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Chairman John Langdon called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Chairman Langdon inquired whether any Commission members need to declare any conflict of interest, or appearance of conflict of interest, that may exist for agenda items under consideration, as mandated by the State Ethics Act. Chairman Langdon declared a conflict of interest for Agenda Item 17 and will recuse himself. Chairman Langdon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Approval of Agenda: Chairman Langdon asked for comments on the agenda. Commissioner Collier stated based on the discussion to waive the contract extension requests, which is Item 16, the agenda needs to be amended. Mr. Reynolds stated the recommendation is for Item 16A to be waived, Contract Extension Requests with Policy Exception, tonight and include Item 16B, Contract Extensions Requests, into the Consent Agenda as Item 6D, if there are no issues with those extension requests. The policy waiver and exception would apply to all the contract extensions in Item 6D in the Consent Agenda. Chairman Langdon stated this is a one-time, special situation to waive the appearance requirement for these extensions because many of the contracts date back to Hurricane Matthew.

Chairman Langdon asked for a motion to suspend the policy this one time and waive the appearance requirement, so the supervisors and staff do not have to travel to Raleigh. Commissioner Collier moved to waive the appearance requirement for these extension requests this one time and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Chairman Langdon polled each Commissioner and each one agreed to waive the policy. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Chairman Langdon asked for comments on the minutes. None were declared.

   2A. **May 16, 2018 Business Session Meeting Minutes**
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   Chairman Langdon reiterated Item 6D - Contract Extension Requests will be added to the Consent Agenda and Item 16A & 16B will be removed.

3. **Division Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Director Vernon Cox to present. Director Cox stated the report will be presented at the Business Meeting tomorrow. Director Cox stated the date of the September Commission Meeting needs to be discussed and pushed back to September 25 and September 26. Chairman Langdon stated he is traveling home from the National Red Angus Association of America Annual Convention in South Dakota on September 19, which is the date of the next regularly scheduled Business Meeting. Director Cox stated the September Meeting is tentatively scheduled in Macon County. The Commission decided to reschedule the September Meeting to the 25th and 26th, with the work session in the early afternoon and a tour immediately following and the business meeting the morning of the 26th and another tour afterwards.

4. **Association Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Commissioner Kilpatrick to present. Commissioner Kilpatrick stated the report will be presented at the Business Meeting tomorrow and will discuss an issue in the Piedmont region. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

5. **NRCS Report:** Chairman Langdon asked if Mr. Tim Beard, State Conservationist, will be present at the Business Meeting tomorrow. Director Cox stated he is unsure if Mr. Beard will be in attendance to present.

6. **Consent Agenda:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Eric Pare, Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth and Mr. Jeff Young to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

   6A. **Supervisor Appointments:** Mr. Pare presented four recommendations.

      - Matthew L. Floyd, Chowan SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Curtis M. Byrum II, who passed away for 2014-2018
      - Johnny H. Denton, Gaston SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Ricky Rhyne, who resigned for 2014-2018
      - William Hart, New Hanover SWCD, filling the unexpired appointed term of William L. Murray, Jr., who resigned for 2014-2018
      - Steve Skavroneck, New Hanover SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of William Hart, who resigned for 2014-2018

   6B. **Supervisor Contracts:** Ms. Hedgepeth presented seven contracts; totaling $56,659.
6C. Job Approval Authority: Mr. Young presented one recommendation for Ryan Faulk, Lee SWCD, for Sediment Removal Planning and Certification.

Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Franklin O. Williams from the Duplin SWCD. Chairman Langdon stated all districts must be cautious with regards to secondary employment, since Duplin SWCD has first-hand experience with some problems. Mr. Williams explained a month and a half ago; Duplin County was informed about a district employee who was apparently, as part of his secondary employment, taking waste samples from lagoons. The individual reportedly submitted samples to Raleigh for analysis that were from multiple lagoons. However, when the analyses of the samples were similar, it prompted an investigation. The employee was doing this on his own time, through his own business, and not with county or district equipment. The Duplin Board of Supervisors are concerned about the perception regarding the conflict of interest and the negative publicity. Twenty-five years ago, there were three county employees that co-founded a side business, to offer services to swine operators, which was not offered by the district. These services were separate from the county; although they would be dealing with some of the same people that they deal with in the county office. The Duplin Board of Supervisors was concerned about the conflict of interest and held meetings to discuss the perception of that conflict. There were some verbal complaints, but Duplin County made the decision to allow the business to continue. With the recent media attention, and the one remaining individual that stayed with the District and continued to provide services on his personal time, the District now looks bad. Duplin County has a Secondary Employment Form that each employee, who has secondary employment must fill out, sign it, and state their secondary employment is not a conflict of interest. The county makes the decision, if it is a conflict of interest, and it is up to the county to approve the secondary employment form. Chairman Langdon stated it appears the employee was taking a sample of one lagoon but being paid for more than one and the false samples could hurt the farmer. Director Cox stated there are policies in place but changes to those policies will be discussed in Agenda Item 7.

Chairman Langdon recognized Deputy Director David Williams to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

7. Review Commission’s Requirements for Approval of Secondary Employment: In 2015, the Commission began to require each district to submit a Secondary Employment Certification Form (SECF) for each employee whose positions were getting cost share support from the Commission’s cost share programs. The requirement is that the Board of Supervisors review and approve the secondary employment, as well as a county human resources representative if the individual is employed by the county rather than the district. There are several employees in the Soil and Water Conservation Districts, who are involved in implementation of the Commission’s cost share programs, who are not receiving any cost share funds. It is appropriate for those employees to be subject to a similar requirement. If the Technical Assistance Rule becomes effective as proposed, beginning in FY 2020, the Commission will no longer fund individual positions. The recommendation is to require a secondary employment certification from every district employee that works on a cost share contract that provides a service, not just the employee who currently receives technical assistance support. A minor wording change in italics is proposed to expand Attachment B: Scope of Work and Payment Provisions of Item 2e to read, “Have in place a secondary employment policy consistent with the Commission’s Guidelines on Secondary Employment and shall submit an annual Secondary Employment Form
for each employee performing work on Commission cost share program contracts. The initial Secondary Employment Form shall be submitted annually on or before October 15 of each year. The Grantee shall submit an updated form along with its quarterly Request for Payment of Technical Assistance if the secondary employment or other potential conflicts of interest of a subject employee arise after the initial submission.” Those involved in the cost share program would be required to fill out the form, which is uploaded to SharePoint. If the employee’s status changes during the year, the employee will update the form. The recommendation is to approve the wording change of the Scope of Work, which will be published in the Master Agreements in FY2019.

Chairman Langdon called a break at 7:19 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:28 p.m.

8. **Disaster Response Program:** Chairman Langdon recognized Deputy Director David Williams to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

8A. **Program Update:** The Division is making good progress on pasture renovation with most of the money spent in 17 western counties. Stream debris removal has 51 sponsors not 53 sponsors, since two backed out. The Division has spent over $4M for stream debris removal and requests for payments are coming in daily. Road repair projects have slowed down. The Division e-mailed all the districts asking how much road repair work is left and how much money they need for FY2019; only six counties need assistance. The Division is recommending the money for road repair be redistributed for stream debris removal, which is in demand.

8B. **Proposed Reallocation of Funding:**

- Reallocate $1.1M from Road Repair to Stream Debris Removal
- Reallocate $1.2M from Pond Repair to Stream Debris Removal
- Local sponsors that have spent one-third of their allocated funds will be eligible for additional funding; 21 of the 50 sponsors meet this criteria to be eligible for additional funding for Stream Debris Removal
- Johnston SWCD, Cumberland SWCD, and Sampson SWCD are requesting assistance for Road Repair in FY2019
- Retaining $50K in road repair for contingencies

9. **Agriculture Cost Share Program:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth to present. A copy of the allocation is included as an official part of the minutes.

9A. **Detailed Implementation Plan:** There are no changes for FY2019; only the dates. The Technical Review Committee (TRC) is reviewing every practice in the program, which may result in recommended changes for the next program year, as part of the process of evaluating all the BMPs.

9B. **Average Cost List:** The only change the Technical Review Committee (TRC) proposed is to keep the portable watering tank at the actual cost paid, which requires a receipt submitted by the districts. Rule 02 NCAC 59D.0104(a)(2) states, “Information establishing the average cost of a specified BMP must be available. District BMPs may use actual costs as indicated by receipts,
if average costs are not available.” The remaining tanks (components) listed will shift to the average cost paid.

9C. District Financial Assistance Allocation: The financial record is highlighted by district, with the requested and actual allocation amount received. The allocation amount is set by the allocation parameters for regular Ag Cost Share (CS) funds and Impaired and Impacted Streams Initiative (II) funds. The proposed allocation is to transfer $500,000 of regular Cost Share (CS) funds to Impaired and Impacted Streams Initiative (II). CREP (CE) has $170,000 left over from last year’s allocated funds. CREP (CE) funds will be allocated to the districts, as CREP contracts are received. The Just-In-Time Allocation that was approved in May for cancelled contracts resulted in the reallocation of approximately $240,000 last year. The total allocation this year is $4,553,362.

10. Technical Assistance Allocation: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. The technical assistance allocation is very similar to last year’s due to the proposed rule changes not being effective yet. Every district received the same amount of funding as last year per position requested, which includes the cap of $25,500 for a Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) position and no increases in salary and benefits from FY2018. Districts will receive $1,320 in operating expenses for a FTE position and funding for the Dare and New Hanover districts will continue to be split 25% ACSP and 25% CCAP funds. In this proposed allocation, 6 districts are receiving more than 1 FTE position, a total of 4.75 additional positions. Last year, a letter was mailed to districts regarding non-recurring funding status. Last year, Ashe county was awarded 1.6 positions, however, this year, the district is requesting funds for 1 FTE as the .6 position is now supported by the county.

11. Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

11A. Detailed Implementation Plan: In FY 2019, the Division received an appropriation of $827,50 for BMP funding for AGWRAP this year. There are no major changes proposed to the FY2019 DIP. The AgWRAP Review Committee met and recommends an allocation of 65% for BMP funding for district allocations and the remaining 35% for BMP funding be made available for the regional competitive application process for the practices approved last year. Last year, the approved district allocation was 60%.

11B. Average Cost List: There are no revisions from last fiscal year.

11C. District Financial Assistance Allocation: The allocation was prepared by providing a minimum of $7,500 or the amount the district requested in their strategy plan if the district requested less than the $7,500 minimum. The AgWRAP parameters described in the Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP) were used to determine the district’s allocation. The Division received over $7.2M in requests for BMPs, and the amount to allocate to individual districts totals $776,979. Wells are the most popular BMP by number of practices.
Mr. Josh Vetter introduced himself and stated he is the new AgWRAP Coordinator and came onboard on May 29, 2018. In 2007, Mr. Vetter started with the Division, as a soil scientist, where he worked for 5 years on the Wake County Soil Survey Update Project. Mr. Vetter then worked 5 years in the Wake Soil and Water Conservation District Office, as a natural resource conservationist, and one year at NC State University (NCSU) in the Soil Science Department. Mr. Vetter is optimistic that the program will improve and is looking at how the money has been spent, how the practices have been installed, and moving the program forward.

12. **Community Conservation Assistance Program:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Tom Hill. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

12A. **Detailed Implementation Plan:** The proposed FY2019 Allocation Strategy is shown in Figure 3 on Page 3. The proposed allocation for the BMP Implementation is $128,920 equally divided among the 3 service regions plus one-third of any returned funds from contracts, which will be reallocated to the next contract among the three regions. In FY2018, the Commission adopted a policy to set aside $10,000 for repair contracts for districts at the start of each year. The repairs will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis until the repair funds are fully expended. The allocation strategy for Technical and Administrative Assistance has funded 2 positions at a quarter Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) position in Dare and New Hanover districts, which totals $25,320. The Division recommends approving these two positions.

12B. **Average Cost List:** The Average Cost List for FY2019 has a few slight changes. The Advisory Committee met and discussed the engineering costs for 3 practices, i.e., cisterns, diversions, and grassed swales were at $5,000. In 2017, the Commission allowed engineering costs to be cost shared for CCAP at a cap of $5,000 for engineering practices. The Advisory Committee stated the costs are in excess and recommend dropping the cap to $3,000 for actual costs of engineering costs of cisterns, diversions, and grassed swales.

13. **Cost Share Programs Spot Check Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Ken Parks. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Mr. Parks stated the FY2018 summary reports will be presented tomorrow.

The highlights from 2017 to 2018:

- In 2017, 237 supervisors participated; this year, 226 supervisors participated
- In 2017, 2.9% of sites visited were out of compliance in ACSP; this year, 1.5% of sites visited were out of compliance in ACSP; AgWRAP and CCAP remained unchanged with none out of compliance
- ACSP sites needing additional maintenance remained unchanged at 3.5%; AgWRAP maintenance requirements went down from 5.7% to 4.1%; CCAP maintenance requirements went up from 7.4% to 13.4%

The Commission asked whether or not spot checks fall under the Open Meetings Law. Mr. Reynolds discussed the North Carolina Open Meetings Law and when a public body must provide an official public meeting notice. Commissions and/or Boards that meet and conduct business within their jurisdiction, real or apparent; the meeting should be noticed. Social gatherings do not require public notice and do not fall under the Open Meetings Law.
not constitute an official meeting unless called to evade the spirit and purposes of the public meetings law. The intent is if the public body is gathered together to do the public’s business, the public is invited and can participate openly.

14. **Final Readoption for Rule 02 NCAC 59D Commission Cost Share Program Rules:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Ms. Henshaw stated this is a request for final adoption of rule 59D. All the Commission’s Cost Share Program Rules are in Rule 59D. The purpose statement for Rule 59D encompasses all the Cost Share Programs. There were a few typographical errors corrected since this item was last presented; however, the content remains unchanged. After the Commission approves Rule 59D, the Department’s Rules Liaison will review it before going to the Rules Review Commission for final clarification and approval. Ms. Henshaw highlighted each subchapter by section, and Rule 59H will be repealed, since it is now included in Rule 59D.

15. **Technical Specialist Update:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Jeff Young. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

15A. **Training Update:** This is for information only and is a follow-up of the overview and timeline presented in March 2018. Rules were adopted by the Commission in August 2017 to include a training requirement for technical specialists, which went into effect in November 2017. In August 2018, the Division will reach out to all technical specialists to complete an on-line registration form and assigning a unique registration number to identify the specialist. Action items will be presented in September on the policies and guidelines on the implementation and use of this tracking system. The Division will seek authorization for a workgroup to approve courses for this training.

15B. **Engineering Workload Report:** Mr. Young highlighted the engineering workload for Technical Services. In 2015, Natalie Woolard created an on-line technical assistance request form, a state-wide process that formalized the request process, and used a software program called Virtual Boss to help track and measure the workload. There were concerns with Virtual Boss that the program was not user friendly, i.e., the staff and district supervisors could not access it, only the section chief and engineers. A subscription for a new software application was purchased called Teamwork to manage the projects internally, which allows the section chief to tag and assign collaborators to a project. A free app is available for your smartphone. Teamwork will utilize our resources better in terms of productivity and accountability. All projects were moved from Virtual Boss to Teamwork including projects for disaster recovery due to Hurricane Matthew. Director Cox commended Mr. Young; it has been well implemented and the Division will implement training. Director Cox added some projects have been identified in Teamwork that do not need engineering assistance, which will be addressed.
Mr. Reynolds stated the contract extensions, which is Item 16, will be consolidated into the Consent Agenda, if there are no objections and voted on at one time tomorrow. However, if any of the contract extensions need further discussion or separate action, the Commission can decide tonight how it will be handled tomorrow.

Ms. Hedgepeth stated in CS2 in PY15-16, the Division contracted about $5.5M each year. In 2017; $7.8M and in 2018; $8.3M, which does not include Stream Debris Removal.

16. District Issues: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Ms. Hedgepeth stated Items 16A & 16B are split into two categories.

16A. Contract Extension Request with Policy Exception: These contracts are either waiting for designs or there are delays in the process, which would not require a district supervisor and staff to appear before the Commission. The Commission approved the Request for an Exception to the Policy on May 17, 2017.

16B. Contract Extension Requests: These contracts do not fit the Commission’s policy exception described in 16A and would require a district supervisor and a staff member to appear before the Commission in order to be eligible for an extension. The following contracts are complete:

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Commissioner Collier stated the Commission should adopt the group of contracts at tomorrow’s meeting and does not see a problem with any of the contracts. Ms. Hedgepeth stated the Division is unsure if Hoke County’s Contract #47-2016-001 meets the minimum requirements to request an extension. In the past three years, one-third of the work has not been completed. Deputy Director Williams stated the district should have canceled the contract. The Commission’s policy states if the district does not complete one-third of the work in the first year, they can award an extra 6 months to get it started, but, at the end of that time, if they have not done any work, the district can cancel the contract. Ms. Hedgepeth stated the district should have canceled it in August 2016. The farm has several different types of operations. If granted an extension, the contract would have to be completed by June 30, 2019, and the contract cost share amount totals $6,630. The landowner sent a letter to the district in the spring stating they were busy expanding other parts of their operations. The district was notified yesterday not to appear at the Business Meeting tomorrow. The Commissioners discussed the contract and did not agree to approve the contract extension request. Ms. Hedgepeth stated this cancellation could reduce the district’s ranking for future allocations. Mr. Reynolds stated the supervisors were notified that they did not have to appear before the Commission, not that their extension would be granted, but the Commission would act on it in absence of them appearing. The Commission can handle Hoke separately by leaving the agenda.
as is with the Contract Extension Request as Item 16 and vote on the contracts together as one action item but withhold action on the Hoke County contract. The Commission can defer action on Hoke’s request until the September Meeting and ask Hoke to appear via teleconference, which includes the Board Member, staff and landowner to discuss this exception. The district is aware of the two policies.

17. Commission Member Contracts: Chairman Langdon handed the gavel over to the Vice Chairman and recused himself from Item 17. Vice Chairman Collier recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. The contract is for a supplement to a previous contract for a non-farm field road for funding from Hurricane Matthew and staff have reviewed the contract and recommend it for approval.

18. Correspondence Regarding Rutherford County Watershed Project: Chairman Langdon recognized Deputy Director David Williams. Commissioner Collier stated that Item 18 has the potential for legal action by Mr. Del Ammons and that the Commission should discuss with Commission Counsel. Commissioner Collier moved that the meeting, at this point, should go into closed session based on N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3) and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried. Director Cox and Deputy Director Williams were asked to remain in the meeting. Commissioner Collier moved to reconvene to an open session and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Reynolds stated a motion and a second was approved by the Commission to return to an open session. During the closed session, the Commission considered the potential for legal action and provided instructions to the attorney for correspondence received by the Division to the Commission by Mr. Richard Del Ammons and legal counsel will write a letter to Mr. Del Ammons and provide additional information at the next meeting.

Public Comments: None declared.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Vernon N. Cox, Director
Division of Soil & Water Conservation, Raleigh, N.C.

Helen Wiklund, Recording Secretary

These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Soil & Water Conservation Commission on November 14, 2018.
Chairman John Langdon called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. Chairman Langdon welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. Chairman Langdon inquired whether any Commission members need to declare any conflict of interest, or appearance of conflict of interest, that may exist for agenda items under consideration, as mandated by the State Ethics Act. Chairman Langdon declared a conflict of interest for Agenda Item 17 and will recuse himself.

1. **Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Langdon stated Item 18 has been removed from the agenda. Mr. Reynolds stated the Commission members concluded by consensus at the Work Session that Item 17 will be handled as listed on the agenda and voted individually or as a group. There is no change to Item 17. Commissioner Payne moved to approve the amended agenda and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Chairman Langdon asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

   2A. May 16, 2018 Business Session Meeting Minutes
   2B. May 15, 2018 Work Session Meeting Minutes
Commissioner Collier moved to approve the May 15 and May 16 minutes and Commissioner Kilpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

3. **Division Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Director Vernon Cox to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Director Cox presented the following:

- Dr. Sandy Stewart has been appointed as the new Assistant Commissioner
- Update of Division Personnel
- General Assembly passed the NC Farm Act in June 2018
  - Amend Right to Farm Law regarding nuisance suits, compensatory damages and punitive damages and Amends District Supervisor Training Requirements to 6-hours of training per term of service vs. 6-hours of training annually
  - Request to reconvene the Ad Hoc Workgroup and review the supervisor training requirements, revise the guidelines, and phase-in process
  - Inform the Pilot Counties of the training requirement changes and continue to offer regional supervisor training next year, as supervisors must be trained in the first year, along with district technical training
- Discussed public records requests and the proposed requirement that all district staff working on state cost share programs must fill out a Secondary Employment Certification Form
- Update of Lincoln County Easement
  - First hearing in Charlotte was on June 28 and second hearing will be scheduled in September
  - Letter was drafted by Chairman Langdon in support of the Lincoln issue
  - Chairman Langdon encouraged Commission members and supervisors to attend the hearing and show their support
- Finalizing the September Commission Meeting and to be held in Macon County on September 25 and 26

Chairman Langdon stated we must be more proactive and less reactive so as to not attract negative publicity. The integrity of our organization is paramount and everyone should be mindful of those situations.

4. **Association Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Commissioner Kilpatrick to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Commissioner Kilpatrick presented the following:

- Locations for the UNC-SOG trainings
  - Pitt County Ag Center in Greenville
  - Burke County Ag Center in Morganton
  - NC Rural Center at Wake County Commons Building in Raleigh

Mr. Bryan Evans discussed the following:

- NC Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofit organization which provides education and support for the Soil and Water Conservation Districts
  - The IRS allows a 501(c)3 organization a certain amount of advocacy based on a percentage of their annual budget
IRS allows nonprofits to file a form known as a 501(h) Election for Lobbying, which will assist Soil and Water Conservation districts to move forward in this effort.

Commissioner Kilpatrick discussed the following:
- State Farm Family selected the Baucom Family of Union County, as the state winner, and the Guthrie Family of Granville County, as the Piedmont winner
- Continue to discuss Strategic Planning and the next retreat
- Continue to collect applications for the Conservation Education License Plate
- Raising funds for the North American Envirothon; received approximately $70K
- 2019 Annual Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Imperial in Durham
- Mr. Evans added that a Strategic Planning Retreat was recently held in Chatham County with NRCS field and lead staff.
  - Completed a SWOT analysis to identify strengths and weaknesses and collectively discussed the partnerships strengths and weaknesses and collaborated on how to plan 10-15 years ahead
  - DSWC Strategic Planning Retreat is scheduled for July 24th.

5. NRCS Report: Mr. Stuart Lee, Acting Assistant State Conservationist presented the following:
- NRCS employment cap is at 137 with 3 new hires, 12 student interns including 3 student interns through a national agreement with NOLO Consulting.
- Jerry Raynor is leaving on July 23 for a promotion as the Indiana State Conservationist
- EQIP on track with 630 contracts; 58,000 acres enrolled
- Agreements in place to bring retirees back for cross training
- During the May Meeting, Mr. Jerry Raynor discussed a rescission of state funds related to WRP
  - $3.8M for financial assistance and $23,000 for technical assistance
  - All projects that were on hold, NRCS is moving forward
  - NRCS has now received all rescinded funds
- All current vacant positions should be filled by the end of the year
- Discussed the schedule for the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
  - MOU language context did not change, and the Washington office concurred with the revisions
  - the MOUs will launch in a week or two
  - Mr. Brad Moore from Alamance County expressed concern regarding districts signing an MOU with NRCS when the agency is struggling to fulfill its obligations to districts.
  - Mr. Lee provided his e-mail and telephone number to discuss and improve the partnership between NRCS and Alamance County and stated the MOU is to build consistency and protection for the Farm Bill

Chairman Langdon called a break at 10:04 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:13 a.m. and Chairman Langdon asked everyone to reintroduce themselves.

6. Consent Agenda: Chairman Langdon asked for a motion. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.
6A. Supervisor Appointments:
- Matthew L. Floyd, Chowan SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Curtis M. Byrum II, who passed away for 2014-2018
- Johnny H. Denton, Gaston SWCD, filled the unexpired elected term of Ricky Rhyne, who resigned for 2014-2018
- William Hart, New Hanover SWCD, filling the unexpired appointed term of William L. Murray, Jr., who resigned for 2014-2018
- Steve Skavroneck, New Hanover SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of William Hart, who resigned for 2014-2018

6B. Supervisor Contracts: Seven contracts; totaling $56,659

6C. Job Approval Authority: Mr. Ryan Faulk, Lee SWCD, for Sediment Removal Planning and Certification

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the consent agenda and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

7. Review Commission’s Requirements for Approval of Secondary Employment: Chairman Langdon recognized Deputy Director David Williams to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Deputy Director Williams stated since 2015, the Commission has been requiring each district employee whose salary is partially paid by cost share technical assistance funds to fill out a Secondary Employment Certification Form. The Division recommends expanding the scope to include all district employees who routinely perform work on any of the Commission’s cost share programs for FY2019 and beyond. The language change in the Scope of Work and Payment Provisions, under Item 2e, shall read as follows: “Have in place a secondary employment policy consistent with the Commission’s Guidelines on Secondary Employment and shall submit an annual Secondary Employment Form for each employee performing work on commission cost share program contracts. The initial Secondary Employment Form shall be submitted annually on or before October 15 of each year. The Grantee shall submit an updated form along with its quarterly Request for Payment of Technical Assistance if the secondary employment or other potential conflicts of interest of a subject employee arise after the initial submission.”

Commissioner Kilpatrick moved to approve the Commission’s Requirements for Approval of Secondary Employment and Commissioner Collier seconded. Motion carried.

Deputy Director Williams added that district operations staff will continue to offer topics of interest during board meetings and secondary employment and conflicts of interest will be discussed at board meetings.

8. Disaster Response Program: Chairman Langdon recognized Deputy Director David Williams to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.
8A. Program Update: The June Progress Report was prepared by Mr. David Hurley and Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth provided the cost share information. Stream debris removal has spent $4M, and the Division continues to receive applications. With regards to non-field farm road repairs, the Commission apportioned $2M of available funding, which is more than districts will need, and the Division recommends shifting the funds to stream debris removal. Based on the number of withdrawn of pond repair applications, there are also funds apportioned to disaster related pond repair that should be earmarked for stream debris removal activities.

8B. Proposed Reallocation of Funding: The recommendation is to redistribute a total of $2.3 million previously apportioned for pond and non-field farm road repairs to use for the purpose of stream debris removal. The Division recommends that districts eligible for these additional stream debris removal funds only if they have used 1/3 of the funds allocated to them already for this purpose. Future applicants that have not previously applied for stream debris removal funding would continue to be eligible. As of July 6, 21 of the 50 local sponsors have met the criteria. 19 local sponsors have not submitted reimbursement requests for any completed stream segments.

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the Proposed Reallocation of Funding and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

9. Agriculture Cost Share Program: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth to present. A copy of the allocation is included as an official part of the minutes.

9A. Detailed Implementation Plan: Ms. Hedgepeth stated that, other than the dates, the Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP) for FY2019 is unchanged from the previous year. The Technical Review Committee (TRC) is going to review all the BMPs between now and December and will bring back some changes in January which will affect next year’s DIP.

Commissioner Collier moved to approve the Detailed Implementation Plan and Commissioner Payne seconded. Motion carried.

9B. Average Cost List: Ms. Hedgepeth stated there is no change to the portable watering tank practice. Portable watering tanks can vary in size and the TRC voted to keep the reimbursement rate at the actual cost, based on receipts. The concrete tank and the pressurized hole watering tanks will be paid at the new average cost (see the attachment for the average cost list).

Commissioner Hogan moved to approve the Average Cost List and Commissioner Kilpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

9C. District Financial Assistance Allocation: Ms. Hedgepeth stated the allocations are for the regular Agriculture Cost Share Program (CS) funds and Impaired and Impacted Earmark (II) funds, which a district can apply for special funds to be allocated to a district on top of their regular cost share allocation. The proposal is the same as last year to transfer $500,000 of the regular Ag Cost Share (CS) into the Impaired and Impacted (II) category. The Division appropriated $4M with a rollover of $776,087 and the Just-in-Time allocations of $239,654 (5%
contingency) being added into the FY2018 contracts. For FY2019, the overall total CS and II allocations will be about $4.5M. CREP (CE) funds have been set aside totaling $170,000 to be allocated, when CREP contracts are available.

Commissioner Kilpatrick moved to approve the District Financial Assistance Allocation and Commissioner Willis seconded. Motion carried.

10. **Technical Assistance Allocation:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. The proposed allocation for FY2019 will support 102 positions and retains the maximum cap of $25,500 with no increase in salary and benefits per position from last fiscal year. Each Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) position will receive operating expenses of $1,320. Dare and New Hanover counties continue to be supported at 25% ACSP and 25% CCAP.

Commissioner Willis moved to approve the Technical Assistance Allocation and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

11. **Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

11A. **Detailed Implementation Plan:** Ms. Henshaw stated the AgWRAP Review Committee met in June. In FY2019, there is a decrease in funding from last year; in FY2018 there was a one-time, non-recurring $250,000 increase to the program. The recurring appropriations are just under $1M with 90 districts requesting allocations. Staff is proposing 65% of available funds be allocated to districts for BMP funding and 35% be available for districts to apply for BMP funds through the competitive regional application process for selected practices.

Commissioner Collier moved to approve the Detailed Implementation Plan and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

11B. **Average Cost List:** There are no recommended changes from last fiscal year.

Commissioner Hogan moved to approve the Average Cost List and Commissioner Willis seconded. Motion carried.

11C. **District Financial Assistance Allocation:** The program received $7.2M in requests and proposes to allocate approximately $775,000 to districts in FY2019. All districts that requested an allocation will receive an allocation based on the parameters specified in the Detailed Implementation Plan. Due to the limited funding available, a minimum allocation of $7,500 per district was included in the allocation, unless the district request was less than that amount. In FY2019, the Division is requesting to continue the voluntary recall process where districts can return any funds not encumbered by February 1, 2019 and allow the Division to reallocate those funds to districts with projects that are ready to move forward.

Commissioner Collier moved to approve the District Financial Assistance Allocation and Commissioner Payne seconded. Motion carried.
12. **Community Conservation Assistance Program:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Tom Hill. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

12A. **Detailed Implementation Plan:** The DIP is for FY2019.

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the Detailed Implementation Plan and Commissioner Hogan seconded. Motion carried.

12B. **Average Cost List:** There are three changes due to engineering costs to the list for FY2019. The CCAP Advisory Committee discussed the engineering costs for cisterns, diversions and grassed swales. In FY2018 these costs were capped at $5,000 and the recommendation is to reduce the cap for these engineering components to $3,000.

