

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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SECRETARY

September 12, 2025

MEMORANDUM TO: Division Environmental and Construction Units

FROM: Michael A. Turchy, ECAP Group Leader

Environmental Analysis Unit

SUBJECT: Environmental Permits for the Replacement of Bridge 115 on SR 1569 (Old

Northcove School Road) over North Fork Catawba River in McDowell County,

Division 13, WBS DF18313.2059012.PR.

Please find enclosed the following permits for this project:

Agency	Expiration			
US Army Corps of Engineers	Nationwide Permit 3 and 33,	25 1 1 1 20251		
Section 404 Clean Water Act Permit	Action ID: SAW-2025-01467 Dated September 12, 2025	March 14, 2026*		
	. ,			
NC Division of Water Resources	Individual Water Quality Certification,	expires with		
Section 401 Water Quality Certification	ID: 20250996 v1	above Permit		
Section 401 Water Quality Certification	Dated August 20, 2025	above Permit		

Work is authorized by the above-referenced documents and must be accomplished in strict accordance with the permitted plans.

The Environmental Coordination and Permitting Group (ECAP) or the Division Environmental Office must be consulted if any deviation from the permit(s) or accompanying drawings is required.

*All 404 Nationwide Permits expire on March 14, 2026. Since new Nationwide Permits are not issued until the previous set expires, a one-year period exists between March 14, 2026, and March 14, 2027 to complete construction, or renew the permit under the new Nationwide Permit.

ECAP will coordinate with Division Environmental Staff to determine project completion timelines and initiate the renewal process, if necessary.

Telephone: (919) 707-6000

Customer Service: 1-877-368-4968

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404 Permit (USACE)



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, WILMINGTON DISTRICT 151 Patton Avenue, Room 208 Asheville, NC 28801-5006

September 12, 2025

Regulatory Division SAW-2025-01467

North Carolina Department of Transportation

Attn: Mr. Michael A. Turchy

Environmental Coordination and Permitting Group Leader

1598 Mail Service Center

Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1598 Sent Via Email: <u>maturchy@ncdot.gov</u>

Dear Mr. Turchy,

This letter is in response to the application you submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Wilmington District, WRDA/Transportation Branch on July 29, 2025, for a Department of the Army general permit verification to replace a bridge that was destroyed by **Hurricane Helene** with another bridge. This project will replace **Bridge No. 115** over the North Fork Catawba River on SR 1560 in McDowell County, North Carolina (35.8376, -81.9888) and has been assigned file number SAW-2025-01467. In order to perform this work, NCDOT proposes to conduct the following activities in waters of the U.S.:

Summary of Proposed Impacts

Impact ID #	NWP /	Open W	ater (ac)	Wetlar	nd (ac)	Strea	am (lf)				
ппрассты #	Impact ID # GP # Temporary Permanent Temporary Permanent						Permanent				
Site 1 (North Fork Catawba River)	<u>NWP 3</u>						101' / bank stabilization				
Impact To	otals	0	0	0	0		101'				
Total Loss of waters of the U.S. (wetlands and/or open waters)			0	Total Loss of waters of the U.S.			0				
Required wetland compensatory mitigation			0	Require	0						

We have reviewed the proposed activities in waters of the U.S. and have determined that the activities are authorized by Nationwide Permit (NWP) 3 pursuant to authorities under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C § 1344). The proposed work must be accomplished in strict accordance with the following:

- enclosed NWP general conditions
- enclosed NWP regional conditions
- information in the PCN and attachments
- enclosed plans

If the extent of the project area and/or nature of the authorized impacts to waters are modified, a request detailing the proposed changes must be submitted to this office for written approval before work is initiated. Any deviation from the terms and conditions of the permit, the special conditions of this letter, the information contained in the PCN, or your submitted plans, may subject the permittee to enforcement action.

This verification is valid until <u>March 14, 2026</u>, unless the subject NWP is suspended, revoked, or is modified prior to that date such that the activity no longer complies with the terms and conditions of the NWP.

This general permit verification and any associated authorizations does not preclude the necessity to obtain any other Federal, State, or local permits, licenses, and/or certifications, which may be required.

If you have any questions related to this verification or have issues accessing documents referenced in this letter, please contact Lori Beckwith, Regulatory Project Manager of the WRDA/Transportation Branch at 828-230-0483, by mail at the above address, or by email at loretta.a.beckwith@usace.army.mil. Please take a moment to complete our customer satisfaction survey located at https://regulatory.ops.usace.army.mil/customer-service-survey/.

Sincerely.

