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November 20, 2009

Mr. Tom Reeder, Director
 NC Division of Water Resources
 1611 Mail Service Center
 Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1611

RE: Jordan Lake Water Supply Storage Allocation

Dear Mr. Reeder:

The Jordan Lake Regional Water Supply Partnership (Partnership) was created in late 2008 by local jurisdictions and water authorities with an interest in the water supply planning and management of Jordan Lake. We are committed to working together to jointly plan and generally collaborate on the current and future use of Jordan Lake as a water supply. Additional information about the Partnership is attached.

We have begun our regional water supply planning work. Preliminary information indicates that a number of Partners will seek additional allocation of Jordan Lake water supply storage. We request that the Division of Water Resources initiate the "formal" Jordan Lake allocation application process with the associated stakeholder communications and participation in water supply planning and analysis.

One of our major tenets is to establish and maintain productive and mutually beneficial working relationships with water suppliers and communities upstream and downstream of Jordan Lake. We are committed to ensuring all water supply needs for communities relying on water from the Cape Fear River Basin can be met now and in the future. Toward that end, we offer for your consideration the attached process as a means to guide the planning portion of these efforts.

Thank you again for your assistance, guidance and participation in discussions as we move forward in this important effort. As always, feel free to contact me at (919) 560-4222.

Respectfully,

Theodore L. Voorhees,
 Deputy City Manager, City of Durham
 Chair, Jordan Lake Partnership

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c: Jordan Lake Partnership Member Jurisdictions

Mr. Sydney Miller, Triangle J Council of Governments
 Mr. Warren Miller, Fountainworks, LLC

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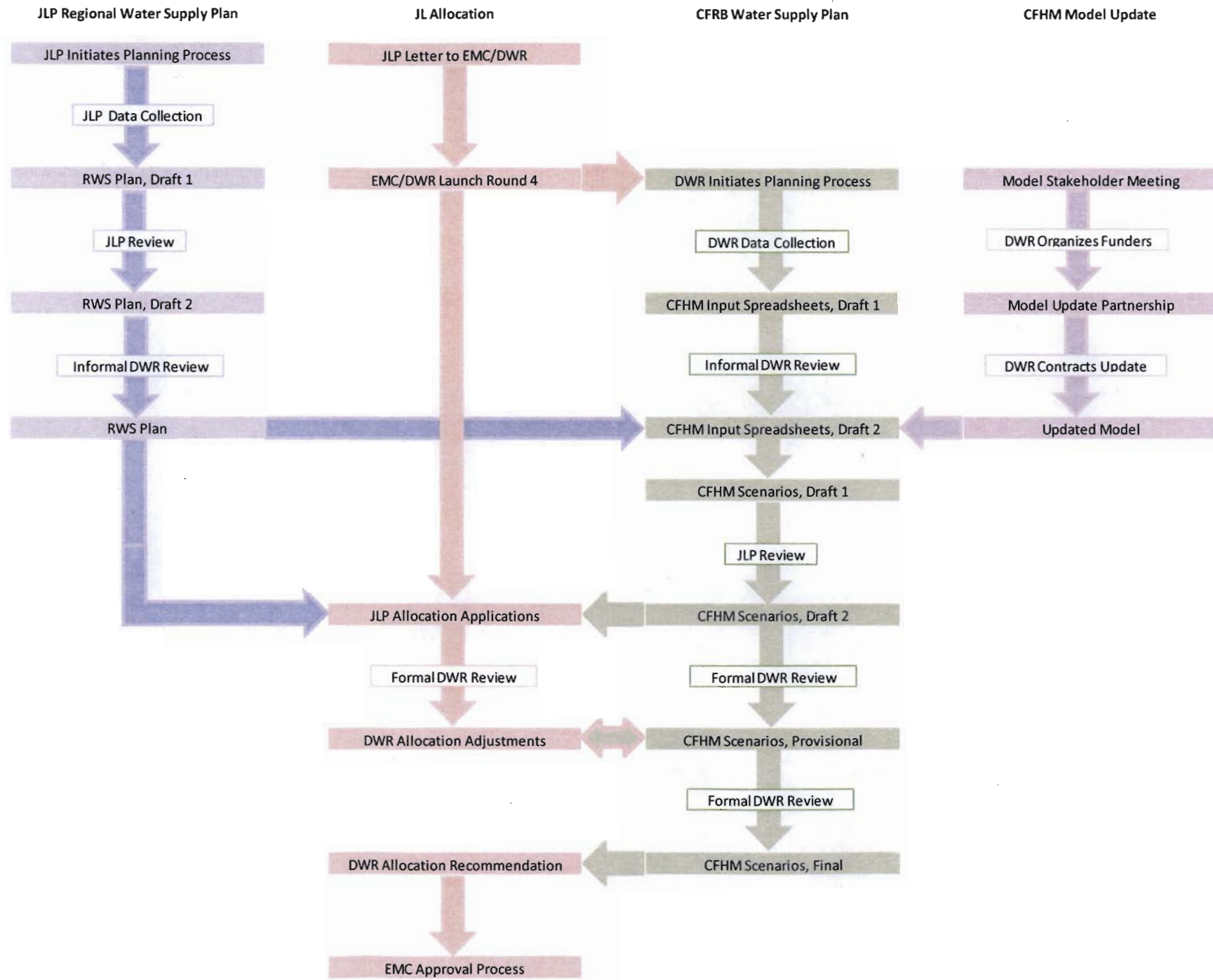
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Attachment 2. Proposed Process





Jordan Lake Partners

Jordan Lake Regional Water Supply Partnership

The Jordan Lake Regional Water Supply Partnership was created in 2009 by jurisdictions and water systems in the Triangle region with the primary purpose of jointly planning for the expanded use of available water supply in Jordan Lake. The importance of water supply planning and development on a regional basis has taken on greater urgency as the Triangle region and the entire Southeastern United States have experienced two historically severe droughts since 2001. Joint planning and development of sustainable water supply is critical to the future of the region and state

Objectives of the Jordan Lake Partnership – Collaborate for Results

- The Partners are committed to working collaboratively to enhance the sustainability and security of the region's water supply resources through conservation and efficiency, interconnection, and coordinated planning and development of the Jordan Lake water supply.
- The Partnership will demonstrate that local governments can work together in a cooperative fashion – within the region, with constituent organizations, with jurisdictions and water suppliers up and down stream, and with state and federal regulators – to create environmentally sustainable, secure and mutually beneficial water supply strategies for Jordan Lake.
- The Partnership is building on recent successes in coordinating local water shortage response efforts and year-round conservation measures in the Triangle region.
- The Partnership members will openly share information and jointly plan for a request to the State of North Carolina for a portion of available water supply in Jordan Lake.
- The Partnership members will seek opportunities to share in the costs and development of facilities to access water from Jordan Lake, such as an intake in the western portion of the lake.
- The Partnership will :
 - Coordinate information from Partnership members to be used in planning for an increase in the allocation of currently available water supply in Jordan Lake and in compiling common information from local governments, such as conservation measures, expected growth in services areas, anticipated demand and other factors that will affect the region's future water supply solutions.
 - Facilitate discussions with the State of North Carolina and the United States Army Corps of Engineers regarding a coordinated request for a portion of the currently available and unallocated drinking water supply in Jordan Lake.
 - Develop and coordinate communications with stakeholders interested in Jordan Lake water supply allocation issues.

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