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Regulatory Update: Permit Tracker

In March, DENR introduced the first phase of its new Environmental Permit Application Tracking System that allows applicants and the public to check the status of pending environmental permit applications or plan approvals. This initiative was put into action as a direct response to requests gathered from the DENR Listening Sessions. To view the Permit Tracker and search for permit applications, click <u>here</u>.



N.C. DENR Listening Sessions

The N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources sought feedback from customers and staff last fall on ways of improving services and processes within the department. To support this effort last fall, DEAO staff held listening sessions across the state and launched two surveys to gather this feedback. Of the more than 200 survey responses on each of 18 categories, DENR received an overall rating from its external customers of 3.24 on a scale of 1 to 5. The report detailing the results and recommendations based on feedback can be found <u>here.</u>

Tip....

North Carolina businesses may qualify for energy tax credits. Commercial and industrial facilities are eligible for a maximum of \$2.5 million for solar, wind, hydro, geothermal and biomass applications, including photovoltaic (PV), day lighting, solar water-heating and space-heating technologies. To learn more click <u>here</u>.

Dates to Remember:

EPA Webinars on Engine Regulations and Proposed Rule Changes June 25, 28 MCIC Environmental, Energy, Health and Safety School Aug. 20-21 2012 Southeastern Food Waste Reduction Conference Nov. 12-13

Environmental Assistance Center

The Environmental Assistance Center, created in 2010, is a customerfocused program providing technical assistance and guidance through regulatory, permitting and compliance processes as well as help in reducing overall environmental impacts. The center serves as a single point of contact for our customers and is a liaison between the customer and the regulatory agencies to improve customer satisfaction. To learn more about the EAC, click here.

Business Highlight: Sierra Nevada

A major brewing company, Sierra Nevada, is establishing operations in Henderson County. Company representatives have been working with Alison Davidson, the Asheville Regional office permit assistance coordinator, to develop a tailored permit list identifying all potential DENR permits for construction and operation of the proposed facility. Topics addressed ranged from there pair of an existing high yield water supply well for use in beer production to express permitting of the sediment and erosion control plan. For more information on DEAO's permit assistance services, please click <u>here.</u>



Local drillers install stainless steel casing as part of the well rehabilitation to supply water to the new Sierra Nevada facility.

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