M. Scott Jones, PWS

WRDA / Transportation Branch Chief

USACE, Wilmington District

Enclosures

Compliance Certification Form

File Number: SAW-2025-01467	County: McDowell
Permittee: NCDOT, Mr. Michael Turchy	
Project Name: NCDOT / Hurricane Helene / DF SR 1569 / Woodlawn / McDowe	
Date Verification Issued: September 12, 2025	
Project Manager: Lori Beckwith	
Upon completion of the activity authorized by this the permit, sign this certification and return it to the	
US ARMY CORPS OF Wilmington Di Attn: Lori Bec 151 Patton Avenue, Asheville, NC 288 or loretta.a.beckwith@us	strict kwith Room 208 801-5006
Please note that your permitted activity is subject Army Corps of Engineers representative. Failure of this authorization may result in the USACE sus authorization and/or issuing a Class I administrat appropriate legal action.	to comply with any terms or conditions spending, modifying or revoking the
I hereby certify that the work authorized by the at (if applicable), has been completed in accordance said permit and verification letter, including all ap	e with the terms and conditions of the
Date Authorized Work Started:	Completed:
Describe any deviations from permit (attach draw	ring(s) depicting the deviations):
*Note: The description of any deviations on this form d	oes not constitute approval by the USACE.

Date

Signature of Permittee

401 Certification (NCDWR)

JOSH STEIN
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August 20, 2025

DWR # 20250996 McDowell County

North Carolina Department of Transportation Attn: Michael Turchy 1598 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699

Delivered via email to: maturchy@ncdot.gov

Subject: Approval of Individual 401 Water Quality Certification

Replacement of Bridge 115 on SR 1569 (North Cove School Road)

over Tributary to North Fork Catawba River, WBS

DF18313.2059012.PR

Location: 35.8376, -81.9888

Dear Mr. Turchy:

Attached hereto is a copy of Certification No. WQC008100 issued to Michael Turchy and the North Carolina Department of Transportation, dated August 20, 2025. This approval is for the purpose and design described in your application.

This Water Quality Certification does not relieve the Permittee of the responsibility to obtain all other required Federal, State, or Local approvals before proceeding with the project, including those required by, but not limited to, Sediment and Erosion Control, Non-Discharge, Water Supply Watershed, and Trout Buffer regulations.

Upon the presentation of proper credentials, the Division of Water Resources (Division) may inspect the property.

This Water Quality Certification shall expire on the same day as the expiration date of the corresponding Section 404 Permit that is current at the time this Certification is issued. The conditions shall remain in effect for the life of the project, regardless of the expiration date of this Water Quality Certification.

Non-compliance with or violation of the conditions herein set forth may result in revocation of this Water Quality Certification for the project and may also result in criminal and/or civil penalties.



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This approval and its conditions are final and binding unless contested [G.S. 143-215.5].

This Certification can be contested as provided in Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statutes by filing a Petition for a Contested Case Hearing (Petition) with the North Carolina Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) within sixty (60) calendar days. Requirements for filing a Petition are set forth in Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 26 of the North Carolina Administrative Code. Additional information regarding requirements for filing a Petition and Petition forms may be accessed at https://www.oah.nc.gov or by calling the OAH Clerk's Office at (919) 431-3000.

A party filing a Petition must serve a copy of the Petition on:

Dan Hirschman, General Counsel Department of Environmental Quality 1601 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-1601

If the party filing the Petition is not the Permittee, then the party must also serve the recipient of the Certification in accordance with N.C.G.S. 150B-23(a).

This letter completes the Division's review under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act and 15A NCAC 02H .0500. Please contact Kaylie Yankura at 919-707-3870 or kaylie.yankura@deq.nc.gov if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

—Signed by:

Faith Hardin

Faith Hardin, Supervisor

401 & Buffer Transportation Permitting Branch

Electronic cc: Lori Beckwith, USACE Asheville Regulatory Field Office

Mike Sanderson, Division 13 Environmental Officer

Holland Youngman, USFWS Dave McHenry, NCWRC

DWR 401 & Buffer Permitting Branch Electronic file



NORTH CAROLINA 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

CERTIFICATION #WQC008100 is issued in conformity with the requirements of Section 401, Public Laws 92-500 and 95-217 of the United States and subject to North Carolina's Regulations in 15 NCAC 02H .0500 and 15A NCAC 02B .0200, to Mr. Michael Turchy and the North Carolina Department of Transportation, who have authorization for the impacts listed below, as described within your application received by the N.C. Division of Water Resources (Division) on July 29, 2025, and by Public Notice issued by the Division on July 29, 2025, and within the *Reasonable Period of Time* pursuant to 40 CFR Part 121.6.

The State of North Carolina certifies that this activity will comply with water quality requirements and the applicable portions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, 307 of the Public Laws 92-500 and PL 95-217 if conducted in accordance with the application, the supporting documentation, and conditions hereinafter set forth.

The following impacts are hereby approved. No other impacts are approved, including incidental impacts. [15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)]

Stream Impacts in the Catawba River Basin

Site Permanent Fill in Perennial Stream (linear feet)		Total Stream Impact (linear feet)	Stream Impacts Requiring Mitigation (linear feet)						
Site 1	*101 linear feet	101 linear feet	0 linear feet						
Totals:	*101 linear feet	101 linear feet	0 linear feet						

^{*}Permanent impact for bank stabilization, no permanent loss. Mitigation not required.

Total Stream Impact for Project: 101 linear feet

This approval requires you to follow the conditions listed in the Certification below.

