



## Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) Form

For Nationwide Permits and Regional General Permits  
(along with corresponding Water Quality Certifications)

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Please note: fields marked with a red asterisk \* below are required. You will not be able to submit the form until all mandatory questions are answered.

Also, if at any point you wish to print a copy of the E-PCN, all you need to do is right-click on the document and you can print a copy of the form.

Below is a link to the online help file.

<https://edocs.deq.nc.gov/WaterResources/DocView.aspx?dbid=0&id=2196924>

### A. Processing Information

If this is a courtesy copy, please fill in this with the submission date.

Does this project involve maintenance dredging funded by the Shallow Draft Navigation Channel Dredging and Aquatic Weed Fund, electric generation projects located at an existing or former electric generating facility, or involve the distribution or transmission of energy or fuel, including natural gas, diesel, petroleum, or electricity? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Is this application for a project associated with emergency response/repairs from Hurricane Helene impacts to your project or property?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Is this project connected with ARPA funding or S.L. 2023-134 (earmark)? \*

☐ ARPA ☐ S.L. 2023-134 (earmark) ☒ No

County (or Counties) where the project is located: \*

Beaufort

Is this a NCDMS Project? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Click Yes, only if NCDMS is the applicant or co-applicant.

DO NOT CHECK YES, UNLESS YOU ARE DMS OR CO-APPLICANT.

Is this project a public transportation project? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

This is any publicly funded by municipal, state or federal funds road, rail, airport transportation project.

Is this a NCDOT Project? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

(NCDOT only) T.I.P. or state project number:

BR-0006

WBS # \*

67006.1.1

(for NCDOT use only)

1a. Type(s) of approval sought from the Corps: \*

- ☒ Section 404 Permit (wetlands, streams and waters, Clean Water Act)  
☐ Section 10 Permit (navigable waters, tidal waters, Rivers and Harbors Act)

Has this PCN previously been submitted? \*

☐ Yes  
☒ No

1b. What type(s) of permit(s) do you wish to seek authorization? \*

- ☒ Nationwide Permit (NWP)  
☐ Regional General Permit (RGP)  
☐ Standard (IP)

1c. Has the NWP or GP number been verified by the Corps? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

### NWP Numbers (for multiple NWPS):

List all NW numbers you are applying for not on the drop down list.

### 1d. Type(s) of approval sought from the DWR: \*

check all that apply

- ☒ 401 Water Quality Certification - Regular  
☐ Non-404 Jurisdictional General Permit  
☐ Individual 401 Water Quality Certification

- ☐ 401 Water Quality Certification - Express  
☐ Riparian Buffer Authorization

### 1e. Is this notification solely for the record because written approval is not required?

\*

### For the record only for DWR 401 Certification:

☒ Yes ☐ No

### For the record only for Corps Permit:

☐ Yes ☒ No

### 1f. Is this an after-the-fact permit application? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

### 1g. Is payment into a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program proposed for mitigation of impacts?

If so, attach the acceptance letter from mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program.

☐ Yes ☒ No

### Acceptance Letter Attachment

Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document

FILE TYPE MUST BE PDF

### 1h. Is the project located in any of NC's twenty coastal counties? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

### 1i. Is the project located within a NC DCM Area of Environmental Concern (AEC)? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

### 1j. Is the project located in a designated trout watershed? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Link to trout information: <http://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Permit-Program/Agency-Coordination/Trout.aspx>

## B. Applicant Information



### 1a. Who is the Primary Contact? \*

Deanna Riffey

### 1b. Primary Contact Email: \*

driffey@ncdot.gov

### 1c. Primary Contact Phone: \*

(xxx)xxx-xxxx

(919)707-6051

### 1d. Who is applying for the permit? \*

☒ Owner

(Check all that apply)

☐ Applicant (other than owner)

### 1e. Is there an Agent/Consultant for this project? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

## 2. Owner Information

### 2a. Name(s) on recorded deed: \*

NCDOT

### 2b. Deed book and page no.:

### 2c. Contact Person:

(for Corporations)

### 2d. Address \*

Street Address

1598 Mail Service Center

Address Line 2

City

Raleigh

Postal / Zip Code

27699-1598

State / Province / Region

NC

Country

USA

### 2e. Telephone Number: \*

(xxx)xxx-xxxx

(919)707-6051

2f. Fax Number:

(xxx)xxx-xxxx

2g. Email Address: \*

driffey@ncdot.gov

C. Project Information and Prior Project History

1. Project Information

1a. Name of project: \*

Replace Ferry Terminal Ramps at the Pamlico River on NC306 in Beaufort Co. (BR-0006-Central)

1b. Subdivision name:

(if appropriate)

1c. Nearest municipality / town: \*

Bayview; Aurora

2. Project Identification

2a. Property Identification Number:

(tax PIN or parcel ID)

2b. Property size:

(in acres)

2c. Project Address

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Postal / Zip Code

State / Province / Region

Country

2d. Site coordinates in decimal degrees

Please collect site coordinates in decimal degrees. Use between 4-6 digits (unless you are using a survey-grade GPS device) after the decimal place as appropriate, based on how the location was determined. (For example, most mobile phones with GPS provide locational precision in decimal degrees to map coordinates to 5 or 6 digits after the decimal place.)

