$2.2 Million Approved For 37 Local Water Resources Projects

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - Restoration of streams, reduction of erosion, and the study of future water supplies. These three goals can now be addressed, thanks to $2.2 million in water resource grants appropriated to three dozen local governments by the state Division of Water Resources. Money for the grants was generated by appropriations from the General Assembly. The division awarded the following grants: · Ashe County New River Soil and Water a $65,000 grant for a stream restoration project at Bowlin-Peak Creek.

· Bladen County Soil and Water a $4,000 grant for the Butter-Richardson community drainage study.

· Burgaw a $25,000 grant for a stormwater management plan.

· Haywood County Soil and Water a $1,500 grant for a water management project adjacent to Raccoon Creek.

· Haywood County Soil and Water a $23,948 grant for a stream restoration project on Richland Creek.

· Henderson County a $199,000 grant for the second phase of a dam removal on the Big Hungry River.

· Jonesville a $41,750 grant for the second phase of the Yadkin River Greenway Bridge.

· Lenoir a $50,000 grant for a downtown stormwater facility at Harper Avenue.

- Wilmington a $45,000 grant for waterfront planning.

- Washington County a $19,000 grant for the Lake Phelps Hydrologic Study.

The state awarded $756,788 in funding for the shallow draft navigation channel and lake dredging projects in Brunswick, Carteret, Dare and Mecklenburg counties.

A total of $1,013,891 was awarded to soil and water conservation districts in Alleghany, Alexander, Avery, Buncombe, Lincoln, Macon, McDowell, Polk, Surry, Watauga and Yadkin counties as part of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).