

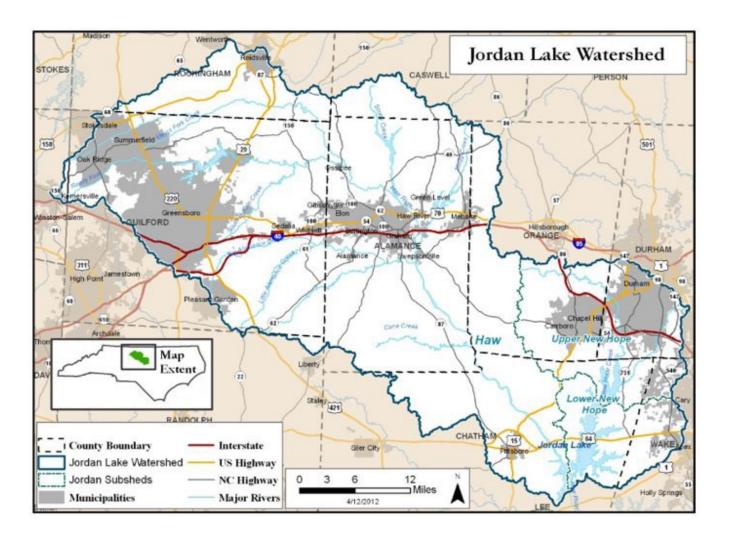
Jordan Nutrient Rules Readoption: Riparian Buffer Technical Advisory Group #3

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Thank you for joining the Third Riparian Buffer Technical Advisory Group for the Jordan Rule Readoption process.

Please introduce yourself – name and affiliation.



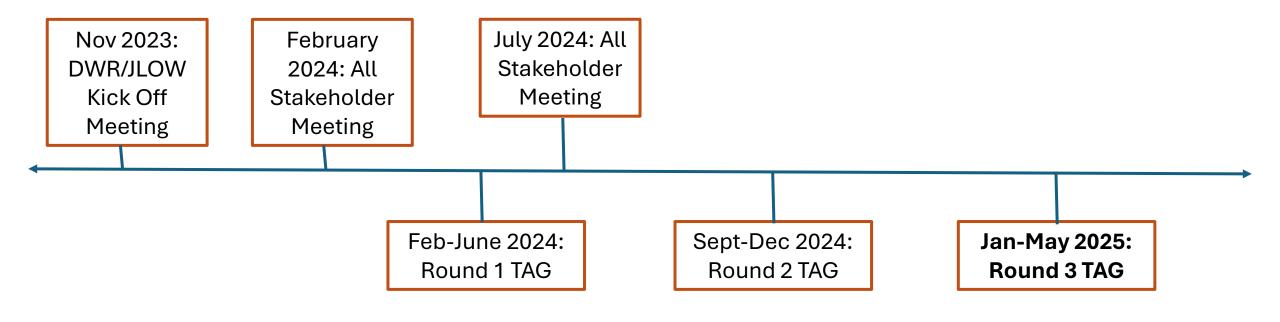
Agenda Introductions 1pm Rule Readoption Schedule Updates on the Riparian Buffer Rule Questions and Comments on Rule Draft Discussion on Outreach and Education Documents Close 3pm

If there are not comments or questions then we will end the meeting early.

Jordan Rule Readoption Schedule

Jordan Rules Readoption Tasks & Milestones	Nov 2023- 2024									2026								2027		
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Informal Stakeholder Input Process																				
Technical Advisory Groups																				
Rule Drafting & Informal Stakeholder Review																				
Finalize Draft Rule Revisions																				
Develop Fiscal Analysis / OSBM Approval																				
DWR Formal Rulemaking Process																				
WQC: Present Draft Rules & Fiscal Analysis																				
EMC: Request to Proceed to Public Comment																				
Public Comment Period																				
Hearing Officer Meetings / Revise Rules																				
EMC: Present Final Rules for Approval																				
RRC: Review & Adoption																				

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- We are currently in Round 3 TAGs this is the last Riparian Buffer TAG.
- Next steps: Complete final revisions, fiscal analysis, and present to EMC in Jan or March 2026. If approved by EMC, there will be a 90-day public comment period, and it is possible there will be rule revisions according to these comments. We plan to bring this riparian buffer rule to EMC with the Jordan Rules.

Updates on the Jordan Riparian Buffer Rule Draft

Took the comments since January 2025 and put them into three categories: 1)
modified rule based on the comment, 2) will be evaluated in more detail, 3)
will be addressed during public comment period.

Example of changes:

- Reverting clarifications on agriculture exemption back to previous language.
- Planting of nuisance species is prohibited.

Example of to be evaluated:

Reference for nuisance species still needs to be checked.



Comments on the rule language.

Discussion on Outreach and Education Documents

- 401 & Buffer Permitting Branch > Helpful Documents and Links
 - Jordan Buffer Brochure
 - NCSU Caring for your Lawn Factsheet
 - NC State Cooperative Extension Fact Sheets, Guidebooks & Design Bulletins
 - Riparian Buffer FAQs
 - N.C. Riparian Buffer Area map to search for an address
 - Riparian Buffer Rules Education and Outreach

https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/permitting/401-buffer-permitting/riparian-buffer-protection-program/riparian-buffer-rules-education-and-outreach



Are there other documents that would be helpful when implementing the riparian buffer regulation?

Thank you!

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