Cities of Concord and Kannapolis Proposed Interbasin Transfer

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

September 7, 2006, 5:00 – 8:00 PM
Old Rock School Auditorium
400 West Main St
Valdese, NC

The Division of Water Resources will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the request by the Cities of Concord and Kannapolis for an interbasin transfer from the Catawba River and Yadkin River Basins to the Rocky River Basin. The North Carolina Environmental Management Commission (EMC) has requested this meeting in order to facilitate further public comment.

The public meeting will start at 5:00 PM on September 7, 2006 in the Old Rock School Auditorium in Valdese, NC. Division of Water Resources (DWR) staff members will be available to answer questions from 4:00 – 5:00 PM at the meeting location.

All statements made at the meeting will be audio recorded. This recording will be provided to members of the EMC. Oral statements will not be included in the written record for this decision. Interested parties are encouraged to submit written comments for the record through September 30, 2006. Based on the number of people who wish to speak, the length of oral presentations may be limited. Speakers will not be allowed to give their allotted time to other speakers.

The Cities of Concord and Kannapolis are requesting an interbasin transfer (IBT) certificate from the EMC for a maximum of 36 million gallons per day (MGD) with an annual average transfer of 22 MGD. The communities desire to transfer water from the Catawba River and Yadkin River Basins to the Rocky River Basin. The IBT request is for up to a maximum of 10 MGD to be transferred from the Yadkin River Basin with the remainder to come from the Catawba River Basin.

The Division of Water Resources is currently preparing a report which will summarize revised modeling and other analyses related to the impacts of the proposed IBT. The report will correct errors that were made in the modeling portion of the Final Environmental Impact Statement and in a supplement to this document. This report will be available before September 1 and will be available for download from the DWR website. The public may inspect this and any document related to this request during normal business hours at the offices of DWR, 512 N. Salisbury.
Street, Room 1106, Archdale Building, Raleigh. These documents may also be viewed at the DWR web site at:

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

Written comments on the FEIS should be mailed to:

Phil Fragapane, Division of Water Resources
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Comments may also be submitted electronically to Phil.Fragapane@ncmail.net. Mailed and emailed comments will be given equal weight. **The comment period closes on September 30, 2006.**