

ROY COOPER Governor MICHAEL S. REGAN Secretary

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: HOUSE AND SENATE MEMBERS WITH COAL ASH PONDS IN THEIR DISTRICTS

FROM: Joy Hicks

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SUBJECT: Coal Combustion Residuals Surface Impoundment in Member's Districts

DATE: October 1, 2020

Pursuant to GS 130A-309.204(b), "on or before October 1 of each year, the Department shall report to each member of the General Assembly who has a coal combustion residuals surface impoundment in the member's district. This report shall include the location of each impoundment in the member's district, the amount of coal combustion residuals known or believed to be located in the impoundment, the last action taken at the impoundment, and the date of that last action."

Comments concerning the 2020 annual report are as follows:

- All volumes were provided by Duke Energy as of July 31, 2020.
- Coal Ash Ponds are sorted by NC House District and NC Senate District.
- The table "Summary of Last Action Taken" covers many programs and lists multiple actions in summary fashion.

The attached report satisfies this reporting requirement.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me by phone at (919) 707-8618 or via email joy.hicks@ncdenr.gov

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## North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

## **Division of Water Resources**

## Annual Coal Ash Report to the General Assembly October 1, 2020

This report is submitted to meet the requirements of GS 130A-309.204(b), which requires annual reporting on coal combustion residuals surface impoundments in North Carolina.



Location of Each Ash Pond			
Duke Energy Facility Name	Address		
Allen Steam Station	253 Plant Allen Rd., Belmont, NC 28012		
Asheville Steam Electric Plant	200 CP&L Dr., Arden, NC 28704		
Belews Creek Steam Station	3195 Pine Hall Rd., Belews Creek, NC 27009		
Buck Combined Cycle Station	1555 Dukeville Rd., Salisbury, NC 28146		
Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	500 CP&L Rd., Moncure, NC 27559		
James E. Rogers Energy Complex (formerly Cliffside	573 Duke Power Rd., Mooresboro, NC 28114		
Steam Station)			
Dan River Combined Cycle Station	900 South Edgewood Rd., Eden, NC 27288		
H. F. Lee Energy Complex	1677 Old Smithfield Rd., Goldsboro, NC 27530		
Marshall Steam Station	8320 East NC Hwy. 150, Terrell, NC 28682		
Mayo Steam Electric Plant	10660 Boston Rd., Roxboro, NC 27573		
Riverbend Steam Station	175 Steamplant Station, Mount Holly, NC 28120		
Roxboro Steam Electric Plant	1700 Dunnaway Rd., Semora, NC 27343		
L. V. Sutton Energy Complex	801 Sutton Steam Plant Rd., Wilmington, NC 28401		
W. H. Weatherspoon Power Plant	491 Power Plant Rd., Lumberton, NC 28358		

Coal Ash Ponds by North Carolina House Districts				
NC House District	Facility	Ash Pond Designation	Status	Coal Ash Inventory (per Duke as of July 31, 2020)
2	Mayo Steam Electric Plant	Mayo Ash Pond	Inactive	6,600,000
2	Roxboro Steam Electric Plant	Roxboro West Ash Pond	Active	12,974,000
2	Roxboro Steam Electric Plant	Roxboro East Ash Pond (including ash stack)	Inactive	7,074,000
4	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Active Ash Pond	Inactive	4,516,000
4	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Triangle Pond	Inactive	9,000
10	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 1	Inactive	269,000
10	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 2	Inactive	529,000
10	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 3	Inactive	911,000
18	L.V. Sutton Energy Complex	Sutton 1971 Ash Pond	Inactive	0
18	L.V. Sutton Energy Complex	Sutton 1984 Ash Pond	Inactive	0
46	W. H. Weatherspoon Power Plant	Weatherspoon 1979 Ash Pond	Inactive	1,397,000
54	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1956 Ash Pond	Inactive	419,000
54	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1963 Ash Pond	Inactive	859,000
54	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1970 Ash Pond	Inactive	839,000
54	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1978 Ash Pond	Inactive	833,000
54	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1985 Ash Pond	Inactive	2,815,000
65	Dan River Combined Cycle Station	Dan River Active Primary Ash Basin	Inactive	0
65	Dan River Combined Cycle Station	Dan River Active Secondary Ash Basin	Inactive	0
76	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 1	Inactive	3,551,000
76	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 2	Inactive	1,998,000
76	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 3	Inactive	864,000
89	Marshall Steam Station	Marshall Active Ash Basin	Active	16,836,000
91	Belews Creek Steam Station	Belews Creek Active Ash Basin	Active	11,971,000
108	Riverbend Steam Station	Riverbend Primary & Secondary Basins	Inactive	0
109	Allen Steam Station	Allen Active Ash Basin	Active	10,480,000
109	Allen Steam Station	Allen Retired Ash Basin	Inactive	6,152,000



111	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Active Ash Basin	Active	5,038,000
111	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Inactive Ash Basin 1-4	Inactive	0
112	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Inactive Ash Basin #5	Inactive	2,352,000
116	Asheville Steam Electric Plant	Asheville 1964 Ash Pond	Inactive	1,111,000
116	Asheville Steam Electric Plant	Asheville 1982 Ash Pond	Inactive	0

<sup>\* =</sup> Active: receiving either sluiced fly ash or bottom ash, Inactive: NOT receiving sluiced fly ash or bottom ash \*\*= Quantities subject to change based on continuing ash production and ash excavation, as applicable. In addition, detailed in-situ field data acquisition and analysis in support of ash basin closure planning may yield revised ash quantities.

