

AGENDA

Lower Neuse Basin Association, Inc.® Neuse River Compliance Association, Inc.®

**February 6, 2025
Raleigh, N. C.
10:00 a.m.**

- **Welcome, Roll Call, and Introduction of Guests**
 - * **Member Introductions**
- **Approval of Minutes November 7, 2024 (AI) (pages 2-4) –**
- **Officer Election for the Position of Secretary -**
- **LNBA/NRCA Financials –**
 - * **November, December, 2024, and January, 2025 Treasurer Reports (AI) (page 5) –**
 - * **FY 2024-25 Year to Date Expenditures (page 6) -**
 - * **LNBA/NRCA Proposed Budget and Membership Fees for FY 2025-26 (AI) (pages 7-8) -**
- **PFAS Regulations in N. C. – Michelle Mabry, WSP, Inc.**
- **Neuse Basin Modeling Update, Comments due April 1st (pages 9-10) –**
- **Tar Pamlico Proposed Rules Conflicts and Proposed Comments (AI) (pages 11-12) -**
- **NRCA Updates -**
 - * **NRCA Permit Renewal Update (AI) -**
 - * **NRCA Annual Report, due March 31st -**
 - * **State or National Operator Awards Committee (page 13) -**
- **LNBA Updates -**
 - * **Sampling Report – November, December, 2024, and January, 2025 (page 14) –**
 - * **LNBA Annual Report, due April 30th -**
- **LNBA/NRCA Training Workshop Committee -**
- **Member Reports -**
- **Next Meeting and Adjourn – May 1, 2025, Grifton, N. C.**

Action Items (AI)

**Lower Neuse Basin Association®/Neuse River Compliance Association®
November 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes
City of Kinston, Goldsboro, N. C.**

Attending:

Chuck Smithwick (Chair)	Contentnea MSD	Jonathan Bulla	Town of Cary
Heather Adams (call in)	Town of Fuquay-Varina	Corrie Bondor	Town of Cary
Dan McLawhorn	McLawhorn Legal	Ed Buchan (V-Chair)	City of Raleigh
Steven Johnson	Aqua, N. C.	Lori Avent	Town of Apex
Justin Smith	City of Goldsboro	Anthony Stevens	Aqua, N. C.
Reggie Hicks (call in)	City of Durham	Robert Sherman	City of Goldsboro
David White	Town of Clayton	Adam Stephenson	Town of Fuquay-Varina
Marcus Lucas	City of Goldsboro	Zack Johnson	City of Kinston
Anthony Futrell	Carolina Water Service	James Blalock	Town of Clayton
Jimmy Pridgen (Treas)	City of Wilson	Shelby Arellano	CovationBio
Dan Wall	Johnston County	Laura Pruitt	City of Wilson
Mike Graham (call in)	Duke Energy	Jeff Mahagan (call in)	Town of Hillsborough
Ron Boquist	Waypoint Anal.	Brian Pridgen	Contentnea MSD
David Hill	DWR - Ecosystems	Barrett Jenkins	Restoration Systems
Kim Pickett (call in)	Town of Benson	Rick Day (call in)	City of Havelock
Ray Burgos	CovationBio	David Hodgkins (call in)	Town of Farmville
Haywood Phthisic	LNBA/NRCA		

The Chair, Chuck Smithwick, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The roll was called and there were 15 of 19 members present representing the LNBA and 18 of 24 members present representing the NRCA. There was a supermajority quorum (67%) present for both associations and guests were introduced and recognized.

Board Minutes – The Board Minutes for the September 5, 2024 meeting were presented. Being no revisions, the Minutes were approved by the Boards.

LNBA/NRCA Meeting Dates for 2025 – The proposed Board meetings for 2025 are: Feb. 6, May 1, Sept, 4, and Nov. 6. A motion was made by Ed Buchan to approve those dates, seconded by Dan Wall, and approved by the Boards.

LNBA and NRCA Bylaw Revisions for Consideration and Adoption – At the September 5th Board meeting the current bylaws were reviewed and proposed revisions were presented. The last revision to the associations' bylaws was in May, 2017. Recent events in the members retiring and/or leaving has caused issues with the ability to replace those officers (under the current bylaws). The Chair reviewed the pertinent revisions and the association's counsel, Dan McLawhorn, was able to answer in questions or concerns. Following discussion, Dan Wall made the motion to approve the bylaw revisions as presented, seconded by Jimmy Pridgen, and approved unanimously by both Boards. As noted earlier there was a supermajority presence by both Boards.

