

Town of Fuquay-Varina Interbasin Transfer Certificate

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

**Thursday, Dec. 4, 2025, 6 p.m., sign-in starting at 5:30 p.m.
Fayetteville Technology Community College
Cumberland Hall Auditorium, 2220 Hull Road, Fayetteville, N.C. 28303**

**Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2025, 6 p.m., sign-in starting at 5:30 p.m.
Ground Floor Hearing Room, Archdale Building
512 N. Salisbury Street, Raleigh, N.C. 27604**

**Thursday, Dec. 11, 2025, 6 p.m., sign-in starting at 5:30 p.m.
Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center
1192 U.S. Hwy 64 West Business, Pittsboro, N.C. 27312**

The Town of Fuquay-Varina (Town) currently relies on wholesale water purchased from neighboring water systems; however, this supply is projected to fall short of future demands, with shortfalls projected by 2030. The preferred alternative will source water from the Tri-Rivers Water Treatment Plant in the Cape Fear River Basin. This requires an Interbasin Transfer (IBT) Certificate; therefore, the Town is seeking approval to transfer 6.17 million gallons per day from the Cape Fear River basin (2-3) to the Neuse River basin (10-1).

The North Carolina Environmental Management Commission will hold three public hearings on the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the IBT Certificate request. The draft EIS is available on DEQ's website (link below) and via the North Carolina Department of Administration Environmental Review Clearinghouse. Access to the hydrologic model used in the EIS is also available upon request through the DEQ's website (link below).

DEQ's website for the Town of Fuquay-Varina's IBT request:

<https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-planning/water-supply-planning/interbasin-transfer-certification/fuquay-varina-ibt>

The public is invited to attend the public hearings to provide relevant comments on the draft EIS document for the requested IBT Certificate. Speaking time may be limited based on attendance. Please submit written copies of verbal comments.

In addition to accepting comments at the hearings, written comments may also be submitted by mail to Maya Holcomb, Division of Water Resources, 512 N Salisbury St, Raleigh, N.C., 27604, or by email to maya.holcomb@deq.nc.gov by Feb. 1, 2026.