Coal Ash Ponds by North Carolina Senate Districts				
NC Senate District	Facility	Ash Pond Designation	Status	Coal Ash Inventory (per Duke as of July 31, 2020)
7	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 1	Inactive	269,000
7	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 2	Inactive	529,000
7	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Pond 3	Inactive	911,000
7	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Active Ash Pond	Inactive	4,516,000
7	H.F. Lee Energy Complex	H.F. Lee Ash Triangle Pond	Inactive	9,000
9	L.V. Sutton Energy Complex	Sutton 1971 Ash Pond	Inactive	0
9	L.V. Sutton Energy Complex	Sutton 1984 Ash Pond	Inactive	0
13	W. H. Weatherspoon Power Plant	Weatherspoon 1979 Ash Pond	Inactive	1,397,000
22	Mayo Steam Electric Plant	Mayo Ash Pond	Inactive	6,600,000
22	Roxboro Steam Electric Plant	Roxboro West Ash Pond	Active	12,974,000
22	Roxboro Steam Electric Plant	Roxboro East Ash Pond	Inactive	7,074,000
23	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1956 Ash Pond	Inactive	419,000
23	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1963 Ash Pond	Inactive	859,000
23	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1970 Ash Pond	Inactive	839,000
23	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1978 Ash Pond	Inactive	833,000
23	Cape Fear Steam Electric Plant	Cape Fear 1985 Ash Pond	Inactive	2,815,000
30	Dan River Combined Cycle Station	Dan River Active Primary Ash Basin	Inactive	0
30	Dan River Combined Cycle Station	Dan River Active Secondary Ash Basin	Inactive	0
30	Belews Creek Steam Station	Belews Creek Active Ash Basin	Active	11,971,000
33	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 1	Inactive	3,551,000
33	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 2	Inactive	1,998,000
33	Buck Combined Cycle Station	Buck Steam Station Basin 3	Inactive	864,000
42	Marshall Steam Station	Marshall Active Ash Basin	Active	16,836,000
43	Allen Steam Station	Allen Active Ash Basin	Active	10,480,000
43	Allen Steam Station	Allen Retired Ash Basin	Inactive	6,152,000
44	Riverbend Steam Station	Riverbend Primary & Secondary Basins	Inactive	0
44	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Active Ash Basin	Active	5,038,000
44	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Inactive Ash Basin 1-4	Inactive	0
47	James E. Rogers Energy Complex	Cliffside Inactive Ash Basin #5	Inactive	2,352,000
48	Asheville Steam Electric Plant	Asheville 1964 Ash Pond	Inactive	1,111,000
48	Asheville Steam Electric Plant	Asheville 1982 Ash Pond	Inactive	0

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\*\*= Quantities subject to change based on continuing ash production and ash excavation, as applicable. In addition,
detailed in-situ field data acquisition and analysis in support of ash basin closure planning may yield revised ash
quantities.



Summary of Last Action Taken			
<b>Ash Pond Designation</b>	Last Action Taken	Date of Last Action Taken	
Allen Active Ash Basin	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress	
	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. February 7, 2020	
	2. NPDES Major permit modification issued	3. June 10, 2020	
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	3. Received submittal for the removal of four 18-inch sluice		
	lines buried near the crest of north dike		
Allen Retired Ash Basin	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
	1. Site assessment and corrective activities	2. Complete	
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	3. Complete	
	2. Outlet pipe repair		
	3. Piezometer installations		
Asheville 1982 Ash	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. May 1, 2020	
	2. NPDES major modification was issued and became	3. February 2, 2018	
	effective	4. Complete	
	3. Basin excavated		
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	4. Dam decommissioning		
Asheville 1964 Ash	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. In progress	
	2. Basin under excavation	3. March 23, 2020	
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	3. Certificate of Approval to Breach issued.		
Belews Creek Active	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Ash Basin	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. March 25, 2019	
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. May 5, 2020	
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	3. Received submittal to remove the inactive riser at the Pine		
	Hall Road embankment		
Buck Steam Station	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Basin 1	1. Site assessment activities	2. August 1, 2020	
	2. NPDES major modification became effective	3. March 4, 2020	
	<u>Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources</u>		
	3. Certificate of Final Approval to Install Instrumentation		
	issued for piezometer wells.		
Buck Steam Station	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Basin 2	1. Site assessment activities	2. August 1, 2020	
	2. NPDES major modification became effective	3. May 13, 2020	
	<u>Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources</u>		
	3. Courtesy Notification of Completion of Dewatering		
	received		
Buck Steam Station	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Basin 3	1. Site assessment activities	2. August 1, 2020	
	2. NPDES major modification became effective	3. May 13, 2020	
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	3. Courtesy Notification of Completion of Dewatering		
	received		
Cape Fear 1956 Ash	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress	
Pond (Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. July 25, 2019	
,	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources		
	2. Received submittal for the dam slope repair to restore the		
	design grades to original		



