Appendix VII

Hiwassee River Basin Nonpoint Source Program Description and Contacts



Agriculture

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service:

Part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), 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, www.nc.nrcs.usda.gov/

County	Contact Person	Phone	Address
Area 1 Conservationist		828-456-6341	589 Raccoon Road, Suite 246, Waynesville NC 28786
Cherokee		828-837-6417 ext. 3	225 Valley River Ave., Suite J, Murphy, NC 28906
Clay		828-837-6417 ext. 3	225 Valley River Ave., Suite J, Murphy, NC 28906

Soil and 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.

Clay County SWCD	828-837-6417	225 Valley River Ave., Suite J, Murphy, NC 28906
Cherokee County SWCD	828-837-6417	225 Valley River Ave., Suite J, Murphy, NC 28906

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, provides administrative and technical assistance related to soil science and engineering. Distributes Wetlands Inventory maps for a small fee. www.enr.state.nc.us/DSWC/

Central Office	919-733-2302	512 N Salisbury Street, Raleigh NC 27604
Asheville Region *	828-296-4500	2090 U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa NC 28778

NCDA&CS Regional Agronomists:

The NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services (NCDA&CS) 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. www.ncagr.com/

Central Office	919-733-2655	4300 Reedy Creek Road, Raleigh NC 27607
Region 13	828-456-3943	

Education

NC Cooperative Extension Service:

Provides practical, research-based information and programs to help individuals, families, farms, businesses and communities. www.ces.ncsu.edu

Forestry		
Clay	828-389-6305	55 Riverside Circle, Community Serv Bldg - Room 108, Hayesville, NC 28904
Cherokee	828-837-2917	39 Peachtree Street, Suite 103, Murphy, NC 28906

DENR 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. www.dfr.state.nc.us

District Office (DFR District 9)	Service Forester	828-586-4007	443 Hwy. 116, Sylva, NC 28779-8513
Region III Mountains	Regional Forester or Asst. Regional Forester	828-251-6509	14 Gaston Mountain Road, Asheville NC 28806-9101
Raleigh Central Office (Statewide)	Forest Hydrologist, NPS Unit	919-733-2162 ext. 206	1616 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1616
Griffiths Forestry Center (Statewide)	Water Quality & Wetlands Forester	919-553-6178 ext. 230	2411 Old U.S. Hwy 70 West, Clayton NC 27250
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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. www.dlr.enr.state.nc.us

Central Office	919-733-4574	512 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh NC 27626
Asheville Region *	828-296-4500	2090 U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa NC 28778

Local Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinances:

Several local governments in the basin have qualified to administer their own erosion and sedimentation control ordinances. For a listing of the most recently approved local programs visit www.dlr.enr.state.nc.us/pages/sedimentlocalprograms.html

There are no Local Ordinances for the Hiwassee River Basin.

General Water Quality

DENR DWQ Planning Section:

Coordinate the numerous nonpoint source programs carried out by many agencies; coordinate the Neuse and Tar-Pamlico 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. http://h2o.enr.state.nc.us/pb/index.html

Planning Section Chief	919-733-5083 x 570	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
NPS Planning	919-733-5083 x 356	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
Modeling/TMDL	919-733-5083 x 505	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
Classifications and Standards	919-733-5083 x 579	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
Basinwide Planning	919-733-5083 x 354	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
Groundwater Planning	919-733-5083 x 522	1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699

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. http://www.enr.state.nc.us/html/regionaloffices.html

Asheville Region *	828-296-4500	2090 U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa NC 28778
Ashevine Region	828-290-4300	2090 C.S. Highway 70, Swaimanda NC 20776

NC 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. www.ncwildlife.org

Central Office	Wildlife Management	919-707-0050	1722 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699
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U.S. 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. www.usace.army.mil

Asheville Field Office	828-271-7980 151 Patton Ave, Room 208, Asheville NC 28801
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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. http://wastenot.enr.state.nc.us

Central Office	919-508-8409	401 Oberlin Road, Suite 150, Raleigh NC 27605
Asheville Region *	828-296-4500	2090 U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa NC 28778

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; and technical assistance to local health departments, other state agencies, and industry on soil suitability and other site considerations for on-site wastewater systems. www.deh.enr.state.nc.us

Central Office	919-715-3274	2728 Capital Boulevard, Raleigh NC 27604
Asheville Region *	828-397-5152	2090 U.S. Highway 70, Swannanoa NC 28778
Cherokee	828-835-3853	180 Hilton Street, Murphy, NC 28906
Clay	828-389-8326	PO Box 55, Hayesville, NC 28904

^{*} **DENR Asheville Regional Office covers the following counties:** Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania and Yancey