CONDITIONS OF CERTIFICATION [15A NCAC 02H .0507(c)]:

Project Specific Conditions

- The NCDOT Division Environmental Officer or Environmental Assistant will conduct a preconstruction meeting with all appropriate staff to ensure that the project supervisor and essential staff understand the potential issues with stream and bridge alignment at the permitted site. NCDWR staff shall be invited to the pre-construction meeting. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2) and (b)(3)]
- 2. The post-construction removal of any temporary bridge structures must return the project site to its preconstruction contours and elevations. The impacted areas shall be revegetated with appropriate native species. [15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)(2)]



- 3. As a condition of this 401 Water Quality Certification, bridge construction must be accomplished in strict compliance with the most recent version of NCDOT's Best Management Practices for Construction and Maintenance Activities. [15A NCAC 02H .0507(d)(2) and 15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)(5)]
- 4. Bridge deck drains shall not discharge directly into the stream. Stormwater shall be directed across the bridge and pre-treated through site-appropriate means (grassed swales, pre-formed scour holes, vegetated buffers, etc.) before entering the stream. To meet the requirements of NCDOT's NPDES permit NCS0000250, please refer to the most recent version of the North Carolina Department of Transportation Stormwater Best Management Practices Toolbox manual for approved measures. [15A NCAC 02H .0507(d)(2) and 15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)(5)]
- 5. The permittee shall use Design Standards in Sensitive Watersheds (15A NCAC 4B.0124[a]-[e]) in areas draining to Trout waters (North Fork Catawba River).
- 6. No drill slurry or water that has been in contact with uncured concrete shall be allowed to enter surface waters. This water shall be captured, treated, and disposed of properly. [15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)(3)]
- 7. A turbidity curtain will be installed in the stream if driving or drilling activities occur within the stream channel, on the stream bank, or within 5 feet of the top of bank, or during the removal of bents from an old bridge. This condition can be waived with prior approval from the NCDWR. [15A NCAC 02H .0506(b)(3)]

General Conditions

- If concrete is used during construction, a dry work area shall be maintained to prevent direct contact between curing concrete and stream water. Water that inadvertently contacts uncured concrete shall not be discharged to surface waters due to the potential for elevated pH and possible aquatic life and fish kills. [15A NCAC 02B.0200]
- 2. For all streams being impacted due to site dewatering activities, the site shall be graded to its preconstruction contours and revegetated with appropriate native species. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2)]
- 3. During the construction of the project, no staging of equipment of any kind is permitted in waters of the state or protected riparian buffers. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2)]
- 4. The dimension, pattern and profile of the stream above and below the crossing shall not be modified. Disturbed floodplains and streams shall be restored to natural geomorphic conditions. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2)]
- 5. The use of rip-rap above the Normal High Water Mark shall be minimized. Any rip-rap placed



- for stream stabilization shall be placed in stream channels in such a manner that it does not impede aquatic life passage. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2)]
- 6. The Permittee shall ensure that the final design drawings adhere to the permit and to the permit drawings submitted for approval. [15A NCAC 02H .0507 (c) and 15A NCAC 02H .0506 (b)(2) and (c)(2)]
- 7. All work in or adjacent to stream waters shall be conducted in a dry work area. Approved BMP measures from the most current version of NCDOT Construction and Maintenance Activities manual such as sandbags, rock berms, cofferdams and other diversion structures shall be used to prevent excavation in flowing water. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3) and (c)(3)]
- 8. Heavy equipment shall be operated from the banks rather than in the stream channel in order to minimize sedimentation and reduce the introduction of other pollutants into the stream. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]
- All mechanized equipment operated near surface waters must be regularly inspected and maintained to prevent contamination of stream waters from fuels, lubricants, hydraulic fluids, or other toxic materials. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]
- 10. No rock, sand or other materials shall be dredged from the stream channel except where authorized by this certification. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]
- 11. Discharging hydroseed mixtures and washing out hydroseeders and other equipment in or adjacent to surface waters is prohibited. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]
- 12. The permittee and its authorized agents shall conduct its activities in a manner consistent with State water quality standards (including any requirements resulting from compliance with §303(d) of the Clean Water Act) and any other appropriate requirements of State and Federal law. If the NCDWR determines that such standards or laws are not being met (including the failure to sustain a designated or achieved use) or that State or federal law is being violated, or that further conditions are necessary to assure compliance, the NCDWR may reevaluate and modify this certification. [15A NCAC 02B.0200]
- 13. All fill slopes located in jurisdictional wetlands shall be placed at slopes no flatter than 3:1, unless otherwise authorized by this certification. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(2)]
- 14. A copy of this Water Quality Certification shall be maintained on the construction site at all times. In addition, the Water Quality Certification and all subsequent modifications, if any, shall be maintained with the Division Engineer and the on-site project manager. [15A NCAC 02H .0507(c) and 15A NCAC 02H .0506 (b)(2) and (c)(2)]



