PROCEDURE FOR LOCAL PROGRAM DELEGATION

1. Establish grassroots effort to ascertain local interest in a local erosion and sediment control program.

2. Understand the responsibilities and obligations of Local Programs by reading the document titled “Responsibilities of Local E&SC Programs”.

3. Obtain model ordinance from Land Quality Section website https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/energy-mineral-land-resources/erosion-sediment-control/local-government-programs

4. Create local ordinance and supporting documentation necessary to establish and enforce an erosion and sedimentation control program. Local ordinance standards must equal or exceed those in the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973, GS 113A.

5. Two or more units of local government can establish a joint program and enter agreements that are necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of a local program.

6. Submit at least one copy of ordinance for review by the State Sediment Specialist, Assistant Sediment Specialist, and DEQ Attorney preferably six months before implementation. Mail any hard copies requested to the State Sediment Specialist, 1612 MSC, Raleigh, NC 27699-1612.

7. Submit ordinance to local government bodies for passage. Adopt ordinance locally before asking Sedimentation Control Commission (SCC) for delegation in writing. All ordinances must be adopted at the local level prior to seeking formal approval from the Commission. Additionally, it is recommended that you request an informal review of your ordinance by the SCC at one of their regularly scheduled meetings prior to local adoption.

8. Submit delegation request to the Assistant Sediment Specialist, 1612 MSC, Raleigh, NC 27699-1612. Joint programs must include a certified copy of the resolution stating the terms of agreement.

9. The SCC will review delegation request within 90 days and shall notify the petitioner that it has been approved, approved with modifications, or disapproved.

10. If the SCC determines a local program is failing to administer or enforce its approved local program, then the local program will be notified in writing specifying the deficiencies.