LNBA/NRCA Financials – Treasurer's Report – Jimmy Pridgen presented the Treasurer's Report for the period of September and October, 2024 to the Board. As of October 31st, the LNBA account balance is \$334,985.62 and NRCA account balance is \$396,156.64. Following discussion, Bert Sherman made the

motion to approve the reports as presented, seconded by Dan Wall, and approved by the Boards, respectively.

Haywood noted the LNBA/NRCA FY 2025-26 proposed budget and membership fees will be presented at the February 6th Board meeting.

Neuse Watershed Modeling Update – Haywood reported no new information was to report at this time. The draft model has been delivered to NCDWR for their review and work.

LNBA Updates –

Work continues on the Lower Neuse River Monitoring Service Contract No. 6 with Waypoint Analytical. All sampling was completed by Waypoint in September and October with the exceptions listed below:

September 2024

09/04/24 – J458000 (Swift Creek at SR 1152 near Smithfield) - Unable to collect due to road access being blocked. Resampled on September 17, 2024.

October 2024

10/17/24 – J4690000 (Middle Creek at SR 1152 near Holly Springs) – Unable to sample due to bridge construction.

10/15/24 – J6250000 (Neuse River at NC 55 near Graingers) – Closed due to new construction.

All invoices have been processed and paid (partial) through September, 2024.

David Hill was introduced as the new coalition coordinator for NCDWR.

NRCA Updates –

NRCA Permit Renewal Update – Haywood reported that the NRCA has not received notice of its permit renewal request and continues to contact DWR staff on this renewal process. When the draft permit goes to notice there will be an opportunity to resubmit comments provided there is a need (all original comments not addressed that the Board authorized). Following discussion, the Chair asked for a motion to authorize the Executive Committee to review the draft permit that will be noticed and to submit comments if appropriate. Dan Wall made the motion to approve, seconded by James Blalock, and approved by the Board.

Nitrogen Leases for 2024 – Haywood reminded the members that nitrogen leases for 2024 must be executed and received by the executive director by December 31st, 2024 to be valid.

Operator Award Programs – Haywood reported to the membership that every year wastewater facility operators have an opportunity to receive awards for their operational excellence and skill. These awards are given on the State level as well as national level. The facilities on the Neuse Basin have the most experienced in biological nutrient removal processes. In order to receive an award, the operator must be nominated and application submitted to the reviewing organization. Haywood noted the associations should consider establishing a committee to nominate operators for the work and efforts.

LNBA/NRCA Training Workshop CEU Report – Haywood reported that many attendees did not receive timely credit for their CEUs for the annual workshop. Haywood noted he is working with the certification

group to find a solution for this issue.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2025 at 10:00 hosted by the City of Raleigh. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Lower Neuse Basin Association, Inc. / Neuse River Compliance Association, Inc.

Treasurer's Report

2/4/2025

LNBA

Balance Forward: (checking per bank statement - 10/31/2024)	Checking	\$	153,892.14
	Savings		181,093.48
Debits:		\$	
Waypoint Analytical, Inc. (LNBA, Invoices)			24,339.90
Waypoint Analytical, Inc. (Raleigh, Invoices)			4,510.98
River Delta Consulting			1,920.00
PCi (Invoices)			5,247.82
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Total Debits		\$	36,018.70
Credits:		\$	
Interest (checking)			51.59
Interest (MM acc't, savings)*			1,371.99
Civic Addition to Savings Acc't			23.99
Checking Account Balance (per bank statement -1/31/2025)	Checking	\$	117,925.03
	Savings		182,489.46
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Total LNBA Account Balance		\$	300,414.49
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NRCA

Balance Forward: (per bank statement -10/31/2024)	Checking	\$	103,325.50
	Savings		292,831.14
Debits:		\$	
PCi (Invoices)			7,871.00
WSP, Inc.			-
NCDEQ (permit renewal)			4,625.00
River Delta Consulting			960.00
McLawnhorn Law Office			2,300.00
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Total:		\$	15,756.00
Credits:		\$	
Transfer from Checking to Savings Acc't			-
Interest (MM acc't, savings)*			2,218.54
Interest (Checking)			35.79
Civic Addition to Savings Acc't			23.99
Account Balance (per bank statement - 2/04/2024)	Checking	\$	87,605.29
	Savings		295,073.67
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Total NRCA Account Balance		\$	382,678.96
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LNBA/NRCA Year to Date Expenditures for FY 2024-25