Latitude: \*

35.428100

ex: 34.208504

Longitude: \*

-76.740742

-77.796371

3. Surface Waters

3a. Name of the nearest body of water to proposed project: \*

Pamlico River

3b. Water Resources Classification of nearest receiving water: \*

SB;NSW

[Surface Water Lookup](#)

3c. What river basin(s) is your project located in? \*

Tar-Pamlico

3d. Please provide the 12-digit HUC in which the project is located. \*

03020104

[River Basin Lookup](#)

4. Project Description and History

4a. Describe the existing conditions on the site and the general land use in the vicinity of the project at the time of this application: \*

Land use in the project vicinity consists of a ferry terminal, minor residential development and agricultural fields on the northside (Bayview).The southside (Aurora) consists of marsh, forested communities and a commercial mining operation.

4b. Have Corps permits or DWR certifications been obtained for this project (including all prior phases) in the past? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

4f. List the total estimated acreage of all existing wetlands on the property:

1.77

4g. List the total estimated linear feet of all existing streams on the property:

(intermittent and perennial)

1150

4h. Explain the purpose of the proposed project: \*

The purpose of the project is to replace the structurally deficient and functionally obsolete ferry ramp structures.

4l. Describe the overall project in detail, including indirect impacts and the type of equipment to be used: \*

This request is for eight (8) investigative, geotechnical borings within the ferry basins on the Pamlico River. Four (4) borings will occur on the Bayview side and four(4) on the Aurora side. The bores consist of casing measures approximately 6-inches in diameter. The borings will be performed from a barge (photo attached). The barges will be secured below the mudline with four (4) spuds that are 3-inches in diameter.

5. Jurisdictional Determinations

5a. Have the wetlands or streams been delineated on the property or proposed impact areas? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Comments:

5b. If the Corps made a jurisdictional determination, what type of determination was made? \*

☐ Preliminary ☐ Approved ☐ Not Verified ☒ Unknown ☐ N/A

Corps AID Number:

Example: SAW-2017-99999

A PJD package was sent to the USACE on May 8, 2019.

5c. If 5a is yes, who delineated the jurisdictional areas?

Name (if known): Jessica Tisdale

Agency/Consultant Company: HDR

Other:

6. Future Project Plans

6a. Is this a phased project? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permits(s) used, or intended to be used, to authorize any part of the proposed project or related activity? This includes other separate and distant crossing for linear projects that require Department of the Army authorization but don't require pre-construction notification.

It is intended that a separate, Nationwide or Regional General Permit will be applied for in the future for the construction of the ferry ramps. This application is solely for the geotechnical borings for the project.

D. Proposed Impacts Inventory

1. Impacts Summary

1a. Where are the impacts associated with your project? (check all that apply):

☐ Wetlands ☐ Streams-tributaries ☐ Buffers  
☒ Open Waters ☐ Pond Construction

4. Open Water Impacts

If there are proposed impacts to lakes, ponds, estuaries, tributaries, sounds, the Atlantic Ocean, or any other open water of the U.S. then individually list all open water impacts below.

| 4a. Site #* (?) | 4a1. Impact Reason | 4b. Impact type* (?) | 4c. Name of waterbody (?) | 4d. Activity type * | 4e. Waterbody type * | 4f. Impact area * |
|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1/2             | Borings            | T                    | Pamlico River             | Other               | Other                | 0.01<br>(acres)   |

4g. Total temporary open water Impacts:

0.01

4g. Total permanent open water impacts:

0.00

4g. Total open water impacts:

0.01

4h. Comments:

Proposed 8 geotechnical borings from barge. 4 borings at Bayview site and 4 borings at Aurora site. Mudline disturbance has been estimated to be 0.39 square feet per bore location.

E. Impact Justification and Mitigation

1. Avoidance and Minimization

1a. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts in designing the project: \*

Borings will be conducted from a barge with minimal impact to waters. In-water borings are limited to 8 in number.

**1b. Specifically describe measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts through construction techniques: \***

There will be no permanent impact associated with the proposed work.

