

Appendix VI

Little Tennessee River Basin Nonpoint Source Program Description and Contacts

Statewide Nonpoint Source Management Program Description

The North Carolina Nonpoint Source Management Program consists of a broad framework of federal, state and local resource and land management agencies. More than 2,000 individuals administer programs that are directly related to nonpoint source pollution management within the state. A range of responsibilities have been delegated to county or municipal programs including the authority to inspect and permit land clearing projects or septic system performance. In the field of agriculture, a well established network of state and federal agricultural conservationists provide technical assistance and program support to individual farmers.

Staff in the DWQ Water Quality Section's Planning Branch lead the Nonpoint Source Management Program, working with various agencies to insure that program goals are incorporated into individual agencies' management plans. The goals include:

1. Coordinate implementation of state and federal initiatives addressing watershed protection and restoration.
2. Continue to target geographic areas and waterbodies for protection based upon best available information.
3. Strengthen and improve existing nonpoint source management programs.
4. Develop new programs that control nonpoint sources of pollution not addressed by existing programs.
5. Integrate the NPS Program with other state programs and management studies (e.g., Albemarle-Pamlico National Estuary Program).
6. Monitor the effectiveness of BMPs and management strategies, both for surface and groundwater quality.

Coordination between state agencies is achieved through reports in the *North Carolina Nonpoint Source Management Program Update*. Reports are intended to keep the program document current and develop a comprehensive assessment identifying the needs of each agency to meet the state nonpoint source program goals. Annual reports are developed to describe individual program priorities, accomplishments, significant challenges, issues yet to be addressed, and resource needs. A copy of the latest Annual Report (FY1998) is available online at http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/nps/nps_mp.htm.

The nature of nonpoint source pollution is such that involvement at the local level is imperative. Basinwide water quality plans identify watersheds that are impaired by nonpoint sources of pollution. Identification, status reports and recommendations are intended to provide the best available information to local groups and agencies interested in improving water quality. The plans also make available information regarding federal, state and local water quality initiatives aimed at reducing or preventing nonpoint source pollution.

The following table is a comprehensive guide to contacts within the state's Nonpoint Source Management Program. For more information, contact Alan Clark at (919) 733-5083 ext. 570. Most employees of the Department of Environment & Natural Resources, including Division of Water Quality, Division of Land Resources, and the Division of Forest Resources, can be reached by email using the following formula: firstname.lastname@ncmail.net.

Agriculture

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service:

Part of the US Department of Agriculture, formerly the Soil Conservation Service. Technical specialists certify waste management plans for animal operations; provide certification training for swine waste applicators; work with landowners on private lands to conserve natural resources, helping farmers and ranchers develop conservation systems unique to their land and needs; administer several federal agricultural cost share and incentive programs; provide assistance to rural and urban communities to reduce erosion, conserve and protect water, and solve other resource problems; conduct soil surveys; offer planning assistance for local landowners to install best management practices; and offer farmers technical assistance on wetlands identification.

Area 1 Conservationists	Alan Walker Perry Wilkerson	828-456-6341 Ext. 5	589 Raccoon Road, Suite 246, Waynesville, NC 28786 awalker.nc.usda.gov or pwilkerson@nc.usda.gov
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County	District Conservationist	Phone	Address
Jackson/Swain	Kayla Hudson	828-586-6344	538 Scotts Creek Rd., Sylva, NC 28779 khudson@nc.usda.gov
Macon	Levourn Wiggins	828-524-3311	203 Sloan Rd., Franklin, NC 28734 james.wiggins@nc.usda.gov
Graham	K.D.Cook	828-837-6417	225 Valley River Rd., Ste. J, Murphy, NC
Southwestern RC&D	Timothy Garrett	828-452-2519	P. O. Box 1230, Waynesville, NC 28786 swrcd@dnet.net

Soil & Water Conservation Districts:

Boards and staff under the administration of the NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission (SWCC). Districts are responsible for: administering the *Agricultural Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control* at the county level; identifying areas needing soil and/or water conservation treatment; allocating cost share resources; signing cost share contracts with landowners; providing technical assistance for the planning and implementation of BMPs; and encouraging the use of appropriate BMPs to protect water quality. For detail information, please visit the web site of the Division of Soil and Water Conservation at <http://www.enr.state.nc.us/DSWC/files/do.htm>.