Commissioner Hogan moved to approve the Average Cost List and Commissioner Willis seconded. Motion carried.

13. **Cost Share Programs Spot Check Report:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Ken Parks. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. The report is for FY2018.

- In 2018, 226 supervisors participated in spot checks vs. 237 supervisors in 2017
- **Agriculture Cost Share Program (ACSP):**
  - 98.5% in compliance, 1.5% out of compliance, 3.5% needed maintenance
- **Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP):**
  - 100% in compliance, 0% out of compliance, 13.4% needed maintenance
- **Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP):**
  - 99.4% in compliance, 0.6% out of compliance (one pond), 4.1% needed maintenance

Overall, the districts are successfully working with the cooperators to be in compliance with the program requirements.

14. **Final Readoption for Rule 02 NCAC 59D Commission Cost Share Program Rules:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. This is a request for final adoption of Rule 59D. Rule 59D will consolidate the existing rules into one location. The proposed rules start with a purpose statement, the definitions, and Items 3, 4, and 5 are the new allocation rules. The remainder of the rules are consistent with the current structure. As a reminder, the proposed changes to the Technical Assistance Rule will not be effective until next fiscal year. The CCAP Rule is repealed and has been incorporated into Rule 59D.
Commissioner Kilpatrick moved to approve the final re-adoption of Rule 02 NCAC 59D and Commissioner Willis seconded. Motion carried.

15. Technical Specialist Update: Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Jeff Young. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

15A. Training Update: Effective November 2017, technical specialists are required to receive 6 hours of continuing education and training over a 3-year period. In March 2018, a Training Workgroup was established and a timeline created for executing the registration process. The timeline is on schedule and the next step is for each person to register on the Listserv to track their hours. In August, October, and December designees will be contacted to register and the Division will identify all technical specialists that want to remain a designee. At the September Commission Meeting, the policies and guidelines on training, hardship considerations and carryover hours will be presented.

15B. Engineering Workload Report: The report highlighted a new software called Teamwork, which replaces the old project tracking software called Virtual Boss. Teamwork compiles the engineering workload for technical assistance. As of March 1, 2018, Technical Services has completely transferred all assistance requests to Teamwork. The software requires the engineering staff using it to be identified as administrators, while unlimited collaborators are allowed to access the web site to see their projects and their project’s status. There are over 370+ projects in the database, including disaster recovery. A breakdown was highlighted by project type (not including disaster recovery), as well as by areas, years, and BMP. The highest-demand projects by BMP are for new ponds, pond repairs and stream work that consumes 50% of engineering time, along with wells. Presently, there are 175 people that have access to Teamwork.

16. District Issues: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes. Chairman Langdon stated only one action is required, with the exception of Hoke county. Mr. Reynolds stated there were several requests for a one-time waiver of the policy with regards to the appearance requirement of technical staff and district supervisors for extension requests. The Commission decided by consensus, in the Work Session, it would grant a one-time waiver of the appearance requirement for the Business Session for these contract extension requests.

16A. Contract Extension Request with Policy Exception: Ms. Hedgepeth presented the contracts that meet the policy exception criteria approved at the May 16, 2018 Commission Meeting. In accordance with the policy exception approved in May, where there are identified design delays or other extenuating circumstances, the district supervisor and staff are not required to appear before the Commission to request a contract extension. The districts have
submitted letters, and the Division staff reviewed the contracts and recommend extending these contracts without an appearance.

16B. Contract Extension Requests: Ms. Hedgepeth stated these districts provided contract extension requests and letters with the intent to appear and are asking for a one-year extension. Commissioner Willis moved to grant the extension request as presented, with the exception of Hoke County.

Commissioner Collier initiated a discussion to amend the motion to have a supervisor from Hoke County appear at the September meeting either in person or by teleconference. Commissioner Collier added the landowner should also be invited to appear before the Commission. Mr. Reynolds stated the Commission might consider Commissioner Willis’ original motion to grant the extension request as presented, with the exception of Hoke County. The Commission can discuss Hoke County in a separate action about their appearance at the September meeting.

Chairman Langdon agreed and stated there is a motion by Commissioner Willis to grant the extension request as presented with the exception of Hoke County and Commissioner Collier seconded. Motion carried.

The Commission discussed the need for Hoke County to have a district supervisor, district staff and the landowner available for comment at the September meeting. Commissioner Hogan stated there are many policies that appear not to have been exercised and the landowner may need advice and the district staff can be of assistance.

Commissioner Collier moved that the Commission request a Hoke County district supervisor, district staff, and the landowner be available for comment, in person or by teleconference, at the September meeting and Commissioner Payne seconded. Motion carried.

17. Commission Member Contracts: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth. A copy of the report is included as an official part of the minutes.

Chairman Langdon recused himself from Item 17. Vice Chairman Collier presided over Item 17. Ms. Hedgepeth stated this is a supplemental contract for a non-field farm road repair which is part of the disaster funds.

Commissioner Payne moved to approve the contract for Chairman Langdon and Commissioner Willis seconded. Motion carried.

18. Correspondence Regarding Rutherford County Watershed Project: REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

Chairman Langdon stated with regards to Item 16, District Issues, the Commission has these policies for a reason. For every policy created, sometimes there is a need to exercise some common sense. However, Chairman Langdon made it clear, the Commission has been firm with regards to these NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes, July 18, 2018
extensions and will continue to do so in the future. This is not a free pass, and the tax dollars need to be utilized to put BMPs on the ground. This policy exception dates to complications from Hurricane Matthew and the Commission takes this into consideration regarding the action on these blanket extensions.

Public Comments: Commissioner Willis stated a family member attended the Resource Conservation Workshop (RCW) in Raleigh, and she was energized by it, enjoyed it, and took a different perspective because of it. Commissioner Willis thanked those involved in the workshop and encouraged them to keep up the good work.

Chairman Langdon asked all area coordinators to stand and thanked them for all that they do. Their job is important and often goes unseen.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Vernon N. Cox, Director
Division of Soil & Water Conservation, Raleigh, N.C.

Helen Wiklund, Recording Secretary
These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Soil & Water Conservation Commission on November 14, 2018.
Chairman John Langdon called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Chairman Langdon inquired whether any Commission members need to declare any conflict of interest, or appearance of conflict of interest, that may exist for agenda items under consideration, as mandated by the State Ethics Act.

Commissioner Willis declared that he had a conflict of interest for Agenda Item 6B, which is part of the Consent Agenda, and will recuse himself. Mr. Reynolds stated Commissioner Willis can vote on the Consent Agenda, since the contracts are grouped together and Commissioner Willis will not receive funds from the contract. Chairman Langdon welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Halifax County Soil and Water Conservation District for their hospitality, along with Division Director Vernon Cox and his staff, Mr. Bryan Evans, and especially Mr. Will Mann for his work.

1. **Approval of Agenda**: Chairman Langdon asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Payne moved to approve the agenda and Commissioner Potter seconded. Motion carried.

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**: Chairman Langdon asked for a motion of the corrected minutes.

   **2A. March 27, 2018 Work Session Meeting Minutes**
   **2B. March 28, 2018 Business Meeting Minutes**
Commissioner Collier moved to approve the March 27, 2018 minutes and the corrected March 28, 2018 minutes and Commissioner Kilpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

3. Division Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Director Vernon Cox to present. Director Cox provided an update of the following:

- Personnel: Four new hires; new AgWRAP Coordinator starting May 29; Division is fully staffed
- Status of the PILOT Supervisor Training Program Update
  - Eight PILOT districts: 40 district supervisors participating; only 6 supervisors have not recorded any credits with two supervisors having hardship concerns or not planning to run for election again
  - Teleconference scheduled with the 8 PILOT counties in June to discuss training issues
- Nutrient Trading Strategy Update with regards to the Falls Lake and Jordan Lake Watersheds
  - Municipalities are approaching agricultural landowners to fund practices that would allow municipalities to generate credits towards nitrogen or phosphorus delivery reductions
    - On-going monitoring and discussions with the Division of Water Resources and the Farm Bureau; municipalities are very interested in this opportunity
    - Agricultural mandate should be removed so that agriculture can cooperate with municipalities to implement BMPs and improve water quality
  - General Assembly convenes today with the Division requesting two engineers and one engineer technician; Commissioner Troxler supports this request

Chairman Langdon stated a strategy plan must be in place with hurricane season less than a month away. Director Cox stated the challenge is responding in a timely manner and the rules are always changing. Chairman Langdon stated a former Commission member informed him that he dropped by the Soil and Water office unexpectedly and observed that everyone was happy and smiling and doing their work. Commissioner Collier applauded the efforts of Director Cox, Deputy Director Williams and the new technical employee in Cumberland County for working on their disaster relief payments. The district received good feedback. Commissioner Kilpatrick congratulated the Division on the great job of cleaning out the creek in Craven County.

3B. Soil Health Initiative: Area IV Soil Health Report presented by Mr. Will Mann.

- Growing interest in Area IV with soil health practices and non-traditional crops
- Important to look at specific practices to improve soil health in a short time; tests have been completed and been in touch with ARS, USDA and private entities
- Visited some no-till tobacco farms in Virginia and looked at their practices which can be duplicated in North Carolina
- Soil erosion control is one main objective along with the lack of soil organic matter, soil compaction, weeds, and low fertility in Halifax County
- Halifax County is concerned about the biggest problem on a farm
  - Cover crops will not work for every farmer; rotation is important to the farms
Soil health is not just cover crops or no till; it is a holistic approach
The various types and the most economical types of cover crops must be planted

- Thanked Ms. Michelle Lovejoy for the good work that has been done on the Soil Health Initiative by linking the district together with areas across the state, and hopefully, will present a video to the Commission and to Commissioner Troxler
- Discussed controlling weeds, the different species, and the use of sunn hemp
- North Carolina has the climate to grow anything
- Amount of organic production in Area IV is massive
- Soil temperature needs to be at 70F for 100% moisture for crops to grow

4. Association Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Commissioner Kilpatrick to present.

- Ms. Michelle Lovejoy gave a strategic report at the Work Session and will be holding retreats
- Conservation license plate is available
- UNC School of Government is working to get locations set for regional trainings in 2019
- North American Envirothon has raised $70K; fundraising continues
- Farm family event is in progress

5. NRCS Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Jerry Raynor filling in for Mr. Tim Beard.

- DUNS and SAM registration are no longer required; national level decision
- DUNS and SAM registration are still required for entities participating in easement programs but not for landowners/farmers participating in EQIP
- Congressional rescission was handed down on all prior year funding allocated to NRCS, a few hundred million dollars is no longer available in the budget including prior year contracts, operational costs and agreements with partners; 45-day hold on all funding
- NRCS has less than 120 employees in North Carolina
- NRCS will hire 1,100 in field positions; North Carolina has been allocated 3 positions

Chairman Langdon stated a concern that the staff are well educated but inexperienced. They need training and experience to get the programs and money spent through our districts. Mr. Raynor stated certain staff will be able to be trained but some will not have the same level of field experience. NRCS is looking to the partnership to assist with training, since NRCS will not have the manpower. This is a national problem. On the topic of Job Approval Authority (JAA), Mr. Raynor stated you should not lose your Job Approval Authority (JAA) while waiting for the opportunity to demonstrate on-going competency to install a certain practice.

Chairman Langdon asked the staff if they have any questions for Mr. Raynor. A discussion began with Mr. Brad Moore from Alamance SWCD, who stated he has documentation that goes against what Mr. Raynor just stated about losing your Job Approval Authority (JAA). Mr. Moore encourages the leaders in the community, legislators, the Commission and the soil and water boards to look at making their own standard, which is equivalent to NRCS standards and work together to continue in a partnership. Mr. Raynor asked for Mr. Moore to provide the documentation on Job Approval Authority. Mr. Bryan Evans, Executive Director of the NC Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts, added the national standard states after 3 years if an employee did not demonstrate working on the same practice, their Job Approval
Authority could be pulled (not automatically pulled). Mr. Moore added the districts would like to see a program where the Commission has control over granting JAA. The state of Virginia has control over their state funded program and for JAA for their technicians. Mr. Rodney Wright from Rockingham SWCD stated years ago while working in Stokes, he received Job Approval Authority (JAA) for commonly installed practices. When NRCS stated they had lost the JAA information from the NRCS database on Mr. Rodney Wright and Mr. Jason Byrd from Rockingham SWCD, everything changed. Director Cox stated the staff must excel and it starts with training and this issue must be fixed. Commissioner Kilpatrick stated this is not a locally-led organization, but rather being led from Washington.

Chairman Langdon stated during the Work Session, the Commission unanimously agreed that Mr. Phillip Reynolds will write a letter of support to Lincoln County with regards to the easement issue. Chairman Langdon spoke to Commissioner Willis, who was not in attendance at the Work Session, and Commissioner Willis shared his support of the letter. A copy of the letter will be sent to Mr. Tim Beard.

Chairman Langdon called an 8-minute break at 11:01 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

6. **Consent Agenda:** Chairman Langdon asked for a motion.

   6A. **Supervisor Appointments:**
   - Lora Eddy, Dare SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Larry Bray for 2014-2018 with an attached resignation letter from Mr. Bray
   - Tim J. Loflin, Davidson SWCD, filling the unexpired appointed term of Jerry H. Hilton for 2016-2020 with an attached resignation letter from Mr. Hilton
   - Alton Ray Skinner, Edgecombe SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Rodger Grimes for 2014-2018 with an attached resignation letter from Mr. Grimes

   6B. **Supervisor Contracts:** Seven contracts totaling $21,639

   6C. **Technical Specialist Designation:** Mr. Jeff Belflower, USDA, NRCS Civil Engineer

   Commissioner Payne moved to approve the consent agenda and Commissioner Collier seconded. Motion carried.

7. **Cost Share Program Rules:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw. Ms. Henshaw summarized the revisions proposed in the revised draft rules, recognized several Cost Share Committee members, and reviewed the timeline.

   - All the Cost Share Program rules are now located in 02 NCAC 59D
   - Rule 02 NCAC 59H Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP) is being repealed and incorporated into Rule 02 NCAC 59D
   - Each program (ACSP, CCAP, AgWRAP) has separate allocation guidelines and procedures and they can be administered independently
• Technical Assistance rule changes were summarized with regards to performance, payment allocations and obtaining Job Approval Authority (JAA) for a minimum of two best management practices (BMPs)

Commissioner Potter stated there is a lot emphasis on Job Approval Authority (JAA) in the rules and there are issues with those requirements. There are some areas of the state that cannot obtain Job Approval Authority (JAA) in a timely manner due to inadequate training opportunities.

8. Request for Exception to Criteria for Extension of Previous Program Year Contracts Policy:
Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw. Ms. Henshaw stated referenced the Criteria for Extension of Previous Program Year Contracts policy. The Commission has recognized that some contracts should be extended for one year, but if a Request for Payment (RFP) is not received by the next Commission meeting on July 18, 2018, a supervisor must appear before the Commission and request an extension. The staff is requesting an exception to the policy for the supervisor to appear in person for two groups of contracts.

- AgWRAP contracts for new ponds and pond repair/retrofits projects
- Select Cost Share Program contracts based on the recommendation of the Technical Services Section staff due to delays from staff shortages and increased workload.

Ms. Henshaw stated if the exception is approved, a letter requesting an extension will be submitted to the Commission for the contracts from 2016 for the Commission’s approval, but a supervisor would not be required to attend and make the requests for these specific contracts.

Chairman Langdon asked for a motion. Commissioner Collier moved to approve the request for exception and Commissioner Potter seconded. Motion carried.

9. CREP Workgroup Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Eric Galamb. Mr. Galamb thanked Mr. Smith and the staff for the farm visit and tour of Mr. Smith’s CREP easement. Mr. Galamb provided an overview of the CREP Program.

- Program began in 1999, focusing on the Tar-Pamlico, Neuse, and Chowan river basins and the Jordan Lake watershed
- In 2008, participation eligibility was expanded into the Yadkin-Pee Dee river basin and the southeastern part of the state
- Program is voluntary with two different types of easements: 30-year easement and permanent easements
- Most of the current easements are in the Coastal Plain
- The overall program is below the allowed 1:1 ratio for existing forested buffer to new buffer acreage. A CREP workgroup was formed to make recommendations with regards to new acreage to existing buffer for CREP enrollments. Three options were presented and the workgroup recommends approving Option 3, i.e., no more than 10 acres of existing buffer can be enrolled for every acre of existing buffer enrolled into the program with a 10% error (flexibility) for survey results.
Chairman Langdon asked Mr. Will Mann for his opinion. Mr. Mann stated preserving the revenue and water quality aspects of the land, and the existing buffer would be best. CREP is a successful program. The 1:10 ratio would give some economic viability and generate interest.

Chairman Langdon asked for a motion. Commissioner Willis moved to adopt Option 3 and change the word error to flexibility. Commissioner Payne seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comments:** Chairman Langdon stated the Commission and its members hold an elevated level of leadership. Chairman Langdon added he does not and the Commission does not intentionally want to have an image of being unapproachable. The district staff and supervisors are welcome to openly discuss issues. It is better to hear it from the grassroots; the Commission encourages the districts to come forward. The Commission is here to help a district employee/district supervisor.

Commissioner Willis stated as we work together with our partners in conservation, we are working towards getting new employees trained in Job Approval Authority (JAA)/IDPs. It is a slow process and probably 5+ years behind and this needs to be a priority. With technology and new conservation ways to assist our landowners, need to keep up with the new technologies and ideas, and build solid employees. Commissioner Willis appreciated Mr. Raynor coming and having an open discussion and working together to move our programs forward.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Vernon N. Cox, Director
Division of Soil & Water Conservation, Raleigh, N.C.

Helen Wiklund, Recording Secretary

*These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Soil & Water Conservation Commission on July 18, 2018.*
Chairman John Langdon called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. Chairman Langdon inquired whether any Commission members need to declare any conflict of interest, or appearance of conflict of interest, that may exist for agenda items under consideration, as mandated by the State Ethics Act. None were declared. Chairman Langdon stated Commissioner Hogan is absent from the Work Session and will be absent from the Business Meeting tomorrow, and Commissioner Willis is absent from the Work Session but will attend the Business Meeting tomorrow. Chairman Langdon welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **Approval of Agenda:** Chairman Langdon asked for comments on the agenda. None were declared.

2. **Soil Health Initiatives:**

   2A. **Area IV Soil Health Report:** Mr. Will Mann will present at the Business Meeting tomorrow and the agenda will be amended to reflect the change.

   2B. **The Foundation’s Soil Health Initiative:** Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Michelle Lovejoy to present.
• The Foundation started working on the Soil Health Initiative in 2013
  o Halifax County is an early participant
• In 2013, Cotton Incorporated began a discussion with NRCS at the National Technology
  Support Center in Greensboro about compaction issues in crop fields and resources
  needed to be put in place to alleviate those issues
• NRCS technical staff wants to learn about multi-species cover crops being used in
  Southeastern Farming Systems, which is where the Foundation started with the Soil
  Health Initiative
• Requirements of each participating district and producer was highlighted
• A map highlighted the distribution across the state by county of case studies
• Highlighted the funds expended to date, the locally-lead project partners and next steps
  for the project.
• Other related education activities include the Mobile Soils Classrooms and Soils Pop-Up
  Stations
• Cotton Producers and Soybean Producers Associations have expressed interest in
  promoting the use of heavy rye cover crops to promote soil health.
• Demonstration projects are being planned in the coastal plain and piedmont regions.
  The Foundation has also made a request to two corporate partners to consider
  providing funding for one roller/crimper as part of the project.

The Foundation is pleased to share the results from the demonstration projects and is eager to
provide information to the Commission as it considers whether to incorporate additional soil
health practices into the Cost Share Program.

Chairman Langdon expressed his appreciation to the Foundation for sharing information from
its demonstration projects.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Chairman Langdon asked for comments on the minutes.
Commissioner Collier stated there are a few minor changes with the March 28, 2018 Business
Meeting Minutes. On page 5 in Item 6, remove the “s” before the word “One,” on page 8 in Item
13A, remove the word “payments” before the words “on two ponds,” and on page 9 in Item 13B,
add a “d” to the word “state” to read, “Deputy Director Williams stated the cap approved in
January 2017 on pond repair contracts that the Division could approve was $50,000.”

3A. March 27, 2018 Work Session Meeting Minutes
3B. March 28, 2018 Business Meeting Minutes

4. Division Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Director Vernon Cox to present. Director Cox
stated the report will be presented at the Business Meeting tomorrow.

5. Association Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Commissioner Kilpatrick to present.
Commissioner Kilpatrick stated the report will be presented at the Business Meeting tomorrow.

6. NRCS Report: Chairman Langdon asked if Mr. Tim Beard, State Conservationist, will be present
at the Business Meeting tomorrow. Director Cox stated Mr. Beard will not be in attendance but
that an NRCS representative will present.
Chairman Langdon asked Director Cox to discuss the easement issue in Lincoln County as it relates to Supervisor Tommy Houser, NRCS, the issue regarding any potential conflicts of interest. Director Cox asked Mr. Rick McSwain to speak on the issue, since he was working in Lincoln County at that time the issue arose. Chairman Langdon stated he has not spoken to any Commission member about the easement issue and will ask for unanimous consent to write a letter of support to the Lincoln District and copy Mr. Tim Beard with NRCS. Mr. McSwain stated when the Lincoln District applied for an easement for Mr. Houser, who was and still is Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Houser did not participate in any decision when the Board voted on the easement. At that time, Mr. McSwain stated he was part of the staff working on the issue, when the Board applied for the easement. During the process, Lincoln District received a farmland preservation grant from the NC Department of Agriculture and then applied for funds through NRCS, but NRCS denied the District’s application for funding. NRCS provided a list of reasons why the easement was denied and one reason was conflict of interest. NRCS assisted the District on how to reapply in 2017, and the Board was turned down again due to objections by NRCS regarding conflict of interest. NRCS stated a Board cannot hold an easement for a Board member. Lincoln District could not find anything in NRCS’ policy stating this reason. The Board decided they had been misled and their only option was to appeal the decision of NRCS by going to court. One week ago, the judge called a hearing via teleconference, and decided that the case should go to trial. The trial date in federal court is expected to be sometime in June in Charlotte. Chairman Langdon stated the judge did not think NRCS had enough facts to make the decision. Commissioner Payne stated while attending an NACD Meeting, North Carolina presented a resolution that was passed unanimously in support of the Lincoln District. Chairman Langdon stated it would be appropriate and is in favor of Mr. Phillip Reynolds, Commission Counsel, writing a letter of support to Lincoln District to use at the hearing. Each Commissioner agreed the letter should be written. Mr. McSwain has been asked to appear as a witness at the trial as well as Mr. Bill Yarborough, Agricultural Programs Administrator for the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and representatives from Washington, DC, and NRCS.

7. **Consent Agenda:** Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Eric Pare, Ms. Lisa Fine for Ms. Kelly Hedgepeth, and Mr. Jeff Young to present.

7A. **Supervisor Appointments:** Mr. Pare presented three recommendations.

- Lora Eddy, Dare SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Larry Bray resigning from his elected term for 2014-2018; resignation letter is included
- Tim J. Loflin, Davidson SWCD, filling the unexpired appointed term of Jerry H. Hilton resigning from his elected term for 2016-2020; resignation letter is included
- Alton Ray Skinner, Edgecombe SWCD, filling the unexpired elected term of Rodger Grimes resigning from his elected term for 2014-2018; resignation letter is included

7B. **Supervisor Contracts:** Ms. Fine stated there are seven contracts which include Caldwell and Hertford contracts. Caldwell’s contract is pending design, which is due to expire in June and needs the Commission’s approval before the July Commission Meeting.

7C. **Technical Specialist Designation:** Mr. Young stated Mr. Jeff Belflower is seeking technical specialist designation, and the Division recommends his designation.
8. **Cost Share Program Rules**: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. Ms. Henshaw provided a recap of the Cost Share Program Rules and highlighted the changes.

- Cost Share Committee has held meeting on the rules in all eight areas of the state to receive comments throughout the rule making process.
- The process started in May 2013 and there have been two rounds of public meetings to receive feedback on the rules
  - The most recent public comment period was from November 2017 - January 15, 2018; received only two comments for grammatical changes
- Cost Share Rules Committee will ask for action at the July Commission Meeting
- Districts will be notified in writing of any increases or decreases in technical assistance allocations once the rules are adopted for the upcoming fiscal year.
- All Cost Share Program Rules are being incorporated into Rule 02 NCAC 59D and Rule 02 NCAC 59H will be repealed
- Highlighted Cost Share Program changes with regards to technical assistance spending, funding spent on BMPs, and JAA requirements

Chairman Langdon stated at the Business Meeting tomorrow, Commissioner Willis may propose opening a discussion on the lack of Job Approval Authority (JAA). Ms. Henshaw discussed the way the Cost Share Program Rule is drafted as it pertains to district employees and Job Approval Authority (JAA). Director Cox stated NRCS is understaffed and facing challenges. Some district staff do not have a close working relationship with NRCS to receive necessary training to receive Job Approval Authority (JAA). The Division has submitted a proposal to Mr. Tim Beard to support a training initiative in which the Division will work with the Association to provide training across the state to technical staff. Mr. Beard is supportive of the proposal, and NRCS is waiting for their budget allocation. Commissioner Potter stated the lack of cooperation through areas of the state will impact districts and that the rules must be carefully written to take this into consideration. Ms. Henshaw noted that the rule does provide flexibility in this area. Districts may obtain JAA from the Commission or NRCS and Rule 02 NCAC 59D.0108(f)(2) states that “The District Board of Supervisors may request a one-year extension for their employees in meeting the Job Approval Authority requirement for extenuating circumstances.”

9. **Request for Exception to Criteria for Extension of Previous Program Year Contracts Policy**: Chairman Langdon recognized Ms. Julie Henshaw to present. Ms. Henshaw stated on June 30 of each program year all outstanding third-year contracts automatically expire and all funds encumbered to those contracts are returned to state accounts. This year these contracts are from Program Year 2016 and earlier, and some of these contracts should be extended an additional year. The current Commission policy is that if the request for payment is not received by the day before the July Commission meeting, a district supervisor must appear before the Commission to request an extension. The Division, with concurrence of the AgWRAP Review Committee for AgWRAP contracts, is requesting that the Commission waive the requirement that a supervisor attend the July Commission Meeting to request an extension for the following contracts:

- 2016 AgWRAP contracts for new ponds and pond repair/retrofits; supervisors do not need to appear in person to make the extension but submit a letter
• Projects identified by Technical Services engineers for projects where designs were not delivered in time to meet vegetative planting windows due to staff vacancies and increased workload.

10. CREP Workgroup Report: Chairman Langdon recognized Mr. Eric Galamb to present. Mr. Galamb stated his appreciation to Mr. David Smith for allowing us to tour his CREP project. CREP has 8,690 acres in permanent easements but currently only has 872 acres in existing buffer (forested area). The Program allows upgrades at a 1:1 ratio for the buffers (1 acre of existing buffer:1 acre of new land enrolled). There is a large discrepancy in the 1:1 ratio with approximately 800 acres of existing buffer vs. 8,000 acres of new enrollment acres, which equates to a 1:10 ratio. A CREP Workgroup was created and Commissioner Kilpatrick is the Chairman with all the regions represented to discuss the 1:1 policy. An agreement with the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) stated the Program ratio would be 1:1. The addition of existing buffers to the Program was meant to encourage landowners to upgrade from a 10 or 15-year contract to a permanent easement or from a 30-year contract to a permanent easement. The Program started to receive new applications for buffers greater than the 1:1 ratio of existing buffers. The CREP Workgroup recommends adopting Option 3 of the following three options:

• Option 1: Continue with the unlimited existing buffer until the Program achieves a 1:1 ratio
• Option 2: Implement a 1:1 ratio going forward
• Option 3: Use a 1:10 ratio with a 10% allowance so that the surveyors do not need to make another trip to adjust the easement area.

Public Comments: Chairman Langdon discussed an article entitled, “USDA staff chief heads home, White House adviser joins team.” Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue’s chief of staff, Ms. Heidi Green, is moving back to Georgia, and Mr. Ray Starling will be the new USDA Chief of Staff. Chairman Langdon met with Mr. Starling in his office with the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association (NCBA) to push for funding for NRCS and the CREP Programs and discussed the weaknesses within NRCS.

Chairman Langdon thanked Director Cox for putting the tours together with Mr. Mann and for his efforts and relationships with the landowners.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Vernon N. Cox, Director
Division of Soil & Water Conservation, Raleigh, N.C.

Helen Wiklund, Recording Secretary

These minutes were approved by the North Carolina Soil & Water Conservation Commission on July 18, 2018.
Asst. Commissioner Appointment

- Dr. Sandy Stewart
- Previous NCDA&CS Research Stations Director
- Resides on family farm in Carthage
- Sends regrets – attending conference in NY

NCDA&CS Division of Soil and Water Conservation
Vernon Cox, Director
July 18, 2018

Personnel

- **New Hires:**
  - Envir. Specialist (AgWRAP Coordinator) – Josh Vetter

- **Vacancies:**
  - Engineer II – Repost (Disaster Response Time-Limited)

- **New Engineering Positions (3):**
  - 2 Engineers + 1 Engineer Tech
  - Must be created by OSHR
  - Post in August???
  - Only new positions in Department

NCDA&CS Division of Soil and Water Conservation
Vernon Cox, Director
July 18, 2018
NC Farm Act

- Amend Right to Farm Law
  - Nuisance Suits limited to ½ mile and within 1 year of change in operation
  - Compensatory Damages limited to loss in property value
  - No punitive damages unless civil or criminal enforcement action within previous 3 years related to nuisance.

NC Farm Act

- Amends District Supervisor Training Requirements:
  - All district supervisors, whether elected or appointed, shall complete a minimum of six clock hours of training annually, per term of service.
  - Request SWCC permission to authorize the Supervisor Training Work Group to revise training guidelines to comply with new requirements.
  - Bring recommendations to the SWCC in September.
District Public Record Requests

• Numerous requests due to nuisance lawsuits against swine farms.
• Updated District Guidance
• Referred Districts to Dept. General Counsel
• Meeting with Districts/General Counsel’s Office/NRCS on July 10th.

District Secondary Employment Policy

• Duplin Investigation
• Current Policy
• Proposed change to Technical Assistance Rule effective July 1, 2019
• Consider Revisions to Existing Policy
  • (Agenda Item 7)
District Easement Update

- Initial Hearing held on June 28
- Continued in September
- Attached letter sent on behalf of the SWCC

September SWCC Meeting

- Location: TBD
- Work Session: September 18th
- Meeting: September 19th
June 6, 2018

Lincoln SWCD
115 W. Main Street
Lincolnton, NC 28092

Dear Lincoln District,

At the most recent meeting of the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission, held on May 16, 2018, the Commission unanimously agreed to support the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District in its ongoing dispute with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service regarding whether a Soil and Water Conservation District should be allowed to hold a conservation easement for property owned by one of its board members.

