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**Board of Directors  
February 25, 2003**

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The Board of Directors of the Upper Neuse River Basin Association (UNRBA) met at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2003 in the Triangle J Council of Governments conference room. The objectives of the meeting were to:

- Give an UNRBA Update;
- Nomination and Election of Executive Committee;
- Plan Endorsement - Proposed Schedule;
- Proposed Plan Amendment - Wetlands and Riparian Analysis; and
- Septic system recommendation discussion.

Meeting attendees are listed below:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>E-mail Address or Phone</b>
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### Introductions and Meeting Objectives

Chris Dreps began the meeting by asking participants to introduce themselves. He then presented the meeting objectives:

- Give an UNRBA Update;
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### UNRBA Update

#### *Financial Update*

- 14 Local Governments have paid dues
- \$70,000 + collected for Fiscal Year 2003
- \$78,000 + budget for Fiscal year 2004

#### *Grant Prospects*

- 319 Funding
- Water Resource Development Grant

#### *Ellerbe Creek Watershed Management Plan*

- Chris reported that the plan close to completion. The NCWRP objective is to have the Ellerbe

## Creek Plan adopted this Spring

### *Low-Impact Development*

- Chris has recently attended the statewide LID Summit. Chris will Attend Training in Huttersville (attended the Huntersville Training on Feb. 26), and will be working with Tetra Tech to bring a presentation based on this training to the UNRBA.

### *Technical Advisory Committee Chairperson*

- TAC Nominated Perry Sugg as Chairperson. The TAC will vote at our next meeting in March.

## **Nomination and Election of Executive Committee**

Chris outlined the responsibilities Executive Committee officers. The following describes the nominations and elections for the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary/Treasurer.

### *Chairperson*

- Becky Heron was nominated. No other nominations. Board affirmed appointment as Chairperson.

### *Vice Chairperson*

- The Board nominated and seconded Ron Allgood. Board affirmed appointment.

### *Secretary/Treasurer*

- The Board nominated Ken Gardner as Secretary/Treasure. Board affirmed appointment.

Chris announced that meeting minutes are on the UNRBA website ([www.unrba.org](http://www.unrba.org)).

## **Plan Endorsement**

Chris presented a timeline describing the UNRBA's past accomplishments regarding the Watershed Management Plan.

Chris presented a definition of "endorsement". The UNRBA Board:

- Believes the Plan is a valid analysis of water quality change;
- Believes the recommended management strategies can achieve the UNRBA's management goals;
- Agrees to work within our respective local jurisdictions to implement all or portions of

the Plan's management strategies; and,

- Understands that endorsement does not commit any individual partner to implementing all of the Plan's specific recommendations.

Chris presented the status of specific recommendations and benefits of endorsement. Next, he proposed a deadline for Plan endorsement. The plan should be endorsed by the end of April, at which point the UNRBA will present the endorsed plan to the Environmental Review Commission.

Open Discussion with board:

- Granville County (Ron Alligood) indicated they would take plan to county board for approval.
- Person County (Jimmy Clayton) indicated some concerns, but would take plan to county board for approval.

Kimberly Brewer, noted that issues of concern could be flagged in endorsement process.

Ron Alligood requested that Chris prepare a 30-minute presentation for county boards on the Draft Watershed Management Plan and N & P performance standards.

Kimberly Brewer, noted that sub-watersheds could be identified for further study.

Wake County (Rick Rowe) noted importance of emphasizing purpose of the plan is protecting water quality, and importance of educating stakeholders.

Barry Jacobs (Orange County) noted concern about septic inspection strategy and balancing rural/urban costs.

Ellen Reckhow noted use of TDR in balancing costs.

Vivian Jones (Wake Forest) clarified endorsement definition and process.

### **Wetlands and Riparian Plan Amendment**

Chris Dreps presented improvements in the new analysis and benefits of WRP endorsement. He requested board approval and board approved new language unanimously.

### **Septic System Recommendations**

- Presentation of original/current recommendations
- Board discussion of septic system problems
- Presented new recommended strategies
- Board discussion of recommendations and maintenance versus inspection of Wake

## County septic system study

Ellen Reckhow suggested putting any specific recommendations on hold.

Chris Dreps suggested that alternative recommendation could be " A NBR-based approach based on results of Wake County Study".

Board discussed costs and burdens.

Orange County noted that strategies could be implemented on a pilot basis using a risk-based approach.

Chris Dreps will work with the TAC in March to prepare the final alternative language for the On-Site Wastewater Treatment recommendation in the Plan.

**The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.**