

**NC Coastal Resources Advisory Council**  
**February 21, 2024**  
**Aloft at Coastline Center**  
**Wilmington, NC**  
**Meeting Summary**

**Attendance**

Bobby Outten (Chair)	Spencer Rogers (Co Vice-Chair)
Candy Bohmert	David Kellam
Kyle Brewer	Kris Noble
Sandy Cross	Kathleen Riely
Ryan Davenport	Debbie Smith
John Farrell	John Spruill
David Hewett	Dave Weaver
	John Windley

**Call to Order**

Bobby Outten called the meeting to order with 15 members in attendance.

**Continued Discussion of Proposed Rule Amendments to the CAMA Land Use Program  
15A NCAC 07B**

The Council discussed the policies within the CAMA Land Use Plans, noting that the policy statements and enforceability should come from local governments. DCM Staff stated that policies within land use plans have always been used for CAMA permitting decisions provided the policies are clear and unambiguous. Lastly, the Council discussed resilience and natural hazards and merging the goals of natural hazards and infrastructure capacity into one topic of resiliency. It was the consensus of the Council that resilience and natural hazards should be addressed but not through the land use plan. There was no action taken on this subject; however, the Council requested staff bring back draft amendments to the rules to incorporate the comments heard during the meeting.

**Continued Discussions of Current Dune Rules**

The Council explained that clarity is needed on what is considered damaging to the integrity of a dune and the associated standards connected. In the rules there is language of “other dunes” and there needs to be clarity here as well. Additionally, the Council discussed vegetative plantings and that it is only allowed during the growing season limits when plantings can take place. A motion was made to allow for the local government to plant when they deemed it necessary and particularly following a storm event or nourishment. The Council unanimously approved this motion. The council concluded their dune rule discussions regarding hay bales where sand fencing does not work. The Council made a motion to allow unrestricted use of hay bales at the local government’s discretion where sand fencing is unsuccessful, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Temporary Rule Discussion**

During this discussion, comments received included concern that without these rules, there will be chaos in development due to lack of rules resulting in unwanted development. A motion was made to support the adoption of the temporary rules. That motion passed unanimously.

**Adjourn**

With no further business the Council adjourned.