The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) will hold a public hearing to receive comments on the Towns of Apex, Cary and Morrisville, and Wake County (for RTP South) interbasin transfer (IBT) certificate modification request.

The Towns of Apex, Cary and Morrisville, and Wake County (for RTP South) have requested a modification of their current IBT certificate for three purposes:

- Modify the basis of their IBT certificate approved July 12, 2001 from a maximum day IBT calculation to IBT calculated as the daily average of a calendar month, per the changes to NC General Statute 143-215.22L based on Session Law 2013-388.
- Include, at the request of the NCDENR Division of Water Resources, transfers to the Cape Fear River subbasin, so that the modified certificate addresses transfers from the Haw River subbasin to both the Neuse River basin and Cape Fear River subbasin.
- Base the certificate term on a 30-year planning period, addressing the Towns’ and County’s IBT through 2045; resulting in a total of transfer of 33 mgd from the Haw River subbasin to the Neuse River basin and Cape Fear River subbasin on a daily average of a calendar month basis.

The public hearing will start at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at the Town of Apex Public Works, 105-B Upchurch St., Apex, NC 27502. The public may review the supporting environmental document, starting on December 22nd, by searching “IBT Certificate” at www.townofcary.org

The purpose of this announcement is to encourage interested parties to attend and/or provide relevant written and verbal comments. Division of Water Resources staff requests that parties submit written copies of oral comments. Based on the number of people who wish to speak, the length of oral presentations may be limited.

If you are unable to attend, you may mail written comments to Harold Brady, Division of Water Resources, 1611 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1611. Comments may also be submitted electronically to Harold.M.Brady@ncdenr.gov. Mailed and emailed comments will be given equal weight. All comments must be postmarked or emailed by February 5, 2015.