The legislation that enables the establishment of Soil and Water Conservation Districts in North Carolina states that “The farm, forest and grazing lands of the State of North Carolina are among the basic assets of the State and the preservation of these lands is necessary to protect and promote the health, safety, and general welfare of its people”. N.C.G.S. § 139-2(a)(1). One of the best ways to protect farm, forest and grazing lands is to establish a conservation easement that will prevent future development and preserve long term agricultural uses.

For more than eighty years, local soil and water conservation districts have been working in partnership with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service/Soil Conservation Service to protect and preserve agricultural lands for current and future generations. During this time, soil and water districts have repeatedly proven the value of locally led conservation. District supervisors are expected to be leaders in conservation and they often participate in both federal and state funded conservation programs. Not only does this benefit the supervisor, but it also encourages other landowners to consider the benefits of participating in these conservation efforts.

Given the inherent nature and purpose of local districts and the conservation programs administered by them, it is not uncommon for actual or potential conflicts of interests to arise where a supervisor participates in a conservation program for which the supervisor is otherwise eligible. However, as public servants, district supervisors are required by State law (N.C.G.S. § 163A-216) to ensure that any actual or potential conflicts of interests are disclosed and that the supervisor does not participate in or otherwise influence the consideration of the action giving rise to the actual or potential conflict of interest. It is our understanding that the District has implemented the necessary procedures to avoid conflicts of interests and that all appropriate steps were taken by the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District Board in this instance.
The NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission applauds the efforts of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District to protect and preserve our state’s valuable agricultural assets. Please let us know if we can be of assistance in your ongoing efforts to allow the District and its supervisors to continue to be leaders in conservation in Lincoln County.

Sincerely,

John M. Langdon
Chairman

cc: Tim Beard, NRCS
State Conservationist
UNC School of Government Training

We have established dates and 2 of the locations for Regional School of Government trainings. Dates and locations are February 12 (Pitt County Ag Center-Greenville), February 19 (Burke County Ag Center-Morganton) and February 26 (Piedmont-TBD). Richard Whisnant has assisted with this new concept and will continue to deliver the training.

Association to File 501(h) Election

The Association Executive Committee voted to file a 501 (h) election with the IRS. This election allows clearer path for greater involvement in advocacy by the Association in promoting Soil and Water Conservation Districts and conservation programs through the legislative process.

NC Forever

The Association joined NC Forever at the beginning of this year. As part of this organization, we have more partners in promoting conservation. NC Forever commissioned a study by a private outside group, RTI, to look at the various programs that addressed conservation needs. Soil and Water Cost Share Programs were a part of this study and results support that more funding is needed in our programs to address landowner’s resource issues.

2018 State Farm Family

The Conservation Farm Family judging is complete and we are happy to announce that the Scott Baucom family of Union County are the state winners for this year. Congratulations as well to the Randy Gurthrie family of Granville County as the Piedmont winner.

Strategic Planning/Long Range Visioning

The process has been advantageous already. Rounds of Listening Sessions along with some of the Partnership Retreats have provided some great feedback for moving conservation forward. We recently held a retreat with NRCS field and lead staff as part of this process. We will have another in the coming months with the Division. Our goal is to complete the process and develop the comprehensive plan by early 2019.
Conservation Education License Plate

The Association is still collecting applications for a new specialty license plate for North Carolina. We did not make or goal of 500 by this month, but will continue this effort. Additional information on the plate can be found at: [www.ncaswcd.org/index.php/conservation-education/specialty-conservation-license-plate/](http://www.ncaswcd.org/index.php/conservation-education/specialty-conservation-license-plate/)

2019 North American Envirothon

Fund raising efforts are continuing. We have received close to $70k, primarily through the contributions of Districts in NC. Other outside entities have expressed an interest in assisting and we are working with those now.

2019 Annual Meeting

The 2019 Annual meeting will be held January 6-8 at the Sheraton Imperial in Durham. This has always been a good venue for our Association and the hotel works great with us. It is the 75th Annual Meeting of our Association and we are proud of our heritage and accomplishments. Planning for 2020 is underway at this time.
State News

Locally Led Conservation Efforts Are Underway

The need for local leadership in natural resources management was one of the most important factors leading to the establishment of conservation districts. Following the creation of the federal Soil Conservation Service, conservation districts were created as a local focal point for coordinating and delivering technical assistance and funding to private landowners. Over the years, federal, state and local governments have channeled assistance through conservation districts to address virtually every aspect of natural resource conservation.

Districts have focused on setting priorities and carrying out programs based on local conditions and needs. With the 1996 Farm Bill, and all subsequent Farm Bills, Congress emphasized the need for a close working relationship among conservation districts, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and other government agencies to identify and address localized priorities presented by landowners.

To facilitate this, conservation districts are asked to bring together local working groups to provide input to the USDA to guide Farm Bill conservation program implementation and integrate the Farm Bill with other local initiatives. Currently, North Carolina conservation districts and NRCS local field offices are coordinating together to host local workgroup meetings and gather local input that will help shape program delivery across the state for fiscal year 2019. As local workgroup meetings are announced, NRCS will promote those public meetings on our state website under the events tab of our homepage. If you have questions about these meetings or the locally led conservation process, please contact your local NRCS or District Field Office.

NRCS Personnel Announcements

On May 17, 2018, NRCS received approval to implement a phased hiring plan (1,250 new hires) that will bring the agency up to the approved staffing ceiling of 10,800 positions. In February, a total of 150 positions were announced during the first phase. In the June, the agency announced 400 positions, with three of those positions being North Carolina field positions. Those positions are Supervisory Soil Conservationist positions in Wake County (Team 10), Martin County (Team 13) and Washington County (Team 14). Three more hiring phases are planned in July (375 positions), August (500 positions), and September (350 positions). NRCS North Carolina’s staffing cap is 137. Currently we have 119 full-time employees and are anticipating hiring during the July, August and September hiring phases.

Recent Hires

North Carolina NRCS would like to welcome the following new hires to the NRCS team in North Carolina.

- James (Jim) Kjelgaard - North Carolina State Conservation Engineer
- Petra Volinski – Supervisory Soil Conservationist, Team 16
- Joshua Davis – Supervisory Soil Conservationist, Team 18

Student Interns

- Ibrahima Kane, Soil Conservationist, Carthage Field Office
- Andrew Wilson, Soil Conservationist, Monroe Field Office
- Colleen Ferguson, Engineering, Raleigh State Office

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Miguel Torres, Soil Conservationist, Clinton Field Office

Joshua Pratt, Soil Conservationist, Spindale Field Office

Kayla Mounce, Soil Conservationist, Goldsboro Field Office

Lance Parker, Soil Conservationist, Wilkesboro Field Office

Ivi Mitchell, Soil Conservationist, Greensboro Field Office

Zachary Butler, Geology, Raleigh State Office

Mariemines Ortiz, Soil Conservationist, Asheboro Field Office

Jowin Hernandez, Soil Conservationist, Burlington Field Office

Luis Roman, Soil Conservationist, Asheville Field Office

Promotions

Jerry Raynor will be leaving the Assistant State Conservationist for Management and Strategy position in North Carolina for a promotion to Indiana State Conservationist. His official start date as State Conservationist in Indiana is July 23, 2018. North Carolina NRCS wishes Jerry Raynor well as he transitions into his new role with NRCS.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Program Quick View (as of 6/29/2018)

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), applications and contracts.

General EQIP

- 630 contracts obligated
- 58,286 acres enrolled
- $17,333,916.49 in financial assistance obligated

RCPP EQIP

African American Forest Restoration & Retention

- 5 contracts
- 210 acres enrolled

- $34,517 in financial assistance

SmithfieldGro (Formerly MBGro): NC Grain Nutrient Management & Soil Health

- 2 contracts
- 1,012 acres enrolled
- $110,927.52 in financial assistance

Western Stream

- 8 contracts
- 364 acres
- $1,647,651 in financial assistance

General CSP

- Received 58 eligible applications that are currently being ranked.

RCPP CSP

African American Forest Restoration & Retention

- Received three applications that are currently being ranked.

State Technical Advisory Committee (STAC), Sub Committee Meetings

The dates for the Official State Technical Advisory Committee – Sub Committee Meetings, have been set. The following Sub-Committees will meet on July 27, 2018, in the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Conference Room located at 4407, Bland Road, Suite 118, Raleigh, NC 27609:

- Forestry /Wildlife subcommittee
  July 27    9:00-11:00 am
- Easement Subcommittee
  July 27    1:00-3:00 pm

All committee members may participate. Members of the public that wish to attend the sub-committee meeting may contact Stuart Lee at Stuart.Lee@nc.usda.gov for RSVP.
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR

Complete and submit online on your district's SharePoint page; keep original for your files.

The supervisors of the __________ Soil and Water Conservation District of __________ County, North Carolina have recommended the individual listed below for APPOINTMENT as a district supervisor in accordance with N.C.G.S. 139-7 for a term of office commencing July 2019 and ending December 2018 to fill the expired or un-expired term of __________.

Name of nominee: Matthew L. Floyd
Address of nominee, City, State, Zip: 165 Lester Lane Road, Tyler, NC 27888
Email address of nominee: NA
Home phone: No home phone
Mobile phone: 252-337-4904
Business phone: NA
Occupation: Farmer
Age: 26
Education: High School Diploma
Positions of leadership NOW held by nominee: Has worked with farm equipment and farmed most of his life
Former occupations or positions of leadership contributing to nominee’s qualifications: n/a
Other pertinent information: n/a

Dates of previous attendance at UNC School of Government training, if applicable: Planning on attending Feb 2019
Is nominee willing to attend a training session at the UNC School of Government within the first year after appointment? Check for “Yes” ✓
Has the nominee been contacted to determine their willingness to serve? Check for “Yes” ✓
Has the program and purpose of the soil and water conservation district been explained to the nominee? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in local district meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in Area meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in State meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓

Signatures
I hereby certify that the board of supervisors considered the Guiding Principles for Supervisor Nomination for Appointment shown on the reverse of this nomination form when selecting the above supervisor candidate for nomination. I also certify that this recommendation has been considered and approved by a majority of the members of the board of supervisors and entered in the official minutes of the board.

S. 29-18
Date

SWCD Chair (or Vice Chair if Chair is being nominated)
Printed name: Matthew L. Floyd

I hereby certify that the above information is true and accurate.

S. 29-18
Date

Individual recommended for appointment
Printed name: Matthew L. Floyd

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RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR

The supervisors of the Gaston Soil and Water Conservation District of Gaston County, North Carolina have recommended the individual listed below for APPOINTMENT as a district supervisor in accordance with N.C.G.S. 139-7 for a term of office commencing July 18th and ending Dec 18th.

Name of nominee: Johnny H. Denton
Address of nominee. City, State, Zip: 2610 Cherokee St. Gastonia, NC 28052
Email address of nominee: JohnnyDiamond1@hotmail.com
Home phone: 704-913-0899
Mobile phone:
Business phone:
Occupation: Civil Engineer
Age: 51
Education:
Positions of leadership NOW held by nominee:
Former occupations or positions of leadership contributing to nominee’s qualifications:

Other pertinent information:

--- nominee willing to attend a training session within the first year after appointment? Check for “Yes” ✓
Has the nominee been contacted to determine their willingness to serve? Check for “Yes” ✓
Has the program and purpose of the soil and water conservation district been explained to the nominee? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in local district meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in area meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in State meetings? Check for “Yes” ✓

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SWCD Chair (or Vice Chair if Chair is being nominated)
Printed name: Robert G. Claringer, III

Date
07-17-2018

This recommendation has been considered and approved by a majority of the members of the board of supervisors and entered in the official minutes of the board.

SWCD Chair (or Vice Chair if Chair is being nominated)
Printed name: Robert G. Claringer, III

Date
07-17-2018

Individual recommended for appointment
Printed name: Johnny H. Denton

Date
7/17/18

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Ricky Rhyne  
155 Sand Castle Rd.  
Dallas, N.C. 28034  

June 15th, 2018  

Robert G. Cloninger  
Chairman  
Gaston Soil & Water Conservation District  
1303 Dallas Cherryville Hwy.  
Dallas, N.C. 28034  

Dear Chairman,  
It is with regret that I am writing to inform you of my decision to resign my position as Vice Chairman for the Gaston Soil & Water Conservation District, to be effective immediately. My other commitments have become too great for me to be able to fulfill the requirements of my position on the Board. I feel it is best for me to make room for someone with the time to devote to the job.  
It has been a pleasure being a part of the Soil & Water Conservation District along with Gaston Natural Resources Department, I am thankful for the opportunity to have served on the Board. I have no doubt the Board will continue to have success in the future.  
I look forward to working with the District in the future.  

Best Regards,  

[Signature]  

Ricky Rhyne
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR

Complete and submit online on your district’s SharePoint page; keep original for your file.

The supervisors of the New Hanover soil and Water Conservation District of New Hanover County, North Carolina have recommended the individual listed below for APPOINTMENT as a district supervisor in accordance with N.C.G.S. 139-7 for a term of office commencing 5/1/18 and ending 12/31/18 to fill the expired or un-expired term of Bill Murray.

Name of nominee: William "Bill" Hart
Address of nominee: City, State, Zip: 401 Crooked Creek Rd, Wilmington, NC 28409
Email address of nominee: B Hart+1102@mac.com
Home phone: 910-452-4101
Mobile phone: 910-219-1793
Business phone:
Occupation: Retired Forester & Consultant
Age: 70
Education: Master’s Degree
Positions of leadership NOW held by nominee: Board Chairman
Former occupations or positions of leadership contributing to nominee’s qualifications: Board Chairman 2014–present, Area Chair 2008, Area VI delegate to Standing Community Council
Other pertinent information: Received Conservation Steward Award from Hugh Hamond Bennett Chapter Soil & Water Conservation Society 2007; Special Recognition from N.C. SWCD 2002
Dates of previous attendance at UNC School of Government training, if applicable: 2002, 2004
Is nominee willing to attend a training session at the UNC School of Government within the first year after appointment? Check for "Yes" ☑
Has the nominee been contacted to determine their willingness to serve? Check for "Yes" ☑
Has the program and purpose of the soil and water conservation district been explained to the nominee? Check for "Yes" ☑
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in local district meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in Area meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in State meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑

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ｘ Sue Hayes
SWCD Chair (or Vice Chair if Chair is being nominated)
Printed name: Sue Hayes
Date: 6/20/18

I hereby certify that the above information is true and accurate.

ｘ William J. Hart
Individual recommended for appointment
Printed name: William J. Hart
Date: 6/20/18

2. (For work to achieve passage of CCAP); Sec-Treasurer of Waccamaw Chapter, Appalachian Society of American Foresters.
William L. Murray Jr.
604 The Cape Blvd.
Wilmington, North Carolina
28412
April 23, 2018

William Hart
Chairman
New Hanover County,
Soil and Water Conservation District
230 Government Center Drive, Suite 100
Wilmington, North Carolina 28403

Dear Bill,

It is with mixed emotions that I am submitting this official notice of my resignation as a Supervisor of the New Hanover County Soil and Water Conservation District. I have enjoyed the experience of working and learning with the District Supervisors and staff. Working with the District has been a challenging and rewarding opportunity for me. I was just reaching the point where I feel I was making meaningful contributions to the vital environmental stewardship the District performs for the County and North Carolina. We are leaving North Carolina to be closer to our children and grandchildren. Construction has started on our new home in South Carolina and our home here is now on the market for sale.

My last day as a District Supervisor will be May 18, 2018. I will be happy to assist in any way that I can with any transition necessitated by my departure.

Sincerely,

Bill

William L. Murray Jr.
RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISOR

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Name of nominee: Steve Skavroneck
Address of nominee, City, State, Zip: 110 South 4th Street, Wilmington, NC 28401
Email address of nominee: Skavroneck@cc.rr.com
Home phone:
Mobile phone: 910-599-8980
Business phone:
Occupation: Business owner of Bed & Breakfast Americas
Education: Bachelor of Science in Civil & Engineering @ Cornell University, 1974, Master of Science in Water Resource Management @ University of WI, 1976
Positions of leadership NOW held by nominee:
Former occupations or positions of leadership contributing to nominee’s qualifications:

Other pertinent information: Former elected Supervisor 2010-2014, Associate Supervisor 2015-present. See back for additional details.

Dates of previous attendance at UNC School of Government training, if applicable:
Is nominee willing to attend a training session at the UNC School of Government within the first year after appointment? Check for "Yes" ☑
Has the nominee been contacted to determine their willingness to serve? Check for "Yes" ☑
Has the program and purpose of the soil and water conservation district been explained to the nominee? Check for "Yes" ☑

Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in local district meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in Area meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑
Is the nominee willing to attend and participate in State meetings? Check for "Yes" ☑

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SWCD Chair (or Vice Chair if Chair is being nominated) Printed name: William J. Hart

Individual recommended for appointment Printed name: Steve Skavroneck

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Other information continued:

During his 30+ year environmental policy career, Steve served as: environmental engineer, policy analyst & planning unit leader for a state agency; environmental policy coordinator for a large metropolitan sewerage district; & executive director of a regional, nonprofit organization. Steve was also an independent consultant providing technical, educational, facilitation, organizational & community outreach services to industry, government & nonprofit organizations. He also helps his wife run one of Wilmington's finest Bed & Breakfasts.
July 14, 2018

Honorable John Langdon, Chairman
North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission
512 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27604

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am herewith tendering my resignation as an elected New Hanover Soil and Water Conservation Supervisor effective on the 17th day of July, 2018.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

William J. Hart
## NC Cost Share Programs Supervisor Contracts

**Soil and Water Conservation Commission**

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Total Number of Supervisor Contracts: 7

Total  $56,659

7/6/2018
ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the New River Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: AgWRAP
Best management practice: AgWRAP Well
Contract number: 05-2018-801 Contract amount: $14,250
Score on priority ranking sheet: 73
Cost Share Rate: 75% If different than 75%, please list % percent:
Reason:
Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 1 out of 2
Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Russell Vaunay
(District Supervisor’s signature) 6-4-18

Approved by:
(District Chairperson’s signature) 6-5-18

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson’s signature) (Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))

*Beneficiaries include but are not limited to applicant, landowner, and/or business partners.
ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the Albemarle/Camden Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit* from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: NCACSP
Best management practice: Crop Residue Management

Contract number: 15-2018-002
Contract amount: $7,510
Score on priority ranking sheet: 85
Cost Share Rate: $15/Acre  If different than 75%, please list % percent: 100%
Reason: Incentive Practice
Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 1 out of 4 projects

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Abner Wayne Staples

(District Supervisor's signature) 3/16/2018

Approved by:

(District Chairperson's signature) 3/16/2018

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson's signature) (Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))
Date

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ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the ________________________ Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit* from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: ACSP

Best management practice : Crop residue Management

Contract number: 16-2018-002  Contract amount: $ 2,449

Score on priority ranking sheet: 25

Cost Share Rate : 100%  If different than 75%, please list % percent:  
Reason: Incentive Practice

Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 2 of 2

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Leland Simmons

[Signature]
(District Supervisor's signature)  5/30/18

Approved by:

[Signature]
(District Chairperson's signature)  5-30-18

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

[Signature]
(SWCC Chairperson's signature) (Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))

Date

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ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the ___Catawba___ Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit* from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: ACSP

Best management practice: Stock Trail, Grass Waterway, Rock Lined Channel

Contract number: 18-18-007-03
Contract amount: $ 20,375.00

Score on priority ranking sheet: 75

Cost Share Rate: 75% If different than 75%, please list % percent:
Reason:

Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 1 out of 2

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Stephen Killian

(District Supervisor's signature) 5-22-18
Date

Approved by:

(District Chairperson's signature) 6/1/18
Date

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson's signature)  
(Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))

Date

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ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE  
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS  

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the ___Greene___ Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit* from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: NCA-CSF

Best management practice: Grassed Waterway

Contract number: 40-2018-008  Contract amount: $ 1,388

Score on priority ranking sheet: 176

Cost Share Rate: 75%  If different than 75%, please list % percent:

Reason:

Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 6th out of 8

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied?  NO

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor’s contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Richard Harper

(District Supervisor’s signature)  4/30/18  Date

Approved by:

(District Chairperson’s signature)  5/1/18  Date

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson’s signature)  (Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))  Date

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ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the Henderson Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: ACSM

Best management practice: Heavy Use Area Protection

Contract number: 45-2018-005  Contract amount: $5,042.00

Score on priority ranking sheet: 94.13

Cost Share Rate: 75%  If different than 75%, please list % percent:

Reason:

Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 2 of 2 considered

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No - All funded - end of year

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

Supervisor name: Daniel McConnell for McConnell Farm, Inc.

(District Supervisor's signature)  5/17/18

Approved by:

Andrew L. Brannon

(District Chairperson's signature)  5-17-18

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson's signature)  (Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))

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ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil and Water District Supervisor, for the Jackson Soil and Water Conservation District, I have applied for, or stand to benefit* from, a contract under a commission cost share program. I did not vote on the approval or denial of the application or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices.

Program: ACSP DRP

Best management practice: Pasture renovation

Contract number: 50-2018-006          Contract amount: $5,625

Score on priority ranking sheet: 26

Cost Share Rate: 75%  If different than 75%, please list % percent:

Reason:

Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 9 out of 18

Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No

If yes, give an explanation as to why the supervisor's contract was approved over the other contracts:

______________________________
Supervisor name:   Bonce Deitz

(District Supervisor's signature)  

Jun 6/18

Date

Approved by:

______________________________
District Chairperson's signature

6-14-18

Date

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

(SWCC Chairperson's signature)  

(Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))

______________________________
Date

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The following individual is requesting Job Approval Authority as granted by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission for the respective categories:

1. **Sediment Removal Planning and Certification**  
   Ryan Faulk – Lee Soil and Water Conservation District

The individual listed above successfully completed the requirements and demonstrated technical proficiency to the Technical Services Section Chief. It is recommended he receive the requested Job Approval Authority.
Review of Commission’s Requirements for Approval of Secondary Employment

**Background:** Beginning in the District Master Agreements for FY 2015, the Commission required each district to submit a Secondary Employment Certification Form for each employee whose position was supported with Cost Share Technical Assistance Funds. In light of new concerns about secondary employment, the Division is recommending the Commission to consider extending this requirement to all district employees who routinely perform work on any of the Commission’s cost share programs for FY 2019 and beyond.

Shown below is the Scope of Work and Payment Provisions for the standard District Master Agreement. The recommended language changes are shown in item 2.e. Also attached is the current Secondary Employment Certification Form.

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**ATTACHMENT B**

**Scope of Work and Payment Provisions**

The XXXXXX Soil & Water Conservation District will complete the following activities and supply the following deliverables:

1. **District Matching Funds** – Funds for district operating support are allocated to each county equally, subject to that District’s documentation that matching funds equal to or exceeding the allocated amount are available for match. To be eligible to receive matching funds the Grantee shall:

   a. Submit by March 31 of each fiscal year an ‘Application for Matching Funds for Soil & Water Conservation Districts’ showing the amount of matching funds requested by the Grantee and documenting the source and amount of matching funds provided by the Grantee. The Grantee shall not count as match the funds that were allocated by the Commission for technical assistance cost share nor those local funds pledged to match technical assistance cost share. **Matching Funds not requested by March 31 shall be unencumbered from this Contract.**

   b. Submit to the Agency minutes of all district board meetings held during the term of the Contract.

2. **Cost Share Technical Assistance** – cost share funds for technical assistance positions are allocated to districts by the Commission and through the Agency in accordance with its rules and procedure, 02 NCAC 59D .0106 and 02 NCAC 59H .0106(b). To be eligible to receive technical assistance cost share, the Grantee shall:

   a. Submit by June 1 of each fiscal year, the District Strategy Plan for cost share programs for the upcoming fiscal year, including a request for technical assistance funds. The request for technical assistance funds should include staff name, title and email address for each position proposed for cost sharing.
b. Implement cost share program activities in the District, pursuant to Commission rules and policies. A district position funded through this Contract may work on other activities, but the position must contribute at least 1,040 hours annually per FTE to providing technical assistance or cost share program implementation. Positions cost shared at less than 1 FTE, shall contribute a pro-rated number of hours for the same purposes. All activities must be documented with a monthly activities tracking form which shall be submitted quarterly on or before October 15, January 15, April 15, and June 30.

c. Submit a Request for Payment of Technical Assistance Form at least annually and no more frequently than quarterly documenting actual expenditures for salary, benefits, and operating expenses by the Grantee in support of the technical assistance position(s) approved by the Commission and listed in the Contract Budget. Any technical assistance funds encumbered for the current fiscal year that are not requested by the Grantee on or before June 30 of that fiscal year shall be unencumbered from this Contract.

d. Work with the technical supervisor to develop and upload an Individual Development Plan in AgLearn by June 30, 2019 for each for each employee funded through this Contract.

e. Have in place a secondary employment policy consistent with the Commission’s Guidelines on Secondary Employment and shall submit an annual Secondary Employment Form for each employee funded through this Contract performing work on Commission cost share program contracts. The initial Secondary Employment Form shall be submitted annually on or before October 15 of each year. The Grantee shall submit an updated form along with its quarterly Request for Payment of Technical Assistance if the secondary employment or other potential conflicts of interest of a funded subject employee arise after the initial submission.
North Carolina Division of Soil & Water Conservation
SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATION FORM

Name of Employee ___________________________ Date _______________________
District ________________________________
Classification/Title: ________________________________

Check one and complete employment information if applicable:

☐ Yes, I do have a second job. If checking this box, complete the employment information below.

☐ Yes, I have an update to my secondary employment status previously approved. If checking this box, complete employment information below.

☐ I do not have a second job/I no longer have a second job.

I hereby declare that I have secondary employment outside the district as described below:

Employer Name and Address: ________________________________
(Indicate if self-employed)

Job title/duties: ________________________________

Normal work days: MON ☐ TUES ☐ WED ☐ THURS ☐ FRI ☐ SAT ☐ SUN ☐ Variable ☐

Normal work hours: From: __________ To: __________

Anticipated dates of employment: From: __________ To: __________

Special circumstances/notes: ________________________________

I have read and understand the District Policy governing secondary employment and will comply with all provisions of the Policy.

_________________________ _______________________
Signature of Employee Date

DISTRICT BOARD CERTIFICATION

☐ I hereby certify that the _____________________ Soil & Water Conservation District has a secondary employment policy in place that is consistent with the NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission’s Guidelines for Secondary Employment.

☐ I further certify that the district has reviewed the secondary employment declared above for the subject district employee and has approved the secondary employment in accordance with the District’s Secondary Employment Policy.

_________________________ _______________________
Signature of District Chairperson Date

Acknowledgment

Signature of County HR Representative _______________________
(If employee is county employee with 2nd job) Date
This progress report will focus on the NCDA&CS Division of Soil & Water Conservation (Division) Disaster Recovery Program and the $32.2M that has been allocated in state appropriations for stream debris removal, non-field farm road repairs, supplemental funding for the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP) to support disaster-related farm pond and dam repairs, and pasture renovation.

Approved Practices:

1. The Stream Debris Removal practice addresses blocked streams with applications prioritized in the following order: woody vegetation removal, instream sediment removal, streambank stabilization (vegetative cover) with or without sediment removal, and streambank stabilization (vegetative cover) with culvert replacement. The application for this practice requires a local sponsor that may or may not be a local Soil and Water Conservation District such as a municipality or local drainage district.

2. The Non-Field Farm Road practice addresses damaged farm roads that limits access to areas like farm fields and/or livestock facilities. This practice utilizes the Division’s existing Agriculture Cost Share Program (ACSP) eligibility requirements, match requirements and contracting infrastructure. This practice requires the applicant to also apply for the federal ECP funds to ensure the applicant retains his or her eligibility to secure federal funding as required by SL 2016-124, and helps to prevent state recovery program funding for field farm roads already covered under the ECP. Applicants must apply through the local Soil and Water Conservation District as required by the ACSP.

3. The Emergency Access Restoration practice addresses non-field farm roads that were repaired prior to June 2017 due to the necessity to restore access immediately following the disaster. This practice is intended to address road repairs that were completed, but may not meet all NRCS requirements to qualify for full cost share. The Soil and Water Conservation Commission approved the Emergency Access Restoration practice on June 9, 2017, capping cost share for the emergency practice at 40%.

4. The Pond Repair practice addresses damaged farm ponds, and utilizes the Division’s existing AgWRAP farm pond eligibility requirements, match requirements and contracting infrastructure. This practice requires the applicant to also apply for federal USDA Farm Services Agency Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) financial assistance. This second application requirement is to ensure the applicant retains his or her eligibility to secure federal funding as required by SL 2016-124 as potential match for the state recovery program. Applicants must apply through the local Soil and Water Conservation District as required by the AgWRAP.

5. The Emergency Agricultural Pond Repair/Retrofit practice addresses agricultural ponds that were repaired prior to June 2017 due to the necessity to restore water supply immediately following the disaster. This practice is intended to address pond repairs that were completed, but may not meet all NRCS requirements to qualify for full cost share. The Soil and Water
Conservation Commission approved the Emergency Agricultural Pond Repair/Retrofit practice on June 9, 2017, capping cost share for the emergency practice at 40%.

6. The Emergency Auxiliary Spillway Repair/Retrofit practice is to repair auxiliary spillways on existing low-hazard agricultural pond systems that were damaged during the disaster events of 2016. The benefit of repairs reduces the likelihood of pond functions being jeopardized during a storm event. These functions include water supply, erosion control, flood control, and sediment and nutrient reductions from farm fields.

7. The Drought Pasture Renovation practice is to restore pastures where drought has caused damage to pasture vegetation. The Soil and Water Conservation Commission approved the Drought Pasture Renovation practice on July 19, 2017.

Note: Coordination of the Division’s State Disaster Program with the federal ECP is a very complex process due to the needed coordination and communication between the Division, the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, local and state Farm Services Agency offices, applicants and approved third-party technical service providers. All practices receiving USDA assistance must meet the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) technical standards as required by the federal ECP. In addition, local sponsors must ensure the practice meets all regulatory requirements including permits and scheduling (e.g. stream work and migratory fish seasons).

Application Progress Summary:

Using an online application process, the Division began receiving applications for assistance on February 3, 2017, and it continues to receive applications.

