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TO: DEQ-DWR-Wetlands-Public Listserv

FROM: Stephanie Goss, Supervisor, 401 & Buffer Permitting Branch
Amy Chapman, Supervisor, Transportation Permitting Branch

RE: Wetland and 401 Certification Application Form Updates

The purpose of this public notice is as described below. This notice is available electronically at <https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/water-resources-permits/wastewater-branch/401-wetlands-buffer-permits/401-public-notices>.

401 Application requirements related to Pre-Construction Notification Form (PCN)

To address [recent legislative directives](#), the Pre-Construction Notification Form has been modified. To ensure that the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Resources is provided with the information necessary to ensure compliance with current legislation, DWR will no longer be able to accept previous versions of the PCN form for applications for 401 certifications.

Starting on Feb. 12, applications for 401 certifications that are not submitted on the latest version 4.3 – 12/4/23 of the PCN form, electronic or hardcopy, will not be accepted.

Current application forms can be found on the [DWR 401 & Buffer Permitting Branch website](#).

Please contact the [DWR 401 & Buffer Permitting Branch](#) or the [DWR Transportation Permitting Branch](#) with any questions.



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