell County will continue to utilize its subdivision regulations, as well as state and federal agencies and their regulatory mechanisms, to protect the County's vast protected lands.

I.60 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will rely on the technical requirements and state program approval for underground storage tanks (40 CFR, Parts 280 and 281), and any subsequent state regulations concerning underground storage tanks adopted during the planning period. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: As noted earlier, the County will continue to rely on and work closely with state and federal agencies regarding the enforcement of environmental regulations.*

I.62 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will implement the following actions through local ordinances to improve water quality.

- Use watershed-based land use planning
- Protect sensitive natural areas, including coastal wetlands
- Establish buffer network
- Minimize impervious cover in site design
- Limit erosion during construction
- Maintain coastal growth measures
- Restoration of impaired waters
- Management of the cause and sources of pollution to ensure the protection of those waters currently supporting their uses allowing for reasonable economic growth.
- Reduction of nutrients in Tyrrell County waters.

**Schedule: Review local ordinances annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

I.63 – Preservation of wetlands is important to the protection/improvement of water quality in Tyrrell County. The following will be implemented:

- Consider preservation of large wetland areas (> one acre) in a natural state to protect their environmental value. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**
- Coordinate all development review with the appropriate office of the US Army Corps of Engineers and the Soil Conservation Service. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**
- Require that wetland areas be surveyed and delineated on all preliminary and final subdivision plats. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**
- Encourage cluster development in order to protect sensitive natural areas. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011, revision to subdivision ordinances.**
- Make wetlands acquisition a priority in future expansions of Tyrrell County and Town of Columbia parks and recreation areas. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activities**

*Commentary: As noted above, the County will continue to rely on and work with state and federal agencies regarding environmental regulation. Existing Planning Board policy requires wetland areas be surveyed and delineated on all preliminary and final subdivision plats. There are currently no incentives to utilize cluster development strategies, but the County will review the feasibility of adding incentives.*

I.64 – Tyrrell County will regulate the location of aquaculture activities through the potential development of a county-wide zoning ordinance. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: Subdivision regulations continue to govern land use, including aquaculture activities.*

**Management Goals – Local Areas of Concern: Economic Development**

I.69 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will continue to support the activities of the North Carolina Division of Travel and Tourism; specifically, the monitoring of tourism-related industry, efforts to promote tourism-related commercial activity, and efforts to enhance and provide shoreline resources. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to support the tourism-based economy. These efforts are carried out in collaboration with Tyrrell County Economic Development, the Albemarle Commission, and NCDOT Welcome Center contractors.*

I.70 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will continue to support the activities of the Partnership for the Sounds in their efforts to promote tourism and protect the sensitive eco-system within the county. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: The Partnership for the Sounds is active and in full operation with facilities in Beaufort, Hyde, Tyrrell, and Bertie Counties. In Tyrrell County, the Partnership operates river roaming, the Tyrrell County Welcome Center and Rest Area, and the Columbia Theatre Museum. The County will continue to support the Partnership's efforts.*

I.71 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will support projects that will increase public access to shoreline areas. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: No shoreline access plan has been adopted to date; however, the effort continued to gain thoughtful attention and will be a component of the inner-banks ferry project. To aid the effort, the County will continue to seek out and accept the donation of land, as well as grant funding that will increase open space and public access opportunities.*

I.72 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will support North Carolina Department of Transportation projects to improve access to and within the county. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to work closely with both NCDOT and the Albemarle Commission on county-wide transportation improvements.*

I.73 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will support the following in the pursuit of industrial development:

- Encourage placement of new industrial development to have minimum adverse effect on the county's ecosystem and by encouraging areas of concentrations of such uses be considered first when suitable infrastructure is available consistent with the growth policy of the future land development map. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County, through its ongoing economic development efforts, continues to support and recruit industry. The County focuses on the development of industries that will not pose a threat to the County's valuable natural resources.*

**Management Goal – Local Areas of Concern: General Health and Human Services Needs**

I.74 – The county will investigate, with the Institute of Government, the use of impact fees as a way of making new development pay for the services demanded. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2009-2011.**

**Status: Delayed**

*Commentary: The County has not pursued this issue to date; however, the discussion of potential impact fees is tied to the consideration of the county-wide zoning ordinance that was not adopted.*