- 15. The outside buffer, wetland or water boundary located within the construction corridor approved by this authorization, including all non-commercial borrow and waste sites associated with the project, shall be clearly marked by highly visible fencing prior to any land disturbing activities. Impacts to areas within the fencing are prohibited unless otherwise authorized by this certification. [15A NCAC 02H.0501 and .0502]
- 16. The Permittee shall report any violations of this certification to the Division of Water Resources within 24 hours of discovery. [15A NCAC 02B.0506(b)(2)]
- 17. Upon completion of the project (including any impacts at associated borrow or waste sites), the NCDOT Division Engineer (or whomever is the authorized agent if a non-NCDOT project) shall complete and return the "Certification of Completion Form" to notify the NCDWR when all work included in the 401 Certification has been completed. [15A NCAC 02H.0507]
- 18. Native riparian vegetation (i.e., herbaceous, trees, and shrubs native to your geographic region) must be reestablished in the riparian areas within the construction limits of the project by the end of the growing season following completion of construction. [15A NCAC 02B.0506(b)(2)]
- 19. There shall be no excavation from, or waste disposal into, jurisdictional wetlands or waters associated with this permit without appropriate modification. Should waste or borrow sites, or access roads to waste or borrow sites, be located in wetlands or streams, compensatory mitigation will be required since that is a direct impact from road construction activities. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3) and (c)(3)]
- 20. Erosion control matting that incorporates plastic mesh and/or plastic twine shall not be used along streambanks or within jurisdictional wetlands. [15A NCAC 2H.0506; 15A NCAC 2H.0507]
- 21. Erosion and sediment control practices must be in full compliance with all specifications governing the proper design, installation and operation and maintenance of such Best Management Practices in order to protect surface waters standards [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]:
 - a. The erosion and sediment control measures for the project must be designed, installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the most recent version of the North Carolina Sediment and Erosion Control Planning and Design Manual.
 - b. The design, installation, operation, and maintenance of the sediment and erosion control measures must be such that they equal, or exceed, the requirements specified in the most recent version of the North Carolina Sediment and Erosion Control Manual. The devices shall be maintained on all construction sites, borrow sites, and waste pile (spoil) projects, including contractor-owned or leased borrow pits associated with the project.



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- c. For borrow pit sites, the erosion and sediment control measures must be designed, installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the most recent version of the North Carolina Surface Mining Manual.
- d. The reclamation measures and implementation must comply with the reclamation in accordance with the requirements of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act.
- 22. Sediment and erosion control measures shall not be placed in wetlands or surface waters without prior approval from DWR. [15A NCAC 02H.0506(b)(3)]
- 23. When applicable, all construction activities shall be performed and maintained in full compliance with G.S. Chapter 113A Article 4 (Sediment and Pollution Control Act of 1973). Regardless of applicability of the Sediment and Pollution Control Act, all projects shall incorporate appropriate Best Management Practices for the control of sediment and erosion so that no violations of state water quality standards, statutes, or rules occur. [15A NCAC 02H .0506{b)(3) and (c)(3) and 15A NCAC 02B .0200]
- 24. Design, installation, operation, and maintenance of all sediment and erosion control measures shall be equal to or exceed the requirements specified in the most recent version of the North Carolina Sediment and Erosion Control Manual, or for linear transportation projects, the NCDOT Sediment and Erosion Control Manual. All devices shall be maintained on all construction sites, borrow sites, and waste pile (spoil) sites, including contractor-owned or leased borrow pits associated with the project. Sufficient materials required for stabilization and/or repair of erosion control measures and stormwater routing and treatment shall be on site at all times. For borrow pit sites, the erosion and sediment control measures shall be designed, installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the most recent version of the North Carolina Surface Mining Manual. Reclamation measures and implementation shall comply with the reclamation in accordance with the requirements of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act and the Mining Act of 1971.
- 25. DWR approves the stormwater drainage design as shown in the 401 application, under the assumption that it meets the requirements of the NCDOT NPDES permit #NCS000250. These plans are enforceable by DWR. Changes to the approved plans are prohibited without prior approval from DWR. If sediment or other pollutants are found to be discharged from the stormwater outfalls, DWR may take enforcement action. NCDOT and DWR shall assess the damage to water quality standards and implement an appropriate action plan to address the impacts. The action plan shall provide an appropriate timeline for implementation as agreed upon by both DWR and NCDOT. This may require NCDOT to obtain a modification to its current 401 and 404 permits.



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This Water Quality Certification shall expire on the same day as the expiration date of the corresponding Section 404 Permit that is current at the time this Certification is issued. The conditions shall remain in effect for the life of the project, regardless of the expiration date of this Water Quality Certification.

This, the 20h day of August 2025

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Faith Hardin, Supervisor

401 & Buffer Transportation Permitting Branch

Electronic cc: Lori Beckwith, USACE Asheville Regulatory Field Office

Mike Sanderson, Division 13 Environmental Officer

Holland Youngman, USFWS Dave McHenry, NCWRC

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NCDWR Project No.:	
Applicant:	
Project Name:	
Date of Issuance of 401 Water Quality	Certification:
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Carolina, having been authorized to obse Permittee hereby state that, to the best of construction such that the construction w	, as a duly registered Professional Engineer in the State of North rve (periodically, weekly, full time) the construction of the project for the my abilities, due care and diligence was used in the observation of the as observed to be built within substantial compliance and intent of the 401 rules, the approved plans and specifications, and other supporting materials.
Signature	Registration No
Date	
Completed hard copies can be emailed to NCDEQ Transportation Permitting 1617 Mail Service Center Raleigh NC 27699-1617	kristilynn.carpenter@ncdenr.gov or mailed to:



Permitted Drawings



North Carolina Department of Transportation



Highway Stormwater Program STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN **FOR NCDOT PROJECTS** Version 3.02; Released April 23, 2024) **TIP/Proj No:** DF18313.2059012.PR WBS Element: N/A County(ies): Mcdowell Page of **General Project Information** TIP Number: DF18313.2059012.PR 7/18/2025 WBS Element: N/A **Project Type: Bridge Replacement** Date: **NCDOT Contact:** Yates Allen (Division Environmental Officer) Contractor / Designer: TGS Engineers (Rusty Lassiter) Address: NCDOT Highway Division 13 Address: 706 Hillsborough Street 55 Orange Street Suite 200 Asheville NC, 28801 Raleigh NC, 27603 Phone: 919-773-8887 ext. 121 Phone: 828-250-3002 yallen@ncdot.gov Email: rlassiter@tgsengineers.com Email: City/Town: Marion County(ies): Mcdowell River Basin(s): **CAMA County?** No Catawba No Wetlands within Project Limits? **Project Description** Rural: Farm Land, low-density residential, manufacturing plant Project Length (lin. miles or feet): 0.083 miles **Surrounding Land Use: Proposed Project Existing Site** 0.3 ac. Project Built-Upon Area (ac.) ac. 0.2 Two 10' paved lanes with 3'-0' paved shoulders. Two 9.0'-paved lanes w/ 5' shoulders. Typical Cross Section Description: Annual Avg Daily Traffic (veh/hr/day): Year: 2050 Design/Future: Existing: 250 Year: NCDOT Project DF18313.2059012.PR involves the emergency replacement of Structure #580115 over North Fork Catawba River on SR-1569 (North Cove School Rd) in **General Project Narrative:** (Description of Minimization of Water McDowell County, NC north of Marion. The bridge was was washed out during Hurricane Helene in September 2024. Proposed 2-span (1@90', 1@55'), OAL=145 ft, 30 ft wide, 33" Box Beam bridge to replace pre-existing 70 ft long by 27 ft wide (prestressed concrete cored slab units) 2-span bridge. **Quality Impacts)** The proposed grade will be from 0.5'-2' above existing grade within the vicinity of the bridge and roughly match existing grade approximately 120 ft south and 95 ft north of the bridge. The existing bridge has one interior bent at the waters edge, whereas the proposed bridge will have one in the overbank area.. The existing bridge had scuppers in the bridge rail that allow for runoff to discharge directly into North Fork Catawba River. The proposed bridge will have no direct discharge into the river. Stormwater runoff from the bridge will flow to rip rap pads directly outside of the shoulders in the north quadrant, where flow will be diffused. All proposed stormwater runoff is discharged as far away from the stream and at the lowest velocities practicable. The existing interior bent is to be removed using a vibratory extractor/ driver and crane. The existing temporary bridge (rail car) will be removed. All impacts to the project have been minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

