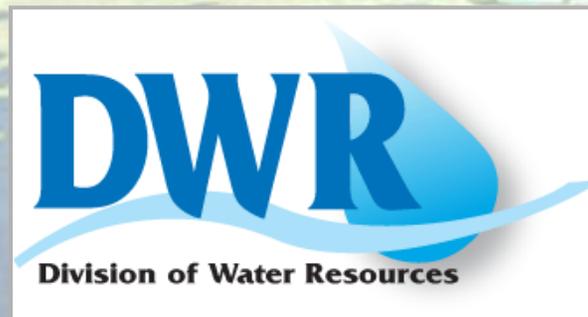


North Carolina Division of Water Resources

River Basin Management Section

Interbasin Transfer Certification Process



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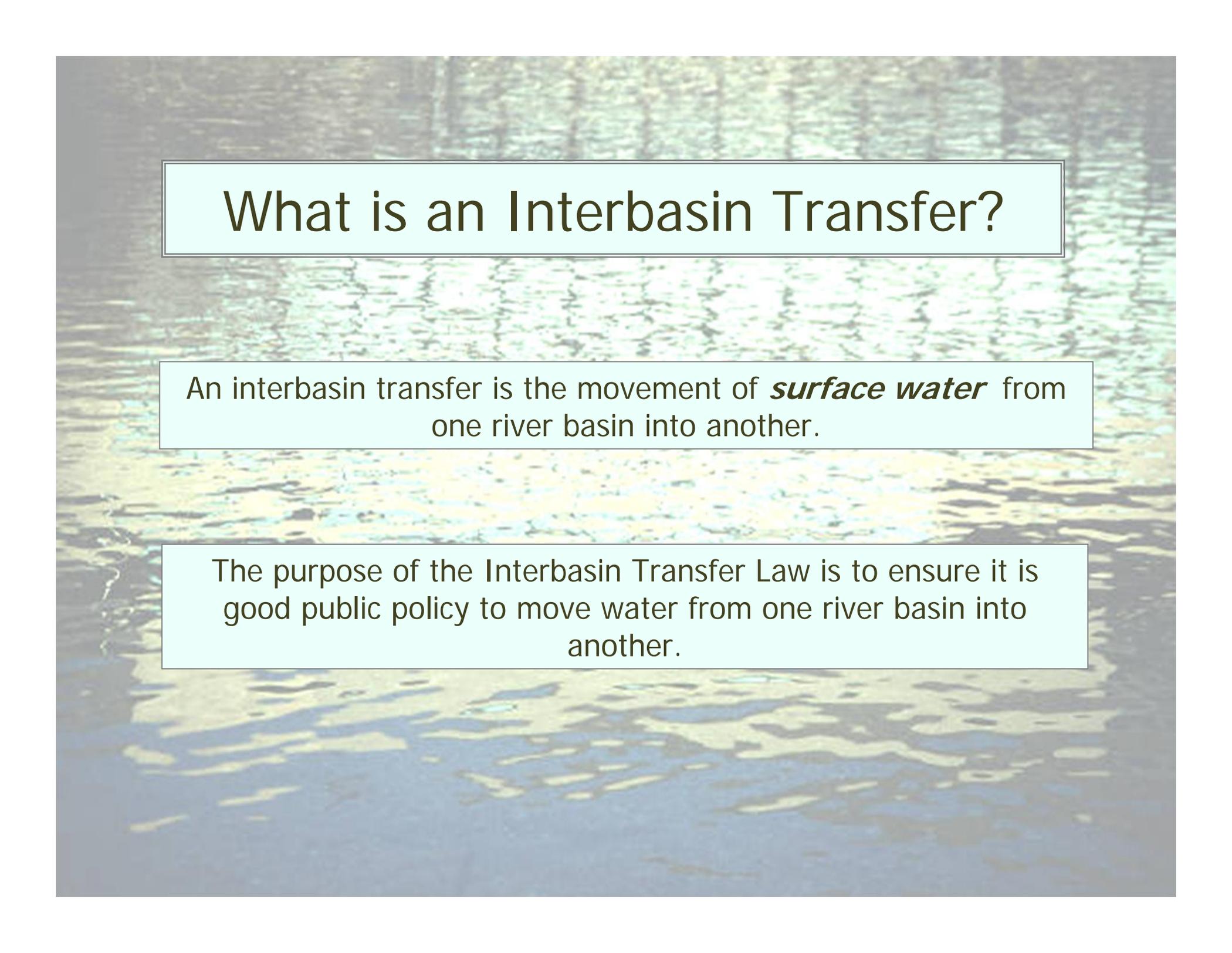
