# GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS AGENDA INDEX

September 18, 2008

# ACQUISITION BY DEED: The following items are reported pursuant to NCGS 146-22

The Trust for Public Land (CULTURAL) Mecklenburg County Catawba County Historical Association (CULTURAL) Catawba County Town of Emerald Isle (DENR-AQUARIUMS) Carteret County Thomas R. English (DENR-AQUARIUMS) Dare County Justamere Farms, LLC (DENR-PARKS) Guilford County Robert H. Jessup, Jr. (DENR-PARKS) Guilford County The Nature Conservancy (DENR-PARKS) Henderson County Lindley Smith Butler (DENR-PARKS) Rockingham County High Country Conservancy (DENR-PARKS) Watauga County High Country Conservancy (DENR-PARKS) Watauga County The Weyerhaeuser Company (DENR-WILDLIFE) Bertie County Jack Elam (DENR-WILDLIFE) Caldwell County The Lutz Family Partnership (DENR-WILDLIFE) Caldwell County The Conservation Fund (DENR-WILDLIFE) Richmond County Kerry L. McDonald (NCCU) Durham County Bulls Bay Farms, Inc. (NCSU) Tyrrell County Justin Spruill (NCSU) Tyrrell County South Fork Farms, Inc. (NCSU) Tyrrell County

# OTHER MATTERS: The following items are consultation pursuant to NCGS 146-30

Urban Smart Growth, LLC (TRANSPORTATION) Brunswick and New Hanover Counties

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: The Trust for Public Land

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Cultural Resources

LOCATION: 8229 Gilead Road, Huntersville, Mecklenburg County

AREA:  $\pm 4$  acres

UNIT COST: \$35,000/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$140,000

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is a part of Cedar Grove, which consists of 35 acres and a historically significant 1830's brick plantation house listed on the National Register of Historic properties. The Trust for Public Land (TPL) acquired ±34 acres by deed and obtained a perpetual historic preservation easement covering the one acre Cedar Grove home site. The preservation easement will be assigned to the State simultaneously with this acquisition. The County of Mecklenburg is acquiring the remaining 30 acres. The Trust for Public Land will be reimbursed for direct expenses associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition is provided by a grant from the Natural Heritage Trust Fund.

ITEM 2

GRANTOR: Catawba County Historical Association

Allen Huffman, President

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Cultural Resources

LOCATION: North side of NC Hwy 70, Claremont, Catawba County

AREA: 8.5 acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$12,352/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$105,000 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will protect the historic landscape around Bunker Hill Bridge. The bridge is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and is the State's only surviving original covered bridge. It has been designated as a National Civil Engineering Landmark. Funding for this acquisition is provided by a grant from the Natural Heritage Trust Fund.

ITEM 3

GRANTOR: Town of Emerald Isle

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, NC Aquariums

LOCATION: Park Drive, Emerald Isle, White Oak Township, Carteret County

AREA:  $\pm 3.3$  acres

UNIT COST: N/A

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is currently used as a public beach access area and is improved with a parking lot, bathhouse and boardwalk. The NC Aquariums will remove or renovate these improvements and plans to construct a public ocean fishing pier facility, pier house, Bogue Sound water access facility and other related improvements on the property. Project is expected to be funded by the Clean Water Management Trust Fund, the Natural Heritage Trust Fund, the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, the NC Aquarium Society and other sources. The Town will retain a reversionary interest in the property.

ITEM 4

GRANTOR: Thomas R. English, Jennette English and Harmony Enterprises an NC General

Partnership, Jennette English General Partner

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, NC Aquariums

LOCATION: 7300 South Virginia Dare Trail, Nags Head, Dare County

AREA:  $\pm 1.16$  acres or  $\pm 50,530$  sq. ft.

UNIT COST: \$31.98/sq. ft

CONSIDERATION: \$1,615,950

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will be incorporated into the NC Aquarium, Jennette's Pier Project, which was a  $\pm 5.12$  acre acquisition by gift from the North Carolina Aquarium Society. This property is needed for expansion to support infrastructure for a septic field, parking and storm water runoff. The property is improved with several dilapidated structures of no contributing value. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the NC Aquariums, non-reverting Admission Fund (\$1.45 million) and the NC Aquarium Society (\$165,950).

