



North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Division of Water Resources

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Cities of Concord and Kannapolis Proposed Interbasin Transfer

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

September 19, 2006, 6:00 – 9:15 PM
Olympic High School Gymnasium
4301 Sandy Porter Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28273

The Division of Water Resources will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the request by 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 6:00 PM. Division of Water Resources (DWR) staff members will be available to answer questions at 5:00 PM at the meeting location.

The presiding officer will begin the meeting with a review of the proposal and ground rules for the meeting. All statements made at the meeting will be audio recorded. This recording will be provided to members of the EMC. Oral statements will also be transcribed and included in the written record. Interested parties who wish not to speak during the meeting may submit written comments for the record. Those must be received by Sept. 30, 2006.

The site of the public meeting, Olympic High School, will be open to the public beginning at 4:30 PM. Speakers will be asked to register prior to the meeting. Speaker sign-in will begin promptly at 4:30 PM. In order to accommodate all viewpoints during this registration, speakers will be asked if they wish to speak for or against the proposal. Opponents will be given a total of 90 minutes to present their views. Proponents will be given a total of 90 minutes to present their views. The length of oral presentations for each speaker will be between two and three minutes, based on the number of people who sign up to speak. Speakers will not be allowed to give their allotted time to other speakers.

The Division of Water Resources requests that everyone be respectful during presentations so that every speaker's views are heard. The meeting will adjourn no later than 9:15 p.m.

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.

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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 has prepared a report summarizing revised modeling and other analyses related to the impacts of the proposed IBT. The report corrects errors that were made in the modeling portion of the Final Environmental Impact Statement and in a supplement to this document. This report is available for download at the following web address:

http://www.ncwater.org/Data_and_Modeling/Catawba/Reports/August31_2006_Analysis_Report.pdf

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 NC. 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:

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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.**