

AGENDA

**North Carolina Land and Water Fund
Board of Trustees Meeting
March 12, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

This meeting will be held via teleconference and will have a physical location on the 4th floor of the Nature Research Center located at 121 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC in room 4508. If any member of the public would like to join the meeting via MS Teams or in person, please contact Terri Murray at teresa.murray@dncr.nc.gov or 919-707-9445 in advance to request a meeting invitation/call-in number or directions.

Board of Trustees:

John Wilson (Chair), Jimmy Broughton, Ann Browning, Dr. Lydia Olander, Clement Riddle, Mike Rusher, Terry Shelton, Darrel Williams, David Womack

I) COMMENCEMENT

A) Call to Order (Chair)

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Roll call
- 3) **Compliance with General Statute § 138A-15**

General Statute § 138A-15 mandates that the Chair inquire as to whether any Trustee knows of any conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest with respect to matters on the agenda. If any Trustee knows of a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest, please state so at this time.

- 4) **Please put cell phones on vibrate or turn off, and if you are a guest joining remotely, please mute your audio and turn off your video unless you are called upon to speak**
- 5) **Revisions, additions, and adoption of the agenda**
- 6) **Approval of minutes from the December 10, 2025 board meeting**

B) DNCR update (DNCR Deputy Secretary – Jeff Michael)

C) Executive Director's update (Will Summer)

II) PUBLIC COMMENTS

A) The public is invited to make comments to the Board (Chair)

The NCLWF Guidelines and Practices Manual states that comments shall be limited to subjects of business falling within the jurisdiction of the NCLWF. The NCLWF welcomes public comments on general issues. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person.

III) BUSINESS

A) **Consideration of Restoration, Innovative Stormwater, and Planning Committee recommendations** (Committee Chair)

The committee will report on the following matter:

1) **Request to modify matching funds budget for 2025-1003 – Smithfield – College Pond Retrofit** (Will Price)

Staff will present the committee recommendation to modify the budget for this project.

IV) ADJOURNMENT

Action Item**Staff member: Will Price**

Agenda Item III. A. 1) Request to modify matching funds budget for 2025-1003 – Smithfield – College Pond Retrofit

The Town of Smithfield is requesting a modification of their contract budget to remove \$457,420 in matching value that is not consistent with the program requirements. The match was listed as “construction,” but in fact came from an estimate of conservation easement value. While that would have been valid match in the Restoration Program, a permanent conservation easement is not required in the Innovative Stormwater Program, and therefore that match will never be realized.

The budget error was identified during project review last spring and the field rep requested that an updated budget be submitted. However, she left to pursue another opportunity in June and this request was lost in transition between old and new staff. The final budget and scoring that was presented to the board at the funding meeting was based on the incorrect budget.

This change would reduce the match budget by \$457,420. This changes the matching funds from \$612,420 to \$155,000, resulting in a 4-point reduction in the overall score, reducing the score from 62 to 58. This project was also funded with a substantial contribution from DEQ Blueprint funds, \$658,351 of the overall \$783,351 award, so the commitment from the NCLWF is a relatively modest \$125,000.

Staff believes this is still a good project and would have been funded if the updated information in this amendment was presented to the board.

Committee recommendation

The Committee recommended approving the change in matching funds from \$612,420 to \$155,000.

Board action needed

Approve, amend, or deny the Committee recommendation.

Attachment: Corrected budget

⚠ Download/save to local drive - do not edit in browser. ⚠

DO NOT SCAN OR FLATTEN - Submission must be the 'live' form as downloaded.

2025 NCLWF Innovative Stormwater Application Budget Form



Project ID Number (admin use)	3.B.a Corrected budget 2025-1003.pdf
Project Title	College Pond Retrofit
Applicant Organization	Town of Smithfield
Name of Project Manager	Stephen Wensman

Whole dollar amounts only please.

NOTE: Budget guidance from the Funding Manual is reproduced below - please review before completing this form.

Requested Funds	Matching Funds	Total Cost
\$ 783,352	-\$ 612,420	-\$ 1,395,772
	\$155,000	\$938,352

GMS #	Item	Requested NCLWF	Matching Funds	Cost
D020	Design and Permitting	\$ 28,097	\$ 30,000	\$ 58,097
D021	Construction	\$ 755,255	\$0 -\$ 467,420	\$ 1,212,675 \$755,255
D022	Construction Contingency			\$ 0
D023	Construction Admin/Observation			\$ 0
D025	Monitor;Collect/Eval Data;Report	\$ 0	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
D026	Information Dissemination			\$ 0
D049	Project Administration			\$ 0
D014	Addnl. Expense 1 Maintenance Costs	\$ 0	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
D015	Addnl. Expense 2			\$ 0
D016	Addnl. Expense 3			\$ 0
Total		\$ 783,352	-\$ 612,420	-\$ 1,395,772
			\$155,000	\$938,352

Matching Resources Table

Sources of Matching Funds (Name of Org/Entity)	Origin/Type of Matching Funds	Matching Funds Primarily Applied To	Amount	Secured/Committed?
Town of Smithfield	Local government program/funds	Addnl. Expense 1	\$ 50,000	Yes
Town of Smithfield	Local government program/funds	Monitor;Collect/Eval Data;Re	\$35,000	Yes
McCormick Taylor	Private funds/cash (incl. in kind)	Monitor;Collect/Eval Data	\$ 20,000	Yes
Town of Smithfield	Local government program/funds	Monitor;Collect/Eval Data	\$ 20,000	No
Town of Smithfield	Local government program/funds	Design and Permitting	\$ 30,000	No
		?		?
		?		?
		?		?
Total Matching Funds			\$ 155,000	

NOTE: *Please group match by source and commitment status*. One source/match line may apply to multiple funding lines above, as summarized in the 'Match Funds Primarily Applied To' column.

Check for Match Errors Here