Table 1 – Applications information to date

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DRA 2016:

Stream Debris Removal contract update: $9.5 million of DRP16 funds has been allocated to 37 local sponsors in 30 counties with all 37 contracts fully executed. One contract has been contracted to a private engineering firm. The Division has approved payments totaling $3,976,960.00 to 28 project sponsors, to date.

Non-field Farm Road Repairs: As required by the ACSP program guidelines, the NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission allocated $880,000 to 17 local Soil and Water Conservation Districts for road repair projects on March 15, 2017. The local Conservation Districts with assistance from the Division
and NRCS, are conducting site visits, developing cost share contracts with the applicants, and providing technical assistance. To date 124 cost share contracts for road repair have been submitted, totaling $451,838.

The Division has approved payments totaling $214,257 to 76 contracts, to date. The Division is coordinating with the Farm Service Agency on these contracts. Several other contracts are under development.

**Pond Repairs:** Fifty-one projects have been referred to Resource Institute for initial evaluations and potential outsourcing of engineering and repair work, with 50 evaluations being completed, to date. These pond projects have been referred to the USDA Farm Service Agency to determine the amount of Federal funding the available for the project. To date, the Farm Service Agency has approved Federal cost share totaling $2,040,566 for 18 ponds, and the Division has assigned twelve ponds for Resource Institute to prepare detailed engineering designs. Four pond repair contracts have now been implemented totaling $10,767, with several others anticipated as designs are completed.

**DRA 2017:**

**Pasture Renovation:** The Division solicited pasture renovation funding requests from the 20 western counties that were eligible for pasture renovation funding, receiving requests back from 17 counties. The Soil and Water Conservation Commission allocated $1,000,000 to these 17 counties at its July 19, 2017 meeting. Local Soil & Water Conservation Districts are receiving applications and preparing contracts for the fall planting season. To date 248 cost share contracts for 4,421.27 acres of drought pasture renovation have been submitted, totaling $977,876. Renovation is complete for 2,264.74 acres.

**Stream Debris Removal contract update:** The third application batching period closed on September 1. The Division has allocated over $10.7 million of DRA17 funds to 35 local sponsors. The Division has begun developing contracts and amendments with these local sponsors to enable them to complete planned work. The Division has approved payments totaling $81,756 to 4 project sponsors, to date.

**Non-field Farm Road Repairs:** The NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission allocated $546,758 of DRA17 funds to 21 local Soil and Water Conservation Districts for road repair projects at its September 20, 2017 meeting. To date 11 cost share contracts for road repair have been submitted, totaling $63,670.00. The Division has approved payments totaling $62,147.00 to 7 contracts, to date.

**Pond Repairs:** The Division received 11 additional pond repair requests in the application period that closed on September 1.
Proposed measures for Division of Soil & Water Conservation

- Applications for assistance Received for stream debris removal, pond repair, and non-field farm road repair
- Linear feet of stream planned/implemented for debris removal and $ contracted/implemented
- # of local sponsors assisted with stream debris removal
- # pond engineering assessments completed,
- # roads/ponds planned and repaired and $ contracted/expended

**Division of Soil & Water Conservation Measures - June 2018**

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Re-Allocation of Disaster Recovery Act of 2016/2017 Appropriations for Eligible Activities

The General Assembly has appropriated $32.2 million for Disaster Recovery funds in the Disaster Recovery Acts of 2016 and 2017. In July 2017 the Commission approved a distribution of those funds for the eligible activities described in the table below. The Division asked districts to submit requests for funds for Non-Field Farm Road Repair for FY-2019. From those requests, the Division has determined that it can reduce the distribution for road repairs to $900,000. Also, several applicants have withdrawn their pond repair requests, which means that some of the funds initially apportioned for pond repairs can also be redistributed.

The requests for stream debris removal funds continue to come in with total requests to date approaching $33 Million. The Division, therefore, proposes to reallocate the excess pond and road funds for Stream Debris Removal as shown in the following table.

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Stream Debris Removal

The Division proposes to re-open the application process through August 31, 2018 to receive additional applications for Stream Debris Removal projects. We also recommend restricting eligibility for additional funds to:

1. New sponsors not currently funded and
2. Currently funded sponsors who have already expended at least 1/3 of their contracted funds. As of July 6, 21 of 50 existing local sponsors meet this criterion. 19 have not submitted reimbursement requests for any completed stream segments.
Definition of Practices

(1) Abandoned tree removal means to remove Christmas and/or apple tree fields for integrated pest management and for reducing sedimentation. An abandoned tree field can be of any size or age trees where standard management practices (e.g., maintaining groundcover, insect and disease control, fertilizer applications and annual shearing practices) for the production of the trees are discontinued or abandoned. The field must have been abandoned for at least 5 years. Abandonment leads to adverse soil erosion formations such as gullies and to production of disease inoculums and increased pest population. Conversion to grass, hardwoods, or white pine on abandoned fields further protects soil loss by preventing runoff on steep slopes due to a better groundcover thereby providing additional water quality protection. Benefits include water quality protection, prevention of soil erosion, and wildlife habitat establishment.

(2) An abandoned well closure is the sealing and permanent closure of a supply well no longer in use. This practice serves to prevent entry of contaminated surface water, animals, debris, or other foreign substances into the well. It also serves to eliminate the physical hazards of an open hole to people, animals, and farm machinery. Cost share for this practice is limited to $1,500 per well at 75% cost share and $1,800 per well at 90%.

(3) An agrichemical containment and mixing facility means a system of components that provide containment and a barrier to the movement of agrichemicals. The purpose of the system is to provide secondary containment to prevent degradation of surface water, groundwater, and soil from unintentional release of pesticides or fertilizers. Cost share for this practice is limited to $16,500 per facility at 75% cost share and $19,800 per facility at 90%.

(4) An agrichemical handling facility means a permanent structure that provides an environmentally safe means of mixing agrichemicals and filling tanks with agrichemicals for application and storage to improve water quality. Benefits may include prevention of accidental degradation of surface and ground water. Cost share for this practice is limited to $27,500 per facility at 75% cost share and $33,000 per facility at 90%.

(5) Agricultural pond restoration/repair means to restore or repair existing failing agricultural pond systems. Benefits may include erosion control, flood control, and sediment and nutrient reductions from farm fields for better water quality. This practice is only applicable to low hazard classification ponds. For restoration projects involving dam, spillway, or overflow pipe upgrades, cost share is limited to $15,000 per pond at 75% cost share and $18,000 per pond at 90%. For restoration projects involving removal of accumulated sediment only, total charge to NCACSP is restricted to a total of $3,000 per pond at 75% cost share and $3,600 per pond at 90%.
(6) Agricultural road repair/stabilization means repair or stabilization of existing access roads utilized for agricultural operations, including roads to existing crop fields, pastures, and barns.

(7) Agricultural temporary water collection pond means to construct an agricultural water collection system for water reuse or irrigation to improve water quality. These systems may include construction of new ponds, utilizing existing ponds, water storage tanks and pumps in order to intercept sediment, nutrients, manage chlorophyll a. These systems may have the added benefit of reducing the demand on the water supply, and decreasing withdrawal from aquifers but these benefits shall not be the justification for this practice.

(8) Chemigation or fertigation backflow prevention is a combination of devices (valves, gauges, injectors, drains, etc.) to safeguard water sources from contamination by fertilizers used during the irrigation of agricultural crops. The practice is intended to modify or improve fertilizer injection systems with components necessary to prevent backflow or siphoning of contaminants into the water supply thereby improving and protecting the state’s waters.

(9) A conservation cover practice means to establish and maintain a conservation cover of grass, legumes, or other approved plantings on fields previously with no groundcover established, to reduce soil erosion and improve water quality. Other benefits may include reduced offsite sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. Eligible land includes that planted to Christmas Trees, orchards, ornamentals, vineyards and other cropland needing protective cover.

(10) A three-year conservation tillage system means any tillage and planting system in which at least (60) sixty percent of the soil surface is covered by plant residue for the same fields for three consecutive years to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduction of soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. This incentive is broken down into two categories depending on the crop(s) to be grown:

   (a) Grain crops and cotton
   (b) Vegetables, Tobacco, Peanuts, and Sweet Corn

Cost share for each category of this practice is limited to $15,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

(11) A cover crop means a crop or mixture of crops grown primarily for seasonal protection, erosion control and soil improvement. It usually is grown for one year or less. The major purpose is water and wind erosion control, to cycle plant nutrients, add organic matter to the soil, improve infiltration, aeration and tilth, improve soil quality, reduce soil crusting, and sequester carbon/nutrients. Benefits may include reduction of soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. Cost share for this incentive practice is limited to $15,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

(12) A critical area planting means an area of highly erodible land that cannot be stabilized by ordinary conservation treatment on which permanent perennial vegetative cover is established and protected to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion and sedimentation.
(13) A cropland conversion practice means to establish and maintain a conservation cover of grasses, trees, or wildlife plantings on fields previously used for crop production to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(14) Crop residue management means maintaining cover on sixty (60) percent of the soil surface at planting to protect water quality. Crop residue management also provides seasonal soil protection from wind and rain erosion, adds organic matter to the soil, conserves soil moisture, and improves infiltration, aeration and tilth. Benefits may include reduction in soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved sediment-attached substances. Cost share for this incentive practice is limited to $15,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

(15) A diversion means a channel constructed across a slope with a supporting ridge on the lower side to control drainage by diverting excess water from an area to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(16) A field border means a strip of perennial vegetation established at the edge of the field that provides a stabilized outlet for row water to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(17) A filter strip means an area of permanent perennial vegetation for removing sediment, organic matter, and other pollutants from runoff and waste water to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation, pathogen contamination and pollution from dissolved, particulate, and sediment-attached substances.

(18) A grade stabilization structure means a structure (earth embankment, mechanical spillway, detention-type, etc.) used to control the grade and head cutting in natural or artificial channels to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion and sedimentation.

(19) A grassed waterway means a natural or constructed channel that is shaped or graded to required dimensions and established in suitable vegetation for the stable conveyance of runoff to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(20) A heavy use area protection means an area used frequently and intensively by animals, which must be stabilized by surfacing with suitable materials to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved, particulate, and sediment-attached substances.

(21) A land smoothing practice means reshaping the surface of agricultural land to planned grades for the purpose of improving water quality. Improvements to water quality include:

   (a) Reduction in nutrient loss.
   (b) Reduction in concentrated flow of water from an agricultural field.
(c) Improved infiltration.

(22) A livestock exclusion system means a system of permanent fencing (board or barbed, high tensile or electric wire) installed to exclude livestock from streams and critical areas not intended for grazing to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation, pathogen contamination and pollution from dissolved, particulate, and sediment-attached substances.

(23) A livestock feeding area is a sized concrete pad where feeders are located, surrounded by a heavy use area. The livestock feeding area is designed for the purpose of improving the lifespan of the heavy use area and to reduce the runoff of nutrients and fecal coliform to adjacent water bodies. The practice is to be used to address water quality concerns where livestock feeding areas are in close proximity to streams and where relocation or rotation of feeding areas is infeasible due to physical limitations (e.g., slope) and where other stream protection measures are insufficient to protect water quality. Cost share for the concrete pad for this practice is limited to $4,200 at 75% cost share and $5,040 at 90%.

(24) A long term no-till practice means planting all crops for five consecutive years with at least eighty (80) percent plant residue from preceding crops to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. Cost share for this incentive or this incentive combined with 3-year conservation tillage for grain and cotton is limited to $25,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

(25) A micro-irrigation system means an environmentally safe system for the conveyance and distribution of water, chemicals, and fertilizer to agricultural fields for crop production. A micro-irrigation system is for frequent application of small quantities of water on or below the soil surface as drops, tiny streams, or miniature spray through emitters or applicators placed along a water delivery line. This practice may be applied as part of a conservation management system to support one or more of the following purposes:

   (a) To efficiently and uniformly apply irrigation water and maintain soil moisture for plant growth.
   (b) To efficiently and uniformly apply plant nutrients in a manner that protects water quality.
   (c) To prevent contamination of ground and surface water by efficiently and uniformly applying chemicals and fertilizers.
   (d) To establish desired vegetation.

Cost share for this practice will be based on actual cost with receipts required not to exceed $25,000 charge to the NCACSP at 75% cost share and $30,000 at 90%, including the cost of backflow prevention.

(26) A nutrient management means a definitive plan to manage the amount, form, placement, and timing of applications of nutrients to minimize entry of nutrients to surface and groundwater and improve water quality.

(27) A nutrient scavenger crop is a crop of small grain grown primarily as a seasonal nutrient scavenger. The purpose is to scavenge and cycle plant nutrients. The nutrient scavenger crop also adds organic matter to the soil, improves infiltration, aeration and
tilth, improves soil quality, reduces soil crusting, provides residue for conservation tillage, and sequesters carbon. Benefits may include reduction of soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. Cost share for this incentive practice is limited to $25,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

(28) A pastureland conversion practice means establishing trees or perennial wildlife plantings on excessively eroding land with a visible sediment delivery problem to the waters of the state used for pasture that is too steep to mow or maintain with conventional equipment to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion and sedimentation.

(29) A pasture renovation practice means to establish and maintain a conservation cover of grass, where existing pasture vegetation is inadequate. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(30) A portable agrichemical mixing station means a portable device to be used in the field to prevent the unintentional release of agrichemicals to the environment during mixing and transferring of agrichemicals. Benefits may include prevention of accidental degradation of surface and ground water. Cost share for this practice is limited to $3,500 per station at 75% cost share and $4,200 at 90%. Cost share is also limited to one station per cooperator.

(31) Precision Agrichemical Application means using a system of components that enable reduction and greater control of fertilizer and pesticide application. This is accomplished through avoidance of excessive overlapping, unnecessary application to end/tturn rows, and more precise control of application rates.

(32) Precision nutrient management means applying nitrogen; phosphorus and lime in a site-specific manner (with specialized application equipment or multiple application events) based on the site specific recommendations for each GPS-referenced sampling point to minimize entry of nutrients to surface and groundwater and improve water quality. Cost share for this incentive is limited to $15,000 per cooperator.

(33) Prescribed grazing involves managing the intensity, frequency, duration, timing, and number of grazing animals on pastureland in accordance with site production limitations, rate of plant growth, physiological needs of forage plants for production and persistence, and nutritional needs of the grazing animals. The goal of this practice is to reduce accelerated soil erosion and compaction, to improve or maintain riparian and watershed function, to maintain surface and/or subsurface water quality and quantity, to improve nutrient distribution, and to improve or maintain desired species composition and vigor of plant communities. Productive pastures maintain wildlife habitat and permeable green space. Cost share for this incentive is limited to $15,000 per cooperator.

(34) A riparian buffer means a permanent, long-lived vegetative cover (grass, shrubs, trees, or a combination of vegetation types) established adjacent to and up-gradient from watercourses or water bodies to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion and nutrient delivery, sedimentation, pathogen contamination and pollution from dissolved, particulate and sediment-attached substances.
A rock-lined outlet means a waterway having an erosion-resistant lining of concrete, stone or other permanent material where an unlined or grassed waterway would be inadequate to improve water quality. Benefits may include safe disposal of runoff, reduced erosion and sedimentation.

A rooftop runoff management system means a system of collection and stabilization practices (dripline stabilization, guttering, collection boxes, etc.) to prevent rainfall runoff from agricultural rooftops from causing erosion where vegetative practices are insufficient to address erosion concerns and protect water quality.

A sediment control basin means a basin constructed to trap and store waterborne sediment where physical conditions or land ownership preclude treatment of a sediment source by the installation of other erosion control measures to improve water quality.

A sod-based rotation practice means an adapted sequence of crops, grasses and legumes or a mixture thereof established and maintained for a definite number of years as part of a conservation cropping system which is designed to provide adequate organic residue for maintenance or improvement of soil tilth to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. Cost share for this incentive practice is limited to $25,000 per cooperator in a lifetime.

A stock trail or walkway means to provide a stable area used frequently and intensively for livestock movement by surfacing with suitable material to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved, particulate, and sediment-attached substances.

A stream protection system means a planned system for protecting streams and stream banks that eliminates the need for livestock to be in streams by providing an alternative-watering source for livestock to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation, pathogen contamination, and pollution from dissolved, particulate and sediment-attached substances. System components may include:

(a) A spring development means improving springs and seeps by excavating, cleaning, capping or providing collection and storage facilities.
(b) A stream crossing means a trail constructed across a stream to allow livestock to cross without disturbing the bottom or causing soil erosion on the banks.
(c) A trough or tank means devices installed to provide drinking water for livestock at a stabilized location.
(d) A stream protection well means constructing a drilled, driven or dug well to supply water from an underground source.
(e) A windmill means erecting or constructing a mill operated by the wind's rotation of large vanes and is used as a source of power for pumping water.

Streambank and shoreline protection means the use of vegetation to stabilize and protect banks of streams, lakes, estuaries, or excavated channels against scour and erosion. This practice should be used to prevent the loss of land or damage to utilities, roads, buildings, or other facilities adjacent to the banks, to maintain the capacity of the channel, to control channel meander that would adversely affect downstream facilities, to
reduce sediment load causing downstream damages and pollution, or to improve the stream for recreation or fish and wildlife habitat.

(42) A stream restoration system means the use of bioengineering practices, native material revetments, channel stability structures, and/or the restoration or management of riparian corridors in order to protect upland BMPs, restore the natural function of the stream corridor and improve water quality by reducing sedimentation to streams from streambank. Cost share for this practice is limited to $50,000 per cooperator per year at 75% cost share and to $60,000 per year at 90%.

(43) A stripcropping practice means to grow crops and sod in a systematic arrangement of alternating strips or bands on the contour to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation, and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances. The crops are arranged so that a strip of grass or close-growing crop is alternated with a strip of clean-tilled crop, fallow, or no-till crop, or a strip of grass is alternated with a close-growing crop.

(44) A terrace means an earth embankment, a channel, or a combination ridge and channel constructed across the slope to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation and pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(45) A waste management system means a planned system in which all necessary components are installed for managing liquid and solid waste to prevent or minimize degradation of soil and ground and surface water resources. System components may include:

(A) A closure of waste impoundment means the safe removal of existing waste and waste water and the application of this waste on land in an environmentally safe manner. This practice is only applicable to waste storage ponds and lagoons. Cost share for this practice is limited to $75,000 per cooperator at 75% cost share and $90,000 at 90% cost share.

(B) A concentrated nutrient source management system is a system of vegetative and structural measures used to manage the collection, storage, and/or treatment of areas where agricultural products may cause an area of concentrated nutrients.

(C) A constructed wetland for land application practice means an artificial wetland area into which liquid animal waste from a waste storage pond or lagoon is dispersed over time to lower the nutrient content of the liquid animal waste.

(D) A drystack means a fabricated structure for temporary storage of animal waste. Cost share for drystacks for poultry and non-.0200 animal operations are limited to $33,000 per structure at 75% cost share and $39,600 at 90%.

(E) The feeding/waste storage structure is designed for the purpose of improving the collection/storage of animal waste and to reduce runoff of nutrients and fecal coliform to adjacent water bodies. The practice is intended to be used where livestock feeding areas are in close proximity to streams and where relocation or rotation of feeding areas is infeasible due to physical limitations (e.g., slope) and...
where other stream protection measures are insufficient to address water quality concerns. Cost share for this practice is limited to $27,500 per structure at 75% cost share and $33,000 per structure at 90%.

(F) An insect control system means a practice or combination of practices (planting windbreaks, pre-charging structures, incorporation of waste into soil, etc.) which manages or controls insects from confined animal operations, waste treatment and storage structures, and waste applied to agricultural land.

(G) Lagoon biosolids removal means removing accumulated biosolids from active lagoons. The biosolids will be properly utilized on farmland or forestland or processed to a value-added product, including energy production, to reduce nutrient impacts from nitrogen-only based planning and impacts of phosphorus accumulation on application land.

(H) A livestock mortality management system is a facility for managing livestock mortalities such as to minimize water quality impacts or to produce a material that can be recycled as a soil amendment and fertilizer substitute. Cost shareable mortality management system components include: composter, rotary drum composter, forced aeration static pile composter, mortality freezer, mortality incinerator, and mortality gasification system.

(I) A manure composting facility is a facility for the biological treatment, stabilization and environmentally safe storage of organic waste material (such as manure from poultry and livestock) to minimize water quality impacts and to produce a material that can be recycled as a soil amendment and fertilizer substitute.

(J) Manure/litter transportation means transporting dry litter and dry manure from livestock and poultry farms that lack sufficient land to effectively utilize the animal-derived nutrients. The litter/manure will be properly utilized on alternative land or processed to a value-added product, including energy production, to reduce nutrient impacts. Manure/Litter Transportation Incentive payments shall be limited to 3-years per applicant and $15,000 in a lifetime.

(K) An odor control management system means a practice or combination of practices (planting windbreaks, pre-charging structures, incorporation of waste into soil, etc.) which manages or controls odors from confined animal operations, waste treatment and storage structures and waste applied to agricultural land and improves air quality by reducing and intercepting airborne particulate matter, chemical drift and odor.

(L) A retrofit of on-going animal operations means modification of structures to increase storage or to correct design flaws to meet current standards. This practice may also be used to close waste impoundments on on-going operations, including the safe removal of existing waste and waste water and the application of this waste on land in an environmentally safe manner.

(M) A solids separation from tank-based aquaculture production means a facility for the removal, storage and dewatering of solid waste from the effluent of intensive tank-based aquaculture production systems. The system is used to capture organic solids from the effluent stream of intensive fish production systems that
would otherwise flow to effluent ponds for storage and further treatment. This waste comes from uneaten feed and feces generated by fish while being fed within a tank-or raceway based fish farm.

(N) A storm water management system means a system of collection and diversion practices (guttering, collection boxes, diversions, etc.) to prevent unpolluted storm water from flowing across concentrated waste areas on animal operations.

(O) A waste application system means an environmentally safe system (such as solid set, dry hydrant, mobile irrigation equipment, etc.) for the conveyance and distribution of animal wastes from waste treatment and storage structures to agricultural fields as part of an irrigation and waste utilization plan. Cost share for this practice is limited to $35,000 per cooperator in a lifetime at 75% cost share and $42,000 in a lifetime at 90%.

(P) A waste storage pond means an impoundment made by excavation or earthfill for temporary storage of animal waste, waste water and polluted runoff.

(Q) A waste treatment lagoon means an impoundment made by excavation or earthfill for biological treatment and storage of animal waste.

(46) A water control structure means a permanent structure placed in a farm canal, ditch, or subsurface drainage conduit (drain tile or tube), which provides control of the stage or discharge of surface and/or subsurface drainage. The management mechanism of the structure may be flashboards, gates, valves, risers, or pipes. The primary purpose of the water control structure is to improve water quality by elevating the water table and reducing drainage outflow. A secondary purpose is to restore hydrology in riparian buffers to the extent practical. Elevating the water table promotes denitrification and lower nitrate levels in drainage water from cropping systems and minimizes the effects of short-circuiting of drainage systems passing through riparian buffers. Other benefits may include reduced pollution from other dissolved and sediment-attached substances, reduced downstream sedimentation and reduced stormwater surges of fresh water into estuarine areas.

This practice is not intended to be used to control water inflow from tidal influence (i.e., no tide gates).

(47) A wetland restoration system means a system of practices designed to restore the natural hydrology of an area that had been drained and cropped.

*To be used in conjunction with the most recent version of the APA Rules for the North Carolina Agriculture Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control and the NC-CSP Manual.*
BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ELIGIBLE
FOR COST SHARE PAYMENTS

(1) Best Management Practices eligible for cost sharing include the practices listed in Table 1 and any approved District BMPs. District BMPs shall be reviewed by the Division for technical merit in achieving the goals of this program. Upon approval by the Division, the District BMPs will be eligible to receive cost share funding.

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(2) The minimum life expectancy of the BMPs shall be that listed in Table 1. Practices designated by a District shall meet the life expectancy requirement established by the Division for that District BMP.

(3) The list of BMPs eligible for cost sharing may be revised by the Commission as deemed appropriate in order to meet program purpose and goals.
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## Agrichemical Pollution Prevention

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## Construction and Building Materials (Bricks, Concrete, Lumber, Ponds, Stream Restoration, Micro-Irrigation)

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**Recurring ACSP Appropriations** $2,448,778

**CCAP Appropriations** $25,320

**Carry Forward from FY2018** $100,504

**Total Available** $2,574,602
Background

The North Carolina Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program was authorized through Session Law 2011-145, and became effective on July 1, 2011. This program, herein referred to as AgWRAP, was established to assist farmers and landowners in doing any one or more of the following:

- Identify opportunities to increase water use efficiency, availability and storage;
- Implement best management practices (BMPs) to conserve and protect water resources;
- Increase water use efficiency;
- Increase water storage and availability for agricultural purposes.

AgWRAP is administered by the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission and implemented through local soil and water conservation districts. The commission meets with stakeholders to gather input on AgWRAP’s development and administration through the AgWRAP Review Committee. AgWRAP has received the following state appropriations:

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Fiscal Year 2019 Allocation Strategy

Due to the high cost of some of the program’s eligible best management practices, and the limited funding for the program, the Commission will award two allocations for AgWRAP.

1. **Competitive regional application process for selected AgWRAP conservation practices: 35% of available BMP funding.**

   The Commission will allocate FY2019 funding through a competitive regional application process for following program practices:
   - Agricultural water supply/reuse pond
   - Agricultural pond repair/retrofit
   - Agricultural water collection and reuse system
   - Conservation irrigation conversion
   - Micro-irrigation system conservation

The regions, as depicted in Figure 1, will be eligible to receive 1/3 of the amount of funds in the regional pool. Applications will be approved using the same ranking criteria for each region. Should a region not have sufficient applications to fund, the commission will allocate the remaining funds by approving applications in other regions, funding applications by highest score.

Figure 1: Regions for AgWRAP allocations
2. **District allocations: 65% of available BMP funding.**
   
a. Allocations will be made to all districts requesting funds in their FY2019 Strategy Plan.
   
b. Allocation parameters are as follows:

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**Conservation plan requirement**

All approved AgWRAP applications must have a completed conservation plan prior to contract approval or the district requesting design assistance from division engineering staff. The commission is requiring this plan, which is the cooperator’s record of decisions, to help districts evaluate water supply resource concerns including inadequate water for livestock, inefficient water use for irrigation and/or inefficient moisture management. Conservation plans will ensure that alternative practices are considered and that the recommended practices address the identified resource concerns to maintain AgWRAP BMPs through their contract life.

**Program Guidelines**

AgWRAP will be implemented using a pilot approach for this eighth year. Rule drafting is in the final stages, and rules are expected to be adopted this fiscal year and will be effective for FY2020.

The agricultural water definition, from Protecting Agriculture Water Resources in North Carolina Strategic Plan (February 2011) will be used to determine eligibility for AgWRAP.

*Agricultural water is considered to be any water on farms, from surface or subsurface sources, that is used in the production, maintenance, protection or on-farm preparation or treatment of agriculture commodities or products as necessary to grow and/or prepare them for on-farm use or transfer into any form of trade as is normally done with agricultural plant or animal commerce.* This expressly includes any on-farm cleaning or processing to make the agricultural product ready for sale or other transfer to any consumer in a usable form. It does not include water used in the manufacture or extended processing of plants or animals or their products when the processor is not the grower or producer and/or is beyond the first handler of the farm product.
All eligible operations must have been in existence for more than one year, and expansions to existing operations are eligible for the program.

The percent cost share for all BMPs is 75%. Limited resource and beginning farmers and farmers enrolled in Enhanced Voluntary Agriculture Districts are eligible to receive 90% cost share. The contract maintenance period of the majority of practices is 10 years.

Soil and water conservation districts can adopt additional guidelines for the program as they implement AgWRAP locally.

Districts may voluntarily return AgWRAP allocations at any time during the fiscal year. On February 1, 2019, districts may request additional funding for specific projects through an online application process.

**Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Goals**

I. Conduct a competitive regional allocation process for selected AgWRAP BMPs.
   a. Fund projects in each of the division’s regions: western, central and eastern.

II. Allocate funds to soil and water conservation districts for all AgWRAP BMPs.
   a. Award funds to all districts requesting an allocation.
   b. Allocate funds to districts from all geographic areas of the state.

III. Continue to implement Job Approval Authority Process for AgWRAP BMPs
   a. Review job approval category requirements to ensure technical competency.
   b. Maintain the job approval database.

IV. Conduct training for districts
   a. Continue to train districts on the program.
   b. Provide technical training for the required skills to plan and implement approved AgWRAP BMPs.
   c. Maintain the AgWRAP website with all relevant information.
Best Management Practices

Additional practices may be adopted by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and introduced during the program year.

(1) Agricultural water supply/reuse pond: Construct agricultural ponds for water supply for irrigation or livestock watering. Benefits may include water supply, erosion control, flood control, and sediment and nutrient reductions from farm fields. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(2) Agricultural pond repair/retrofit: Repair or retrofit of existing agricultural pond systems. Benefits may include water supply, erosion control, flood control, and sediment and nutrient reductions from farm fields. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(3) Agricultural pond sediment removal: Remove sediment from existing agricultural ponds to increase water storage capacity. Benefits may include water supply, erosion control, flood control, and sediment and nutrient reductions from farm fields. The minimum life expectancy is 1 year. Cooperators are ineligible to reapply for assistance for this practice for a period of 10 years; unless the sedimentation is occurring due to no fault of the cooperator.

(4) Agricultural water collection and reuse system: Construct an agricultural water management and/or collection system for water reuse or irrigation for agricultural operations. These systems may include any of the following: water storage tanks, pumps, water control structures, and/or water conveyances. Benefits may include reduced demand on the water supply by reuse and decrease withdrawal from existing water supplies. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(5) Baseflow interceptor (streamside pickup): Improve springs and seeps alongside a stream, near the banks, but not in the channel by excavating, cleaning, capping to collect and/or store water for agricultural use. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(6) Conservation irrigation conversion: Modify an existing overhead spray irrigation system to increase the efficiency and uniformity of irrigation water application. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(7) Micro-irrigation system conversion: Install an environmentally safe system for the conveyance and distribution of water, chemicals and fertilizer to agricultural fields for crop production. Replace and/or reduce other types of irrigation and fertilization with a micro-irrigation system for frequent application of small quantities of water on or below the soil surface: as drops, tiny streams or miniature spray through emitters or applicators placed along a water delivery line. This practice may be applied as part of a conservation management system to efficiently and uniformly apply irrigation water and maintain soil moisture for plant growth. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.

