Action Item B
Local Program Reviews

City of Henderson

On March 4, 2013, Joe Dupree and Matt Poling conducted a review of the City of Henderson’s Local Program. Two staff members contribute one-half of a full time equivalent to the erosion control program. The city has two active projects and has reviewed two plans, with two approvals and no disapprovals. The county has conducted several inspections, and has not issued any Notice of Violations or civil penalties in the past 12 months. Two projects were reviewed with one in compliance.

The City of Henderson’s Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

1. Submit Monthly Activity Reports
2. Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.
3. Please provide the new combined self-inspection form when approving erosion control plans.
4. Remember to establish a timeline for establishing ground cover by documenting when slopes have been graded or areas are left idle.

Staff recommends continued delegation.

City of Newton

1. On March 12 2013, Ryan Kormanik and Matt Poling conducted a review of the City of Newton’s Local Program. Two staff members contribute 0.4 full time equivalents to the erosion control program. The city has no active projects and has reviewed two plans, with two approvals and no disapprovals in the past year. The City has conducted several inspections, and has not issued any Notice of Violations or civil penalties in the past 12 months. Two projects were reviewed, neither of which had begun construction. The City was reminded to provide the new combined self-inspection form when approving erosion control plans.

Staff recommends continued delegation.

Haywood County

On March 20, 2013, Charles Koontz and Matt Poling conducted a review of the Haywood County Local Program. Three staff members contribute 2.5 full time equivalents to the erosion
control program. The county has 159 active projects and has reviewed 142 plans, with 142 approvals and no disapprovals. The county has conducted 780 inspections, issued 2 notices of violation, and no civil penalties in the past 12 months. Six projects were reviewed, five of which were in compliance.

The Haywood County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

1) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.
2) Provide the new combined self-inspection form when approving erosion control plans.
3) Document when slopes have been graded or areas are left idle in the comments section of inspection reports in order to establish a time frame for establishing ground cover.
4) Keep a log of site visits inside the project folders, so that site visits can be adequately tracked, or write an inspection report at every site visit.

Staff recommends continued delegation.

Henderson County

On March 21 2013, Kristen Hicklin, Laura Herbert, and Matt Poling conducted a review of the Henderson County Local Program. The program has one staff person. The county has 13 active projects and has reviewed 15 plans, with 15 approvals and no disapprovals. The county has conducted 40 inspections, issued one Notice of Violations, and no civil penalties in the past 12 months. Five projects were reviewed, three of which were in compliance.

The Henderson County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

1) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.
2) Provide the new combined self-inspection form when approving erosion control plans.
3) Document when slopes have been graded or areas are left idle in the comments section of inspection reports in order to establish a time frame for establishing ground cover.
4) Remember that the NPDES permit cannot be issued unless the new ground cover requirements are listed on the plans and basins with a drainage area greater than one acre dewater from the surface.

Staff recommends continued delegation.
Mecklenburg County

On March 13, 2013, James Moore, Eric Schwieber and Matt Poling conducted a review of the Mecklenburg County Local Program. Four staff members contribute three full time equivalents to the erosion control program. The county has 126 active projects and has reviewed 69 plans, with 60 approvals and 9 disapprovals. The county as conducted 913 inspections, issued 24 notices of violation, and assessed 5 civil penalties in the past 12 months. Five projects were reviewed, three of which were in compliance.

The Mecklenburg County Local Program is visiting sites on a frequent basis, which is appreciated. The local program should implement the following recommendations to improve the program:

1) Continue to check for self-inspection records on site.
2) Provide the new combined self-inspection form when approving erosion control plans.
3) Remember to establish a timeline for establishing ground cover by documenting when slopes have been graded or areas are left idle.

Staff recommends continued delegation.