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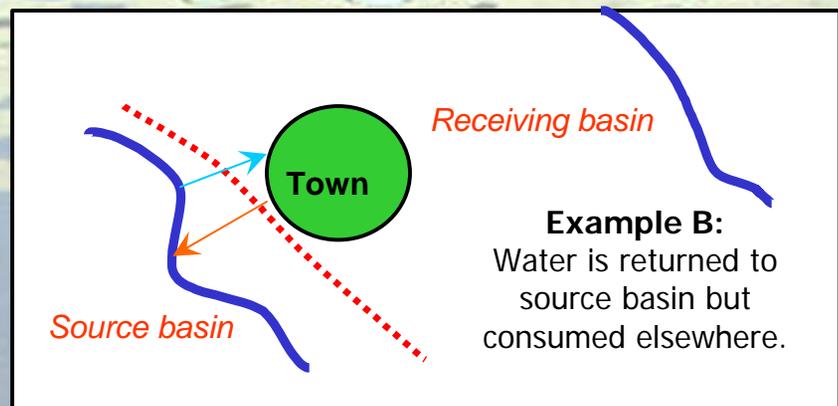
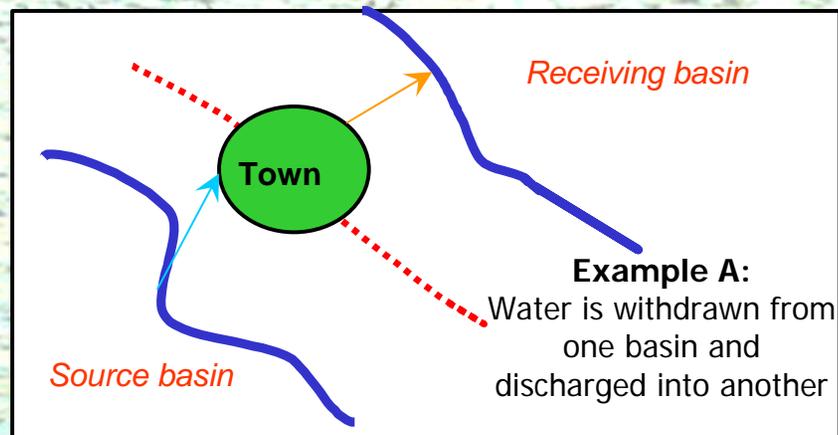
An interbasin transfer is the movement of *surface water* from one river basin into another.

