

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** November 3, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Soil and Sedimentation Erosion Control Update

**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes  
1. Power Point Presentation

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Natalie Berry, Erosion Control Division Chief, has provided the Board with an update on the status of the Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Division.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

No Board action is requested. This item is for informational purposes only.

**Suggested Motion:**

*No motion suggested.*

**Erosion Control Division  
Status Report  
First Year Oct 2007 – Oct 2008**

**November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2008  
presented by**

Natalie J. Berry,  
CPESC, CPSWQ, CFM  
Erosion Control Division Chief

**Grant Contract L08004**

- Submitted required paperwork to NC DENR and received all monies involved with the grant contract L08004 prior to the 08 – 09 budget year.
  - \$33,784.80 grant

## Status Summary

- The erosion control division has been in operation for one year.
  - processed 56 erosion and sedimentation control plans.
    - Note: Land disturbance  $\geq 1$  acre.*
  - Amount of land disturbance?
    - 414.37 acres

## Status Summary (cont'd)

- Amount of permit application fees for these reviews? \$145,500.00
  - Note: Budget Revenue 2007-2008 projected \$159,795.00.
    - Fell short \$14,295.00 but funds were from October 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 not a full fiscal year.
    - July 1, 2008 – October 22, 2008
    - \$26,000.00 (12 sets plans) + \$10.00/sketch plan x 190 = \$1900.00 .
    - Total \$27,900.00

### **Status Summary (cont'd)**

–processed approximately 780 sketch plans during the first year.

*Note: Land disturbances < 1 acre.*

–processed 255 complaints, out of which 244 have been resolved.

### **Status Summary (cont'd)**

- Complaints being resolved within 15 business days.
  - 75% of the complaints are being resolved in less than 15 business days.

### **Status Summary (cont'd)**

- Large Scale Plan reviews are going well. (> 1 acre)
  - We initially set the goal for review of plans to be 15 days or less. The average being around 12 days.
    - 31 of the submittals have met the 15 day turnaround.

### **Goals for Next update from May 5 2008 presentation**

- Plan reviews for large scale plans
  - Striving for 100% reviews being done under 15 days. Have not achieved this goal yet we are at 70%, but will be 100% soon.

### **Goals for Next update from May 5 2008 presentation (cont'd)**

- Striving for 85% complaints being resolved in less than 15 business days. The goal before was 85% in less than 30 days.

### **DENR Review of Local Program**

- August 12, 2008
  - Gray Hauser PE, State Sedimentation Specialist with North Carolina Department of Environmental and Natural Resources (NC DENR) Raleigh Office conducted a local program evaluation.

## **DENR Review of Local Program (cont'd)**

- Good Visit:
  - pleased with our record keeping
  - prompt inspections of permitted sites
  - impressed with response time to complaints.

## **DENR Review of Local Program (cont'd)**

- He had a few suggestions that were implemented immediately.

### **DENR Review of Local Program (cont'd)**

- He asked that all Local Erosion and Sedimentation Programs monitor ground cover more aggressively.
  - Reason: Developers of large scale projects have been walking away from projects and leaving them unattended due to the economy.

### **DENR Review of Local Program (cont'd)**

- Use standardized forms located on their website for notice of violations and citations.
  - Reason: Some local programs have had cases overturned in court.



## **Contact Information**

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**Questions???**

**Thank you**