



2015 Grant Projects

Technical Assistance for Siler City Water Resources Protection (\$18,000)

The Triangle J Council of Governments (TJCOG) partnered with the Town of Siler City to inventory the Town's natural resources and provide policy guidance to promote conservation and water stewardship. Data from the GIS natural resource analysis combined with feedback from local stakeholders and TJCOG staff was used to develop recommendations for conservation and green infrastructure practices in the Town.

Guilford County Catchment Prioritization & Pollutant Identification Program (\$19,404)

The Piedmont Triad Regional Council facilitated a multi-party partnership that identified priority watersheds in Guilford County for fecal coliform concerns with a GIS-based tool, ground-truthed the findings of the tool through in-stream sampling and field surveys, and engaged the public at potential restoration sites on what they can do to sustainably improve and protect local streams.

Towns of Banner Elk and Blowing Rock Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping (\$11,542)

The High Country Council of Governments partnered with the Towns of Banner Elk and Blowing Rock to map the Towns' stormwater infrastructure and photograph all stormwater point features. The high-quality GIS maps will help the Towns manage their stormwater systems and address erosion, flooding and pollutant concerns through BMPs and regulations.

McGalliard Creek Plan (\$20,000)

The Western Piedmont Council of Governments partnered with the Town of Valdese to develop the McGalliard Creek Plan, including a project atlas of properties that best meet the goals of the project.

Local Watershed Workshops – Building the Capacity of Local Watershed Stewards to Develop Simplified Watershed Restoration Plans and Complete 9 Element Checklists (\$4,950)

The Triangle J Council of Governments developed and conducted a series of two-day workshops in each North Carolina ecoregion (3 total) to train local stewards to develop 9-Element watershed restoration plans and increase their capacity to lead local watershed efforts.

Clean Water Act Section 205(j) Grant North Carolina



Wallace Stormwater Mapping: Mapping infrastructure, analyzing stormwater ordinances, and educating citizens on water quality best management practices (\$16,614)

The Eastern Carolina Council partnered with the Town of Wallace to map the Town's stormwater infrastructure, evaluate existing stormwater ordinances, and educate citizens on the importance of reducing stormwater pollution. Based on this work, ECC developed a 17-page report of recommendations for stormwater management practices that address the Town's water quality and flooding issues and presented their work at a town hall and on the Town's website.

Roanoke River Mid & Lower Basinwide Watershed Collaboration, Education, and Action Initiative (\$8,490)

The Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments worked with the Kerr-Tar Council of Governments on the "Partnership & Knowledge into Action" project to open dialogue and spur action for the near-term improvement and long-term sustainable management of the Roanoke River Basin. The Partnership hosted the 4th Annual Eastern North Carolina Sustainability Summit and a Roanoke River Basin Watershed Workshop to bring together motivated stakeholders to discuss common themes, lessons learned, partnerships, and desired action items for impaired waterways in the basin.