The purpose of the Interbasin Transfer Law is to ensure it is good public policy to move water from one river basin into another.

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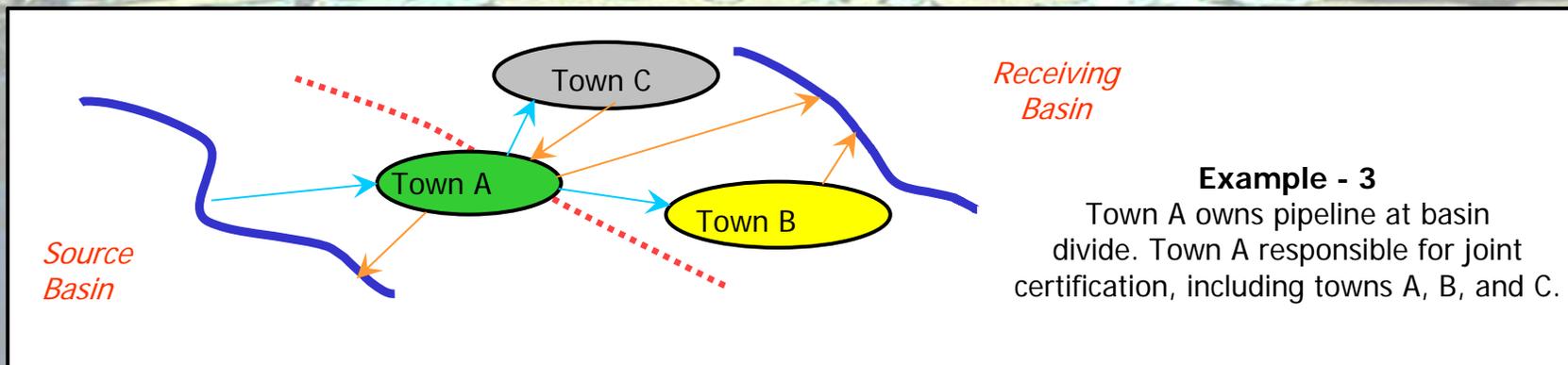
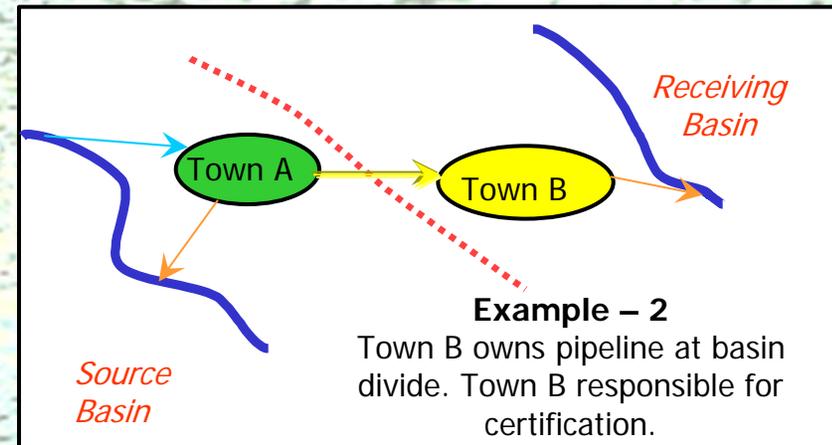
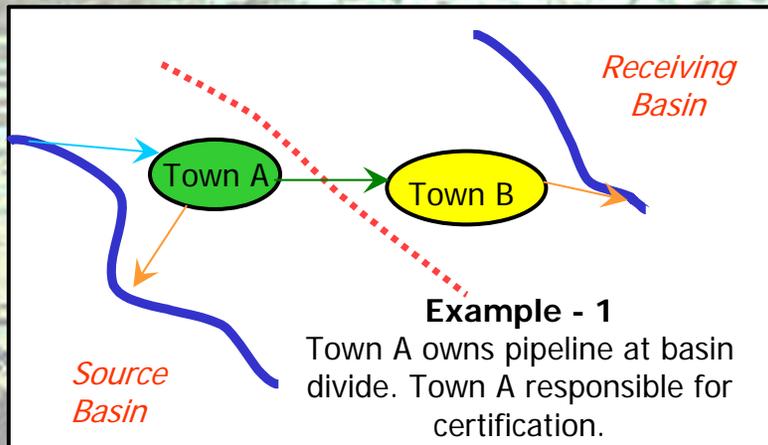
Transfer = Withdrawal - Return

The amount of a transfer is determined by the amount of water moved from the source basin to the receiving basin, less the amount of water returned to the source basin.

