

North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Beverly Eaves Perdue Governor Division of Water Quality Coleen H. Sullins Director

Dee Freeman Secretary

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TO:

401 Water Quality Certification Mailing List

FROM:

Ian McMillan, 401 Oversight/Express Permitting Unit

RE:

Proposed Neuse Riparian Buffer and Nutrient Offset Umbrella Bank

The purpose of this memo is to inform you of Environmental Banc & Exchange's (EBX) proposal to develop a riparian buffer and nutrient offset banking parcel under their EBX Neuse Riparian Buffer Umbrella Mitigation Bank. The Umbrella Mitigation Banking Instrument was signed by the Director on October 20, 2008.

EBX has submitted a Bank Parcel Development Package for the Rudolph Buffer/Nutrient Offset Site, which is located approximately eight miles west of Goldsboro, off Buckleberry Road, in Johnston County. This bank parcel will be used to generate 3.5 acres of riparian buffer credit and 38.8 acres of nitrogen offset credit through the planting of vegetated buffers along former field ditches and streams which drain to Moccasin Creek. Riparian buffer and nutrient offset credits generated at this site can be used to satisfy mitigation requirements for projects located within Neuse HUC 03020201.

The EBX Rudolph Buffer/Nutrient Offset Bank Parcel Development Plan can be found at the following links: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wq/swp/ws/401/publicnotices. Questions regarding this proposed bank can be directed to Lia Gilleski at 919-733-9502 or in writing to Lia.M.Gilleski@ncdenr.gov or 2321 Crabtree Blvd., Suite 250, Raleigh, NC 27606 by close of business (5:00 p.m. on July 16, 2010) Comments received will be taken into consideration during preparation and approval of the final Mitigation Banking instrument.

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