

New Program Questionnaire



This questionnaire is to be completed by local governments requesting authority for administering and enforcing the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973.

Upon completion, please return this questionnaire to the State Sedimentation Specialist or Assistant Sedimentation Specialist within the DEQ-DEMLR Land Quality Section's Sedimentation Pollution Control Program.

Name of Local Government Requesting Delegation:

City of Goldsboro

Anticipated date of delegation:

July 1, 2026

1. Please provide written answers regarding program implementation upon submitting your request for delegation to include: staffing and full-time equivalent positions, vehicles, computers, personal protective equipment (PPE), your process for plan reviews, site monitoring schedule(s), enforcement action plans (Staff are expected to address complaints.) and program implementation schedule.

For engineering department we have a Engineering Service Manager (SCM), Civil Engineer (PE,PLS,CFM), Stormwater Administrator (SCM, dot level 1 and 2 and has been approved for CPESC exam), Project manager, Construction inspector (Dot 1 and 2, SCM), GIS Manager, GIS technician, GIS specialist, administrative assistant, Engineering Property Technician all positions are full time, each person has a IPAD, computer, and PPE to include safety boots, reflective wear and helmets. Engineering has 4 vehicles and we will be acquiring another in July specifically for stormwater. We have a full staff that handles the financial side of operations as well.

The city of Goldsboro's civil engineer already handles all stormwater plan approvals. The stormwater administrator will be handling all erosion and sediment control plan approvals. Site planning meetings are done between the city planning and engineering departments and the land developer's agent. We will be conducting erosion and sediment control plan approvals during the same time as our stormwater plan approvals. Monitoring will be done by the city

stormwater administrator and the construction inspector on a regular basis to prevent any site issues. Scheduling will be determined on how many active sites there are and the weather. Enforcement actions will be conducted by severity of issue. The city is planning on focusing on erosion and sediment control education and collaboration with building agents with the main focus being keeping sediment from leaving active sites and protecting the watershed. If sediment leaves an active construction site the cities expectation is that it will be cleaned up within 24 hours. Goldsboro's effective date for erosion and sediment control is July 1, 2026. We will be conducting onsite preconstruction meetings to help land disturbing agents address any site concerns they have.

2. What are you anticipating as your land-disturbing threshold for requiring an erosion & sedimentation control plan? (The State requires an erosion & sedimentation control plan for disturbances ≥ 1 acre; local programs can require the same or less than 1 acre.) Erosion and sediment control site plan approval will be for any land disturbance over .5 acres. Anything under that will need a land disturbance permit.

3. Provide the type of projects expected within your jurisdiction (residential, commercial, industrial, institutional, other _____). *Note: Publicly funded projects are excluded from this delegated authority and can only be approved through the DEQ.*

Currently we have 4 large subdivisions in progress, 2 subdivisions approved or being rezoned for approval, 2 apartment complex in progress, 17 small to medium size commercial and industrial sites in varies stages of planning and development. 1 Institutional in progress and another 1 being approved for 2026.

4. Provide the number of applications for plan reviews you expect to receive on an annual basis, or to average on a continual basis.

For stormwater we approved 19 site plans in 2025, but erosion will probably be a little more due to our different criteria we are asking for. I would imagine somewhere in the range of 20-30 for erosion and sediment control plan approval and I am unsure at this time for land disturbance permitting.

How many projects do you anticipate having open at any given time in your jurisdiction?

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5. How many disturbed acres are expected to need monitoring at any given time within your jurisdiction?

In 2025 there were approximately 355 acres approved for disturbance.

6. Are there any problems or challenges you foresee having to regulate in your jurisdiction? (examples: steep terrain, high-quality waters, riparian buffer rules, problematic soils, cross-jurisdictional coordination, inexperienced designers or contractors)

Goldsboro is a low-lying area that is prone to flooding and has a significant number of wetlands. Our greatest problem will be educating contractors on erosion and sediment control requirements.

7. County governments only: Do you have interlocal agreements in place with those municipalities where you expect to extend your program jurisdiction?

8. What tools do you intend to use to get compliance from an uncooperative builder/contractor/land developer? If we have an uncooperative builder we will start with education then progress to Notice of Violations depending on the severity of the issue in accordance with NC State Laws

9. Do you have a board or commission capable of deciding plan decision appeals and civil penalty appeals? Any planning decision appeals go through city council which meets twice a month.

10. Do you have staff who could compute penalty collection costs and remit penalties to the Office of State Budget & Management monthly, if needed? Yes, we have a full financial staff.

11. Do you have an ordinance prepared or in draft? yes

12. What erosion control experience or training will your staff have or receive? What certifications do your staff possess? Are they encouraged to pursue training and certifications? Please refer to answer 1 for certifications. Employees are encouraged to get certifications and cross train between construction and stormwater.

13. Can you offer periodic training to your regulated community? How otherwise prepared are your consultants or contractors to carry out the requirements of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act and its rules? Regular training is already being done for city employees. The city is redeveloping our education action plan

within our Stormwater Management Plan to address educating residents and developers on all environmental matters within the MS4.

*Note: After a review of your application, the DEMLR may schedule a meeting with the local government to resolve any remaining concerns.

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Signature of person completing questionnaire