Date: 1/08/2025

LNBA	Monitoring	ED Services	Training	Admin	Legal	Web Services	Consultant	Total	Raleigh
July, 2024	\$ 8,113.30	\$ 1,814.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,927.78	\$ 1,503.66
August	8,113.30	1,907.20	1,038.70	-	-	-	-	11,059.20	1,503.66
September	8,113.30	1,941.25	-	-	-	-	-	10,054.55	1,503.66
October	8,113.30	1,537.50	-	675.00	-	-	-	10,325.80	1,503.66
November	8,113.30	1,966.90	-	-	-	960.00	-	11,040.20	1,503.66
December	8,113.30	-	-	-	-	960.00	-	9,073.30	1,503.66
January, 2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
March	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 48,679.80	\$ 9,167.33	\$ 1,038.70	\$ 675.00	\$ -	\$ 1,920.00	\$ -	\$ 61,480.83	\$ 9,021.96
Budget	\$ 97,360.00	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 18,400.00	\$ 169,804.00	\$ 18,044.00

NRCA	Permit/Grant	ED Services	Training	Admin	Legal	Web Services	Consultant	Total	WSP, Inc.
July, 2024	\$ -	\$ 2,722.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,722.00	\$ 2,778.00
August	-	3,542.00	822.00	-	-	-	-	4,364.00	162.75
September	-	2,911.00	-	-	-	-	-	2,911.00	-
October	-	2,826.00	-	675.00	1,600.00	-	-	5,101.00	774.00
November	-	2,951.00	-	-	500.00	960.00	-	4,411.00	-
December	4,625.00	-	-	-	1,800.00	-	-	6,425.00	-
January, 2025	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
March	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
May	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 14,952.00	\$ 822.00	\$ 675.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$ 960.00	\$ -	\$ 25,934.00	\$ 3,714.75
Budget	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 19,000.00	\$ 89,000.00	\$ 30,000.00

Proposed LNBA/NRCA FY 2025 -26 BUDGET

Date: 2/04/2025

LNBA BUDGET

Expenditures	Current FY 24-25 Budget	Draft FY 25-26 Budget
Water Sampling Contract	\$ 97,360.00	\$ 97,360.00
Consultant Services	34,900.00	34,900.00
Administrative Costs/Website	2,500.00	2,500.00
Water Sampling Assessment*	18,044.00	18,044.00
Educational Training	2,000.00	2,000.00
Website Update **	-	-
Total	\$ 136,760.00	\$ 136,760.00
Revenues		
Membership Dues	\$ 136,760.00	\$ 136,760.00
Member Assessment *	18,044.00	18,044.00
Fund Balance **	-	-
Total	\$ 154,804.00	\$ 154,804.00

* Raleigh Water cost to participate in water sampling program.

** Update website operating system.

NRCA BUDGET

Expenditures	Current FY 24-25 Budget	Draft FY 25-26 Budget
Consultant Services	\$ 65,000.00	\$ 65,000.00
Administrative Costs/Website	2,500.00	2,500.00
Educational Training	2,000.00	2,000.00
Website Update **	-	-
DWQ Permit Fee	4,650.00	4,650.00
Total	\$ 74,150.00	\$ 74,150.00
Revenues		
Membership Dues	\$ 74,150.00	\$ 74,150.00
Fund Balance	-	-
Total	\$ 74,150.00	\$ 74,150.00
Total for LNBA/NRCA	\$ 228,954.00	\$ 228,954.00