County	Board Chairman	Phone	Address
Jackson Graham	William R. Shelton	828-497-6089	400 Thomas Cove Rd., Whittier, NC 28789
Macon Swain	James B. Roper	828-524-3421	780 Olive Hill Rd., Franklin, NC 28734

* Division of Soil and Water Conservation:

State agency that administers the *Agricultural Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control* (ACSP). Allocates ACSP funds to the Soil and Water Conservation Districts; and provides administrative and technical assistance related to soil science and engineering. Distributes Wetlands Inventory maps for a small fee.

Central Office	David B. Williams	919-715-6103	Archdale Building, 512 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, NC 27626
Area 1, Asheville	Davis Ferguson	828-251-6208	59 Woodfin Place, Asheville, NC 28801

NCDA Regional Agronomists:

The NC Department of Agriculture technical specialists: certify waste management plans for animal operations; provide certification training for swine waste applicators; track, monitor and account for use of nutrients on agricultural lands; operate the state *Pesticide Disposal Program*; and enforce the state pesticide handling and application laws with farmers.

Central Office	Dr. Donald Eaddy	919-733-7125	2 West Edenton Street, Raleigh, NC 27601
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Education			
NC Cooperative Extension Service: Provides practical, research-based information and programs to help individuals, families, farms, businesses and communities.			
County	Contact Person	Phone	Address
Jackson	Jeff Seiler	828-586-4009	538 Scotts Creek Rd., Sylva, NC 28779 Jeff_Seiler@ncsu.edu
Swain	Jeff Seiler	828-488-3848	60 Almond School Road, Bryson City, NC 28713 Jeff_Seiler@ncsu.edu
Macon	Kenneth McCaskill	828-349-2052	5 West Main St., Franklin, NC 28734 Kenneth_McCaskill@ncsu.edu
Graham	Teresa Garland	828-479-7979	PO Box 486, Robbinsville, NC 28771 Teresa_Garland@ncsu.edu
Area Specialized Agent Aquaculture	Skip Thompson	828-456-3575	589 Raccoon Rd., Ste. 118, Waynesville, NC 28786 Skip_Thompson@ncsu.edu
Area Specialized Agent Community Resource Development	Rob Hawk	828-586-4009	538 Scotts Creek Rd., Sylva, NC 28779 Rob_Hawk@ncsu.edu
Forestry			
* Division of Forest Resources: Develop, protect and manage the multiple resources of North Carolina's forests through professional stewardship, enhancing the quality of our citizens while ensuring the continuity of these vital resources.			
District 9 Ranger	Gerald McCall	828-586-4007	443 Hwy. 116, Sylva, NC 28779
Central Office	Moreland Gueth	919-733-2162	1616 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1616
Construction/Mining			
* DENR Division of Land Resources: Administers the NC Erosion and Sedimentation Control Program for construction and mining operations. Conducts land surveys and studies, produces maps, and protects the state's land and mineral resources.			
Central Office	Mel Nevills	919-733-4574	1612 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1621
Asheville Region	Richard Phillips	828-251-6208	59 Woodfin Place, Asheville, NC 28801-2482
Local Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinances: Three local governments in the basin have qualified to administer their own erosion and sedimentation control ordinances for construction.			
Jackson County	Jeff McCall	828-586-7560	401 Grindstaff Rd., Ste. 110, Sylva, NC 28779
Swain County	Don Simonds	828-488-9134	PO Box 2321, Bryson City, NC 28713
Town of Highlands	Vacant as of printing	828-526-5266	P.O. Box 460, Highlands, NC 28741

General Water Quality

* DWQ Water Quality Section:

Coordinate the numerous nonpoint source programs carried out by many agencies; coordinate the French Broad and Neuse River Nutrient Sensitive Waters Strategies; administer the Section 319 grants program statewide; conduct stormwater permitting; model water quality; conduct water quality monitoring; perform wetlands permitting; conduct animal operation permitting and enforcement; and conduct water quality classifications and standards activities.

