

## Water Resources Development Grant Program Spring 2017 Grant Awards – State & Local Projects

**\$1,711,500** in grants were awarded for ten projects that will help North Carolina towns and counties restore streams, reduce flooding and erosion, aid in stormwater management, provide recreational opportunities and benefit the State's water resources. Below is a summary of these projects:

- **1. Avery County, Avery SWCD, Crossnore Stream Restoration** \$39,500 This grant will provide financial assistance to remove a failed earthen dam, restore approximately 350 feet of an unnamed headwater tributary to Crossnore Creek and restore 0.2 acres of riparian buffer.
- **2. Avery County, Avery Board of Commissioners, Avery Co Aquatics Complex** \$187,000 This grant will provide financial assistance to implement six low-impact development stormwater control measures that will provide stormwater treatment to over 100 acres of drainage area.
- **3.** Henderson County, Henderson County Soil and Water, Kunz Farm Park

  This grant will provide financial assistance for the design and construction of an approximately 170 foot long pedestrian bridge over the French Broad River that will provide connectivity from a proposed agricultural heritage park to an existing county park.
- 4. Mecklenburg County, Town of Cornelius, Upper McDowell Creek Dam \$200,000 Removal and Stream Restoration

This grant will provide financial assistance to remove a concrete dam, restore approximately 2,000 linear feet of stream and restore 4.5 acres of riparian buffer.

- **5. Pitt County, Town of Winterville, Fork Swamp Canal Greenway** \$35,000 This grant will provide financial assistance for the engineering design of 12,700 linear feet of greenway.
- **6. Rutherford County, Town of Rutherford, Cleghorn Creek Restoration** \$500,000 This grant will provide financial assistance to restore approximately 6,420 linear feet of stream and for associated greenway construction.
- 7. Surry County, City of Mount Airy, Ararat River Stream Restoration Phase 7 \$500,000 This grant will provide financial assistance to restore approximately 2,824 linear feet of the Ararat River and for associated greenway construction.

**Total Funding: \$1,711,500**