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- 2 may not be present in amounts which individually or cumulatively may cause adverse impacts on existing
- 3 wetland uses;
- 4 (5) Hydrological conditions necessary to support the biological and physical characteristics naturally present in
- 5 wetlands shall be protected to prevent adverse impacts on:
- 6 (A) Water currents, erosion or sedimentation patterns;
- 7 (B) Natural water temperature variations;
- 8 (C) The chemical, nutrient and dissolved oxygen regime of the wetland;
- 9 (D) The movement of aquatic fauna;
- 10 (E) The pH of the wetland; and
- 11 (F) Water levels or elevations.
- 12 (6) The populations of wetland flora and fauna shall be maintained to protect biological integrity as defined at
- 13 ~~15A-NCAC 2B .0202~~ Rule .0202 of this Section.

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15 *History Note: Authority G.S. 143-214.1; 143-215.3(a)(1);*  
16 *RRC Objection Eff. July 18, 1996 due to lack of statutory authority and ambiguity;*  
17 *Eff. October 1, 1996.*  
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