NPS Planning	Alan Clark	919-733-5083 x570	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617
Urban Stormwater	Bradley Bennett	919-733-5083 x525	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617
Modeling	Michelle Woolfolk	919-733-5083 x505	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617
Monitoring	Jimmie Overton	919-733-9960 x204	1621 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1621
Wetlands	John Dorney	919-733-1786	1621 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1621
Animal Operations	Dennis Ramsey	919-733-5083 x528	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617
Classifications/Standards	Tom Reeder	919-733-5083 x557	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617

* DWQ Regional Offices:

Conduct permitting and enforcement field work on point sources, stormwater, wetlands and animal operations; conduct enforcement on water quality violations of any kind; and perform ambient water quality monitoring.

Asheville Region	Forrest Westall	828-251-6208	59 Woodfin Place, Asheville, NC 28801
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Wildlife Resources Commission:

To manage, restore, develop, cultivate, conserve, protect and regulate the wildlife resources of the state; and to administer the laws enacted by the General Assembly relating to game, game and non-game freshwater fishes, and other wildlife resources in a sound, constructive, comprehensive, continuing and economical manner.

Central Office	Frank McBride	919-528-9886	PO Box 118, Northside, NC 27564
Local Office	Owen Anderson	828-452-2546	20830 Great Smoky Mtns. Expressway, Waynesville, NC 28786

US Army Corps of Engineers:

Responsible for: investigating, developing and maintaining the nation's water and related environmental resources; constructing and operating projects for navigation, flood control, major drainage, shore and beach restoration and protection; hydropower development; water supply; water quality control, fish and wildlife conservation and enhancement, and outdoor recreation; responding to emergency relief activities directed by other federal agencies; and administering laws for the protection and preservation of navigable waters, emergency flood control and shore protection. Responsible for wetlands and 404 Federal Permits.

Ask for the project manager covering your county.

Asheville Region	Robert Johnson	828-271-7980, ext. 3	151 Patton Ave., Room 208, Asheville, NC 28801
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* DWQ Groundwater Section:

Groundwater classifications and standards; enforcement of groundwater quality protection standards and cleanup requirements; review of permits for wastes discharged to groundwater; issuance of well construction permits; underground injection control; administration of the underground storage tank (UST) program (including the UST Trust Funds); well head protection program development; and ambient groundwater monitoring.

Central Office	Carl Bailey	919-733-3221	1636 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1636
Asheville Region	Landon Davidson	828-251-6208	59 Woodfin Place, Asheville, North Carolina 28801

Solid Waste			
* DENR Division of Waste Management: Management of solid waste in a way that protects public health and the environment. The Division includes three sections and one program – Hazardous Waste, Solid Waste, Superfund and the Resident Inspectors Program.			
Central Office	Brad Atkinson	919-733-0692	401 Oberlin Road, Suite 150, Raleigh, NC 27605
On-Site Wastewater Treatment			
Division of Environmental Health and County Health Departments: Safeguard life, promote human health, and protect the environment through the practice of modern environmental health science, the use of technology, rules, public education, and above all, dedication to the public trust. Services include: • Training of and delegation of authority to local environmental health specialists concerning on-site wastewater. • Engineering review of plans and specifications for wastewater systems 3,000 gallons or larger and industrial process wastewater systems designed to discharge below the ground surface. • Technical assistance to local health departments, other state agencies, and industry on soil suitability and other site considerations for on-site wastewater systems.			
Central Office	Steve Steinbeck	919-570-6746	2728 Capital Boulevard, Raleigh, NC 27604
Asheville Region		828-251-6788	
County	Primary Contact	Phone	Address
Jackson	Randall Turpin	828-586-8994	538 Scotts Creek Road, Suite 100, Sylva, NC 28779 randallturpin@jacksonnc.org
Graham	Donna Sawyer	828-479-7900	PO Box 546, Moose Branch Rd, Robbinsville, NC 28771 gchd.graham.co@ncmail.net
Macon	Ken Ring	828-349-2081	189 Thomas Heights Road, Franklin, NC 28734 kring@maconnc.org
Swain	Charlotte Wilson	828-488-3198	100 Teptal Terrace, Bryson City, NC 28713 swainhd@dnnet.net

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