

GOOSE AND CROOKED CREEKS LOCAL WATERSHED PLAN

Fact Sheet

Location Cities:	Fairview, Hemby Bridge, Indian Trail, Mint Hill, Monroe, Unionville, Stallings, Matthews and unincorporated Mecklenburg and Union Counties
River Basin:	Yadkin
Cataloging Unit:	03040105
14-digit Hydrologic Units:	03040105030020, 03040105040010
County:	Union, Mecklenburg
Watershed Area:	95 square miles
Participants:	County Staff, NRCS, SWCD, State and Federal Resource
	Agencies.
Watershed Assessment	Centralina Council of Governments (www.centralina.org)
Contractor	Tetra Tech, Inc., Raleigh, NC (<u>www.tetratech.com</u>)
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Project Overview

The Goose and Crooked Creek watersheds are located in Mecklenburg and Union Counties between Charlotte and Monroe. Goose Creek is home to an existing population of a federally listed endangered fresh water mussel, known as the Carolina heelsplitter (*Lasmigona decorata*), and is also listed on the State's list of impaired waters for high fecal coliform levels. Likely sources for the bacteria are small municipal wastewater treatment plants and agricultural runoff. Crooked Creek is also an impaired water due to poor biological health. Construction, stormwater runoff, and agricultural uses are the likely stressors to aquatic health in Crooked Creek. Development further threatens the aquatic health of both watersheds.

Goose Creek has been the focus of watershed protection in recent years by both North Carolina's Wildlife Resources Commission and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service because of the endangered Carolina heelsplitter. In Crooked Creek, activities by municipalities to control flooding and manage stormwater have demonstrated the need Nothing Compares



for watershed planning. The Local Watershed Plan builds on prior planning efforts in these watersheds and develops a strategy for improving water quality and biological conditions.

Please visit the Plan website for further information on background, meetings, reports, and more: <u>www.Gooseandcrooked.org</u>

Project Schedule

Phase I of the project began July 2008 and was completed in March 2009. Phase II/III work began July 2010 and was finalized in early 2013.

Final Deliverables:

Phase I Summary with Preliminary Findings and Phase II/III RecommendationsPhase II Watershed Assessment ReportPhase III Watershed Management PlanProject Atlas (Stream, Wetland, Buffer, BMP)Project Atlas (Stream Preservation Only)Summary of Findings and Recommendations

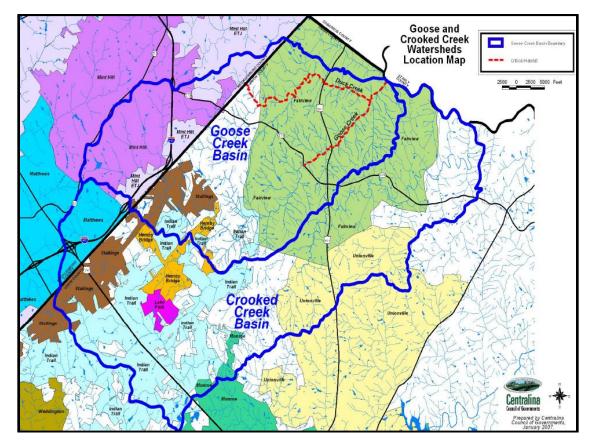


Figure 1. Goose and Crooked Creeks LWP Location Map

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