

Kerr Lake Regional Water System Proposed Interbasin Transfer

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

April 1, 2009, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Warren County Memorial Library
119 South Front St.
Warrenton, NC 27589

April 2, 2009, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Clarksville Community Center
102 Willow Oak Dr.
Clarksville, VA 23927

April 6, 2009, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Long Bridge Fire Department
1678 Eaton Ferry Rd.
Littleton, NC 27850

April 7, 2009, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Vance Granville Community College
Civic Center - 200 Community House Rd.
Henderson, NC 27536

April 8, 2009, 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Creedmoor City Hall
111 Masonic St.
Creedmoor, NC 27522

Kerr Lake Regional Water System (KLRWS) will hold a series of public meetings to receive comments on their request for an interbasin transfer (IBT) from the source river basin of the Roanoke River (John H. Kerr Lake) to the receiving river basins of the Tar River, Fishing Creek (subbasin to the Tar), and the Neuse River. The KLRWS currently provides water directly or indirectly to municipal and county systems in four counties and the three receiving river basins named above in northeastern North Carolina. These meetings are being held in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 143-215.22 in order to facilitate public comment and involvement in the interbasin transfer request process. This statute requires meetings in the source river basin (the Roanoke River Basin) upstream and downstream of the point of withdrawal and in each of the receiving river basins for the transfer (Tar, Fishing Creek, and Neuse River Basins).

Each public meeting will start at 4:00 pm, with a brief introductory presentation concerning the transfer request given at the start of each hour at 4:00, 5:00, and 6:00 pm. This presentation will be the same at each of the five (5) meetings. The remaining time will be available for interested parties to provide oral comments. North Carolina Division of Water Resources staff will be in attendance.

All oral statements made at the meeting will be audio recorded but will not be transcribed to prepare a written record of these proceedings. Oral comments will be given the same consideration as written comments. Persons who want to enter written comments in the record are encouraged to submit written comments no later than May 8, 2009. Based on the number of people who wish to speak, the length of oral presentations may be limited.

KLRWS is requesting an IBT certificate from the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission (EMC) for a maximum transfer of 24 million gallons per day (MGD) to the Tar River and Fishing Creek Basins combined and a maximum transfer of 2.2 MGD to the Neuse River Basin. KLRWS currently has permission to transfer 10 MGD. The source of this water is Kerr Lake.

These meetings will coincide with the scoping phase of this project where the applicant, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and other agencies are considering the scope of impacts to be evaluated in an environmental impact statement (EIS). A scoping document has been prepared and is available for viewing or download at following web address:

http://www.ncwater.org/Permits_and_Registration/Interbasin_Transfer/Status/Kerr/.

The scoping document provides additional background information regarding this proposed transfer including potential alternatives to this transfer. The applicants are requesting comments on the scope of the EIS including the potential alternatives and other issues related to the proposed transfers.

Written comments should be mailed to:

Kerr Lake Regional Water System IBT Comments
CH2M HILL
Attn: Kecia Lucas
3201 Beechleaf Court, Suite 300
Raleigh, NC 27604

Comments may also be submitted electronically to klrws@ch2m.com. Mailed and emailed comments will be given equal weight. The comment period for this phase of the project closes on May 8, 2009. Interested parties will also have future opportunities to provide comment during this IBT request process.