

# Water

## Location and Protection of Public Water Supply Sources

**What Activities Require This Permit?** The location and protection of all community and non-transient non-community public water system sources require approval by the N.C. Division of Water Resources, Public Water Supply Section (PWSS). See Section .0200 in 15A NCAC 18C <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-regulations-guidance#PWS Section>

**What Is The Purpose of This Permit?** To comply with permitting requirements under Chapter 15A of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC) Subchapter 18C Section .0200 and General Statute 130A-315 and 316. See: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-regulations-guidance#PWS%20Section> and <http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/statutes/Statutes.asp>

**Who Issues This Permit?** N.C. Division of Water Resources, Public Water Supply Section, visit: <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/drinking-water>

**How Much Will This Permit Cost?** No fee charged for this service.

**What Are My Payment Options for Permit Application Fees?** Not applicable.

**If Paying by Check, Who do I Make the Check Payable to and Where Do I Send the Check?** Not applicable.

**Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit?** Contact the regional engineer serving the county in which the water system resides or will reside. See: <http://www.ncwater.org/?page=125>

**How Long Will It Take To Review My Application?** Under normal working conditions, review is anticipated to begin within 30 days of request. Generally, owner/engineer are to be present during site selection and evaluation.

**Where Do I Submit My Application?** PWSS Regional Office serving the county in which the water system resides or will reside. See: <http://www.ncwater.org/?page=125>

**How Long Is My Permit Valid?** Permanent.

**Notes/Comments:** After approval of source location and protection, engineering plans and specifications must be prepared by a professional engineer licensed to practice in the state of North Carolina and submitted to the Public Water Supply Section for approval. See: <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/drinking-water/plan-review>

**Legal Authority/Statute Reference:** G.S. 130A-315 and 316, see: <http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/statutes/Statutes.asp>

**Link:** <http://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/drinking-water/plan-review>

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