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Enacts new GS 130A-294.2 requiring applicants for a permit for a new solid waste landfill or for the expansion of an existing landfill to prepare an environmental impact statement and review the community impacts, relying in part on the information from a demographic study. The demographic study (study) must include the area that is located within five miles of the proposed landfill boundaries and must include specified information, including demographics, adequacy of housing, and traffic analysis. A draft of the study must be submitted to a local advisory group, designated by the local government with zoning jurisdiction over the proposed landfill site, and the group may hold a community meeting to discuss the study draft. The final study draft must be submitted to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Governor, and the Office of Environmental Justice. Makes conforming change to GS 130A-294. Effective January 1, 2008.

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