(8) Water supply well: Construct a drilled, driven or dug well to supply water from an underground source for irrigation, livestock and poultry, aquaculture, or on-farm processing. The minimum life expectancy is 10 years.
### Components for the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP)

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*The maximum cost for a well, including all eligible components, is $25,000.
*The maximum cost for a pond, including supporting practices, is $25,000. This cap does not include engineering costs.

Other components can be used from the Agriculture Cost Share Program Average Cost List as needed by BMP design.
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Districts are encouraged to encumber AG funds before February 1, 2019, so that reallocations can be done with funds that are voluntarily returned. Funds will be made available for supplements to existing contracts or new projects ready for contracting until funds are no longer available.
Background

The North Carolina Community Conservation Assistance Program was authorized through Session Law 2006-78, and became effective on July 10, 2006. CCAP is implemented in accordance with the rules as published 02 NCAC 59H. The purpose of CCAP is to reduce the delivery of nonpoint source (NPS) pollution into the waters of the State by installing best management practices (BMPs) on developed lands not directly involved in agricultural production. Through this voluntary, incentive-based conservation program, landowners are provided educational, technical and financial assistance.

CCAP is administered by the North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission and implemented through local soil and water conservation districts. The commission meets with stakeholders to gather input on CCAP’s development and administration through the CCAP Advisory Committee. CCAP annually receives $136,937 in state appropriations and support for one position in the Division of Soil and Water Conservation.

During the 2017 fiscal year, the Commission approved revisions to the existing CCAP Definition Rule (02 NCAC 59H .0102) and Allocation Guidelines and Procedures Rule (02 NCAC 59H .0103). The Commission developed these changes to improve program efficiency, district delivery and water quality improvements made by this program. The revisions allow the Commission to specify in this document, the CCAP annual Detailed Implementation Plan, the proportion of available funds to allocate for cost share payments, technical and administrative assistance, and education and outreach purposes and the proportion of those funds to be allocated to district, statewide, and regional allocations pools. This is particularly important given the limited amount of recurring funding currently available in this program. The allocation process is depicted in figures 1 and 2.

Figure 1: Soil and Water Conservation Commission CCAP allocation process
Figure 2: Soil and Water Conservation Commission CCAP allocation process for different funding pools
Fiscal Year 2019 Allocation Strategy

From the $136,000 total budget for BMP implementation, the Commission will allocate $128,920 through a competitive regional application process for any of the approved 2018 CCAP conservation practices. Funds totaling $7,080 will be set aside at the statewide allocation level for repair contracts to bring the total repair contract fund to $10,000 as approved through the 2018 Detailed Implementation Plan. Repairs will be made on a first come, first serve basis until repair funds are fully expended. Repairs will be capped at $2,500 and cost shared at 75% of actual costs based upon receipts. A district may bring a request before the Commission to exceed the cap of $2,500 per repair contract.

The remaining $128,900 will be divided equally among the regions. Any funds returned to the Division from previous years’ contracts will be added to the $128,920 pool and divided equally among the three regions, as depicted in figure 4. Applications will be approved using the same ranking criteria for each region. Should a region not have sufficient applications to fund, the Commission will allocate the remaining funds by approving applications in other regions, funding applications by highest score. The maximum CCAP cost share allocation per district will be limited to $20,000, so that a least two applications can be approved in each region.
Figure 4: Division of Soil and Water Conservation Service Regions for CCAP allocations
Fiscal Year 2019 Goals

I. Conduct a competitive regional allocation process for CCAP BMPs.
   a. Fund projects in each of the division’s regions: western, central and eastern.
   b. Distribute funding for BMPs consistent with the Ranking Form with those of the highest ranking in each region receiving allocations until depleted.

II. Continue to implement the program
   a. Maintain the CCAP website with all relevant information.
   b. Maintain the job approval database.
   c. Implement CCAP education and outreach efforts

Best Management Practices

Additional practices may be adopted by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission and introduced during the program year. Sites must have been developed for three years or more to be eligible for cost share assistance, and unless otherwise specified, the minimum life of all practices is 10 years. For single-family home sites, the minimum life of all practices is five years because these properties change owners more frequently.

(1) Abandoned well closure is the sealing and permanent closure of a supply well no longer in use. This practice serves to prevent entry of contaminated surface water, animals, debris or other foreign substances into the well. It also serves to eliminate the physical hazards of an open hole to people, animals and machinery.

(2) Bioretention area is the use of plants and soils for removal of pollutants from stormwater runoff. Bioretention can also be effective in reducing peak runoff rates, runoff volumes and recharging groundwater by infiltrating runoff. Bioretention areas are intended to treat impervious surface areas of greater than 2500 ft².

(3) A backyard rain garden is a shallow depression in the ground that captures runoff from a driveway, roof, or lawn and allows it to soak into the ground, rather than running across roads, capturing pollutants and delivering them to a stream. Backyard rain gardens are intended to treat impervious surface areas of less than 2500 ft².

(4) Stormwater wetland means a constructed system that mimics the functions of natural wetlands and is designed to mitigate the impacts of stormwater quality and quantity. Stormwater wetlands are intended to treat impervious surface areas of greater than 2500 ft².

(5) Backyard wetlands are constructed systems that mimic the functions of natural wetlands. They can temporarily store, filter and clean runoff from driveways, roofs and lawns, and thereby improve water quality. The wetland should be expected to retain water or remain saturated for two to three weeks. Backyard wetlands are intended to treat impervious surface areas of less than 2500 ft².

(6) A cistern is a system of collection and diversion practices to prevent stormwater from flowing across impervious areas, collecting sediment and reaching the storm drains. Benefits may include the reduction of stormwater runoff thereby reducing the opportunity for pollution to enter the storm drainage system.

(7) A critical area planting means an area of highly erodible land, which cannot be stabilized by ordinary conservation treatment on which permanent perennial vegetative cover is established and protected to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion and sedimentation and improved surface water quality.
(8) A diversion means a channel constructed across a slope with a supporting ridge on the lower side to control drainage by diverting excess water from an area to improve water quality.

(9) A grassed swale consists of a natural or constructed channel that is shaped or graded to required dimensions and established in suitable vegetation for the stable conveyance of runoff to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, and sedimentation and improve the quality of surface water pollution from dissolved and sediment-attached substances.

(10) Impervious surface conversion means the removal of impenetrable materials such as asphalt, concrete, brick and stone. These materials seal surfaces, repel water and prevent precipitation from infiltrating soils. Removal of these impervious materials, when combined with permeable pavement or vegetation establishment, is intended to reduce stormwater runoff rate and volume, as well as associated pollutants transported from the site by stormwater runoff.

(11) Permeable pavement means materials that are designed to allow water to flow through them and thus reduce the imperviousness of traffic surfaces, such as patios, walkways, sidewalks, driveways and parking areas.

(12) A pet waste receptacle means a receptacle designed to encourage pet owners to pick up after animals in parks, neighborhoods and apartment complexes so as to prevent waste from being transported off-site by stormwater runoff.

(13) A riparian buffer means an area adjacent to a stream where a permanent, long-lived vegetative cover (sod, shrubs, trees or a combination of vegetation types) is established to improve water quality. Benefits may include reduced soil erosion, sedimentation, pathogen contamination and pollution from dissolved, particulate and sediment-attached substances.

(14) A stream restoration system means the use of bioengineering practices, native material revetments, channel stability structures and/or the restoration or management of riparian corridors to protect upland BMPs, restore the natural function of the stream corridor and improve water quality by reducing sedimentation to streams from streambanks.

(15) Streambank and shoreline protection means the use of vegetation to stabilize and protect banks of streams, lakes, estuaries or excavated channels against scour and erosion.

(16) Marsh sills protect estuarine shorelines from erosion, combining engineered structures with natural vegetation to maintain, restore, or enhance the shoreline’s natural habitats. A sill is a coast-parallel, long or short structure built with the objective of reducing the wave action on the shoreline by forcing wave breaking over the sill. Sills are used to provide protection for existing coastal marshes, or to retain sandy fill between the sill and the eroding shoreline, to establish suitable elevations for the restoration or establishment of coastal marsh and/or riparian vegetation.

(17) A structural stormwater conveyance includes various techniques to divert runoff from paved surfaces where a vegetated diversion is not feasible. The purpose is to direct stormwater runoff (sheet flow or concentrated) away from a direct discharge point and divert it to an approved BMP or naturally vegetated area capable of removing nutrients through detention, filtration, or infiltration.
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- **169** Visits
- **395** Total # CPOs
- **42.8%** Percent Visited
- **168** In Compliance
- **7** Out of Compliance
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SUBCHAPTER 59D - AGRICULTURE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COST SHARE
PROGRAMS FOR NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL

SECTION .0100 - AGRICULTURE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION COST SHARE
PROGRAMS

02 NCAC 59D .0101 PURPOSE

This Subchapter describes the operating procedures for the Division under the guidance of the Commission implementing the Agriculture Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control, the Community Conservation Assistance Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control, and the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program. Procedures and guidelines for participating districts are also described. The purposes of the voluntary programs are as follows:

(1) Agriculture Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control is to reduce the delivery of agricultural nonpoint source (NPS) pollution into the water courses of the state.

(2) Community Conservation Assistance Program is to reduce the delivery of nonpoint source pollution into the waters of the state.

(3) Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program is to assist farmers and landowners to:
   (a) identify opportunities to increase water use efficiency, availability and storage;
   (b) implement best management practices to conserve and protect water resources;
   (c) increase water use efficiency or
   (d) increase water storage and availability for agricultural purposes.

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-4;
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Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0001 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0101 Eff. May 1, 2012.
In addition to the definitions found in G.S. 143-215.74 through G.S. 106-852, the following terms used in this Subchapter have the following meanings:

1. “Agriculture Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution” means pollution originating from a diffuse source as a result of agricultural activities related to crop production, production and management of poultry and livestock, land application of waste materials, and management of forestland incidental to agricultural production.

2. “Agricultural purposes” means agricultural activities related to crop production, production and management of poultry and livestock, land application of waste materials, and management of forestland incidental to agricultural production.

3. “Allocation” means the annual share of the state's appropriation for each program to participating districts.

4. “Applicant” means a person(s) who applies for best management practice cost sharing monies from the district. An applicant may also be referred to as a “cooperator.” All entities, with which the applicant is associated, including those in other counties, shall be considered the same applicant.

5. “Average Costs” means the calculated cost, determined by averaging actual costs and current cost estimates necessary for best management practice implementation. Actual costs include labor, supplies, and other direct costs required for physical installation of a practice.

6. “Best Management Practice (BMP)” means a structural or nonstructural management based practice used singularly or in combination to reduce nonpoint source inputs to receiving waters, address natural resource needs.

   a. For the Agriculture Cost Share Program and the Community Conservation Assistance Program, BMPs shall reduce nonpoint source inputs to receiving waters.

   b. For the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program, BMPs shall increase the storage, availability, and use efficiency of water for agricultural purposes.


8. “Conservation Plan of Operation (CPO)” means a written plan scheduling documenting the applicant's decisions concerning land use, and both cost shared and non-cost shared BMPs to be installed and maintained on the operating management unit.

9. “Cost Share Agreement” means an annual or long term agreement between the applicant and the district which defines the BMPs to be cost shared, rate and amount of payment, minimum practice life, and date of BMP installation. The agreement shall state that the recipient shall maintain and repair the practice(s) for the specified minimum life of the practice. The Cost Share Agreement shall have a maximum contract life of three years for BMP installation. The district shall perform an annual status review during the installation period.

10. “Cost Share Incentive (CSI)” means a predetermined fixed payment paid to an applicant for implementing a BMP in lieu of cost share.
“Cost Share Rate” means a cost share percentage paid to an applicant for implementing BMPs.

“Department” means the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

“Design Practice” means an engineering practice as defined by the Natural Resources Conservation Service or Soil and Water Conservation Commission in their Program Detailed Implementation Plan(s).

“Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP)” means the plan approved by the Commission that specifies the guidelines for each program for the current fiscal year including:

(a) annual program goals;
(b) district and statewide allocations;
(c) BMPs that will be eligible for cost sharing; and
(d) the minimum life expectancy of those practices.

“District Allocation Pool” means the annual share of the state’s appropriation for each program to be allocated to participating districts.

“District BMP” means a BMP designated requested by a district and approved by the Division for evaluation purposes, to reduce the delivery of agricultural NPS pollution and which is reviewed and approved by the Division to be technically adequate prior to funding.

“Division” means the Division of Soil and Water Conservation.

“Encumbered Funds” means monies from a district's allocation which have been committed to an applicant after initial approval of the obligated to an approved cost share agreement.

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“Full Time Equivalent (FTE) means 2,080 hours per annum which equals one full time technical position.

“In-kind Contribution” means a contribution by the applicant towards the implementation of BMPs. In-kind contributions shall be approved by the district and can include but not be limited to labor, fuel, machinery use, and supplies and materials necessary for implementing the approved BMPs.

“Job Approval Authority” means the authority granted to individuals who are qualified to plan, design and verify installation or implementation of specific practices per practice standards approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Service or the Commission. This authority is either recognized or granted by the Natural Resources Conservation Service or the Commission.

“Landowner” means any natural person or other legal entity, including a governmental agency, who holds either an estate of freehold (such as a fee simple absolute or a life estate) or an estate for years or from year to year in land, but does not include an estate at will or by sufferance in land. Furthermore, a governmental or quasi-governmental agency such as a drainage district or a soil and water conservation district, or any such agency, by whatever name called, exercising similar powers for similar purposes, can be a landowner for the purposes of these Rules if the governmental agency holds an easement in land.

“Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution” means pollution originating from a diffuse source.
Program “Fiscal Year” means the period from July 1 through June 30 for which funds are allocated to districts.

“Proper Maintenance” means that a practice(s) is being maintained such that the practice(s) is successfully performing the function for which it was originally implemented.

“Regional Allocation Pool” means the annual share of the state’s appropriation for each program allocated for applications ranked in the Division’s three regions as specified in the annual Detailed Implementation Plan.

Soil Loss Tolerance ($t$) means the maximum allowable annual soil erosion rate to maintain the soil resource base, depending on soil type. “Statewide Allocation Pool” means the annual share of the state’s appropriation for applications ranked at the state level as specified in the annual Detailed Implementation Plan.

“Strategy Strategic Plan” means the annual plan for the N.C. Agriculture Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Soil and Water Conservation Commission Cost Share Programs to be developed by each district. The plan identifies pollution treatment natural resource needs and the level of cost sharing and technical assistance monies required to address those annual needs in the respective district.

“Technical Representative” of the district means a person designated by the district to act on their behalf who participates in the planning, design, implementation and inspection of BMPs. These practices shall be technically reviewed by the Division. The district chairman shall certify that the technical representative has properly planned, designed and inspected the BMPs.

“Unencumbered Funds” means the portion of the allocation to each district which has not been committed for cost sharing.

**History Note:** Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-3;
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Temporary Amendment Eff. September 23, 1996;
Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0002 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Amended Eff. April 1, 1997;
Temporary Amendment Expired June 13, 1997;
Amended Eff. March 1, 2008; July 1, 2004;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0102 Eff. May 1, 2012.
02 NCAC 59D .0103 AGRICULTURE COST SHARE PROGRAM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

ALLOCATION GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

(a) The Commission shall allocate the cost share funds to the districts in the designated program areas for cost share payments and cost share incentive payments. To In order to receive fund allocations, each district designated eligible by the Commission shall submit an annual strategic plan to the Commission at the beginning of each fiscal year by June 1 of each year. Funds may be allocated to each district for any or all of the following purposes: cost share payments, cost share incentive payments, technical assistance, or administrative assistance. Use of funds for technical and administrative assistance must follow the guidelines set forth in Rule .0106 of this Subchapter.

(b) Funds shall be allocated to the districts at the beginning of the fiscal year and whenever the Commission determines that sufficient funds are available to justify a reallocation. Districts allocations shall be allocated monies based on the identified level of agriculture-related nonpoint source pollution problems, the respective district's BMP installation goals as demonstrated in the district's annual strategy plan, and the district's record of performance to affect BMP installation by cooperating farmers. The allocation method used for disbursement of funds is based on the relative position of each respective district for those parameters approved by the Commission pursuant to Paragraph (g) of this Rule. Each district is assigned points for each parameter, and the points are totaled and proportioned to the total dollars available under the current program year funding according to the following formula:

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\text{Points Each District} \times \text{Dollars Each District} = \frac{\text{Total Points}}{\text{Total Dollars Available}}
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The minimum allocated to a particular district shall be twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) per program year, unless the district requests less than twenty thousand dollars ($20,000).

(c) In the initial allocation 95 percent of the total program funding annual appropriation shall be allocated to the district accounts in the initial allocation administered by the Division. The Division shall retain five percent of the total funding in an annual appropriation as a contingency fund to be used to respond to an emergency or natural disaster. If the contingency funds are not needed to respond to an emergency, they shall be allocated at the March meeting of the Commission available for allocation after March 1.

(d) The Commission may recall funds allocated to a district during a fiscal year that have not been encumbered to an agreement at any time if it determines the recalled funds are needed to respond to an emergency or natural disaster.

(e) At any time a district may submit a revised strategy plan and apply to the Commission for additional funds from the Commission.

(f) CPO's Agreements that encumber funds under the current year must be submitted to the Division by 5:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday in June 30.
(g) Districts For the Agriculture Cost Share Program, districts shall be allocated funds based on their respective data for each of the following parameters:

1. Percentage of total acres of agricultural land in North Carolina that are in the respective district (including cropland, hayland, pasture land, and orchards/vineyards) as reported in the most recent edition of the North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Census of Agriculture. The actual percentage shall be normalized to a 1-100 scale. (20%)

2. Percentage of total number of animal units in North Carolina that are in the respective district as reported in the most recent edition of the North Carolina Agricultural Statistics Census of Agriculture and converted to animal units using the conversion factors approved by the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service. The actual percentage shall be normalized to a 1-100 scale. (20%)

3. Relative rank of the percentage of the county outside of municipal boundaries as defined by North Carolina Department of Transportation draining to waters number of miles of stream identified as less than fully supporting due to agricultural nonpoint source pollution as reported in the state’s 303(d) list, impaired or impacted on the most recent Integrated Report, and basin plan produced by the North Carolina Division of Water Resources. This report is incorporated with subsequent amendments and editions, and may be accessed at no charge at http://ncdenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html (20%)

4. Relative rank of the percentage of the county draining to waters classified as Primary Nursery Areas, Outstanding Resource Waters, High Quality Waters, and Trout Waters on the current schedule of Water Quality Standards and Classifications, Shellfish Growing Areas (open) as determined by the Division of Marine Fisheries, and Drinking Water Assessment Areas as determined by the Division of Water Resources, and Critical Water Supply on the current schedule of Water Quality Standards and Classifications. The classifications are incorporated with subsequent amendments and editions, and may be accessed at no charge at http://ncdenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html. The shellfish harvesting areas may be accessed at http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/shellfish-closure-maps. The Public Water Supply assessment areas may be accessed at http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/drinking-water/drinking-water-protection-program/mapping-applications. (10%)

5. The percentage of cost share funds allocated to a district that are encumbered to contracts in the best three of the most recent four completed program years as reported on the NC Agriculture Cost Share Program Database. (10%)

6. Percentage of program funds encumbered to contracts allocated to a district that are actually expended for installed BMPs in the best highest three of the most recent four seven-year period for which the allowed time for implementing contracted BMPs has expired as reported on in the NC Agriculture Cost Share Contracting System Program Database. (10-20%)
Relative rank of the average erosion rate for agricultural number of acres of highly erodible land in the county as reported by the National Resources Inventory—United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency, unless the State Conservationist of the Natural Resources Conservation Service specifies that another information source would be more current and accurate.

(10%)

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. May 1, 1987;
Recodified from 15A NCAC 06E .0003 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Amended Eff. April 1, 1997;
Temporary Amendment Eff. May 1, 2001;
Amended Eff. September 1, 2005; August 1, 2002;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0103 Eff. May 1, 2012.
(a) The Commission shall consider the total amount of funding available for allocation, relative needs of the program for BMP implementation, local technical assistance, and education to determine the proportion of available funds to be allocated for each eligible purpose. This determination shall be done prior to allocating funds to statewide, regional, and district allocation pools and the Division. Funds may be allocated for any or all of the following purposes:

1. cost share and cost share incentive payments;
2. technical and administrative assistance; and
3. statewide or local education and outreach activities.

The percentage of funding available for each purpose and each allocation pool shall be specified in the annual Detailed Implementation Plan based upon the recommendation of the Division and the needs expressed by the districts.

(b) District Allocations: Based on the availability of funds, the Commission shall allocate cost share funds from the district allocation pool to the districts. To receive fund allocations, each district shall submit a strategy request funds in their strategic plan to the Commission at the beginning of each program year.

(c) Funds for cost share and cost share incentive payments shall be allocated to the districts at the beginning of the fiscal year and whenever the Commission determines that funds are available in the district allocation pool to justify a reallocation. Districts shall be allocated monies based on the identified level of nonpoint source pollution problems and the respective district's BMP installation goals as demonstrated in the district's annual strategy plan. The allocation method used for disbursement of funds shall be based upon the score of each respective district for those parameters approved by the Commission pursuant to Subparagraph (7) of this Paragraph. The points each district scores on each parameter shall be totaled and proportioned to the total dollars available for district allocation under the current fiscal year funding according to the following formula:

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\text{Points Each District} \times \text{Total Dollars Available to Each District} = \text{Dollars Available}
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1. 95 percent of the program funding designated for district allocations shall be allocated to the district accounts in the initial allocation. The Division shall retain five percent of the total funding in a contingency fund to respond to an emergency or natural disaster.

2. The Commission may recall funds allocated to a district that have not been encumbered to an agreement if it determines the recalled funds are needed to respond to an emergency or natural disaster.

3. At any time a district may submit a revised strategy plan and apply to the Commission for additional funds.

4. CPOA Agreements that encumber funds under the current year must be submitted to the Division by 5:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday in June.

5. Districts shall be allocated funds based on their respective data for each of the following parameters:
(A) Relative rank of the percentage of the county draining to waters identified as impaired or impacted on the most recent Integrated Report produced by the North Carolina Division of Water Resources. This report is incorporated with subsequent amendments and editions, and may be accessed at no charge at http://ncdenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html (20 percent).

(B) Relative rank of the percentage of the county draining to waters classified as Outstanding Resource Waters, High Quality Waters and Trout Waters or on the current schedule of Water Quality Standards and Classifications, and Shellfish Growing Areas (open) as determined by the Division of Marine Fisheries. The classifications are incorporated with subsequent amendments and editions, and may be accessed at no charge at http://ncdenr.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html. The shellfish harvesting areas may be accessed at http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/shellfish-closure-maps. (20 percent)

(C) The percentage of each county covered by Phase I and Phase II requirements. (20 percent)

(D) Relative rank of population density for the county. (20 percent)

(E) Relative rank of the percentage of a county's land area that is located within drinking water assessment areas, as delineated by the Public Water Supply Section of the Division of Water Resources. The Public Water Supply assessment areas are incorporated with subsequent amendments and editions, and may be accessed at no charge at http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/drinking-water/drinking-water-protection-program/mapping-applications. (20 percent)

(F) The Commission may consider additional factors, such as data sources changes to the Subparagraphs in this Paragraph, as recommended by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation when making its allocations.

d) Statewide and Regional Allocations: Based on the availability of funds, the Commission shall allocate cost share funds from the statewide and regional allocation pools. To receive fund allocations, each district designated eligible by the Commission shall submit applications to respective pools when solicited by the Division. The Division shall rank each application and recommend to the Commission for its approval an amount to allocate to each district corresponding to the highest-ranking applications.

e) The funds available for technical and administrative assistance shall be allocated by the Commission based upon the needs as expressed by the district and needs to accelerate the installation of BMPs in the respective district. Each district may use these monies to fund new positions or to accelerate present technical assistance. Districts must provide an itemized budget to the Division in order to qualify for technical assistance funds. N.C. Community Conservation Assistance Program technical assistance funds may be used for technical assistance with the district matching at least 50 percent of the total. Each district allocated funds for technical assistance shall demonstrate to the Commission in the itemized budget that matching funds are available prior to any expenditure of funds. The allocation method used for disbursement of funds shall be based on the score of each respective district for those parameters approved by the
Commission pursuant to Subparagraph (4) of this Paragraph. The points each district scores for each parameter shall be totaled and proportioned to the total dollars available under the current program year funding according to the following formula:

1. Sum of Parameter Points \( \sum \) = Total Points
2. Percentage Total \( \frac{\text{Points Each District}}{\text{Total Dollars}} \times 100 \) = Dollars Available

If a district requests less than the dollars available to that district in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph, then the excess funds shall be allocated to the districts who did not receive their full requested allocation using the same methodology described in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph.

Priority for funding shall be based upon the following parameters:

(A) Whether the position is presently funded by Community Conservation Assistance Program technical assistance funds. (25 percent)

(B) The proportion of Community Conservation Assistance Program funds for cost share and cost share incentive allocated to districts served by this technical assistance request (normalized to a 1 to 100 scale by multiplying each district’s score by a factor such that the product of the highest score for this parameter is 100). (50 percent)

(C) The amount of additional funds leveraged by grants and other funds committed to districts served by this technical assistance request (normalized to a 1 to 100 scale by multiplying each district’s score by a factor such that the product of the highest score for this parameter is 100). (25 percent)

Subject to availability of funds and local match, the Commission shall provide support for technical assistance for every district.

District technicians may be jointly funded by more than one district to accelerate the program in each participating district. Each district shall be eligible for cost sharing in the program. Requests for funding (salary, FICA, insurance, etc.) of a shared position must be presented to the Division by all participating districts and the Division shall cost share to the billing district at a 50-50 rate based on the portion of the FTE provided each respective district. A shared position shall be officially housed in one specific district and cost share for support items (office rent, telephone, etc.) shall be paid to one district only.

Funds, if available, shall be allocated to each participating district to provide for administrative costs under this program. These funds shall be used for clerical assistance and other related program administrative costs and shall be matched with in-kind funds of an equal amount from the district.

The funds available for the education and outreach purpose shall be allocated by the Commission based upon the needs as expressed by the district and needs to accelerate the installation of BMPs in that respective district. Districts and the Division may use these funds for holding workshops for potential applicants and for developing, duplicating, and distributing outreach materials or signs. Districts shall provide an itemized budget to the Division in order to
Education and outreach funds shall be allocated to each district in accordance with the following formula:

(1) Each district shall receive the lesser of one thousand dollars ($1,000) or the result of the following equation:

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\frac{\text{Total Education and Outreach Dollars Available}}{\text{Total Education and Outreach Dollars Requested by Each District}} \times \frac{\text{Total Education and Outreach Dollars Requested by All Districts}}{\text{Total Education and Outreach Dollars Available to Each District}}
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(2) If more Education and Outreach funds are available for allocation than are requested by districts or the Division, then the excess funds shall be added to the funds to be allocated for cost share and cost share incentive payments.

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. January 1, 2008;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0103 Eff. May 1, 2012;
(a) The Commission shall consider the total amount of funding available for allocation and the relative needs of the program for BMP implementation to determine the proportion of available funds to be allocated to statewide, regional, and district allocation pools and the Division. The percentage of funding available for each purpose and each allocation pool shall be specified in the annual Detailed Implementation Plan based upon the recommendation of the Division and the needs expressed by the districts.

(b) District Allocations: Based on funding availability, the Commission shall allocate cost share funds from the district allocation pool to the districts. To receive fund allocations, each district shall request an allocation in their strategic plan.

(c) Funds for cost share and cost share incentive payments shall be allocated to the districts at the beginning of the fiscal year and whenever the Commission determines that funds are available in the district allocation pool to justify a reallocation. Districts shall be allocated monies based on the identified level of agricultural water use needs and the respective district’s BMP installation goals as demonstrated in the district’s annual strategic plan. The allocation method used for disbursement of funds shall be based on the relative position of each respective district for those parameters approved by the Commission pursuant to Paragraph (h) of this Rule. The points each district scores on each parameter shall be totaled and proportioned to the total dollars available for district allocation under the current fiscal year funding according to the following formula:

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\text{Total Points} = \left( \frac{\text{Points Each District}}{\text{Total Dollars Available}} \right) \times \text{Dollars Available Each District}
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(3) The minimum district allocation shall be specified in the Detailed Implementation Plan.

(4) If a district requests less than the dollars available to that district in Subparagraph (b)(2) of this Rule, then the excess funds beyond those requested by the district shall be allocated to the districts who did not receive their full requested allocation using the same methodology described in Subparagraph (b)(2) of this Rule.

(d) In the initial allocation 95 percent of the annual appropriation shall be allocated to district accounts administered by the Division. The Division shall retain five percent of the annual appropriation as a contingency to be used to respond to an emergency or natural disaster. If the contingency funds are not needed to respond to an emergency, then they shall be available for allocation after March 1.

(e) The Commission may recall funds allocated to a district that have not been encumbered to an agreement at any time if it determines the recalled funds are needed to respond to an emergency or natural disaster.

(f) At any time a district may submit a revised strategic plan to request additional funds from the Commission.

(g) Agreements that encumber funds under the current year must be submitted to the Division by 5:00 p.m. on June 30.
(h) For the Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program, districts shall be allocated funds based on their respective data for each of the following parameters:

1. Relative rank of the number of farms (total operations) that are in the respective district as reported in the Census of Agriculture. (20%)
2. Relative rank of the total acres of land in farms that are in the respective district as reported in the Census of Agriculture. (20%)
3. Relative rank of the Market Value of Sales that are in the respective district as reported in the Census of Agriculture. (15%)
4. Relative rank of the amount of agricultural water use in the respective district as reported in the North Carolina Agricultural Water Use Survey. (25%) Data from the most recent three surveys will be averaged to determine each district’s rank.
5. Relative rank of population density as reported by the state demographer. (20%)
6. The Commission may consider additional factors, such as data sources changes to the Subparagraphs in this Paragraph, as recommended by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation when making its allocations.

(i) Statewide and Regional Allocations: Based upon funding availability, the Commission shall allocate cost share funds from the statewide and regional allocation pools. To receive fund allocations, each district designated eligible by the Commission shall submit applications to respective pools when solicited by the Division. The Division shall rank each application and recommend to the Commission for its approval an amount to allocate to each district corresponding to the highest-ranking applications.
02 NCAC 59D .0104-0106  

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ELIGIBLE FOR COST SHARE PAYMENTS

(a) BMPs eligible for cost sharing will be restricted to those BMPs listed in the Detailed Implementation Plan approved by the Commission for the current program fiscal year, except for District BMPs. BMPs shall meet the following criteria to be listed in the Detailed Implementation Plan:

(1) All eligible BMPs must be designed to reduce the input of agricultural nonpoint source pollution into the water courses of the state, meet the purpose of the program or as otherwise shall be authorized by statute.