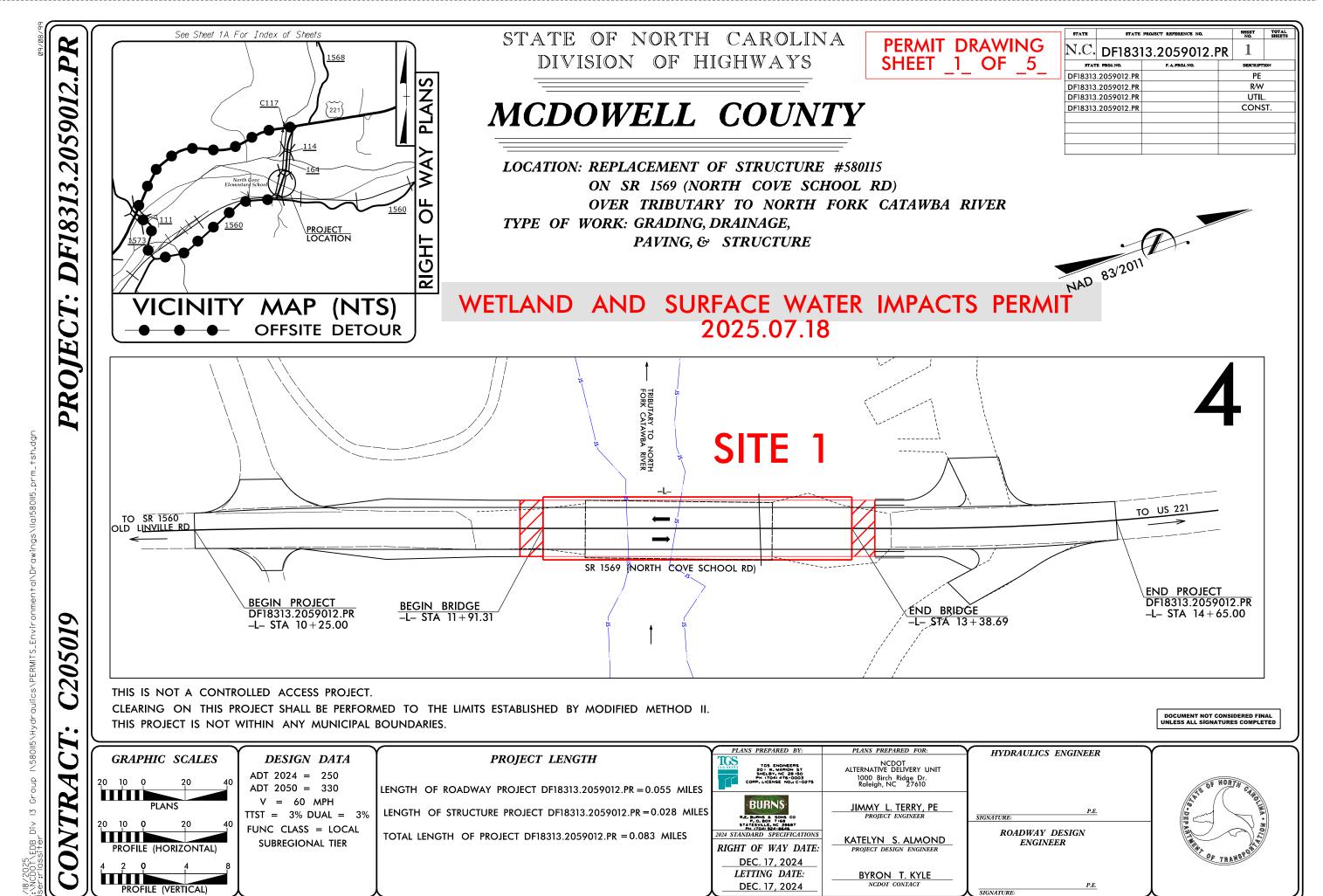


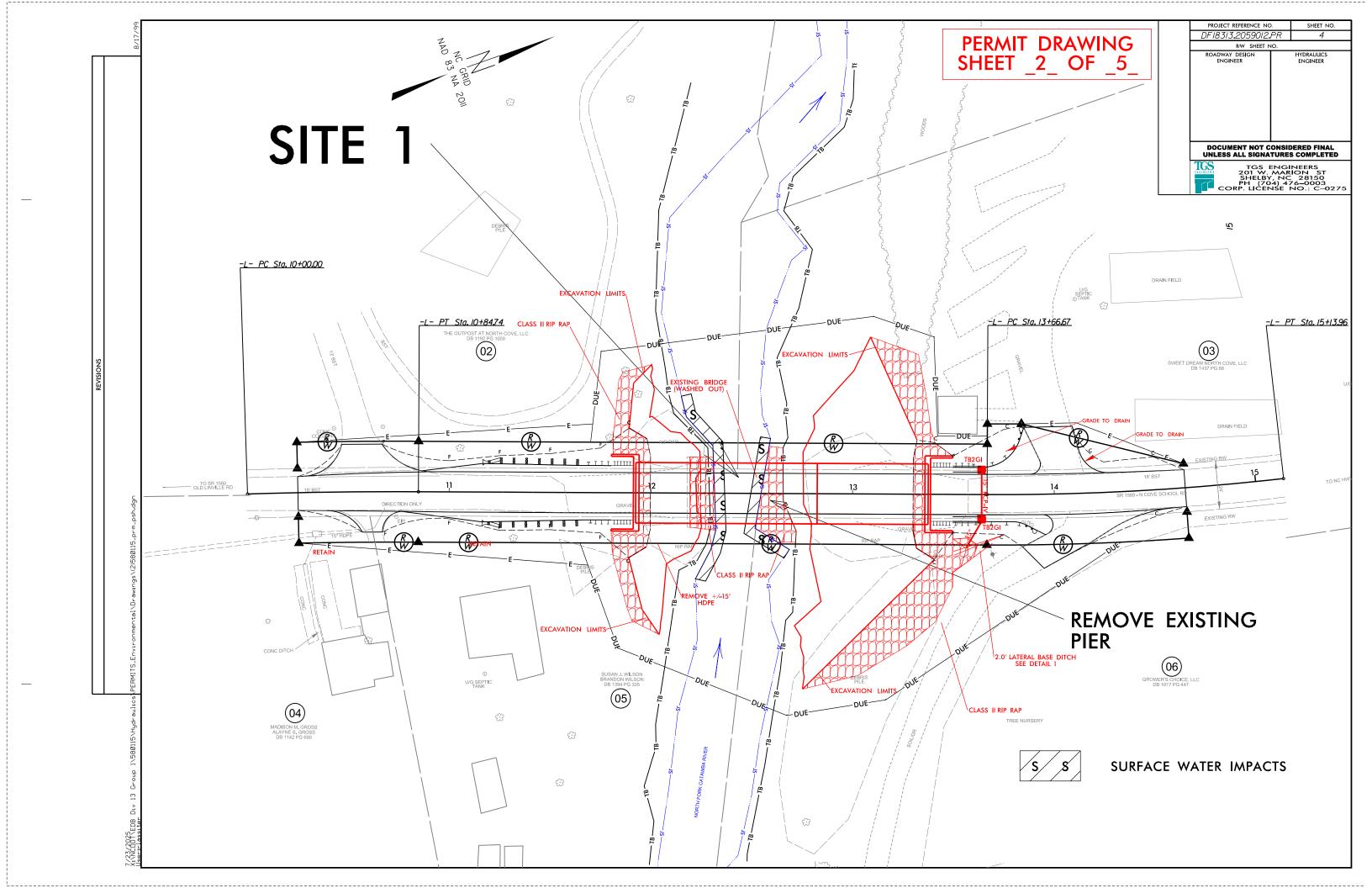
