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TO: Members of the Environmental Review Commission  
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FROM: George F. Givens, Commission Counsel  
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RE:

- **Reminder of Commission Meeting: NOTE Time Change.**
- **Schedule of Future Meetings**
- **Water Allocation Study: Public Meetings: NOTE: These meetings are also on 18 December 2008 and follow the Commission meeting.**
- **Additional Information**

### COMMISSION MEETING:

**The Environmental Review Commission (Commission) will meet at 10:00 a.m. Thursday December 18 2008 in Room 1228 of the Legislative Building in Raleigh.**

The agenda for this meeting will consist of:

- 1) Annual report on development and implementation of a plan to reduce vehicle miles traveled by State and private sector employees and vehicle emissions resulting from job-related travel, including commuting to and from work (G.S. 143-215.107C(d) and (e)).
- 2) Allocation of surface water resources and their availability and maintenance in the State, including issues related to the transfer of water from one river basin to another, the withdrawal of water for consumptive use, and the accuracy and tolerance of equipment used to measure the flow of water transferred from one river basin to another river basin. (S.L. 2007-518, Sec. 1.(a) as amended by S.L. 2008-10) Issues related to increasing water supply and reservoir construction. (S.L. 2008-143, Sec. 6).
- 3) Annual report on the program to streamline the process for the issuance of an improvement permit or an authorization to construct for an on-site subsurface wastewater system in certain counties by authorizing local health departments, authorized agents of DENR, and licensed soil scientists to complete soil and site evaluations in participating counties (S.L. 2006-136, Sec. 3).
- 4) Discussion of alternative methods of disposing of treated wastewater.

- 5) Annual report on the Wastewater Discharge Elimination Program (S.L. 2001-452, Sec. 2.9).
- 6) Annual report on the implementation of stormwater rules and programs (G.S. 143-214.7(e)).
- 7) Annual report on implementation of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973 (G.S. 113A-67).
- 8) Annual report on fish kills in the previous year (G.S. 143B-279.7 (c)).
- 9) Discussion of the protection of conservation land from eminent domain (S.L. 2008-181, Sec. 6.8).

#### **SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS:**

Below is a schedule of meetings of the Environmental Review Commission for the balance of the current interim. This schedule is tentative and subject to adjustment. For planning purposes, however, please reserve these dates. This schedule may be modified to allow for out-of-town business meetings or site visits and in the event that it becomes necessary to cancel a scheduled meeting due to hazardous weather conditions.

Please note the following:

<u>Commission Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Staff Planning Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday 15 January 2009	643 LOB	Tuesday 6 January 2009	605 LOB
Thursday 22 January 2009	544 LOB	Tuesday 6 January 2009	605 LOB

#### **WATER ALLOCATION STUDY: PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The Commission Counsel of the Environmental Review Commission (ERC) will hold public meetings from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday 18 December in Room 1228 of the Legislative Building in Raleigh, North Carolina. The purpose of the meetings is to receive comment on the study of the allocation of water resources in the State, including the draft report received by the ERC on 25 November 2008. At the 2:00 p.m. meeting, the Commission Counsel will receive comment from invited representatives of various interested parties. At the 5:00 p.m. meeting, the Commission Counsel will receive comment from members of the public at large.

Public comment received at the meetings will be considered by the Principal Investigators in their preparation of the final version of the 2008 Report of the Water Allocation Study Team (Draft Interim Report), in any recommendations that the ERC may make to the General Assembly based on the 2008 Report, and in decisions about further study to be conducted by the Principal Investigators or other matters to be considered by the ERC in its ongoing study of water allocation issues.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

If you have questions related to the Commission, please feel free to contact the Commission Counsel or other Commission staff at (919) 733-2578.