(2) Information establishing the average cost of the specified BMP must be used, if available. District BMPs may use actual costs as indicated by receipts, if average costs are not available; and

(3) Eligible BMPs shall have adequate technical specifications as set forth in Paragraph (b) of this Rule.

(b) BMP definitions and specifications shall be determined by the Commission using the process outlined in 02 NCAC 59D .0103 through 59D .0105 are set forth periodically in the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Technical Guide, Section IV, Raleigh, North Carolina or by the division for district BMPs. For a contract to be eligible for payment, all cost shared BMPs shall meet or exceed the BMP specifications in effect at the time the contract was approved, appropriate for the current program year shall be met or exceeded in order for an applicant to qualify for cost sharing. Provisions for exceeding BMP design specifications by an applicant may be considered at the time of application with the district. The applicant shall assume responsibility for all costs associated with exceeding BMP design specifications.

(c) The Division has authority to approve District BMPs for evaluation purposes. The BMP shall be requested by a district and meet the program purpose. The Division shall determine it to be technically adequate prior to funding.

(ed) The minimum life expectancy required maintenance of the BMPs shall be listed in the Detailed Implementation Plan. Practices designated by a district shall meet the life expectancy requirement or be established by the Division for that district BMPs.

History Note:  Authority G.S. 106-850; 139-8;

Eff. May 1, 1987;

Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0004 Eff. December 20, 1996;

Amended Eff. January 1, 1998;

Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0104 Eff. May 1, 2012.
02 NCAC 59D .0105.0107 COST SHARE AND INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

(a) Cost share and incentive payments may be made through Cost Share Agreements between the district, Division and the applicant.

(b) For all practices except those eligible for Cost Share Incentives (CSI), the State of North Carolina shall provide a percentage of the average cost for BMP installation not to exceed the maximum cost share percentages shown in subdivisions (6), (8), and (9) of G.S. 143-215.74(b)-106-850(b), and the applicant shall contribute the remainder of the cost. In-kind contributions by the applicant shall be included in the applicants' cost share contribution. In-kind contributions shall be specified in the agreement for cost sharing and shall be approved by the district and Division.

(c) CSI payments shall be limited to a maximum of three years per farm entity.

(d) Average installation costs for each comparative area or region of the state and the amount of cost share incentive payments shall be updated and revised at least triennially by the Division for approval by the Commission.

(e) The total annual cost share payments to an applicant shall not exceed the maximum funding authorized in subdivisions (6) and (9) of G.S. 143-215.74(b)-106-850(b).

(f) Cost share payments to implement BMPs under this program may be combined with other funding programs, as long as the combined cost share rate does not exceed the amount and percentages set forth in Paragraphs (b) and (e) of this Rule. For special funding programs where the applicant relinquishes all production capability on his or her agricultural land for at least 10 years, combined funding may equal up to 100 percent. Agriculture Cost Share Program funding shall not exceed the maximum cost share percentages shown in subdivisions (6), (8), and (9) of G.S. 143-215.74(b).

(gf) Use of cost share payments shall be restricted to land located within the county approved for funding by the Commission. However, in the situation where an applicant's farm is not located solely within a county, the entire farm, if contiguous, shall be eligible for cost share payments.

(hg) Agriculture Cost Share Program and Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program cost share contracts used on or for local, state or federal government land must be approved by the Commission in order to avoid potential conflicts of interest and to ensure that such contracts are consistent with the purposes of these programs.

(i) The district Board of Supervisors may approve Cost Share Agreements with cost share percentages or amounts less than the maximum allowable in subdivisions (6), (8), and (9) of G.S. 143-215.74(b)-106-850(b) if:

(1) The Commission allocates insufficient cost share BMP funding to the district to enable it to award funding to all applicants; or

(2) The district establishes other criteria in its annual strategic plan for cost sharing percentages or amounts less than those allowable in subdivisions (6), (8), and (9) of G.S. 143-215.74(b)-106-850(b).

(j) For purposes of determining eligible payments under practice-specific caps described in the detailed implementation plan, the district board shall consider all entities with which the applicant is associated, including those in other counties, as the same applicant.
History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. May 1, 1987;
Temporary Amendment Eff. September 23, 1996;
Recodified form 15A NCAC 06E .0005 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Temporary Amendment Expired June 13, 1997;
Amended Eff. March 1, 2008; July 1, 2004; April 1, 1999; January 1, 1998;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0105 Eff. May 1, 2012.
(a) The funds available for technical assistance shall be allocated by the Commission based on the recommendation of the division, the needs as expressed by the district, and the needs to accelerate the installation of BMPs in the respective district. Each district may use these monies to fund new positions or to accelerate present technical assistance positions. Districts must provide an itemized budget to the division in order to qualify for technical assistance funds. Matching funds shall provide at least 50 percent of the total matching funds for district technical assistance shall be approved by the Commission prior to any expenditure of funds. Budget revisions submitted by the districts may be approved by the NPS Section based on Paragraph (b) of this Rule. N. C. Agriculture Cost Share technical assistance funds may be used for each FTE technical position with the district matching at least 50 percent of the total. Priorities for funding positions shall be assigned based as follows:

1. Subject to availability of funds and local match, provide support for one FTE technical position for every district.
2. Subject to availability of funds and local match, provide support for one additional FTE technical position if the position is needed to further support program implementation. Priority for funding positions beyond one FTE per district shall be based on the following parameters:
   A) Whether the position is presently funded by program technical assistance funds.
   B) The number of program dollars encumbered to contracts in the highest three of the previous four completed program years, and
   C) The number of program dollars actually expended for installed BMPs in the highest three years of the most recent four-year period for which the allowed time for implementing contracted BMPs has expired as reported on the NC Agriculture Cost Share Database.
3. Subject to availability of funds and local match, provide support for additional FTE technical position if the position is needed to further accelerate treatment of identified critical nonpoint source pollution problem(s).

(b) The Commission shall allocate technical assistance funds as described in their Detailed Implementation Plan (DIP). This allocation shall be made based on the implementation of conservation practices for which district employees provided technical assistance incorporating the following: Technical assistance funds may be used for salary, benefits, social security, field equipment and supplies, office rent, office equipment and supplies, postage, telephone service, travel and mileage. A maximum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) per year for each FTE technical position is allowed for mileage charges.

1. Commission Cost Share Programs funded practices will be weighted at 100 percent;
2. other local, state, federal and grant funded practices that meet the purpose requirements in 02 NCAC 59D .0101 will be weighted at a minimum of 25 percent as specified in the DIP;
3. districts shall submit information on funded practices as specified in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph through their annual strategic plan;
4. this allocation will be calculated using the highest three of the most recent seven years; and
(5) this allocation will be calculated once every three years, unless there is a change in technical assistance
state appropriations.

c) Technical assistance funds may be used for salary, benefits, social security, field equipment and supplies, office
rent, office equipment and supplies, postage, telephone service, travel, mileage, and any other expense of the district
in implementing Soil and Water Conservation Commission Cost Share Programs not be used to fund technical
assistance positions which do not meet the following minimum requirements:

(1) associated degree in engineering, agriculture, forestry or related field; or

(2) high school diploma with two years experience in the fields listed in Rule .0106(c)(1), of this
Subchapter.

d) Each district requesting technical assistance funding with the required 50 percent local match shall receive a
minimum allocation of $20,000 each year. Cost shared positions must be used to accelerate the program activities in
the district. A district technician cost shared with program funds may work on other activities as delegated by the
field office supervisor but the total hours charged to the program by field office personnel must equal or exceed those
hours funded through the program. Also, these hours must be in addition to those hours normally spent in BMP
planning and installation by district personnel.

e) If a district is not spending more on financial assistance funds on Commission Cost Share Programs than they
receive for technical assistance, the district shall appeal to the Commission to receive technical assistance funding.
District technicians may be jointly funded by more than one district to accelerate the program in each participating
district. Each district must be eligible for cost sharing in the program. Requests for funding (salary, FICA, insurance,
etc.) of a shared position must be presented to the division by all concerned districts and the division shall cost share
to the billing district at a 50-50 rate based on the portion of the FTE provided each respective district. A shared
position must be officially housed in one specific district and cost share for support items (office rent, telephone, etc.)
shall be paid to one district only.

(f) Funds, if available, shall be allocated to each participating district to provide for administrative costs under this
program. These funds shall be used for clerical assistance and other related program administrative costs and shall be
matched with in-kind funds of an equal amount from the district. All technical district employees shall obtain Job
Approval Authority for two best management practices from the Commission or the United States Department of
Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service within three years of being hired or July 1, 2018, whichever is
later.

(1) One of the best management practices for which the employee has obtained Job Approval Authority shall
be a design practice. Design practice means an engineering practice as defined by the Natural
Resources Conservation Service or Soil and Water Conservation Commission in their Program
Detailed Implementation Plan(s).

(2) The District Board of Supervisors may request a one-year extension for their employees in meeting the
Job Approval Authority requirement for extenuating circumstances.

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. May 1, 1987;
Amended Eff. July 1, 1992;
Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0006 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Amended Eff. August 1, 2005; November 1, 1997;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0106 Eff. May 1, 2012.
02 NCAC 59D .0107-0109 COST SHARE AGREEMENT

(a) The landowner shall be required to sign the agreement for all practices other than agronomic practices and land application of animal wastes that affect change to the property. An applicant who is not the landowner may submit a long-term written lease or other legal document, indicating control over the land in lieu of the landowner's signature, provided the control runs the life of the practice as listed in the respective Program Year's Implementation Plan. Signature The signature on the agreement constitutes responsibility for BMP maintenance and continuation.

(b) As a condition for receiving cost share or cost share incentive payments for implementing BMP's, the applicant shall agree to continue and maintain those practices for the minimum life as set forth in the Detailed Implementation Plan, effective the date the BMP's are implemented.

(c) As a condition for receiving cost share payments, the applicant shall agree to submit a soil test sample for analysis and follow the fertilizer application recommendations as close as reasonably and practically possible. Soil testing shall be required a minimum of every two years on all cropland affected by cost share payments. Failure to soil test shall not constitute noncompliance with the cost share agreement.

(d) As a condition for receiving cost share payments for waste management systems, the applicant shall agree to have the waste material analyzed once every year to determine its nutrient content. If the waste is land applied, the applicant shall agree to soil test the area of application and to apply the waste as close as reasonably and practically possible to recommended rates. When waste is land applied, waste analysis and soil testing shall be conducted annually.

(e) The technical representative of the district shall determine if the practice(s) implemented have been installed according to specifications practice standards as defined for the respective program fiscal year in the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service Technical Guide, Section IV, Raleigh, for North Carolina, according to other specifications approved by the Commission pursuant to 02 NCAC 59G .0103, or according to specifications standards approved by the Division for district BMPs based on the criteria established in 02 NCAC 59G .0103(c).

(f) The district shall be responsible for making an annual spot check of five percent of all the cost share agreements to ensure proper maintenance. The Commission may specify additional spot check requirements for specific BMPs in the Detailed Implementation Plan. Waste management systems shall be included as part of the annual five percent check except for systems on farms without certified waste management plans. In those cases, the districts shall conduct annual status reviews for five years following implementation.

(g) If the technical representative of the district determines that a BMP for which program funds were received has been destroyed or has not been properly maintained, the applicant shall be notified that the BMP must be repaired or re-implemented within 30 working days. For vegetative practices, applicants shall be given one calendar year to re-establish the vegetation. The district may grant a prescribed extension period if it determines compliance cannot be met due to circumstances beyond the applicants control.

(h) If the practices are not repaired or reimplemented within the specified time, the applicant shall be required to repay to the Division a prorated refund for cost share BMPs as shown in Table 1 and 100 percent of the cost share incentive payments received.

Table 1

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(hi) In the event that a contract has been found to be noncompliant and the applicant has been found in noncompliance and who does not agree to correct the non-compliance, the Division may invoke procedures to achieve resolution to the noncompliance, including any and all remedies available to it under the law, repair or reimplement the cost shared practices, and a District may jointly request the commission to informally mediate the case. To invoke this method of mediation, both parties must stipulate that the commission mediation is binding.

(i) An applicant shall have 180 days to make repayment to the Division following the final appeals process.

(j) The inability to properly maintain cost shared practices or the destruction of such practices through no fault of the applicant shall not be considered as noncompliance with the cost share agreement.

(kj) When land under cost share agreement changes, the new landowner shall be strongly encouraged by the district to accept the remaining maintenance obligation. If the new landowner does not accept the maintenance requirements in writing, then the original applicant shall be required to refund 100 percent of all CSI payments and a prorated portion of cost share payments in accordance with Table 1 in Paragraph (gh) of this Rule.

**History Note:** Authority G.S. 106-850; 139-4; 139-8;

*Eff. May 1, 1987;*

*Amended Eff. July 1, 1992;*

*Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0007 Eff. December 20, 1996;*

*Amended Eff. June 1, 2008; April 1, 1999; November 1, 1997;*

*Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0107 Eff. May 1, 2012.*
02 NCAC 59D .0108.0110 DISTRICT PROGRAM OPERATION

(a) As a component of the annual strategy, the district shall prioritize resource concerns per the program purpose, both cropland and animal operations according to pollution potential. The district shall target technical and financial assistance to facilitate BMP implementation on the identified critical areas.

(b) The district shall give priority to implementing systems of BMPs that provide the most cost effective reduction of nonpoint source pollution and conservation practice for addressing priority resource concerns.

(c) All applicants shall apply to the district to complete the necessary forms in order to receive cost share payments.

(d) The district shall review each application and the feasibility of each application. The district shall review and approve the evaluation and assign priority for cost sharing. All applicants shall be informed of cost share application approval or denial.

(e) Upon approval of the application by the district, the applicant, and the district, and the Division shall enter into a cost share agreement. The cost share agreement shall list the practices to be cost shared with state funds. The agreement shall also include the average cost of the recommended practice(s), cost incentive payment of the practice(s), and the expected implementation date of the practice(s). The District shall develop CPO's, which a conservation plan that shall become a part of the cost share agreement.

(f) Upon completion of practice(s) implementation, the technical representative of the district shall notify the district board of compliance with design specifications.

(g) Upon notification, the district shall review the CPO agreement and request for payment. Upon approval, the district shall certify the practices in the CPO agreement and notify the Division to make payment to the applicant. The District Board of Supervisors shall certify that the individual signing the conservation plan and request for payment has proper job approval authority for the respective practice(s) before signing requests for payment for completed BMPs.

(h) Upon receipt of a quarterly statement from the district, the Division shall reimburse to the district the appropriate amount for technical and clerical assistance.

(ih) The district shall be responsible for and approve all BMP inspections as set forth in Rule .01070109(e) of this Section to insure proper maintenance and continuation under the cost share agreement.

(jj) The district shall keep appropriate records dealing with the program per their district’s document retention schedule.

History Note:  Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-850; 139-4; 139-8;

Eff. May 1, 1987;
Recodified from 15A NCAC 6E .0008 Eff. December 20, 1996;
Amended Eff. March 1, 2008; November 1, 1997;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06E .0108 Eff. May 1, 2012.
SUBCHAPTER 59H – COMMUNITY CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL

SECTION .0100 – COMMUNITY CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

02 NCAC 59H .0101 PURPOSE

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. December 1, 2007;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0101 Eff. May 1, 2012.

02 NCAC 59H .0102 DEFINITIONS FOR SUBCHAPTER 59H

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. December 1, 2007;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0102 Eff. May 1, 2012;

02 NCAC 59H .0103 ALLOCATION GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. January 1, 2008;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0103 Eff. May 1, 2012;

02 NCAC 59H .0104 BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES ELIGIBLE FOR COST SHARE PAYMENTS

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. December 1, 2007;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0104 Eff. May 1, 2012.

02 NCAC 59H .0105 COST SHARE AND INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. December 1, 2007;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0105 Eff. May 1, 2012.

02 NCAC 59H .0106 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840; 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. December 1, 2007;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0106 Eff. May 1, 2012.

02 NCAC 59H .0107 COST SHARE AGREEMENT

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-860; 139-4; 139-8;
Eff. June 1, 2008;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0107 Eff. May 1, 2012.

02 NCAC 59H .0108 DISTRICT PROGRAM OPERATION

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-840;
Eff. March 1, 2008;
Transferred from 15A NCAC 06I .0108 Eff. May 1, 2012.
Technical Specialist Training Update
Prepared for the Soil and Water Conservation Commission
July 18, 2018

Online Registration Form

Next Steps
- Add Registration Form to DSWC Website
- Notification Email & Registration Link Sent to All Technical Specialists
- Assign Unique Technical Specialist Registrant Number
- Develop Updated List Using MS Access
- Add Course List and Policies to Technical Specialist Website
- 2nd Notification Email & Registration Link Sent to All Technical Specialists
- January 2019 - Three Year Training Period Begins
CURRENT ENGINEERING WORKLOAD
253 PROJECTS (NOT COUNTING DRP)

- ACCP: 25%
- AgWRAP: 47%
- CCAP: 13%
- Grant / Other: 7%
- T/A Only: 8%

PROJECT WORKLOAD BY YEAR REQUESTED

- Requested in 2015: 7%
- Requested in 2016: 20%
- Requested in 2017: 31%
- Requested in 2018: 38%
- Requested Prior to 2015: 4%

ACTIVE PROJECTS BY NCASWCD AREA

- Area 1: 37%
- Area 2: 12%
- Area 3: 5%
- Area 4: 13%
- Area 5: 5%
- Area 6: 7%
- Area 7: 10%
- Area 8: 11%

ENGINEERING WORKLOAD BY BMP

- Streambank: 13%
- Troubleshoot / Upgrade: 13%
- Stormwater Treatment: 13%
- Stream Restoration: 22%
- Sediment Removal: 22%
- Livestock Feeding Area: 13%
- Grass Waterway: 7%
- Ag-Chem Facility: 5%
- Lagoon Closure: 5%
- Pond Repair: 5%
- Micro-irrigation: 7%
- New Pond: 7%
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<td>approved</td>
<td>agricultural water supply/reuse pond</td>
<td>Pond was completed then developed a leak. The RFP will be completed as soon as the repairs are made.</td>
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<td>11-2016-004</td>
<td>Buncombe</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>streambank and shoreline protection, fencing, tanks</td>
<td>Part of the contract was designed and implemented with payment in December 2016. The cooperator has been waiting on designs for the remainder of the contract. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>11-2016-801</td>
<td>Buncombe</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>streamside pickup</td>
<td>Engineering designs completed in May 2018. A contractor has been selected and work will begin soon. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>12-2016-007</td>
<td>Burke</td>
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<td>streambank and shoreline protection</td>
<td>This contract is pended awaiting designs.</td>
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<td>12-2016-501</td>
<td>Burke</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>cisterns</td>
<td>The district only recently received preliminary designs in late May. Projected completion date June 2019.</td>
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<td>20-2014-807</td>
<td>Cherokee</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>agriculture pond repair/retrofit</td>
<td>The engineering design for this project was completed in February 2018. Wet weather has prevented the beginning of construction. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>22-2016-014</td>
<td>Clay</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>stream restoration</td>
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<td>31-2016-806</td>
<td>Duplin</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>agriculture pond repair/retrofit</td>
<td>Design was delayed but is complete and engineer layout completed 2/21/2018, wet weather delayed beginning construction date which began 6/1/2018, projected completion date 8/2018.</td>
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<td>35-2016-801</td>
<td>Franklin</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>agricultural water supply/reuse pond</td>
<td>Design is complete and been given to the farmer, installation began in 4/2018 and is projected to be completed in 4/2019.</td>
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<td>Halifax</td>
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<td>Numerous engineers have worked on getting a design which has now been received, work should begin in early June 2018 with projected completion by June 2019.</td>
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<td>Hertford</td>
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<td>agriculture pond repair/retrofit</td>
<td>Weather damaged irrigation equipment preventing pond from being drained for work to begin. Installation has begun. Projected completion date of February 2019.</td>
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<td>51-2016-501</td>
<td>Johnston</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>streambank and shoreline protection</td>
<td>Heavy rains have caused the streambank to wash out to the point that her home is in danger now. Owner had to obtain a new contractor but there isn’t enough time to repair it before the dates expire to live stake it and before the contract expires. Division engineers want to make a design change as well which involve another survey and revision of the plan. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>Lenoir</td>
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<td>This contract is pended awaiting designs.</td>
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<td>57-2016-502</td>
<td>Madison</td>
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<td>cisterns</td>
<td>This contract is pended awaiting designs.</td>
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<td>60-2016-005</td>
<td>Mecklenburg</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>streambank and shoreline protection</td>
<td>After the design was completed, division engineers determined the height of the retaining wall to exceed dimensions allowed by the standard and would then required approval of the practice as a “District BMP”. The district and division engineers have been working over the past year and a half to develop a design. Engineer workload has delayed progress. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>64-2016-801</td>
<td>Nash</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>agriculture pond repair/retrofit</td>
<td>Contract is partially complete. It was delayed due to wet weather. Projected completion date is April 2019.</td>
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<td>77-2016-002</td>
<td>Richmond</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>stream restoration</td>
<td>This contract is pended awaiting design. Permits will then be obtained for work to begin.</td>
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<td>Cooperator had to obtain a new engineer. Projected completion date of June 2019.</td>
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<td>88-2016-003</td>
<td>Transylvania</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>streambank and shoreline protection</td>
<td>The contract installation was delayed due to designs not being complete until March of 2018. Weather and grading contractor availability were also contributing factors. Projected completion date is June 30, 2018.</td>
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The Yancey Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to ask for an extension for Thomas Hunnicutt Ag-WRAP pond (#00-2016-803). The pond is complete but developed a leak. As soon as repairs can be made RFP will be processed. This request is also considering weather, availability of staff and contractor.

Thanks for your consideration.

Jack Lee Boone Jr.
Chairman
Yancey SWCD
Important dates

Early August 2016 application and design.

Approved 10/18/16.

Started project 01/18/17.

Completed on 03/28/17.

Leak appeared 04/11/17 before final checkout and payment.

Repaired on 07/13/17.

Again in mid-August repairs.

Mid October 2017 contractor left project after several attempts at repair.

Landowner has a new contractor.

Engineering staff think the leak has been identified and a repair plan developed.

If not for the unforeseen leak this project would have been completed.

This required more time and design from engineering and field staff.

We request the extension for completion of this project.

Yancey SWCD staff and board of supervisors.
June 25, 2018

Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Division of Soil and Water Staff,

The Buncombe County Soil and Water Board of Supervisors would like to request an extension of contract 11-2016-004-05 for Jerry Roberts. Mr. Roberts signed up for the program in July of 2015, the contract was written and approved March 10, of 2016. Engineering was started soon after on the streambank work portion of the contract. District staff was able to complete the need designs for a portion of the work in the contract and the work was completed for that portion and payment approved December 13, 2016. Since then Mr. Roberts has been waiting on designs to complete the reset of the contract. This being through no fault of Mr. Robert and due to the fact designs are not yet complete at this time the Buncombe District Board feels it would be appropriate to extend the contract. Construction will begin as soon as possible after designs and permits are obtained.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jeff Foster, Chair
Buncombe County Soil and Water Conservation District
June 25, 2018

Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Division of Soil and Water Staff,

The Buncombe County Soil and Water Board of Supervisors would like to request an extension of contract 11-2016-801-05 for Rayburn Farm. The Rayburns signed up for the program in July of 2015, the contract was written and approved March 10, of 2016. Engineering was started soon after on the contract work. Since the Rayburns have been waiting on designs to complete the reset of the contract. This being through no fault of The Rayburns and due to the fact designs have just been completed as of May 29, 2018, A contractor has been selected and will start work very soon, however the contract is set to expire before the contractor can complete the work. The Buncombe District Board feels it would be appropriate to extend the contract.

Sincerely,

Jeff Foster, Chair
Buncombe County Soil and Water Conservation District
Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Sirs:

The Burke Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension of contract 12-2016-007, Joseph Gragg.

Mr. Gragg is still waiting on the designs for his stream bank stabilization project.

Burke SWCD feels that it is no fault of the owner that the contract has nearly expired. We feel it is due to the lack of a prompt design from Division of Soil and Water Engineers.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Wayne Packard
Supervisor, Burke SWCD
Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Sirs:

The Burke Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension of CCAP contract 12-2016-501, Chad Earp.

The District just received preliminary designs for Mr. Earp’s cistern via email on May 24, 2018.

Burke SWCD feels that it is no fault of the owner that the contract has nearly expired. We feel it is due to the lack of a prompt design from Division of Soil and Water Engineers.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Wayne Packard
Supervisor, Burke SWCD
June 29, 2018

To: N.C. Soil & Water Conservation Commission

The Cherokee County Soil and Water Conservation board would like to request the extension of contract number 20-2014-807 for William Henry Raper for pond restoration/repair. Engineering was completed in February of 2018. Mr. Raper still wishes to proceed with the repair. Spring rains have prevented his beginning work after the engineering was complete.

It is the hope of our board that the commission will see fit to extend Mr. Raper's contract.

Sincerely,

Cherokee Co. SWCD Board

District Board of Supervisors

Jamie Cook    Eddie Wood    Bill Tipton    Chad Decker    Johnny Shields
March 21, 2018

NCDA&CS Division of Soil & Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh NC 27699-1614

To whom this may concern,
Clay County SWCD Board requests the extension of contract #22-2016-014. Due to no fault of the district or the cooperator, Becky Martin, this project will not be implemented due to no design. Timeline: This contract was approved by the district May 2, 2016
CRR approved ..........................June 24, 2016
Pended due to no design

We understand Soil & Water Division was understaffed during this time and more work than limited staff could complete. The Clay County SWCD Board requests an extension at this time.

Thanks for your consideration,

[Signature]
Aaron Martin
Clay County SWCD Board Chair
EXTENSION REQUEST

To: NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission
From: Franklin Williams, District Chairman
Date: May 16, 2018
Re: Extension Request for AgWrap pond

BACKGROUND: Applicant is both a contractor and a farmer. He has all of the equipment for his pond construction. He is currently planting spring crops and will begin construction after planting season.

Contract Number 31-2016-806
Date Board Approved 02/01/2016
Engineer Approval Date 01/17/2018
Layout by Engineer Staff 02/21/2018
Construction Begin Date 06/01/2018
Anticipated Completion Date 08/2018 (pending weather conditions)
April 19, 2018

Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District
101-B South Bickett Blvd.
Louisburg, NC 27549

NC Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services
NC Soil and Water Commission
512 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27604

Contract number: 35-2016-801

Dear NC Soil and Water Commissioners:

The Board of supervisors is writing to recommend a one (1) year extension of this contract that Philip Smith and staff have undertaken in Franklin Co. The project is for an AgWrap pond. Phillip Smith the applicant has a successful history of utilizing the programs and staff time and putting conservation on the ground.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to receiving conformation of Philip Smith’s extension.

Sincerely,

Ricky May
Chairman
Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District
CRITERIA FOR EXTENSION OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR CONTRACTS

STATEMENT OF INTENT
On June 30 of each program year all outstanding third year contracts automatically expire and all funds encumbered to those contracts are returned to state accounts. The commission recognizes that to a very limited extent some contracts should be extended one additional year. The intent of this policy is to restate and clarify the commission's policy on criteria for extension of previous program year contracts and to specify minimum documentation required to support the request to extend the contract.

STATEMENT OF POLICY
It is the policy of this commission that:

Prior to presentation to the commission, the division must receive by June 30 of the expiration year a written statement from the district board that explains why an extension is necessary and that the district has the technical assistance available to assist the applicant. The district must also provide to the division a timeline of key dates involving the contract, an explanation of the amount of work already completed under the contract, and an explanation as to why the contract was not completed in the time normally allotted.

The timeline of key dates should (at a minimum) include:
- Date of application by cooperator for cost share assistance 11/7/15
- Date contract approved by district supervisors 3/16/16
- Date contract approved by division 3/16/16
- Approximate date the cooperator began work on implementing the contracted best management practices (BMPs)
- Other applicable dates of significance (e.g., date required engineering approval received, date materials or equipment ordered and delivered)
- Date installation will begin, and 4/2018
- Date installation will be completed 4/2018

Cost Share Program contracts can be extended one year beyond the original three-year period. Contracts for annual conservation tillage or repairs will not be extended for any reason.

Generally the commission will not approve an extension unless at least 1/3 of the required work in the cost share contract is completed prior to June 30 of the year the contract was originally scheduled to expire. However, the commission will consider extension requests where the district can document that it has been unable to provide needed technical assistance in a timely manner. The commission will not consider an extension where delays result from the inaction on the part of the cooperator or disagreements over technical standards or district recommendations.

Division staff is authorized to deny any request for extension that does not meet the above criteria.

Division staff is also authorized to approve extension requests for purpose of payment if the contract is completed and the request for payment is received by the day before the July Commission meeting. Otherwise, extension requests must be approved by the commission.

09/18/02, 01/06/13
Fishing Creek Soil and Water Conservation District

May 14th, 2018

Dear Soil and Water Conservation Commission,

We are requesting the extension for the following AgWRAP Contracts,

4-H Youth Day Camp Inc. 42-2016-814
The cooperator applied for cost share assistance on 2/01/2016.
The board approval date was 2/03/2016.
The contract was approved by the division on 1/16/2018.
This contract has been worked on by various State engineers and the technicians here at Fishing Creek SWCD since 2015. We received the design for the pond on 9/15/2017. Work on the pond should start by the beginning of June 2018, they have chosen a contractor and the design is complete. This extension request is necessary because work will not be completed by June 30th, 2018.

Evelyn Nowell, 42-2015-011
The cooperator applied for cost share assistance on 4/13/2014.
Board approval date was 1/22/2015.
The contract has been approved by the division on 4/25/2018.
We received the completed design on 4/17/2018. This contract will be built in the next coming months. A contractor still needs to be found now that the design is finished. This extension request is necessary because the design was just finished and work should be completed within the allotted extended time frame.

Thank you,

[Signature]

Frederick Dunn, Chairman
Fishing Creek SWCD
Halifax, N.C. 27839
June 19, 2018

TO: Lisa Fine
Division of Soil & Water Conservation
NC Dept. of Agriculture & Consumer Service
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

REF: Contract: 46-2016-800
Subject: Contract Extension

On behalf of Everwood Farms, the Hertford Soil and Water Board of Supervisors is requesting a one year extension to complete the pond repair/retrofit project.