ITEM 5

GRANTOR: Justamere Farms, LLC

Hugh M. Morton, III, Manager

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: West of Spencer Dixon Road, Center Grove Township, Guilford County

AREA:  $\pm 188$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$14,625/acre

CONSIDERATION: ±\$2,749,500 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion into the Guilford County portion of the Mountains to Sea State Trail. Development of this section of the Trail is being done in conjunction with Guilford County, which is purchasing a larger adjoining property. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Parks and Recreation Trust Fund COPs.

ITEM 6

GRANTOR: Robert H. Jessup, Jr.

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: Property is located at North Church Street, Greensboro, Guilford County

AREA:  $\pm 7.159$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$22,000/acre

CONSIDERATION: ±\$157,498 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion into the Haw River State Park pursuant to the master plan. Acquisition of this property will provide protection of water quality and natural resources. In addition, the Mountains to Sea Trail will also traverse across this parcel. Haw River State Park currently has approximately 1,168 acres out of a planned 4,000 acres. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Parks and Recreation Trust Fund.

ITEM 7

GRANTOR: The Nature Conservancy

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: Off Edney Inn Road, Hendersonville, Henderson County

AREA: 35.37 acres

UNIT COST: \$16,000/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$565,920

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion into the Chimney Rock State Park. This property is needed for the protection of natural and scenic resources at Chimney Rock State Park. The Nature Conservancy will be reimbursed overhead, interest, and direct expenses associated with this transaction. Chimney Rock State Park currently has approximately 3,300 acres out of a planned 12,000 acres. Funding is provided by the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund COPs (\$450,920) and Natural Heritage Trust Fund COPs (\$115,000).

ITEM 8

GRANTOR: Lindley Smith Butler and wife, Leila T. Clinard Butler

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: 2140 Anglin Mill Road, near Stoneville, Price Township, Rockingham County

AREA:  $\pm 15.477$  acres (subject to survey) improved with a single story manufactured

home consisting of 1,026 sq. ft.

UNIT COST: \$3,554/acre – land

43.86/sq.ft - improvement

CONSIDERATION: ±\$100,500 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Proposed property for acquisition is for inclusion into the Mayo River State Park. Mayo River State Park currently has 1,970 acres out of a planned 4,500 acres. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Parks and Recreation Trust Fund.

ITEM 9

GRANTOR: High Country Conservancy

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: Brown Trout Road, Valle Crucis Community, Watauga County

AREA: 45.40 acres

UNIT COST: \$11,013.22/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$500,000

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion into the newly established Bear Paw State Natural Area. Acquisition of this property will provide protection of natural and scenic resources. High Country Conservancy will be reimbursed overhead and direct expenses associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund COPs (\$225,000) and a private donation of (\$275,000).

ITEM 10

GRANTOR: High Country Conservancy

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Division of Parks and Recreation

LOCATION: Rocky Top Trail, Seven Devils, Watauga County

AREA: 83.45 acres

UNIT COST: \$6,854.40/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$572,000

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion into the newly established Bear Paw State Natural Area. Acquisition of this property will provide protection of natural and scenic resources. High Country Conservancy will be reimbursed for the overhead and direct expenses associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund COPs (\$287,000) and a private donation of (\$285,000).

ITEM 11

GRANTOR: The Weyerhaeuser Company

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: Roquist Pocosin, SR 1118, Lewiston, Woodville Township, Bertie County

AREA:  $\pm 315$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$1,418.10/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$446,700

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will be incorporated into the  $\pm 30,499$ -acre Roanoke River Wetlands and Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge. Acquisition of this property will protect water quality, important wildlife habitat and provide hunting and other wildlife recreational opportunities for sportsmen. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (\$398,650) and Agency Funds (\$48,050).

ITEM 12

GRANTOR: Jack and Mary Elam

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Wildlife

**Resources Commission** 

LOCATION: NCSR 1328 (Brown Mountain Beach Road), Mortimer, Caldwell County

AREA:  $\pm 72$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: ±\$2,777.77/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$200,000

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will be incorporated into the Game Land program and will be utilized to protect important water quality, wildlife habitat and provide hunting and other wildlife recreational opportunities for sportsmen. The Foothills Conservancy will be reimbursed for the direct expenses and overhead associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition to be provided by the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (pending).

ITEM 13

GRANTOR: The Lutz Family Partnership

Herbert D. Lutz, Managing Partner

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: NCSR 1328 (Brown Mountain Beach Road), Mortimer, Caldwell County

AREA:  $\pm 649$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$10,786/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$7,000,000 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will be incorporated into the Game Land program and will be utilized to protect water quality, wildlife habitat and provide fishing and other wildlife recreational opportunities for sportsmen. The Foothills Conservancy will be paid overhead and reimbursed for direct expenses associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (\$4,857,255) and the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (\$2,142,745 COPs).