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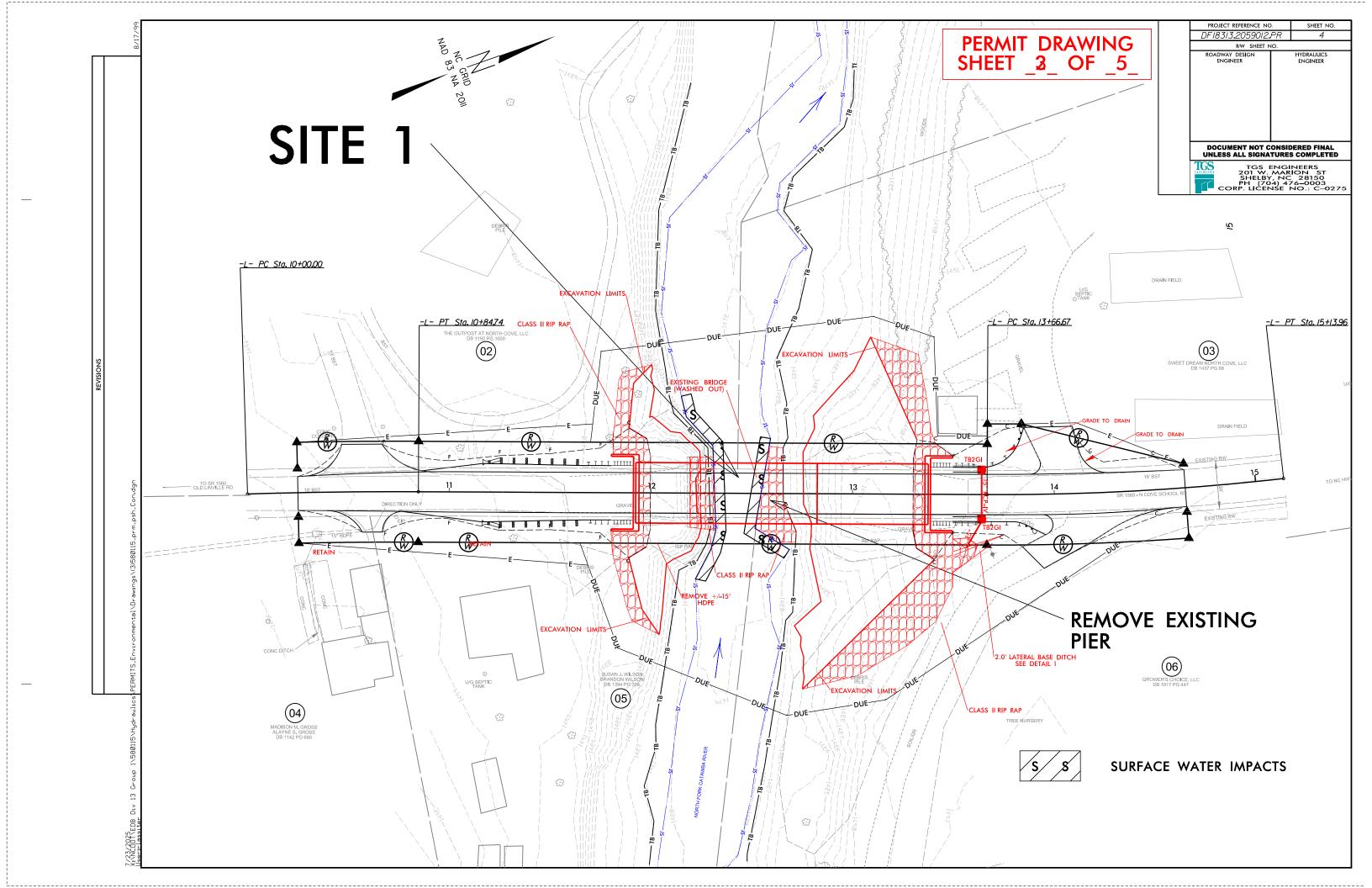