** Update website operating system.

Proposed LNBA/NRCA Membership Dues for Fiscal Year 2025 -2026

Date: 2/04/2025

MEMBER	Permitted Flow (MGD)	2025-26 LNBA Base Fee	2025-26 LNBA (Q)	2025-26 Total LNBA Dues	2025-26 NRCA Base Fee	2024 - MidYear EOP Pounds of TN	2025-26 NRCA (\$/lbs.)	2025-26 Total NRCA Dues	Total Dues FY 2025-26
Town of Fuquay-Varina*	3.117	\$ 250.00	\$ 2,088.10	\$ 2,338.10	\$ -	0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,338.10
City of Havelock	2.250	250.00	1,507.29	1,757.29	250.00	20,437	1,478.92	1,728.92	3,486.22
Duke Energy Progress	10.160	250.00	6,806.26	7,056.26	250.00	121	8.76	298.76	7,315.02
CovationBio, Inc.	3.600	250.00	2,411.67	2,661.67	250.00	3,534	255.74	505.74	3,167.41
City of Kinston	11.850	250.00	7,938.41	8,188.41	250.00	28,376	2,053.43	2,303.43	10,491.84
Johnston County	9.500	250.00	6,364.12	6,614.12	250.00	39,920	2,888.81	3,138.81	9,752.93
City of Goldsboro	14.200	250.00	9,512.69	9,762.69	250.00	64,640	4,677.67	4,927.67	14,690.36
Town of LaGrange	0.750	250.00	502.43	752.43	250.00	4,359	315.44	565.44	1,317.87
Contenthea MSD	3.500	250.00	2,344.68	2,594.68	250.00	8,290	599.91	849.91	3,444.58
Town of Kenly	0.630	250.00	422.04	672.04	250.00	5,779	418.20	668.20	1,340.24
City of Wilson	14.000	250.00	9,378.71	9,628.71	250.00	43,874	3,174.94	3,424.94	13,053.65
Town of Benson	1.900	250.00	1,272.82	1,522.82	250.00	9,792	708.60	958.60	2,481.42
Town of Farmville	3.500	250.00	2,344.68	2,594.68	250.00	3,910	282.95	532.95	3,127.62
Town of Cary	24.800	250.00	16,613.71	16,863.71	250.00	78,444	5,676.60	5,926.60	22,790.31
City of Raleigh	80.200	250.00	53,726.60	53,976.60	250.00	410,793	29,727.03	29,977.03	83,953.63
City of New Bern	6.500	250.00	4,354.40	4,604.40	250.00	46,545	3,368.23	3,618.23	8,222.63
Town of Apex	3.600	250.00	2,411.67	2,661.67	250.00	16,579	1,199.74	1,449.74	4,111.41
Town of Clayton	2.500	250.00	1,674.77	1,924.77	250.00	18,707	1,353.73	1,603.73	3,528.50
Town of Snow Hill	0.500	250.00	334.95	584.95	250.00	2,219	160.58	410.58	995.53
SGWASA**	5.500				250.00	11,334	820.18	1,070.18	1,070.18
City of Durham	20.000				250.00	70,232	5,082.34	5,332.34	5,332.34
Town of Hillsborough	3.000				250.00	6,829	494.18	744.18	744.18
Neuse Colony, Aqua, NC	0.350				250.00	6,090	440.70	690.70	690.70
MCAS Cherry Point	3.500				250.00	17,387	1,258.21	1,508.21	1,508.21
Carolina Water Service	0.600				250.00	16,348	1,183.02	1,433.02	1,433.02
Craven County	0.860				250.00	3,760	272.09	522.09	522.09
Total Flow NRCA	227.750	\$ 4,750.00	\$ 132,010.00	\$ 136,760.00	\$ 6,250.00	938,299	\$ 67,900.00	\$ 74,150.00	\$ 210,910.00
Total Flow LNBA	197.057			\$ 136,760.00				\$ 74,150.00	\$ 210,910.00

* indicates LNBA member only

**indicates NRCA member only



MEMO

TO: Haywood Phthisic
FROM: Martin E. Lebo
SUBJECT: Neuse Watershed Model Report Review
DATE: February 4, 2025

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

The overall objective for the project is to review the watershed model developed by RESPEC under contract with NCDEQ for use in evaluating transport factors for nitrogen in the Neuse River basin.

BACKGROUND

The authorized project focused resources on evaluating the calibration of key components of the watershed model when the calibration was nearly complete. Key components are how the model simulates flow throughout the watershed, how the model simulates the deposition and erosion of particles, and how the model simulates the transformations of different forms of nitrogen.

The WSP team participated in a discussion with the model development team (RESPEC) and staff from NCDWR on September 25, 2023, on progress in model development through the time of the meeting. Access to modeling files during the development process was requested and granted.

The third stakeholder meeting on the final modeling report was held on January 28, 2025.

PROJECT ACTIVITY

The WSP project team gained access to modeling files from RESPEC and evaluated the calibration of water movement and nitrogen concentrations throughout the watershed and provided comments to the modeling team on February 27, 2024. Comments on the flow calibration were incorporated and resulted in improvements in predictions.