- Application Date: 4-6-16
- Approval Date by District Supervisors: 4-28-16
- Approval Date by Division: 5-6-16
- Date Work Began: Fall 2017
- Other applicable dates: Hurricane Matthew Fall of 2016. Cold weather – Winter 2017 (froze irrigation and busted. Could not empty pond during growing season so time was limited.) Staff vacancy from Jan. – May, 2017
- Date Work Will Begin: Installation has begun
- Date Work Will Be Completed: February 2019

A significant amount of the work has been completed, but approval from the Division will most likely not occur before the contract expires. All work, including Division approval should be completed by June 30, 2019.

Thank you for your consideration in this extension request.

Sincerely,

John D. Simons, III
Chairman, Hertford SWCD
June 4, 2018

NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Commission Members:

The Johnston SWCD has an expiring contract for which we would like to ask for an extension. The contract is a CCAP plan for Shirley Morgan (51-2016-501-09) and is for a streambank stabilization project on her property near Clayton, NC. The streambank was originally repaired under contract 51-2009-501-09, by a previous landowner. Ms. Morgan purchased the property and assumed the contract in 2010. Heavy rains and storms have caused the project to wash out and the streambank erosion is now a safety threat to her home. The original CCAP contract expired in 2015 and Ms. Morgan applied for assistance to repair the streambank. A plan was written and approved by the Division and the original contractor was planning to complete the repairs, but has since backed out of the project. Another contractor has recently been obtained, but there is not enough time to do the construction, and the dates for live staking the area has passed.

Division of Soil and Water Engineers also want to make a change to the repair design, which will involve another survey and revision of the approved plan. This will take us beyond the June 30, 2018 deadline. The contractor now estimates it will be later this year before repairs can be made.

In order to get the repairs done and make cost sharing payments available, it will be necessary to extend Ms. Morgan’s contract one additional year. We respectfully request the Commission to grant an extension on this contract to allow adequate time to complete repairs and utilize the CCAP funds.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter. Additional information can be provided if needed. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

John Langdon, Chairman
Johnston SWCD
Kelly Hedgepeth  
1614 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699

Kelly,

The Lenoir SWCD has a 2016 contract that we need to have extended. On 3-8-16 the Lenoir SWCD Board of Supervisors approved contract 54-2016-801 for a AgWrap Pond for Supervisor Keith Tyson’s Mother Mrs. Audrey Tyson, pending design. A design has not yet been completed. I spoke with Chris Love on 6-26-18 and he is currently working on the design. A preliminary design was sent to Mrs. Tyson’s Son Keith Tyson on 6-26-18 and no revisions have been requested at this point.

Thank You,

Lenoir Soil Water Conservation District
To the Commission of Soil and Water Conservation,

The Madison County SWCD Staff would like to request an extension for contract 57-2016-502. The contract has been awaiting engineering assistance since it was started. Due to request amount and staffing limitations, as well as unforeseen circumstances, the design has yet to be completed. We are currently working with Division staff on getting a full design done.

Thank you for your time,

Madison County SWCD Board of Supervisors

Prepared by:

Tyler Ross

District Director, Madison County SWCD
June 21, 2018

North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh NC 27699-1614

RE: Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District CCAP Request for Extension

Dear NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission Members:

The Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District board respectfully requests a one-year extension for NC Community Conservation Assistance Program contract 60-2016-005 for Theresa Baich.

Ms. Baiche is under contract with the Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District to install streambank and shoreline protection practice along the lake shoreline at her home.

The application and contract were approved by the Mecklenburg SWCD Board in April of 2016. A request for engineering assistance was submitted in December of 2016. At the time, Ms. Baiche had already selected a contractor who provided District and Division staff with a rough outline of the work to be completed. After investigation by Division Engineers, it was determined that the proposed height of the ‘retaining wall’ exceeded dimensions allowed by practice standards and would require approval of the practice as a ‘District BMP’. The District has been working with the Division Engineers as well as the contractor over the past year and half to develop a design, but engineer workload has delayed the completion of a design.

The extensions will allow ample time for a design to be completed and the landowner to implement the stabilization of the shoreline.

Sincerely,

Brad Johnson, Chair
Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District
June 20, 2018

N C Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Commission Members:

The Nash Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension for contract 64-2016-801 which is for an agriculture pond. Due to the wet weather during the winter and spring of 2017 & 2018, the applicant and contractor were not able to complete the practice prior to the end of the contract period. The project is approximately twenty percent complete and the applicant and contractor plan to complete the project in late summer and fall of 2018.

Key Dates:
Date of application: 05/02/2016
Date contract approved by District Supervisors: 05/12/2016
Date contract approved by Division: 11/27/2017
Approximate date work began implementing the contract: 12/04/2017
Date of engineering approval: 11/17/2017
Date installation began: December 2017
Date of completion: 04/01/2019

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yours for Life

Bobby Joe Fisher
5036 Dorothy Lane
Rocky Mount, NC 27803

Robert Glover
10618 Liles Road
Bailey, NC 27807

John Finch
5958 W. NC 97
Spring Hope, NC 27882

Parker Philips
Post Office Box 751
Battleboro, NC 27809

Shawn Lucas
7361 Red Fox Road
Bailey, NC 27807
Respectfully Submitted,

Bobby Joe Fisher, Chairman
Nash Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors
Mr. Langdon and SWCC,

Richmond County Soil and Water Conservation District has a contract for a Streambank Restabilization through CCAP that needs an extension to complete the project. This project (77-2016-002-16) has been held up due to design delays. Richmond County still does not have the design that is needed for continued work as well as approval from the Division, therefore the board is requesting a one year extension because some of the project requires work that needs to be done in the fall of the year. After the design is completed, permits that are needed for the project can be gotten so that field work can begin. Cindy Safrit and Richmond County field staff will meet with the contractor and go over the design to make sure that this project is implemented correctly and can be maintained during the 10 year life span of the BMP.

Thank you,

Richmond County Soil and Water Conservation Board
Dears Sirs,

The Rockingham County Soil and Water District would like to ask for an extension for the following contract: 79-2016-803, Pond Repair/Retrofit. The local engineer has not performed the needed work to move the project forward. Mr. Knight now has a new engineer and feels that the work can be completed efficiently. We are requesting a one year extension on this farm pond repair project.

Thank You

Rockingham County
Soil and Water District
Dears Sirs,

The Rockingham County Soil and Water District would like to ask for an extension for the following contract: 79-2016-806, Pond Repair/Retrofit. The farmer has made a good faith effort to get the project started; however, the local engineer has not performed the needed work to move the project forward.

Mr. French now has a new engineer and feels confident that the work can be completed efficiently. We are requesting a one year extension on this farm pond repair project,

Thank You

Rockingham County
Soil and Water District
May 23, 2018

Dear Soil & Water Conservation Commission,

On behalf of the Sampson County Soil & Water Conservation District board of supervisors, I would like to request that you consider a contract extension for contract number 82-2015-801. We feel that the cooperator has tried to implement this contract but has failed to do so in part to inclement weather and other farm-related constraints. He has requested, in writing, that we grant an extension of six months to give him time to complete the work he has contracted to do. We feel that he has made a good faith effort to comply with requirements and have voted today to grant this extension pending approval by the Commission. Attached is a timeline of major events pertaining to this contract for your review. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Henry E. Moore III, Chairman
Sampson Soil & Water District

Encl.
May 30, 2018

NC Soil & Water Commission
1614 Mail Service Way
Raleigh, NC

RE: Extension Request for 84-2016-802

Commission Members,

The Stanly Soil & Water Conservation District is requesting a one-year extension for contract 84-2016-802, Herlocker Farms Inc. This is an AgWRAP contract for an agricultural pond to provide water for crop irrigation. Pertinent information on this contract is as follows:

1. Application date: 3/24/2015
3. Contract approved by division: N/A
4. Approximate date work began:
5. Date exemption send to Army COE: 8/20/2015
6. Date exemption granted: 01/29/2018
7. Date approved by Soil & Water Engineer: N/A

This contract is currently pended for engineer approval. We are requesting a one-year extension for circumstances outside of the control of the landowner. We have spoken with Mr. Herlocker, and he is confident he can complete this project in the additional time provided, as long as the design is approved.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Terry L. Blalock
Chairman, Stanly SWCD
June 15, 2018

Chairman John Langdon
Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Mr. Langdon,

The Transylvania County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to request an extension for contract 88-2016-003 through the N.C. Agriculture Cost Share Program. Under this contract, a 60 ft. streambank stabilization project was planned but a design was not finalized and provided to the landowner until March of 2018. From bad weather and grading contractors being very backed up the project has yet to be completed.

The following is a timeline of key dates:
11-19-15 – Date of application by cooperator.
11-19-15 – Date contract approved by District Supervisors.
12-01-15 – Date contract approved by Division.
03-06-18 – Date District received designs from Div. Engineer (at Area 1 Spring Meeting)
06-18-18 – Date cooperator expected to begin work on project

Construction is planned to begin on Monday June 18th, weather permitted. The project is expected to be completed by June 22nd. This request is just in case rain caused a delay that would keep us from getting the Request for Payment in by the deadline of June 30th

Sincerely,

Dick Bragg
District Board Chairman,
Transylvania County Soil & Water Conservation
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<td>Alamance</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>agricultural pond sediment removal</td>
<td>The district did not send a formal request for engineering assistance to the division. District staff decided to wait to see if training for this practice would be offered but none was offered recently. The district will obtain assistance from a neighboring district to perform the pond survey and sediment removal plan. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>03-2016-001</td>
<td>Alleghany</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>heavy use area, fencing</td>
<td>Most of the work on this stream protection system has been completed. The remainder of the work was delayed due to weather conditions, available labor, and a pending lawsuit involving the farm. Projected completion date is December 2018.</td>
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<td>03-2016-501</td>
<td>Alleghany</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>bioretention area</td>
<td>The project is a joint effort among several governmental agencies and also includes a grant. Total cost for completion of the project exceeded the funds available. Additional funding was pursued and secured. Bids are now being accepted for the project. Anticipated project completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>04-2016-103</td>
<td>Anson</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>incinerator</td>
<td>The delay in installation is due to the farmer’s health issues and financial issues due to healthcare bills. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>06-2016-003</td>
<td>Avery</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>ag chemical containment and mixing facility, ag road repair stabilization</td>
<td>Contract is partially complete. The remaining contract was delayed due to severe health issues, inclement weather, and issues with contractors. Projected completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>26-2016-801</td>
<td>Cumberland</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>well</td>
<td>Installation of this contract was delayed due to weather and personal constraints of the cooperator. Cooperator didn’t receive paperwork and approval until November of 2017. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<tr>
<td>28-2016-001</td>
<td>Dare</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>marsh sill</td>
<td>Contract is 90% complete. Additional time is needed to finish marsh grass planting which was delayed due to wet weather and tides. Improved survival rate if completed in the fall. Projected completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>32-2016-009</td>
<td>Durham</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Rooftop runoff management, field border, grassed waterway</td>
<td>Work is completed on the contract but there wasn't enough time to get the RFP signed and submitted.</td>
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<td>35-2016-001</td>
<td>Franklin</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Grassed waterways</td>
<td>Some of the waterways have been cut but not seeded. Other waterways are not completed. Wet weather has caused a delay as well as other farm duties. Projected completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>35-2016-005</td>
<td>Franklin</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Tanks, well, heavy use areas</td>
<td>The BMPs are partially complete. The well is dug, pipe is in ground, heavy use areas are under construction. Delay in construction due to health issues with himself and family. Projected completion date Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>35-2016-011</td>
<td>Franklin</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Grassed waterway</td>
<td>Some of the waterways have been cut and seeded. However, the bottom of the of the waterway is too wet to complete the job. There is another 2017 contract to address the leaking pond causing the waterway to be too wet. Projected completion date is Fall 2018 for both projects.</td>
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<td>37-2016-003</td>
<td>Gates</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Land smoothing</td>
<td>Wet weather held up the initial work. Once it was completed a heavy rain damaged the work. The issue was resolved and the farmer planted his crop only for staff to discover there was still one area that needed work to meet requirements. Prior contractor was out of business and producer is doing the work now as time permits depending on weather and farm operation duties. Projected completion date June 2019.</td>
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<td>44-2016-001</td>
<td>Haywood</td>
<td>Approved</td>
<td>Stock trail, livestock feeding area, heavy use area, fencing</td>
<td>Work has been completed on the heavy use area and livestock feeding area. Work on the stock trail and fencing has begun. Wet weather has delayed completion. Projected completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>Haywood</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>stock trail, livestock feeding area, heavy use area, fencing, ag road repair</td>
<td>A revised preliminary design was provided to the district in April 2018. Cooperator had design questions that were passed on to engineering staff and revisions were completed. He is actively farming and using the ag roads that are to be repaired. He would like to do the work on these BMPs this summer and fall. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>45-2016-003</td>
<td>Henderson</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>ag chemical handling facility</td>
<td>Wet weather and design delays slowed progress on this project. Projected completion date July 2018.</td>
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<td>45-2016-005</td>
<td>Henderson</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>ag chemical handling facility</td>
<td>Wet weather and design delays slowed progress on this project. Projected completion date July 2018.</td>
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<tr>
<td>47-2016-001</td>
<td>Hoke</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>Heavy use area, stream protection well, tank</td>
<td>The contract was approved but no work has been completed.</td>
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<tr>
<td>48-2016-002</td>
<td>Hyde</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>water control structure</td>
<td>Heavy rainfall delayed the installation of the practice. The cooperator has the structure on site and ready to install. Projected completion date is September 2018.</td>
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<tr>
<td>48-2016-006</td>
<td>Hyde</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>water control structure</td>
<td>Heavy rainfall delayed the installation of the practice. The cooperator has the structure on site and ready to install. Projected completion date is September 2018.</td>
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<td>48-2016-009</td>
<td>Hyde</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>water control structure</td>
<td>This project was delayed due to question of whether or not a CAMA permit was required. CAMA permit submitted in June 2018. Structure is on site. Installation will begin in November with projected completion date of December 2018.</td>
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<td>52-2016-003</td>
<td>Jones</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>bio-solid removal</td>
<td>Cooperator has had a large amount of rain with Hurricane Matthew and additional storms. Heavy rain caused delays with contractor. Cooperator had to work with the farmer receiving the sludge to get a crop that would work with his rotation. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>52-2016-004</td>
<td>Jones</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>bio-solid removal</td>
<td>Cooperator has had a large amount of rain with Hurricane Matthew and additional storms. Delays were also encountered when the farmer expecting to receive the sludge could not due to rain, working on the fields, and the particular crops in those fields. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>57-2016-001</td>
<td>Madison</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>rooftop runoff management, heavy use area, fencing, well tank</td>
<td>The RFP is delayed due to not being able to get the cooperator to sign the W-9. Projected completion date is July 2018.</td>
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<td>59-2016-501</td>
<td>McDowell</td>
<td>pended</td>
<td>stream restoration</td>
<td>The project is part of a much larger project and it took 3 years to write the grant to secure other matching funds and complete grant requirements and obtain the final approval. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>60-2016-004</td>
<td>Mecklenburg</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>agriculture pond sediment removal</td>
<td>The project was delayed due to engineering design for the treatment of the sources of erosion. The nursery just completed the project and staff certified the practice. Awaiting the RFP.</td>
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<td>62-2016-501</td>
<td>Montgomery</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>streambank and shoreline protection</td>
<td>The contract installation has been delayed due to a design change to a different BMP. The ownership of the streambank also changed which complicated the process. The permitting process has changed also complicating the design. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>70-2016-006</td>
<td>Pasquotank</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>land smoothing</td>
<td>Project is complete but there wasn’t enough time to get RFP submitted. In process now.</td>
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<td>73-2016-004</td>
<td>Person</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>grassed waterways, field borders</td>
<td>Cooperator attempted the work with his own equipment but he wasn’t able to meet design specifications due to improper equipment. He then hired a contractor who was late getting started. Then due to cold winter and spring rains the vegetation was inadequate and gullies formed at time of checkout. Repairs and reseeding are needed and the projected completion date is Fall 2018.</td>
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<td>95-2016-002</td>
<td>Watauga</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>rooftop runoff management, ag road stabilization, fencing, livestock feeding area, tanks</td>
<td>The contract installation has been delayed due to personnel changes in the district office. Weather has also been an issue. The cooperator has had extended feeding season that delayed the project as well. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>95-2016-004</td>
<td>Watauga</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>ag road repair stabilization, fencing, well, tanks</td>
<td>The contract installation has been delayed due to personnel changes in the district office, and numerous design changes to meet operation goals. Projected completion date is June 2019.</td>
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<td>97-2016-003</td>
<td>Wilkes</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>heavy use area, fencing, tanks</td>
<td>The project was delayed due to wet weather and health issues. Projected completion date is July 2018.</td>
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<td>97-2016-004</td>
<td>Wilkes</td>
<td>approved</td>
<td>drystack/composter</td>
<td>The project was delayed due to wet weather, health issues and issues with contractor/lumber treatment. Projected completion date is July 2018.</td>
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June 27, 2018

Julie Henshaw
Nonpoint Source Programs Section Chief
NCDA&CS Division of Soil and Water Conservation
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699

Dear Mrs. Henshaw,

The Alamance SWCD would like to request an extension for AgWrap contract 01-2016-801/ Pond Sediment Removal. This contract was pended by the Division of Soil and Water on June 29th, 2016 requesting that a pond survey, sediment removal plan and conservation plan by a CCP be submitted for the project. After conversations with other Districts and hearing that they have been waiting between 18 to 24 plus months for engineering designs the Alamance District did not send a formal request for Engineering Assistance to the Division of Soil and Water.

At that time district staff decided to wait and see if Pond Sediment Removal training would be offered in our region in order to gain the skills needed to perform the needed survey and plans. Since no training was offered the contract expired.

The landowner still wishes to perform the BMP and if an extension is granted the Alamance District will receive assistance from a neighboring District to perform the pond survey and plans. This peer to peer training will also be used to help an Alamance staff member obtain JAA for this BMP.

- Landowner application for assistance – 5/20/16
- Date contract approved by District Supervisors – 5/23/16
- Date contract approved by the Division – Pended on 5/29/16
- Date BMP installation to begin – Landowner is a tobacco farmer and start time is expected within the next six months if approved.
- BMP completed – Within 12 months

I appreciate your consideration of this contract extension request.

Sincerely,

Brad Moore
District Conservation Administrator
Alamance SWCD
336-290-0380

Cc. NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission
June 13, 2018

Attn: John Langdon, Chair
NC Commission of Soil & Water Conservation
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Commission Chair Langdon:

The Alleghany Soil and Water Conservation District requests NCACSP Supplemental contract 03-2016-001 in the amount of $9763 be extended for one additional year to complete the installation of the heavy-use area and fencing. Most of the work for this stream protection system was completed through the original contract 03-2013-006 in the amount of $24,204. Please see attached timeline of key dates.

The contract has not been completed due to unforeseen circumstances in weather conditions, a decrease in available manpower on the farm and a pending lawsuit involving the farm. We estimate this project to reach completion within the next 6 months.

The receiving waters for this property is Crab Creek, which has been listed on the 303d list as “impaired” and is a Category 5. For this reason, the completion of this project is of the highest-priority for the district.

Thank you for your consideration of the contract extension for this NCACSP project.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
Bobby Evans, Chair
Enclosure

cc: Ken Parks, NCDACS Div. of Soil & Water Conservation
    Rick McSwain, NCDACS Western Region Coordinator
BILLY SMITH FARMS, INC.
371 EARLY ROAD
ENNICE, NC 28623

May 8, 2018

Alleghany Soil and Water District Board
P.O. Box 127 Sparta, NC 28675

Re: 2016 Contract with Billy Smith Farms, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Billy Smith Farms, Inc. respectfully requests the Board grant an extension for compliance date to the 2016 contract with our farm.

Due to unforeseen circumstances in weather conditions, a decrease in the available manpower and a pending lawsuit involving the farm, we have been unable to complete the necessary construction and repairs to the fence as anticipated in order to be in compliance with our grant.

Most of the project was completed under original contract. We should be able to complete this supplemental contract within 6 months.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

Billy Smith Farms, Inc.
Timeline for (ACSP) Contract 03-2016-001 (Supplement to 03-2013-006)

- Date of application by cooperator: This is a supplemental contract; 11A approved by district on 10/13/15; (Application date for original contract 03-2013-006: 1/14/2013)
- Date contract approved by district supervisors: 10/13/2015; (original 5/14/13)
- Date contract approved by division: 11/13/2015; (original: 6/13/2013)
- Approximate date the cooperator began work: work began on original contract 4/13/15
- Date installation will begin: Installation should begin by September 1st, 2018
- Date installation will be completed: Installation should be complete by December, 2018
June 5, 2018

Attn: John Langdon, Chair
NC Commission of Soil & Water Conservation
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Commission Chair Langdon:

The Alleghany Soil and Water Conservation District requests CCAP contract 03-2016-807 be extended for one additional year for the installation of a bio-retention practice on the grounds of the Alleghany High School. This contract was a small amount toward a large, much more expensive project. An additional cost share contract was approved toward the project in 2017 to provide a total of $15,000 max from CCAP. A list of significant dates is attached.

This project is a joint effort between the Town of Sparta, Alleghany County and the Alleghany County Board of Education with matching funds committed from each entity. In addition, there is a $33,000 grant approved toward completing the project. The location is adjacent to a trail between the high school and the community college and county library. It will be quite visible and serve as a demonstration for water quality improvement on urban land. As the enclosed letter from Mr. Edwards, Town Manager states, the necessary funds are now available and they are ready to accept bids on the construction of the project with completion expected within the next 90-120 days.

Thank you for your consideration of the contract extension for this CCAP bio-retention area.

Respectfully,

Bobby Evans, Chair
Enclosure

cc: Ken Parks, NCDACS Div. of Soil & Water Conservation
    Rick McSwain, NCDACS Western Region Coordinator
Timeline for Contract 03-2016-501 (CCAP)

- Date of application by cooperator: 2/04/2016
- Date contract approved by district supervisors: 4/6/2016
- Date contract approved by division: 5/17/2016
- Date Supplemental contract 03-2017-501 signed: 3/21/2017
- Approximate date the cooperator began work: Request for proposal prepared and will be soliciting bids through mid-July.
- Other applicable dates: Sponsored DWR Grant through Blue Ridge RC&D to assist with cost of project approved: 1/30/2018
- Date installation will begin: Installation should begin by August 1st, 2018
- Date installation will be completed: Installation should be complete by November, 2018
May 25, 2018

Mrs. Linda Hash, Director
Alleghany Soil and Water Conservation District
90S. Main Street
Sparta, NC 28675

Re: CCAP Contract #03-2016-501

Dear Linda:

I am writing to request consideration from the Soil and Water District supervisors for an extension of Contract #03-2016-501 for one additional year.

The implementation of this project has been delayed as the total costs for construction exceeded our available funds. We pursued additional funding toward the costs of the project and have been successful with securing additional funds for the project. As of this date, we have the request for proposal (RFP) prepared and we will be soliciting bids for the work within the next several days. We expect to have the project under construction within the next 30–45 days, with completion anticipated within 90 – 120 days.

With the additional funds we are now in a position to complete this project according to the approved plans. I respectfully request the Soil and Water District supervisors to grant an extension of the contract through June 30, 2019.

I am available to answer any questions or provide additional information as needed.

Sincerely,

Bryan Edwards, Manager
Town of Sparta

Copies to: Mike James, County Manager and Chad Beasley, Superintendent of Schools
June 25, 2018

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is in regards to contract #04-2016-103 as well as the supplemental contract #04-2017-103. This is an ACSP contract for an incinerator to be installed on a poultry farm and was approved April 26, 2016. The farmer has requested an extension in order to complete the project. The reason the project has not been installed is due to several issues. First, the farmer had to have serious back surgery around a year ago and has been very limited until now on what he can do around the farm. This has also caused a financial situation due to hospital bills, etc. Second, the contract was approved late in the program year so he was already at a time disadvantage. This farmer is in very good standing with the Brown Creek District and has installed several conservation practices with the district and NRCS over the past few decades. He has assured the district that he is ready to complete the project. The District Board agreed unanimously to request this extension.

Sincerely,

Ronnie Morgan
Brown Creek SWCD Board Chairman

Jake Barbee
Resource Conservationist, Brown Creek SWCD

Brown Creek Soil and Water Conservation District's mission is to provide leadership and administer programs designed to encourage individual responsibility to conserve, sustain and improve our natural resources for future generations.
State of North Carolina  
Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services  
Division of Soil and Water Conservation  
1614 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614  

May 29, 2018  

Soil & Water Conservation Commission,  

The Avery Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to request a one-year extension to contract #06-2016-003. We feel that the landowner has made every effort to complete the project, but due to many unforeseen circumstances, such as final approval of site, availability of area building contractors, and inclement weather, the project will require an extension to be completed. Listed below are the dates and issues that have affected the construction and completion of the contract.

- 2/12/2016  Mr. Beuttell completed Application  
- 4/21/2016  Avery SWCD Board approved application for funding  
- 5/24/2016  Contract was approved by NCDSWC  
- 7/6/2016  CR Review received and approved  
- 8/8/2016  Road stabilized and grading complete on building site.  
- 9/22/2016  First frost  
- 10/24/2016  Start of Christmas tree harvest season  
- 8/31/2017  Received design package for Ag-Chem Building (Economy Version)  
- 9/9/2017  Mr. Beuttell had sudden health issues (Surgery)  
- 9/12/2017  Inclement weather (snow)  
- 10/27/2017  Start of Christmas tree harvest season  
- 12/8/2017  Inclement weather (snow) through 12/13/2017  
- 1/1/2018  Inclement weather (snow) through 1/31/2018  
- 1/4/2018  Mr. Beuttell contacted contractors about construction quote  
- 1/25/2018  Building Contractors provided quote-would not commit to completion due date of June 30, 2018 due to inclement weather and workload.
- 2/2/2018  Inclement weather (snow)
- 2/5/2018  Inclement weather (snow)
- 3/6/2018  Inclement weather (snow) Through 3/27/2018
- 4/9/2018  Inclement weather (snow)
- 4/16/2018 Inclement weather (snow)
- 5/1/2018  Well Driller Scheduled for first of June
- 6/5/2018  Mr. Beuttell had health issues (Surgery)
- 10/31/2018 Anticipate Construction to be complete

Thank you for your consideration of an extension for this project. If you have any
questions or need any other documentation for contract #06-2016-003, please contact the
Avery Soil & Water Conservation District Office and they can provide that for you.

Sincerely,

David Banner, Chairman
Avery Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors

David Banner          Jack Wiseman, Sr.          Ann Coleman
Bill Beuttell          Jeffrey Pollard, Jr.
April 12, 2018

Dear Soil & Water Conservation Commission,

On behalf of the Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District board of supervisors, I would like to request that you consider a contract extension for AgWRAP contract number 26-2016-801. We feel that the cooperator has tried to implement this contract but has failed finish due to inclement weather and other personal constraints. Also he mentioned that he didn’t receive his approved contract until last year. He has requested that we grant an extension of one year to give him time to complete the work he has been contracted to do. We feel that he has made a good faith effort to comply with requirements and voted 4/13/2018 to grant this extension pending approval by the Commission. Attached is a timeline of major events pertaining to this contract for your review. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Reuben Cashwell, Chairman
Cumberland Soil & Water Conservation District

Encl.
FY2016 AGWRAP Contract Extension Request

Timeline of Contract 26-2016-801 for Clicks Nursery

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<td>5/5/2016</td>
<td>Larry met with Mr. Click of Clicks Nursery &amp; Greenhouses regarding his desire to install a well to irrigate fresh produce to sell at his nursery. He wishes to install well near his home where he grows produce on his home tract.</td>
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<td>5/11/2016</td>
<td>Reviewed Contract with Kenny and got his signature on contract</td>
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<td>5/13/2016</td>
<td>SWCD approved and signed contract with Mr. Click for Irrigation well using AgWRAP Funds</td>
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<td>5/20/2016</td>
<td>Kenny stopped by office and signed Conservation Plan. Larry added that to the folder</td>
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<td>6/27/2017</td>
<td>Darryl Harrington here to work on the design. Kelly sent email stating that the contract had been approved.</td>
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<td>9/12/2017</td>
<td>Called Kenny to tell him contract had been approved. He will come by office to pick up a copy of contract and other paperwork regarding installation of the well</td>
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<td>11/3/2017</td>
<td>Kenny stopped in to get a copy of all of the paperwork.</td>
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<td>4/12/2018</td>
<td>Mitch spoke with Kenny, and after speaking with Kenny, he stated that he just received his approval paperwork from Larry last year in November, and that he would like to go ahead and get this well installed prior to May, but due to the fact that he hasn’t had much time to work on it, he feels as if he needs and extension. Mitch agreed with Mr. Click and told him that he would speak about this with the board at the next board meeting and then get back in touch with him regarding this extension.</td>
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6.29.2018

Division of Soil and Water Conservation
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Division Staff,

Dare Soil and Water Conservation District is providing this letter to request an extension for the Community Conservation Assistance Program cost share contract 28-2016-001 to allow for the completion of the installation of a marsh sill. Remaining work to be completed consists of the last 10% of the wooden sill construction and marsh plantings expected to be completed by late fall 2018.

Additional time is needed to complete work because of the following:

- The cooperator is completing the work on his own with limited volunteer assistance and without a hired contractor to save on costs.
- Frequent coastal storms, both in winter and summer seasons have provided limited opportunity to complete work in a timely manner.
- In addition, tides in this area are wind driven, not based on lunar tide cycles, and the cooperator must wait for the correct wind direction to plant marsh grasses. It is also beneficial to plant during spring or fall seasons to maximize plant survival rates. Planting after completion of the sill will also allow for increased survival of plants.
- This cost share contract was the first ever initiated by recently hired District staff, Ann Daisey. With limited training and knowledge of the contracting process, project start was delayed and unable to begin until after 9/22/2016 therefore reducing the project timeline for the cooperator.

Please see below for key dates:

- 10/11/2014: Cooperator acquires CAMA permit (which is sufficient for Division JAA on marsh sills)
- 03/28/2016: Request for assistance from cooperator
- 03/2016: Priority ranking form completed for cooperator
- 06/07/2016: Board approves contract
- 09/14/2016: 11A cooperator signature
- 09/17/2016: 11A District Chair signature
- 09/22/2016: Division approval
- Late fall 2018: work to be completed
Please feel free to contact the District for clarification or additional information.

