

My name is Jessica Ramsberger, and I reside in Apex. I am here tonight because I get my drinking water from Jordan Lake, and have for several years. I am concerned about how long it has taken to enact measures to clean up and protect Jordan Lake. I feel that developers should be given stricter regulations to follow when building in this watershed. I also believe the rules should be strictly enforced, new developments carefully monitored, and heavy fines levied for violations. This should also hold true for wastewater treatment plants, farms, and the DOT. The longer we wait, the more damage to wildlife and habitats will occur. This is not a matter that should be taken lightly. I drink Jordan Lake water every day which is why I believe you should require wastewater plant upgrades by 2011 not 2016. I also think the EMC should be more specific about what local governments must do to begin controlling runoff from existing development. Thanks for your time this evening, and for the opportunity to speak.