The RESPEC modeling team provided draft water quality results to WSP on March 23, 2024. Calibration results provided to the WSP team included a great number of graphs of the different target water quality and flow parameters throughout the watershed. Comments were provided to the modeling team on June 19, 2024. Areas for improvement in simulated water temperature and nutrient parameters were identified for the model development team.



The final review activity was initiated on January 27, 2025 when the final modeling report was distributed in anticipation of the third stakeholder meeting on January 28, 2025. WSP has reviewed the modeling report and provides the following observations on the final calibration of the model and the development of transport factors:

- Flow predictions were pretty good (WSP suggestions incorporated);
- TSS predictions were variable and captured the general magnitude of the observed data but with much scatter;
- Dissolved oxygen predictions were generally poor with a consistent low bias in prediction, as identified in the prior WSP review – the low bias warrants adjusting model parameters;
- Total nitrogen was simulated around the same range as observed but speciation of nitrogen components diverged from available data indicating room for improvement of model parameters affecting nitrogen cycling;
- Total phosphorus predictions were good in terms of both range and seasonal pattern;
- Evaluation of transport of nitrogen inputs throughout the Neuse River watershed downstream of Falls Dam incorporated settling and resuspension of particles based on some foundational assumptions about the proportion of past deposition that could be resuspended; and
- In accounting for resuspension, the mass of nitrogen added to the water column was attributed to the original sources of the nitrogen, which is a reasonable concept but with uncertain accuracy since errors in the magnitude of instream processes could be offset by errors in export of nitrogen from land surfaces.

SCHEDULE

Comments on the draft model development report are due to NCDEQ by April 1, 2025. Next steps after the report has been finalized were not discussed on the stakeholder meeting.

NRCA COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULE 15A NCAC 2B .0733

FEBRUARY --, 2025

The Neuse River Compliance Association (NRCA) objects to three of the definitions proposed to be added to 15A NCAC 2B .0733. The proposed definitions are for the terms "Active Allocation," "Limit", and "Reserve Allocation" which appear in (3) Definitions as (a), (e), and (h). By the introductory language to the subsection, these terms will only apply to the rule and are additional to the terms defined in 15A NCAC 2B .0701. Accordingly the proposed additional definitions will not apply to the other rules. However, the NPDES permit issued to the NRCA and several of its members include the terms. The NRCA permit has included the terms since at least 2018.

The NRCA contends that as the terms in question are used in NPDES permits issued pursuant to other rules within Section .0700 Nutrient Management Strategy Rules for Surface Waters, these definitions should be added to 15A NACA 2B .0701. Otherwise, the NRCA and several of its members can be harmed should DEQ or a third party contest the meaning of the same terms as used in their NPDES permits. The rules of statutory construction bar terms defined in one subset of the regulated parties from having the same meaning when used in permits issued to regulated parties not included in the Tar-Pamlico Nutrient Strategy.

The Supreme Court applied this rule of construction in a notable case decided in 2016. In that instant, many local governments had relied on a federal court's construction of the language at issue.¹ The Supreme Court rejected that interpretation with the result that hundreds of million dollars were ordered repaid by municipalities to resolve claims filed based on the *Carthage* decision:

We simply cannot read language into a statute where it does not exist. *N.C. Dep't of Corr. v. N.C. Med. Bd.*, 363 N.C. 189, 201, 675 S.E.2d 641, 649 (2009) (We "presum[e] that the legislature carefully chose each word used." (citation omitted)); *Carlyle v. State Highway Comm'n*, 193 N.C. 36, 47, 136 S.E. 612, 619 (1927) ("If the courts attempt to read into the law words of their own . . . , then this would amount to erecting a legislative despotism of five men . . .").

¹ We conclude that it is well settled by authoritative state court decisions that despite the absence of any express authorization in the Public Enterprise Statute for municipalities to establish or increase utility fees in order to offset future capital improvements to their sewer and water infrastructures, general authority to do so is implicit in relevant state law, limited only by the requirement that any discrimination among users be not based on arbitrary or unreasonable classifications. That being so, there is no justification for abstaining to permit state adjudication of the matter, see *Harris County Commissioners v. Moore*, 420 U.S. 77, 83, 95 S. Ct. 870, 43 L. Ed. 2d 32 (1975), and we may turn to the Contention that even if generally authorized, the imposition here was invalid for arbitrariness under state law.