I.75 – The county will seek educational grants to subsidize continuing education at nearby colleges and universities and support community education programs. **Schedule: Review Annually.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Beaufort County Community College has a physical presence in the County at Tyrrell Hall and provides instruction in GED and other Continuing Education classes. The College also has a presence in the High School Early College Program. No new programs have been added since the August 2018 report*

I.76 – Floodplain regulation is a concern in Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia. To accomplish protection of public health and service needs, Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will:

- Continue to enforce the flood hazard reduction provisions of the Tyrrell County and Town of Columbia Land Development Ordinances.
- Prohibit the installation of underground storage tanks in the 100-year floodplain.
- Prohibit the development of any industry within the 100-year floodplain that may pose a risk to public health and safety. Such industries may include but not be limited to: chemical refining and processing, petroleum refining and processing, hazardous material processing, or storage facilities. **Schedule: Continuing Activities.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to enforce its Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. The Ordinance, as well as associated maps, are updated as necessary.*

I.77 – To effectively manage Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia’s investment in existing and proposed community facilities and services, the county will:

- Develop a specific capital improvements plan (CIP) with emphasis placed on services and facilities which affect growth and development. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2012.**

**Status: Delayed**

- Provide the Tyrrell County Board of Education with locational information on all residential development. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

- In concert with the Tyrrell County Board of Education, develop a plan for the protection of future school sites. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County has not specifically developed a plan regarding the development of future school sites; however, the County continues to work closely with the County school system regarding facility needs. Capital improvements planning is handled through annual budget discussions.*

I.78 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will provide sufficient emergency services to all residents. The county will implement the following:

- Require that all necessary infrastructure firefighting capability/capacity be provided in new subdivisions and developments. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**
- Continue to maintain an effective signage and addressing system for all streets, roads, and highways. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activities**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County has a fully operational paramedic level EMS in contract with Washington County, a fully functioning 911 Center in partnership with Dare and Hyde Counties, and fire service provided by the Tyrrell Volunteer Department, Inc. The County will continue to review staffing needs and appropriately budget when increased staffing and equipment needs are required.*

I.79 – Tyrrell County will work with NC State Legislators to formulate local legislation to address the use of property located within Tyrrell County for 404 wetland mitigation sites for development occurring outside of the County, as long as there is a direct benefit to the taxpayers of Tyrrell County (jobs, spin off businesses, etc). Current regulatory conditions continue to result in large tracts of land within the County being acquired for 404 mitigation. This action results in a direct reduction to County property tax revenues. **Schedule: Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: As mentioned in previous Implementation Status Reports, this remains an issue for the County. Tyrrell County will continue to work diligently on the protection of its tax base.*

### ***Management Goals – Local Areas of Concern: Funding Options***

I.80 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will continue to support state and federal programs that are deemed necessary, cost-effective, and within the administrative and fiscal capabilities of Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia. These include:

- Community Development Block Grant Program
- Area Agency on Aging
- Emergency Medical Services
- JTPA Work Program
- Farmer’s Home House Preservation Program
- Coastal Area Management Act, including shoreline access funds
- Small Business Association
- Economic Development Administration Funds
- Farmer’s Home Administration Federal Grant Program
- Federal Emergency Management Program
- Aid to Families with Dependent Children
- MEDICAID
- Day Care
- Crisis Intervention
- Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF)

***Schedule: Continuing Activity***

***Status: Continuing Activity***

*Commentary: Tyrrell County continues to support all state and federal grant funding programs.*

I.81 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia will selectively support state and federal programs related to Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia. The town and county, through its boards, commissions, and committees, will monitor state and federal programs and regulations. It will use opportunities as they are presented to voice support for or to disagree with programs and regulations that are proposed by state and federal agencies. ***Schedule: Continuing Activity.***

***Status: Continuing Activity***

*Commentary: These efforts are ongoing.*

I.82 – Tyrrell County and the Town of Columbia officials will continue to work with the Army Corps of Engineers and any other state and federal agencies to ensure continued dredging and maintenance of channels and rivers as needed to keep these facilities open to navigation. These efforts shall comply with applicable state and federal regulations. Providing borrow or spoil areas and provision of easements for work will be determined on case-by-case basis. The county would encourage spoil material being placed on those areas where easements for such use already exist. Channel maintenance has major economic significance and is worthy of state and federal funding. **Schedule: Continuing Activity.**

**Status: Continuing Activity**

*Commentary: Tyrrell County, for both economic development and tourism purposes, continues to support the US Army Corps of Engineers in carrying out channel maintenance and/or dredging of watercourses.*