ITEM 14

GRANTOR: The Conservation Fund

Richard P. Luddington, Registered Agent

GRANTEE: State of NC, Department of Environment and Natural Resources,

Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: Eastern Bank of the Pee Dee River at Old Cheraw Highway, Richmond County

AREA:  $\pm 1,659.31$  acres

UNIT COST: \$2,109.31/acre

**CONSIDERATION: \$3,500,000** 

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition will be incorporated into the  $\pm 6,829$  acre Pee Dee River Game Land and will be utilized to protect water quality, wildlife habitat and provide hunting and other wildlife related recreational opportunities. The Conservation Fund will be reimbursed for overhead and expenses associated with this transaction. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (\$1,400,000), the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (\$1,100,000) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (\$1,000,000).

ITEM 15

GRANTOR: Kerry L. McDonald and Madre Lynennelle Fowler- McDonald

GRANTEE: State of NC, North Carolina Central University

LOCATION: 615 East Lawson St., City of Durham, Durham County

AREA: 22,500 sq. ft. or 0.52 acres improved with a 2 story brick dwelling

containing 3,840 sq. ft.

UNIT COST: \$1.78/ sq. ft. - land

\$74.97/ sq. ft. - improvements

CONSIDERATION: \$ 245,000

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for expansion in accordance with the campus master plan. Immediate use of the property will be for office space. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the University 2000 Higher Education Bond Fund.

ITEM 16

GRANTOR: Bulls Bay Farms, Inc.

Richard Spruill, President

GRANTEE: State of NC, North Carolina State University

LOCATION: Scuppernong Township, Tyrrell County

AREA:  $\pm$  97.42 acres

UNIT COST: \$10,998.35 acre

CONSIDERATION: \$1,071,460

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for the Eastern 4-H Environmental Education Conference Center currently consisting of  $\pm 227$  acres. Property will be utilized for research, education and recreation. The Clean Water Management Trust Fund is requiring that  $\pm 90$  acres of the existing 4-H property be placed in a conservation easement. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (\$716,300) and the Endowment Fund of North Carolina State University (\$355,160).

ITEM 17

GRANTOR: Justin and Janna Spruill

GRANTEE: State of NC, North Carolina State University

LOCATION: Scuppernong Township, Tyrrell County

AREA:  $\pm 14.02$  acres (subject to survey)

UNIT COST: \$13,000/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$182,260 (subject to survey)

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for the Eastern 4-H Environmental Education Conference Center currently consisting of  $\pm 227$  acres. Property will be utilized for research, education and recreation. The Clean Water Management Trust Fund is requiring that  $\pm 90$  acres of the existing 4-H property be placed in a conservation easement. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (\$145,000) and the Endowment Fund of North Carolina State University (\$37,260).

ITEM 18

GRANTOR: South Fork Farms, Inc.

Michael Todd Phelps, President

GRANTEE: State of NC, North Carolina State University

LOCATION: Scuppernong Township, Tyrrell County

AREA:  $\pm 80.5$  acres

UNIT COST: \$12,689.44 acre

CONSIDERATION: \$1,021,500

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is for the Eastern 4-H Environmental Education Conference Center currently consisting of  $\pm 227$  acres. Property will be utilized for research, education and recreation. The Clean Water Management Trust Fund is requiring that  $\pm 90$  acres of the existing 4-H property be placed in a conservation easement. Funding for this acquisition is provided by the Clean Water Management Trust Fund (\$821,500) and the Endowment Fund of North Carolina State University (\$200,000).

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

#### ITEM 19

At the request of the Department of Transportation (DOT), authorization is requested to effect a land exchange between the State and Urban Smart Growth – Belville, LLC (Lance Robbins, Manager), (USG) for  $\pm 37$  acres (appraised value \$6,400,000) located in Belville, Brunswick County, which is currently utilized as a Bridge Maintenance yard. In exchange, USG will convey  $\pm 16$  acres (appraised value \$3,325,000) to the State located on US Highway 421, Wilmington, New Hanover County. In addition, USG will reconstruct each structure currently utilized at Belville, on the  $\pm 16$  acres site at no cost to the State. Development of the Wilmington site is estimated to be \$5.2 million. Plans for the new facility will be reviewed and approved by the Department of Insurance and State Construction Office.