Office of State Budget and Management **Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions**

(G.S. 143-34.1)

| Agency: DENR | | |
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| Division: Conservation & | Community Affairs | |
| Budget Code: 14300 Center Title: OCCA – 1 Center Number: 16100 | Natural Heritage Program 6109 | |
| | *** Position Informat | ion *** |
| Proposed Classification : | Community Planner II | Proposed Salary Grade:72 |
| Salary Range: \$38,530 | - \$63,044 | Proposed Effective Date: 12 / 01 / 06 |
| Number of Positions: | 1 | |
| | Center Authorized Budg | <u>Current Request</u> |
| Total Budget Receipts Appropriation Funding Source(s): | \$ 331,579 61,216 \$ 270,363 Natural Heritage Trust Fund | \$ <u>61,216</u> 61,216 \$ |

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities): The Conservation Planner will focus its efforts on the integration and coordination of various adopted conservation plans such as the NC Wildlife Resources Commission State Wildlife Action Plan, the State Parks for a New Century initiative, the Coastal Habitat Protection Plan, the new Working Lands (farms and forests), conservation efforts of DENR and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the conservation priorities of local and regional governments, the state's land trusts as well as national conservation organizations. The result will be a statewide resource that will show the relationships of new conservation projects with existing conservation lands and identified protection priorities. The product of this position will provide a resource to all conservation funding entities and provide the ability for the state to focus precious fiscal resources on the most important natural resources as they relate to the conservation priorities of the state.

Specific Duties

This position will work with staff from NC NHP, One NC Naturally, the Wildlife Resource Commission, and numerous other conservation partners:

- To integrate specific conservation priorities of agencies, local governments, land trusts and conservation organizations;
- To evaluate the relationship of conservation plans to other major planning processes such as highway planning or Clean Water Management Trust Fund corridor planning projects;
- To identify important conservation gaps that could be addressed by Natural Heritage inventory or landowner contact by partners
- To identify areas that should be targeted for consideration for working lands (small farms and sustainable forests) that will buffer conservation lands;
- To participate in or lead regional conservation planning efforts such as the Onslow Bight or the Greater Uwharrie Conservation Partnership; and
- To develop maps and reports that One NC Naturally and partners can use to promote conservation of high priority areas.

| Statutory Reference for Request G.S. 113A-230 |
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| Cathy Hardy |
| Presentation to be made by |
| Director, Budget, Planning and Analysis |
| Title |

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| Agency : Departi | nent of Environment a | nd Natural Resources | Division : Waste Management |
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Budget Code: 14300

Center Title:UST

Center Number 1665-6654

Compliance/Enforcement

*** Position Information ***

Proposed Classification: Environmental Technician V Proposed Salary Grade: 69

Salary Range:\$34,216 to \$55,116

Proposed Effective Date: 10/01/2006

Number of Positions: 2

Total Budget

Appropriations

Receipts

Center Authorized Budget Current Request \$ 515,722 \$ 93,546 \$ 515,722 \$ 93,546

Funding Source(s):Federal EPA Grant

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

EPA is authorizing the Permits and Inspection Branch to use this money to create two new positions to assist the UST Section with meeting the 2005 Federal Energy Policy Act requirement to inspect all regulated underground storage tank facilities every three years. Both positions will be three-year, time-limited positions. The funding for these positions will have an effective date of October 1, 2006 and run through September 30, 2009. The job responsibilities of these two positions will be to perform inspections of underground storage tank facilities, complete any enforcement documents required, and testify during any enforcement hearings on inspection findings. The position description and job function of these two positions will be the same as for the other eleven Environmental Technician V UST inspector positions within the Permits and Inspection Branch. Both of these positions will be home based.

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