Shell Island Inv. v. Town of Wrightsville Beach, 1990 U.S. App. LEXIS 27339, *10-11

Quality Built Homes, Inc. v. Town of Carthage, 369 N.C. 15, 21, 789 S.E.2d 454, 458, (2016).

The rules of statutory construction also apply to the construction of rules.

When interpreting administrative regulations, our appellate courts apply the same rules of construction that we apply when interpreting statutes. *Cole v. N.C. Dep't of Pub. Safety*, 253 N.C. App. 270, 278, 800 S.E.2d 708, 714, *disc. review denied*, 370 N.C. 71, 803 S.E.2d 156 (2017).

Hill v. Div. of Soc. Servs., 292 N.C. App. 119, 126 S.E. 2d 137, 142 (2024).

The rules of statutory construction provide that a more specific statute (rule) controls over a more general statute (rule).

"When two statutes apparently overlap, it is well established that the statute special and particular shall control over the statute general in nature, even if the general statute is more recent, unless it clearly appears that the legislature intended the general statute to control." *In re Winstead*, 189 N.C. App. 145, 147, 657 S.E.2d 411, 413 (2008). Again, the same rules of construction apply to administrative regulations. *Cole*, 253 N.C. App. at 278, 800 S.E.2d at 714.

Hill v. Div. of Soc. Servs., 292 N.C. App. 119, 127, 897 S.E.2d 137, 143 (2024).

Accordingly, the terms as proposed to be defined in 15A NCAC 2B .0733 will not apply to 15A NCAC 2B .0713 or the NPDES permits issued pursuant to that rule.

The NRCA is particularly concerned by the term "Limit" as the definition confines the term so that it applies only to NPDES permits which authorize a discharge "into surface waters of the Tar-Pamlico River Basin." Equally problematic is the term "Reserve Allocation" as it is used in the NPDES permit of the NRCA and several of its members. Will the use of that term be restricted to Tar-Pamlico NPDES permit holders? The NRCA individually and in combination with its members has 62,979 pounds of Estuary TN Allocations shown to be "Reserve Estuary Allocation." The new rule limiting the term to the Tar-Pamlico Basin puts those pounds at risk. As the market rate for Estuary TN pounds exceeds \$500 per pound, adverse impacts to those TN pounds will impact substantial economic harm to the NRCA and its members which hold reserve estuary allocations, e.g. \$31,489,500 loss.

For these reasons, the NRCA objects to the addition of definitions of the terms "Active Allocation," "Limit," and "Reserve Allocation." to 15A NCAC 2B .0733.

Raleigh
May 17, 2024

The Wastewater Pollution Control System Operator Certification Commission (WPCSOCC) is receiving nominations for its annual Wilbur E. Long Jr. Operator of the Year Award Nomination.

The Wilbur E. Long Jr. Operator of the Year award recognizes active certified water pollution control system operators in North Carolina who has qualified one of the following:

- Exhibit outstanding knowledge and innovation in the continuing operation of a water pollution control or animal waste system.
- Contribute time and effort toward the training, education, and professionalism of water pollution control or animal waste system.
- Have devised, discovered or invented devices or techniques which enhance the science of system operation.

The award is open to all active waste operators with certification in one or more of the following: Animal Waste, Biological Wastewater, Collections, Physical/Chemical, Land Application, Subsurface and Surface Irrigation.

The nomination form is due June 1 and is available on the Operator Certification Wastewater Program site: deq.nc.gov/opcert .

Lower Neuse Basin Association®

TO: Board Members

FROM: Haywood Phthisic, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Sampling/Monitoring Report for February 6, 2025 Board Meeting

DATE: February 3, 2025

Work continues on the Lower Neuse River Monitoring Service Contract No. 6 with Waypoint Analytical. All sampling was completed by Waypoint in November, December, 2024, and January, 2025 with the exceptions listed below:

November 2024

11/06/24 - J4690000 (Middle Creek at SR-1152 near Holly Springs) - Site inaccessible due: no safe parking.

11/06/24 - J5002000 (Middle Creek at I-40 nr Edmonson) - Bridge access coned off due to maintenance (site was accessible and sampled in December - 12/2/24).

December 2024

12/02/24 - J4690000 (Middle Creek at SR-1152 near Holly Springs) - Site inaccessible due: no safe parking.

January 2025

01/13/25- J4690000 (Middle Creek at SR-1152 near Holly Springs) - Site inaccessible due: no safe parking.

All invoices have been processed and paid through December, 2024.