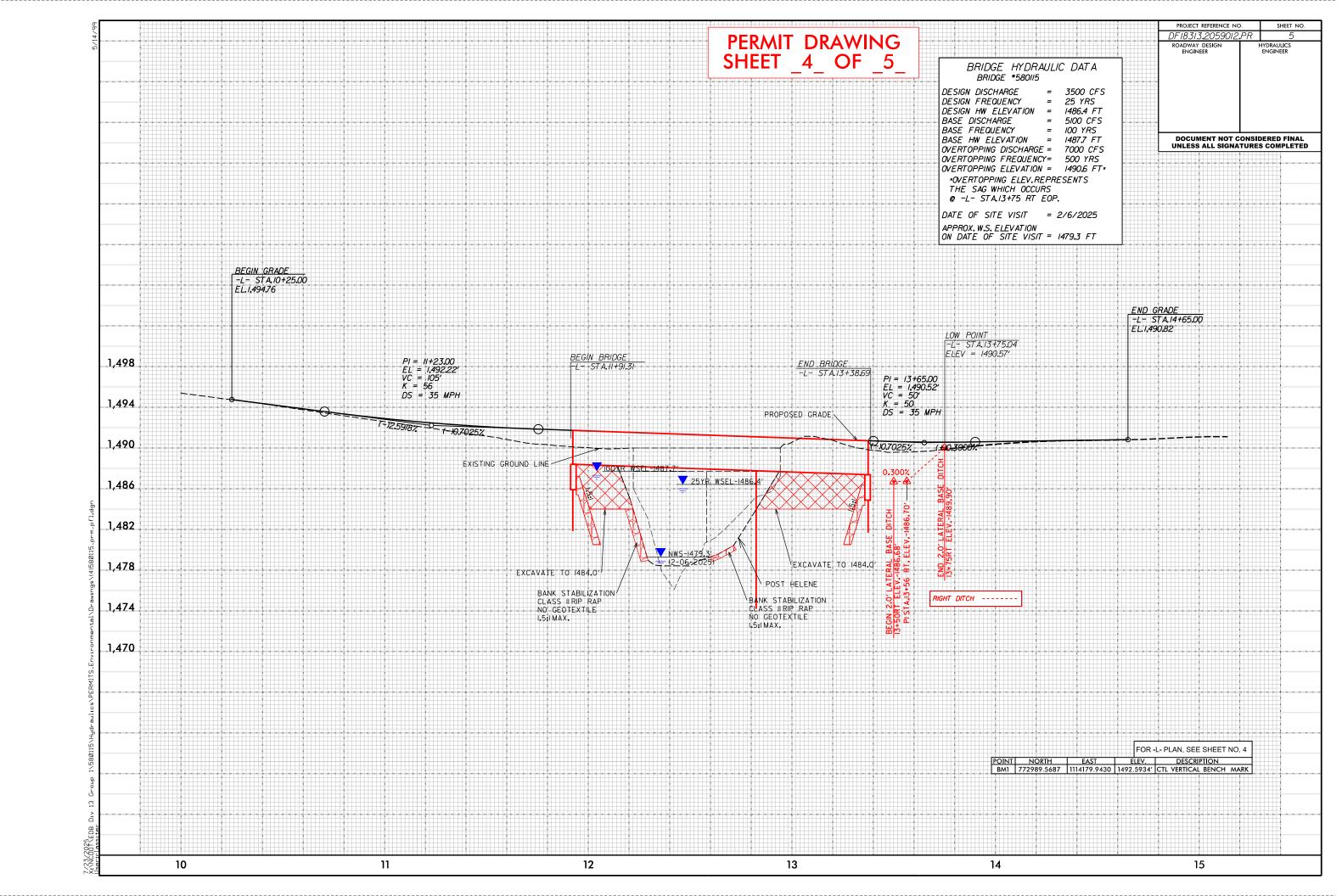
Highway Stormwater Program STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

(Version 3.02; Released April 23, 2024)			FOR NCDOT F	PROJECTS						
WBS Element: N/A	TIP/Proj No.:	DF18313.2059	012.PR County(ies):	Mcdowell			Page	2	of 2	
			General Project	Information						
			Waterbody Inf	formation						
Surface Water Body (1):		North Fork C	Catawba River NCDWR Stream Index No.:			11-24-(2.5)				
NCDWR Surface Water Classification fo	r Water Body		Primary Classification:	Class	В					
Nobwit Surface Water Glassification to	Water Body		Supplemental Classification:	Trout Water	rs (Tr)					
Other Stream Classification:	No	ne								
Impairments:	No	ne								
Aquatic T&E Species?	No	Comments								
NRTR Stream ID:	North Fork Cataw	ba River				Buffer Rules in Effect:			N/A	
Project Includes Bridge Spanning Wate	r Body?	Yes	Deck Drains Discharge Over Bu		N/A	Dissipator Pads Provided				
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Impairments:										
Aquatic T&E Species?		Comments								
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(If yes, provide justification in the	General Project Na	arrative)				Gene	eral Project Na	rrative)		









					WE	TLAND IMPA	ACTS			SURFA	CE WATER IM	PACTS	
Site No.	Station (From/To)	Structure Size / Type	Stream Name	Permanent Fill In Wetlands (ac)	Temp. Fill In Wetlands (ac)	in	Mechanized Clearing in Wetlands (ac)	in	Permanent SW impacts (ac)	Temp. SW impacts (ac)	Existing Channel Impacts Permanent (ft)	Existing Channel Impacts Temp. (ft)	Natural Stream Design (ft)
1	-L- 12+20 to 12+70 LT & RT	Bank Stabilization/ Temporary Erosion Control	North Fork Catawba River						0.019		101		
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*Rounded totals are sum of actual impacts

NOTES:

1. No wetlands were identified within the study area.

2. Estimate 0.1 acres of trees greater than 3" DBH to be cleared.

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