

102 Downing Ct
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

12 August 2007

Mr. Rich Gannon
NC Environmental Management Commission
Division of Water Quality
1617 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1617

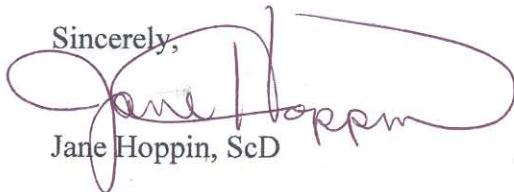
Subject: Jordan Lake

Dear Mr. Gannon:

As a frequent user of Jordan Lake and an environmental health scientist, I am writing to you today to support the new rules to protect the watershed of Jordan Lake and to strengthen the proposed rules in the following manner: 1) Require the wastewater treatment plant upgrades by 2011 rather than 2016. As an OWASA user, I know that OWASA is already working to minimize releases to the lake. 2) The NC Environmental Management Commission should be very specific regarding the roles of local governments in the protection of Jordan Lake. As any manager knows, it is easier to be held accountable to those responsibilities that are spelled out in detail.

Jordan Lake is a unique resource in the rapidly growing Triangle. It provides a respite from the busyness of our daily activities and offers visitors the chance to see the nation's symbol, the bald eagle, on a regular basis. We should take every effort to protect this resource while still encouraging growth and development in the region. I urge you to act now to protect this important resource.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jane Hoppin", with a large, looping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Jane Hoppin, ScD