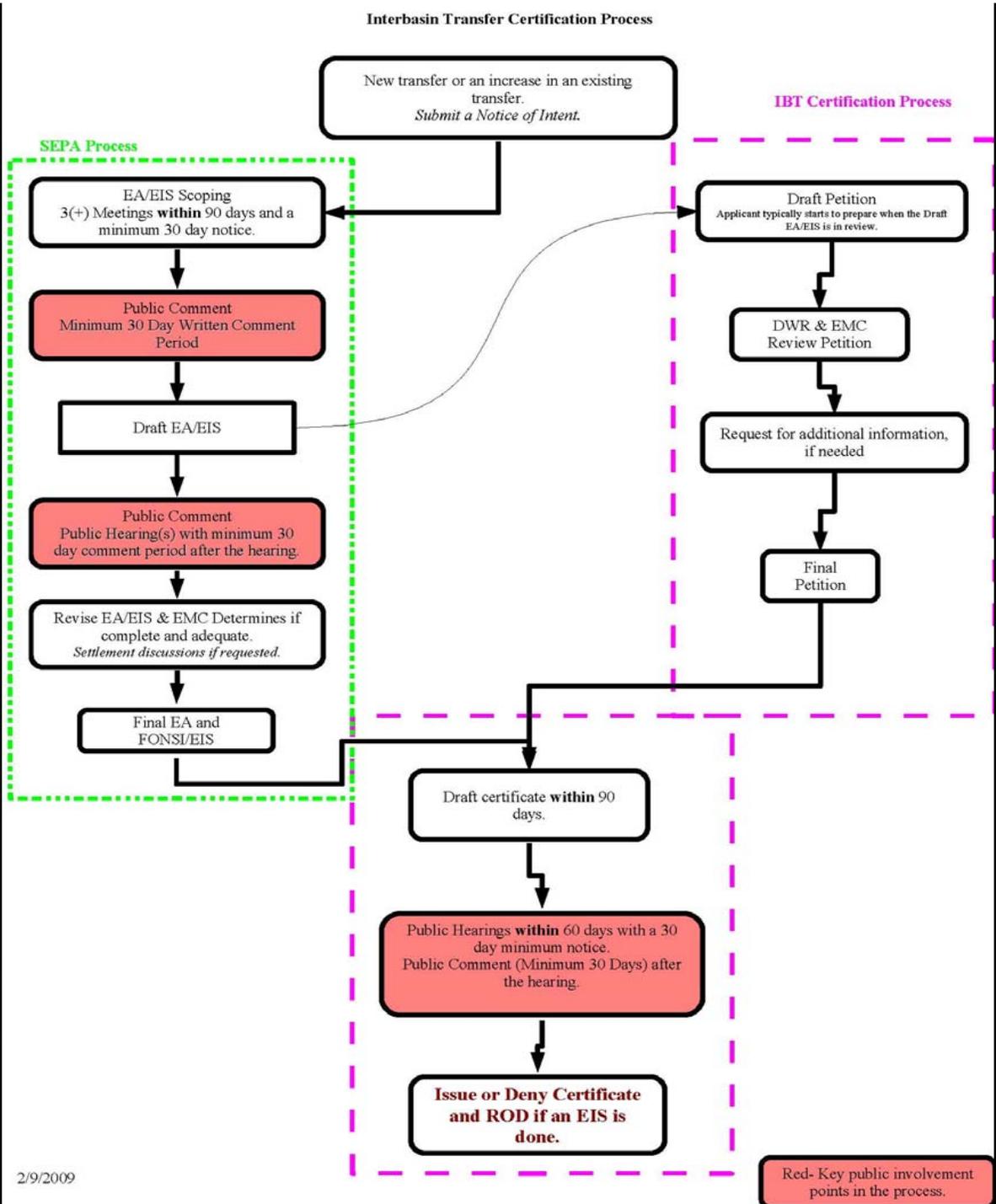


Who is responsible?

The person owning the pipe that carries the water across the basin boundary is responsible for obtaining the certificate.



What is the Process?



What's happening now?

Scoping for Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Purpose of EIS:

- Evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed transfer.
- Provide a comprehensive analysis of environmental impacts.
- Propose measures to mitigate adverse impacts.

Public comments provide important input about issues that need to be addressed in the EIS.

What happens next?

1. Public comment period ends **Friday, May 29th**.
2. Applicant incorporates public comments on alternatives and issues that should be addressed into EIS.
3. Draft EIS submitted to EMC

Once the EMC has received the draft EIS, they will schedule a public hearing to receive comments. They will respond to all written comments, collect additional information from the applicant (if necessary) and, finally, determine whether the EIS is complete and adequate.

How can I ensure that my comments are heard?

All comments will be considered, however these tips will help you effectively communicate your concerns:

1. Participate early in the process.

Put issues "on the radar" early so that they can be incorporated into the environmental documents.

2. Make comments as specific as possible.

Describe the impacts that concern you in detail.

3. Link comments to factors that the EMC must consider.

NC regulations require the EMC to consider specific factors such as adverse environmental impacts and the availability of other alternatives.

4. Provide written comments.

Don't get "Lost in Translation"- written comments help us understand your concerns in your own words.

Final Determination

The EMC will consider the following factors when making their final decision (from NC General Statutes §143-215.22L(k)):

- Necessity and reasonableness
- Beneficial and detrimental impacts
- Cumulative effects
- Availability of reasonable alternatives
- Other necessary factors

Contact

Visit us online for more information about IBT law and this proposed transfer:

http://www.ncwater.org/Permits_and_Registration/Interbasin_Transfer/Status/Brunswick/

Questions about IBT?

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