

ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary WILLIAM E. (TOBY) VINSON, JR Interim Director

November 2, 2017

Mr. Heath Slaughter Division Environmental Officer NCDOT Division 11 801 Statesville Road North Wilkesboro, NC 28659

Subject:

Trout Buffer Waiver

SR 1319 Piney Post Office Road

TB-ALLEG-2018-001 Alleghany County

Dear Mr. Slaughter:

This office has received your plan for SR 1319, Piney Post Office Road, in Alleghany County, North Carolina. Your plan was submitted to this office for approval because of the proposed encroachments into the buffer zone of designated trout waters. In accordance with NCGS 113A-57(1) and Title 15A NCAC 4B .0125(c), this letter will serve as written approval to encroach on the buffer zones of Potato Creek in Alleghany County (Class: C; Tr; +). This authority has been delegated to me by Tracy E. Davis, Director, Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources, in accordance with NCGS 143B-10. The following conditions will apply to this approval:

- 1. This approval is based on the plan and supplemental information received via mail on October 25, 2018.
- 2. This approval is conditional upon compliance with your 401 and 404 approvals. (G.S. 113A-54.1 (a))
- 3. Based on electronic correspondence from the NC Wildlife Resources Commission, no moratorium has been requested for this project.



- 4. Submit two (2) complete sets of the "final" plans to the Winston-Salem Regional Office (11" x 17" is preferred) for our files (15 NCAC 04B.0120)
- 5. This approval does not absolve the permittee from compliance with the surface water quality turbidity standard. More protective erosion and sedimentation control measures may be required in order to comply with this water quality standard. (G.S. 113A-54.1(a))
- 6. All bank repairs, stabilization, grading, or any other disturbances within the 25-foot buffer zone shall be completed by the end of each day. Work shall be scheduled so that at the end of each day bare ground is not exposed and all disturbed areas including banks shall have an adequate temporary or permanent ground cover in place.
- 7. The Contractor shall install and maintain erosion control devices sufficient to contain sediment around any erodible material stockpile areas as directed. No earthen-material stockpile shall be located within the 25-foot buffer zone of any surface water classified as trout waters by the Environmental Management Commission.
- 8. When plans become available for the impervious dikes, please email a copy of the specifications to this office for our records.

Your cooperation in protecting our environment is most appreciated. If you have any questions about this approval, please contact me at <a href="Matt.Gantt@ncdenr.gov">Matt.Gantt@ncdenr.gov</a> or (336) 776-9654.

Sincerely,

Matthew E. Gantt, PE Regional Engineer Land Quality Section

Cc: William E. Vinson, Jr., PE, CPM, CPESC, Interim Director (via email) Julie Coco, PE, State Sedimentation Specialist (via email)