Sincerely,

Terri Kirby Hathaway
District Chair
June 27, 2018

NCDA&CS
Division of Soil & Water Conservation
216 West Jones Street
Raleigh North Carolina 27603
Attention: Kelly Hedgepeth, ACSP Manager
Re: ACSP contract # 32-2016-009

To whom it may concern,

The Durham Soil & Water Conservation District would respectfully request that the NC Division of Soil & Water Conservation allow a brief extension for contract 32-2016-009 for the purpose of processing the request for payment paperwork. The work to be done will be completed before the contract’s June 30th deadline, but the District is asking for an extension until July 13, 2018 to allow time for staff, and the designated Board member allowed to sign RFPS outside of board meetings, to process the request for payment paperwork and then mail it to Raleigh.

The Durham District does have the technical assistance available to assist the applicant and the appropriate JAA to certify the work as complete. Of the 3 BMPs contracted (field border, grassed waterway & rooftop runoff management system) only 1 has been completed as of close of business on June 27, 2018; rooftop runoff management. The landowner has been unable to complete the entire contract in the normally allotted time due to other business concerns that took precedence.

As requested in the Program Extension policy below is a timeline of key dates involving the contract:

- Application for cost share assistance: 5/2/16
- Contract approved by district supervisors: 5/2/16
- Contract approved by division: 5/3/16
- Approximate date work began on BMPs: March 2017
- Approximated date materials were purchased: March 2017 (gutters for rooftop runoff management system)
- Date installation began: 6/27/18
- Date installation was be completed: 6/27/18

The District will be certifying the work completed by June 30th. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Brooks
Natural Resources Coordinator
Durham Soil & Water Conservation District

The soil is the source of life, creativity, culture, and real independence
May 2, 2018

Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District Board
101-B South Bickett Blvd.
Louisburg, NC 27549

NC Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services
NC Soil and Water Commission
512 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27604

Contract number: 35-2016-001

Dear NC Soil and Water Commissioners:

The Board of supervisors is writing to recommend a one (1) year extension of this contract that Logan Cattle Co. and staff have undertaken in Franklin Co. The contract is for grassed waterways. Jon Pearce the applicant has a successful history of utilizing the programs and staff time and putting conservation on the ground.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to receiving conformation of Logan Cattle Company’s extension.

Sincerely,

Ricky May
Chairman
Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District Board
Commission Cost Share Programs

CRITERIA FOR EXTENSION OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR CONTRACTS

STATEMENT OF INTENT
On June 30 of each program year all outstanding third year contracts automatically expire and all funds encumbered to those contracts are returned to state accounts. The commission recognizes that to a very limited extent some contracts should be extended one additional year. The intent of this policy is to restate and clarify the commission’s policy on criteria for extension of previous program year contracts and to specify minimum documentation required to support the request to extend the contract.

STATEMENT OF POLICY
It is the policy of this commission that:

Prior to presentation to the commission, the division must receive by June 30 of the expiration year a written statement from the district board that explains why an extension is necessary and that the district has the technical assistance available to assist the applicant. The district must also provide to the division a timeline of key dates involving the contract, an explanation of the amount of work already completed under the contract, and an explanation as to why the contract was not completed in the time normally allotted.

The timeline of key dates should (at a minimum) include:
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- Date contract approved by district supervisors
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- Other applicable dates of significance (e.g., date required engineering approval received, date materials or equipment ordered and delivered)
- Date installation will begin, and
- Date installation will be completed.

Cost Share Program contracts can be extended one year beyond the original three-year period. Contracts for annual conservation tillage or repairs will not be extended for any reason.

Generally the commission will not approve an extension unless at least 1/3 of the required work in the cost share contract is completed prior to June 30 of the year the contract was originally scheduled to expire. However, the commission will consider extension requests where the district can document that it has been unable to provide needed technical assistance in a timely manner. The commission will not consider an extension where delays result from the inaction on the part of the cooperator or disagreements over technical standards or district recommendations.

Division staff is authorized to deny any request for extension that does not meet the above criteria.

Division staff is also authorized to approve extension requests for purpose of payment if the contract is completed and the request for payment is received by the day before the July Commission meeting. Otherwise, extension requests must be approved by the commission.

09/18/02, 01/06/13
May 2, 2018

Logan Cattle Co. LLC
Jon Pearce
549 Stone Southerland Rd.
Louisburg, NC 27549-7178

Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors

Re: NCACSP Contract# 35-2016-001
   Grassed Waterway

Please extend the above contract for one year. I am working closely with the soil and water staff to complete the grassed waterways in the fall of 2018. Thank-you for your assistance in this matter.

Logan Cattle Co. LLC
Jon Pearce

[Signature]

LOGAN CATTLE LLC.
by J.P.
April 19, 2018

Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District Board
101-B South Bickett Blvd.
Louisburg, NC 27549

NC Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services
NC Soil and Water Commission
512 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27604

Contract number: 35-2016-005

Dear NC Soil and Water Commissioners:

The Board of supervisors is writing to recommend a one (1) year extension of this contract that Rolling M Acres and staff have undertaken in Franklin Co. The contract is for well, pipe, waterers, and heavy use areas. Mike Makar the applicant has a successful history of utilizing the programs and staff time and putting conservation on the ground.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to receiving conformation of Mike Makar’s extension.

Sincerely,

Ricky May
Chairman
Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District Board
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The timeline of key dates should (at a minimum) include:
- Date of application by cooperator for cost share assistance 8-17-15
- Date contract approved by district supervisors 10-15-15
- Date contract approved by division 10-20-15
- Approximate date the cooperator began work on implementing the contracted best management practices (BMPs) 12-12-16
- Other applicable dates of significance (e.g., date required engineering approval received, date materials or equipment ordered and delivered) pipe on site 4/17/18
- Date installation will begin
- Date installation will be completed 12-15-18

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09/18/02, 01/06/13
April 19, 2018

Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District
101-B South Bickett Blvd.
Louisburg, NC 27549

NC Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services
NC Soil and Water Commission
512 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, NC 27604

Contract number: 35-2016-011

Dear NC Soil and Water Commissioners:

The Board of supervisors is writing to recommend a one (1) year extension of this contract that Bob Gardner and staff have undertaken in Franklin Co. The project for a grassed waterway will be completed this fall in conjunction with contract 35-2017-013 for an underground outlet. Bob Gardner the applicant has a successful history of utilizing the programs and staff time and putting conservation on the ground.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to receiving confirmation of Bob Gardner’s extension.

Sincerely,

Ricky May
Chairman
Franklin Co. Soil and Water Conservation District

Att: ATTACHMENT 16B
Commission Cost Share Programs

CRITERIA FOR EXTENSION OF PREVIOUS PROGRAM YEAR CONTRACTS

STATEMENT OF INTENT
On June 30 of each program year all outstanding third year contracts automatically expire and all funds encumbered to those contracts are returned to state accounts. The commission recognizes that to a very limited extent some contracts should be extended one additional year. The policy of this commission is to restate and clarify the commission’s policy on criteria for extension of previous program year contracts and to specify minimum documentation required to support the request to extend the contract.

STATEMENT OF POLICY
It is the policy of this commission that:

Prior to presentation to the commission, the division must receive by June 30 of the expiration year a written statement from the district board that explains why an extension is necessary and that the district has the technical assistance available to assist the applicant. The district must also provide to the division a timeline of key dates involving the contract, an explanation of the amount of work already completed under the contract, and an explanation as to why the contract was not completed in the time normally allotted.

The timeline of key dates should (at a minimum) include:
- Date of application by cooperator for cost share assistance 3/2/16
- Date contract approved by district supervisors 3/17/16
- Date contract approved by division 4/26/16
- Approximate date the cooperator began work on implementing the contracted best management practices (BMPs) 6/15/16
- Other applicable dates of significance (e.g., date required engineering approval received, date materials or equipment ordered and delivered)
- Date installation will begin, and 9/18
- Date installation will be completed 10/18

Cost Share Program contracts can be extended one year beyond the original three-year period. Contracts for annual conservation tillage or repairs will not be extended for any reason.

Generally the commission will not approve an extension unless at least 1/3 of the required work in the cost share contract is completed prior to June 30 of the year the contract was originally scheduled to expire. However, the commission will consider extension requests where the district can document that it has been unable to provide needed technical assistance in a timely manner. The commission will not consider an extension where delays result from the inaction on the part of the cooperator or disagreements over technical standards or district recommendations.

Division staff is authorized to deny any request for extension that does not meet the above criteria.

Division staff is also authorized to approve extension requests for purpose of payment if the contract is completed and the request for payment is received by the day before the July Commission meeting. Otherwise, extension requests must be approved by the commission.

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Commission Cost Share Programs

If the request for payment is not received by the day before the July commission meeting, a district supervisor must appear before the commission to request the extension.

Contract #35-2017-013 is in conjunction w/ this contract

Bottom of WW is to water because of leaking ground drop

Contract 217-013 will remedy flow and bottom of WW completed
35-2016-001 – Jon Pearce has cut some of the waterways, but never seeded them, he will need to address those previously cut, and cut and seed other WW's, wet weather, other farming responsibilities have taken his focus but completion of all WW's this fall is expected.

35-2016-005 – Rolling M farms, well dug, pipe in ground, heavy use areas under construction, project got off to late start and he has had heath issues as well as family, anticipate competition in a few months, materials have been purchased.

35-2016-011 – Gardner Farms – top 2/3 of WW was cut and seeded on time, however bottom of WW is to wet to complete, new contract was written.

35-2017-013 to address leaking pond causing wet WW, completion this fall of both projects.
June 1, 2018

NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Gates County Soil & Water Conservation District, the Board of Supervisors would like to present Max Cox’s contract# 37-2016-003 for extension. The District feels there is no fault of the landowner for this contract being late. An account of the contract activities can be found below for your evaluation.

Mr. Cox’s contract for Land Smoothing was approved on the 26th day of May, 2016 by the Division of Soil and Water Conservation. Work was scheduled to begin after wheat crop was harvested. However, due to wet weather and planting dates for soybeans, leveling was postponed until the fall after the soybeans were harvested. Due to a wet winter, work actually began on the 15th day of March 2017 and on the 27th of April the contractor called saying he completed his work.

Shortly after, due to a heavy rain, we noticed some areas still holding water. The District informed the contractor about the problem, and he agreed to come back to resolve the issue. On the 3rd day of June 2017 the producer called the office saying that the contractor had fixed the low areas and he had planted soybeans already. On the 10th day of July 2017 the District finished the as-built survey and showed that there was one area that still did not meet the requirements. Mr. Cox asked the contractor to come back again after the soybeans were harvested, however the contractor was not in business anymore. Mr. Cox then asked if the producer was capable to complete the work. The producer, in correspondence with the District, agreed that he would complete the job for Mr. Cox. Currently, the producer is working on the site between rain events while also trying to keep up with his farming operation.

The District is confident that the job will be completed before the next crop and would like to ask the Commission to please extend Mr. Cox’s contract.

Sincerely,

Rick Morgan, Chairman
June 26, 2018

To: Division of Soil and Water

The Haywood Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension for contract 44-2016-001. An application for assistance was made on 1/1/2016. A contract was approved by supervisors on 5/10/16. The contract was approved by the Division on 11/28/16. The BMPs in the contract are Stock Trail, Livestock Feeding Area, Push wall, Heavy Use Area, and fencing.

Work has been completed on the heavy use area and livestock feeding area. This was completed early May 2017. Also, part of the stock trail is complete and fencing has begun. Rains this spring caused some delay. Project should be complete early fall 2018.

Thank you

Haywood Soil and Water Conservation District
June 26, 2018

To: Division of Soil and Water

The Haywood Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension for contract 44-2016-003. An application for assistance was made on 7/1/2015. A request for engineering assistance was submitted 7/16/15. The contract was approved by supervisors on 5/10/16. The contract is pended for design. The BMPs in the contract are Stock Trail, Livestock Feeding Area, Push wall, Heavy Use Area, Ag-Road Repair, and fencing. On April 5, 2018, a preliminary design was provided to the District. April 16th District staff met with Mr. Medford and discussed the preliminary design. He had a few questions which staff passed by go to engineering staff. Mr. Medford also expressed concern with starting such a large project with only a few months left to complete. As a farmer, he would need to harvest wheat and plant silage corn. The road to be repaired is his only access to 2 of his silage fields.

Mr. Medford would like to work this summer and fall. The project should be finished by June 2019.

Thank you

Haywood Soil and Water Conservation District
June 28, 2018

Kelly Hedgepeth
Division of Soil & Water Conservation
Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

RE: Extension Request for 2016 Contract

Dear Kelly:

The Henderson County Soil and Water Conservation District would like to request an extension for contract 45-2016-003 for St Paul Farm LLC. A delay in receiving the design from the Division coupled with major rain events in Henderson County have hindered construction as planned and an extension is requested. The District has the staffing with the appropriate Job Approval Authority to assist the applicant with the proposed contract extension and completion of the project.

The following timeline may prove helpful:

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Please feel free to call me at (828) 697-4949 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew C. Brannon, Chairman
Henderson SWCD Board of Supervisors
June 28, 2018

Mrs. Kelly Hedgepeth
Division of Soil & Water Conservation
Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

RE: Extension Request for 2016 Contract

Dear Kelly:

The Henderson County Soil and Water Conservation District would like to request an extension for contract 45-2016-005 for Lewis Creek Farm LLC. A delay in receiving the design from the Division coupled with major rain events in Henderson County have hindered construction as planned and an extension is requested. The District has the staffing with the appropriate Job Approval Authority to assist the applicant with the proposed contract extension and completion of the project.

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Sincerely,

Andrew C. Brannon
Andrew C. Brannon, Chairman
Henderson SWCD Board of Supervisors
July 5, 2018

Dear Soil and Water Commission:

Reference: Ms. Debbie Thomasson contract 47-2016-001

Ms. Thomasson first called our office asking about help with some erosion problems and the lack of water for livestock. In the conversation I also thought she my need some additional help from NRCS. I contacted Jeremy Roston with NRCS to make a farm visit with me.

We met with Ms. Thomasson July 2015 and she showed us her concerns. Both Jeremy and myself worked on her plan. On August 19, 2015 Jeremy and myself met with Ms. Thomasson again and presented her with a plan to address the concerns on her land. The plan addresses rotational grazing, Fencing, watering facility and heavy use area protection, an animal walkway. The application for assistance was sign on August 19, 2015.

The contract was presented at our August 27, 2015 Supervisors Board Meeting. It was approved and sign by our chairman Tommy Lindsay. It was then sent for approval to the Division. We Received and approval letter form David Harrison on August 28, 2015 that the contract had been approved. The office sent Ms. Thomasson an approval letter on October 30, 2015.

The last contact I had with Ms. Thomasson she still intends to do some or all of the practices. She has requested a one-year extension.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter,

James Warner
Hoke Soil and Water
June 26, 2018

North Carolina Division of Soil & Water
Mr. Tom Hill, Cost Share Specialist
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1614

Re: Request for Extension on Contract #48-2016-002

Dear Mr. Hill:

On Tuesday, June 5, 2018 the Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District held a District Board Meeting. During this meeting, the Board was informed that the cooperator would install their practice prior to the June 30, 2018 program deadline based on communications with the cooperator prior to the board meeting. Following the board meeting, Hyde County received excessive amounts of rainfall that resulted in the delay in installation of the practice. Therefore, The Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District Board respectfully requests an extension on contract #48-2016-002 (Don Hill - Water Control Structure). The following information pertains to the contract submitted for an extension:

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This extension is requested due to the cooperator currently awaiting sufficient weather and field conditions to access the practice site to install the water control structure that the cooperator has on site. The cooperator has the structure prepared for installation and has the tools and resources available to successfully complete the installation once weather and field conditions permit.

Respectfully yours,

J. W. Spencer, Chairman
Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District

Board of Supervisors: J.W. Spencer • Daren Hubers • Earl O'Neal • Darren Armstrong • Chad Spencer

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North Carolina Division of Soil & Water
Mr. Tom Hill, Cost Share Specialist
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Re: Request for Extension on Contract #48-2016-006

Dear Mr. Hill:

On Tuesday, June 5, 2018 the Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District held a District Board Meeting. During this meeting, the Board was informed that the cooperator would install their practice on Tract 775 prior to the June 30, 2018 program deadline based on communications with the cooperator prior to the board meeting. Following the board meeting, Hyde County received excessive amounts of rainfall that resulted in the delay in installation of the practice. Therefore, The Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District Board respectfully requests an extension on contract #48-2016-006 (North Lake Farms LLP - Water Control Structure on Tract 775). The following information pertains to the contract submitted for an extension:

- Date Application taken: 11/02/2015
- Date Application approved by District: 01/19/2016
- Date Contract approved by Division: 03/29/2016
- Approximate date cooperator began work on BMP: 06/01/2016
- Date structure was ordered: 04/23/2018
- Date structure was delivered: 06/01/2018
- Date installation will begin: 07/01/2018
- Date installation will be completed: 09/01/2018

This extension is requested due to the cooperator currently awaiting sufficient weather and field conditions to access the practice site to install the water control structure that the cooperator has on site. The cooperator has the structure prepared for installation and has the tools and resources available to successfully complete the installation once weather and field conditions permit.

Respectfully yours,

J. W. Spencer, Chairman
Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District

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Mr. Tom Hill, Cost Share Specialist
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Re: Request for Extension on Contract # 48-2016-009

Dear Mr. Hill:

On Tuesday, June 5, 2018 the Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District held a District Board Meeting. During this meeting, the Board took an action to request an extension on this contract on behalf of the cooperator. Therefore, The Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District Board respectfully requests an extension on contract #48-2016-009 (Dawson Pugh - Water Control Structure). The following information pertains to the contract submitted for an extension:

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This extension is requested due to the cooperator currently awaiting a CAMA permit in order to install the water control structure that the cooperator has on site. The cooperator has the structure prepared for installation and has the tools and resources available to successfully complete the installation once the appropriate permits are obtained.

Respectfully yours,

J.W. Spencer, Chairman
Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District

Board of Supervisors: J.W. Spencer • Daren Hubers • Earl O’Neal • Darren Armstrong • Chad Spencer

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June 11, 2018

NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission
C/o NCDA&CS Division of Soil & Water Conservation
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Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Re: Request for Extension Contract #52-2016-003 Ronald Mills – Bio Solids Removal

Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for contract #52-2016-003 Ronald Mills, Bio Solids Removal. Timeline key dates are as follows:

- Contract approved by Jones County SWCD Board on January 21, 2016
- Contract signed by supervisor on March 17, 2016
- Contract signed by the cooperator on April 4, 2016
- Waste Plan signed by the cooperator on August 15, 2016
- Contract approved by Division on August 15, 2016

August 2016 the landowner immediately contacted a contractor. Unfortunately, during that time hurricane Matthew hit North Carolina and saturated the fields. The rainfall made it impossible to pump and caused delays with the contractor. Mr. Mills also had to work with the farmer that leases the land to get a receiving crop that will also work with his rotation.

Due to Mr. Mills not farming the land, and many other factors; i.e., rainfall, difficulty scheduling a contractor to remove sludge, and the timeline in which he has been under contract has made it very difficult to complete the tasks on time.

In closing the Jones County SWCD Board of Supervisors is asking the Commission to grant Mr. Mills an extension for contract 52-2016-003 Bio Solids Removal for one year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sam Davis, Chairman
Jones Co. Soil and Water Conservation District
May 24, 2018

NC Soil & Water Conservation Commission
C/o NCDA&CS Division of Soil & Water Conservation
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Re: Request for Extension Contract #52-2016-004 Billie Turner – Bio Solids Removal

Dear Commissioners,

The purpose of this letter is to request an extension for contract #52-2016-004 Billie Turner, Bio Solids Removal. Timeline key dates are as follows:

- Contract approved by Jones County SWCD Board on January 21, 2016
- Contract and Waste Plan signed by the cooperator on July 12, 2016
- Contract signed by supervisor on July 15, 2016
- Contract approved by Division on July 27, 2016

Fall of 2016 Mr. Turner received over 38” of rain October – November in which Hurricane Mathew was responsible for 10”.

Spring 2017 the landowner of the application fields was reshaping the field that were to receive sludge, and from March - May they received 15” of rain fall.

Fall of 2017 landowner of application fields received over 17” of rain August – October. The landowner decided not to plant any wheat.

Spring of 2018 the contractor could not get to the farm to remove sludge before May. The landowner plans to plant corn in April; therefore, the fields cannot be used for sludge application.

Due to Mr. Turner not owning or farming the land, and many other factors; i.e., rainfall, difficulty scheduling a contractor to remove sludge, and the timeline in which he has been under contract has been very difficult to complete the tasks on time.
In closing the Jones County SWCD is asking the Commission to grant Mr. Turner an extension for one year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Sam Davis, Chairman
Jones Co. Soil and Water Conservation District

Cc: File
To the Commission of Soil and Water Conservation,
The Madison County SWCD Staff would like to request an extension for contract 57-2016-001. The
landowner does not live on the property year round and we need them to sign and fill out the W-9 which
may put us over the deadline. It is our belief that the cooperator will sign their RFP and have their W-9
to us before the date of July 18th, 2018 in order to close out the contract.

Thank you for your time,

Madison County SWCD Board of Supervisors

Prepared by:

Tyler Ross

District Director, Madison County SWCD
June 21, 2018

North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh NC 27699-1614

RE: Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District AgWRAP Request for Extension

Dear NC Soil and Water Conservation Commission Members:

The Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District board respectfully requests a one-year extension for NC Agricultural Water Assistance Program contract 60-2016-004 for Baucom's Nursery Company.

The nursery is under contract with the Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District to dredge silt from irrigation ponds on their operation. The project was delayed due to engineering design requirements, including but not limited to the need to determine if the source of erosion for the site had been sufficiently addressed to reasonably control the source of erosion.

The application and contract were approved by the Mecklenburg SWCD Board in April of 2016. In 2016 District staff worked with neighboring District staff to survey the ponds and begin working on calculations/design for the dredge. During the design process, District staff determined that engineering assistance would be needed to ensure that the treatment of the sources of erosion (drainage ditches) had been sufficiently stabilized.

The Division Engineer looked at the site with District staff in September of 2017. District staff submitted the design to the Engineer for review and received JAA approval from the Engineer in January of 2018. The Nursery was provided with the design in February of 2018. The Nursery operation has been waiting for the water level to drop sufficiently so that the sediment can be removed. The nursery had hoped to complete the work before the end of June 2018 pending water level, but was unable to do so and anticipates being able to complete the dredge in August of 2018.

Sincerely,

Brad Johnson, Chair
Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District
June 28, 2018

Dear North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation Commission:

The Montgomery Soil and Water Conservation District is requesting an extension for CCAP Contract #62-2016-501. This contract has not been completed due to a design change from the last BMP and due to the streambank changing ownership from Alcoa to Cube Hydro, since the contract began. The permitting process has changed and become more complicated due to the design approval process and waiting period required by Cube Hydro. The contract was approved by the Montgomery SWCD Board on February 10, 2016. The design was implemented on September 28, 2017. The contract was originally submitted on November 30, 2017, to the NC Soil and Water Conservation Division. Work has not been started due to personnel changes at the Montgomery SWCD office, design changes, and permit requirements. Once the permits are acquired or Cube Hydro approves the design, work will begin as soon as possible.

Your consideration for an extension for this contract would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Joseph Huntley
Soil & Water Conservationist
Ag. Cost Share Technician
joseph.huntley@montgomerycountync.com
Dear Lisa:

On behalf of the Pasquotank Board of Supervisors, we would like to request a short extension of July 2018 on NCACSP contract 70-2016-006 MK Berry Farms LLC. This would make it so that we can get the Request for Payment in to Cost Share. Part of the contract was done but the weather has been a very bad factor and he was unable to complete this contract. Instead he had another area on the same farm that he could do Land Smoothing on and he did that area. A revision has been done on this contract using that area. This cooperator is very dependable supervisor but was not able to complete this tract because of the weather.

The timeline for the contract is: Date of application, 12/21/2015; Date of contract approval by district supervisors, 3/1/2012; Division approval, 1/07/2016. After this he was not able to get very much done.

Respectfully,

Stephen Harris, Chairman
May 29, 2018

North Carolina Soil & Water Commission  
1614 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699

Dear Commissioners,

This letter is to request a contract extension for contract #73-2016-004

The farmer first attempted to cut Grassed Waterways and Field Borders using his own equipment in fall of 2016, he was unable to meet design specifications due to improper equipment. In fall of 2017 he hired a contractor to complete the work. Contractor got behind and didn’t get to the contract work until first week of December. Farmer then seeded BMPs with recommended rates in hope of germination. Due to cold winter and spring rains the Grassed Waterways vegetation was inadequate and small gullies were forming when checkout was made. A partial payment was made on the field borders the first week of May. The farmer is requesting an extension so he can make the recommended repairs and reseed Grassed Waterways this September. Listed below is a timeline of key dates:

- Date of application by cooperator 9/15/2015
- Date contract approved by district supervisors 10/7/2015
- Date contract approved by division 10/25/2015
- Approximate date cooperator began work 10/3/2016
- Date original work was completed 10/15/2016
- Date of 1st checkout 11/10/2016
- Date repairs to be started 12/1/2017
- Project repair date finished 12/4/2017
- Date of 2nd checkout 5/2/2018
- Partial payment 5/9/2018

Thank you for the consideration and please contact the Person SWCD office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bruce R. Whitfield, Chairman  
Person Soil & Water Conservation District
To Whom It May Concern,

The Watauga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board is requesting an extension for contract number 95-2016-002. Due to a personnel change during the development of this contract, there have been some added obstacles to overcome that have pushed this projects' completion closer to the deadline. Weather has been a factor in the delayed completion of this contract. The cooperator has had an extended feeding season that has caused a delay in completion of the project, but despite that, the cooperator has been actively gathering materials and preparing for construction. Also, request for technical assistance was sent prior to the arrival of our new technician in April of 2016. We did not receive that assistance until February of 2017. So, because of that time lapse, we were not able to make any progress until those plans were received. Also, after plans were received, the landowner had some concerns with the placement and design of the feeding area. Because of that, we have had to alter plans to address some of the farmers concerns to ensure a successful final result. We are actively working towards completion of this project, but want to give every opportunity to the landowner to complete this project, should we run into further obstacles that slow our progress and prevent us from completing by the given deadline. An extended period of time to complete this project would allow us the ability to make adequate changes to the design to satisfy the farmers' needs. It would also allow us the extra summer months of good weather to complete the project correctly and to everyone’s satisfaction.

The Watauga County Soil & Water Board asks that you consider this request for an extension to ensure a successful end result that both the farmer and the Soil & Water District are satisfied with.

Sincerely,

Denny Norris
SWCD Chair
To Whom It May Concern,

The Watauga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board is requesting an extension for contract number 95-2016-004. Due to a personnel change during the development of this contract, there have been some added obstacles to overcome that have pushed this projects' completion closer to the deadline than originally intended. The cooperator has made a considerable amount of progress in constructing the project despite a lapse in communication during the personnel change in the Watauga County Soil & Water Office. There have been a number of design changes made per request of the cooperator in order to accomplish specific goals with their operation. The original planning of these BMP's and their location was not manifested as discussed, and so, the current personnel of the Watauga SWCD have tried to accommodate and make necessary changes to make sure the landowner and district are satisfied with the result.

The Watauga County Soil & Water Board asks that you consider this request for an extension to ensure a successful end result that both the farmer and the Soil & Water District are satisfied with.

Sincerely,

Denny Norris
SWCD Chair
June 28, 2018

Wilkes Soil & Water Conservation District
416 Executive Dr., Ste. A
Wilkesboro, NC 28697

Soil & Water Conservation Commission Members
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Commission Members:

The Wilkes Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to request an extension for contract number 97-2016-003, for Lester Bauguess.

Due to unforeseen circumstances of the record setting rainfall during the spring of 2018, with May being the wettest in history, and because of serious health issues, we feel both situations are out of the farmer's control. We request that you grant an extension for this contract in order for the conservation work to be completed. Technical assistance is readily available for completing the project.

Timeline for Contract 97-2016-003
Date of Application 06/30/2008
Contract Approval Date 11/09/2015
Division Approval Date 02/06/2017
Date Work Started 04/01/2018
Material Delivery Date 05/24/2016
Completion Date Estimated 07/12/2018

Thank you for your favorable reply to this request.

Sincerely,

Barry L. Greer
Natural Resource Conservationist-Wilkes SWCD
June 28, 2018

Wilkes Soil & Water Conservation District
416 Executive Dr., Suite A
Wilkesboro, NC 28697

Soil & Water Conservation Commission Members
1614 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1614

Dear Commission Members:

The Wilkes Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors would like to request an extension for contract number 97-2016-004, for Lester Wingler, Jr.

Due to unforeseen circumstances of the record setting rainfall during the spring of 2018, with May being the wettest in history, and because of contractor/lumber treatment issues, we feel both situations are out of the farmer’s control. We request that you grant an extension for this contract in order for the conservation work to be completed. Technical assistance is readily available for completing the project.

Timeline for Contract 97-2016-004
Date of Application 01/13/2015
Contract Approval Date 11/09/2015
Division Approval Date 10/27/2016
Date Work Started 04/11/2017
Material Delivery Date 12/08/2015
Completion Date Estimated 07/12/2018

Thank you for your favorable reply to this request.

Sincerely,

Barry Greer
Natural Resource Conservationist-Wilkes SWCD
## NC Cost Share Programs Supervisor Contracts
### Soil and Water Conservation Commission

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Total Number of Supervisor Contracts: 1

Total

$6,801

7/6/2018
ADDENDUM TO APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE  
NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION COST SHARE PROGRAMS

As a Soil & Water Conservation Commission Member, I have applied for or stand to benefit* from a contract under the commission's cost share programs. I did not vote on the approval, or denial, of the application, or attempt to influence the outcome of any action on the application. The proposed contract is for the installation of the following best management practices to improve water quality or water resources.

Program: NCACSP  
Best management practice: New Field Farm Road Repair  
Score on priority ranking sheet: 60  
Cost share rate: 75% If different than 75%, please list percent:  
Reason:  
Relative rank (e.g., ranked 8th out of 12 projects considered): 1st out of 1  
Were any higher or equally ranked contracts denied? No  

If yes, give an explanation as to why the commission member's contract was approved over the other contracts:

__________________________  
Commission member name: John Langdon  
(Commission member's signature)  
06-05-18  
Date  

Approved by:  
__________________________  
(SWCC Chairperson's signature)  
(District Chairperson's signature)  
 Approved by:  
06-05-18  
Date  

The Soil & Water Commission has approved the subject application for a contract.

__________________________  
(SWCC Chairperson's signature)  
(Pursuant G.S. 139-8(b)(2))  
Approved by:  
__________________________  
(Commissioner of Agriculture)  
(Pursuant G.S. 139-4(e)(2))  
Date  

*Beneficiaries include but are not limited to applicant, landowner, and/or business partners.