

1 15A NCAC 07M .1101 is adopted under emergency procedures as follows:

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3 **SECTION .1100 - BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MATERIALS FROM NAVIGATIONAL CHANNEL**
4 **MAINTENANCE AND EXCAVATION – GENERAL POLICIES**

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6 **15A NCAC 07M .1101 DECLARATION OF GENERAL POLICY**

7 (a) The policy statements in this section are enforceable and shall be considered by local governments and DCM
8 when issuing permits and implementing the coastal management program under this Subchapter and commenting
9 on federal permits and activities pursuant to Section 307 of the federal Coastal Zone Management Act.

10 (b) Dredged material disposal practices may result in removal of material important to the sediment budget of
11 ocean and inlet beaches. This activity may adversely impact natural beach functions especially during storm
12 events and may increase long term erosion rates. Ongoing channel maintenance requirements throughout the
13 coastal area also lead to the need to construct new or expanded disposal sites as existing sites fill. In addition,
14 new sites for disposal are increasingly harder to find due to competition from development interests for suitable
15 sites. Therefore, it is the policy of the State of North Carolina that material resulting from the excavation or
16 maintenance of navigation channels be used in a beneficial way wherever practicable.

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18 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113A-107; 113-229;*

19 *Emergency Adoption Eff. January 2, 2024.*