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Cape Fear 1963 Ash	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress
Pond (Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. October 14, 2019
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	2. Received request for a one-year extension to remove	
	vegetation from dams	
Cape Fear 1970 Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond (Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. March 2, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	2. Certificate of Approval to Modify for the installation of an	
	auxiliary overflow spillway	
Cape Fear 1978 Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. July 17, 2020
	2. NPDES major modification submitted	3. Complete
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	4. Complete
	3. Vegetation removal	1
	4. Dewatering rate modification	
Cape Fear 1985 Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. July 17, 2020
1 6110	2. NPDES major modification submitted	3. July 21, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	3. vary 21, 2020
	3. Received submittal for the widening of the existing north	
	access ramp	
Cliffside Active Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Basin	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. In progress
Dasin	2. NPDES Permit on hold	3. April 16, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	3. April 10, 2020
	3. Withdrawal Request submittal for repair plans for area of	
	wetness	
Cliffside Inactive Ash	Division of Water Resources	1 In programs
Basin #5	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	1. In progress
Dasiii #3		2. Complete
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
Cliffication and the control of the	2. Outlet pipe and riser repair	1 1
Cliffside Inactive Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Basin #1-4	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. August 10, 2018
	2. Basins excavated	3. Complete
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	3. Dam modification; proposed construction of a wastewater	
5 5	storage basin within the dam	
Dan River Active	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Primary Ash Basin	1. Site assessment activities	2. February 1, 2019
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. May 20, 2019
	3. Basin excavated	4. In progress
	<u>Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources</u>	
	4. Dam decommissioning (sequence A and C)	
Dan River Active	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress
Secondary Ash Basin	1. Site assessment activities	2. February 1, 2019
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. May 20, 2019
	3. Basin excavated	4. In progress
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	4. Dam decommissioning (sequence B and C)	
H.F. Lee Ash Pond 1	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
(Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. March 17, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	2. Revision Request issued for submittal in response to an	
	9/30/19 NOD to remove existing vegetation and armor the	
	slopes and toes	
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H.F. Lee Ash Pond 2	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
(Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. March 17, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	2. Revision Request issued for submittal in response to an	
	9/30/19 NOD to remove existing vegetation and armor the	
	slopes and toes	
H.F. Lee Ash Pond 3	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress
(Inactive)	1. Site assessment activities	2. March 17, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	2. Revision Request issued for submittal in response to an	
	9/30/19 NOD to remove existing vegetation and armor the	
	slopes and toes	
H.F. Lee Active Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. April 1, 2020
	2. Major modification effective	3. June 5, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	3. Certificate of Final Approval to Repair issued.	
H.F. Lee Ash Triangle	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. In progress
Tond	2. Basin under excavation	3. Complete
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	3. Complete
	3. Dam decommissioning	
Marshall Active Ash		1 In managemans
	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Basin	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. April 29, 2020
	2. NPDES major permit modification application received	3. June 24, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	3. Certificate of Final Approval to Repair issued	
Mayo Ash Pond	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. August 1, 2018
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. June 8, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	3. Received submittal for the request of re-classifying the	
	two subject dams due to the removal of all FGD solids,	
	liquids, and liner.	
Riverbend Active Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Basin 1	1. Site assessment activities	2. August 27, 2019
	2. NPDES renewal application received	3. April 22, 2019
	3. Basin excavated	4. In progress
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	4. Dam decommissioning	
Riverbend Active Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Basin 2	1. Site assessment activities	2. August 27, 2019
	2. NPDES renewal application received	3. April 22, 2019
	3. Basin excavated	4. January 8, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	, -,
	4. – Completion of Dewatered Secondary Ash Basin Dam,	
	Courtesy Notification received	
Roxboro West Ash	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
Pond	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. July 1, 2020
1 Offu	2. NPDES permit effective	3. June 17, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	J. June 17, 2020
Roxboro East Ash Pond	3. Certificate of Approval to Breach issued	1 In magaza
ROXDOFO East Ash Pond	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. July 1, 2020
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. July 17, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	



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	3. Certificate of Final Approval to Repair issued	
Sutton 1971 Ash Pond	n 1971 Ash Pond <u>Division of Water Resources</u>	
	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. July 1, 2020
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. May 24, 2019
	3. Basin excavated	4. October 10, 2019
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	4. Certificate of Final Approval to Breach issued	
Sutton 1984 Ash Pond	Division of Water Resources	1. In progress
	1. Site assessment and corrective action activities	2. July 1, 2020
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. June 24, 2019
	3 Basin under excavation	4. May 21, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	4. Certificate of Final Approval to Breach issued.	
Weatherspoon 1979	<u>Division of Water Resources</u>	1. In progress
Ash Pond	1. Site assessment activities	2. November 1, 2018
	2. NPDES permit effective	3. In progress
	3. Basin under excavation	4. June 29, 2020
	Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources	
	4. Certificate of Approval to Repair issued	