## 2. Compensatory Mitigation for Impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State

**2a. Does the project require Compensatory Mitigation for impacts to Waters of the U.S. or Waters of the State?**

☐ Yes ☒ No

**2b. If this project DOES NOT require Compensatory Mitigation, explain why:**

This request is for geotechnical borings only.

NC Stream Temperature Classification Maps can be found under the Mitigation Concepts tab on the Wilmington District's [RIBITS](#) website.

## F. Stormwater Management and Diffuse Flow Plan (required by DWR)

\*\*\* Recent changes to the stormwater rules have required updates to this section .\*\*\*

### 1. Diffuse Flow Plan

**1a. Does the project include or is it adjacent to protected riparian buffers identified within one of the NC Riparian Buffer Protection Rules?**

☐ Yes ☒ No

For a list of options to meet the diffuse flow requirements, click [here](#).

**If no, explain why:**

This project is for geotechnical borings in open water. There will be no concentrated flow resulting from this work.

### 2. Stormwater Management Plan

**2a. Is this a NCDOT project subject to compliance with NCDOT's Individual NPDES permit NCS000250? \***

☐ Yes ☒ No

**2b. Does this project meet the requirements for low density projects as defined in 15A NCAC 02H .1003(2)? \***

☐ Yes ☒ No

To look up low density requirement click here [15A NCAC 02H .1003\(2\)](#).

**2c. Does this project have a stormwater management plan (SMP) reviewed and approved under a state stormwater program or state-approved local government stormwater program? \***

☐ Yes ☒ N/A - project disturbs < 1 acre ☐ No

Hint: projects that have vested rights, exemptions, or grandfathering from state or locally implemented stormwater programs or projects that satisfy state or locally-implemented stormwater programs through use of community in-lieu programs should answer no to this question.

**Comments:**

## G. Supplementary Information

### 1. Environmental Documentation

**1a. Does the project involve an expenditure of public (federal/state/local) funds or the use of public (federal/state) land? \***

☒ Yes ☐ No

**1b. If you answered "yes" to the above, does the project require preparation of an environmental document pursuant to the requirements of the National or State (North Carolina) Environmental Policy Act (NEPA/SEPA)? \***

☒ Yes ☐ No

**1c. If you answered "yes" to the above, has the document review been finalized by the State Clearing House? (If so, attach a copy of the NEPA or SEPA final approval letter.) \***

☒ Yes ☐ No

### 2. Violations (DWR Requirement)

**2a. Is the site in violation of DWR Water Quality Certification Rules (15A NCAC 2H .0500), Isolated Wetland Rules (15A NCAC 2H .1300), or DWR Surface Water or Wetland Standards or Riparian Buffer Rules (15A NCAC 2B .0200)? \***

☐ Yes ☒ No

### 3. Cumulative Impacts (DWR Requirement)

**3a. Will this project (based on past and reasonably anticipated future impacts) result in additional development, which could impact nearby downstream water quality? \***

☐ Yes ☒ No

**3b. If you answered "no," provide a short narrative description.**

The borings are needed to assist with the design for the future ramp replacements.

## 4. Sewage Disposal (DWR Requirement)

4a. Is sewage disposal required by DWR for this project? \*

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

## 5. Endangered Species and Designated Critical Habitat (Corps Requirement)

5a. Will this project occur in or near an area with federally protected species or habitat? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

5b. Have you checked with the USFWS concerning Endangered Species Act impacts? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

5c. If yes, indicate the USFWS Field Office you have contacted.

Raleigh

5d. Is another Federal agency involved? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

What Federal Agency is involved?

NMFS

5e. Is this a DOT project located within Division's 1-8? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

5j. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact Endangered Species or Designated Critical Habitat? \*

NC Natural Heritage databases and field surveys conducted in June 2022. Habitat for potential species does not exist within the affected area of the proposed work.

## 6. Essential Fish Habitat (Corps Requirement)

6a. Will this project occur in or near an area designated as an Essential Fish Habitat? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

Are there submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) around the project vicinity? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

6b. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact an Essential Fish Habitat? \*

NOAA Essential Fish Habitat mapper

## 7. Historic or Prehistoric Cultural Resources (Corps Requirement)

Link to the State Historic Preservation Office Historic Properties Map (does not include archaeological data: <http://gis.ncdcr.gov/hpweb/>)

7a. Will this project occur in or near an area that the state, federal or tribal governments have designated as having historic or cultural preservation status (e.g., National Historic Trust designation or properties significant in North Carolina history and archaeology)? \*

☐ Yes ☒ No

7b. What data sources did you use to determine whether your site would impact historic or archeological resources? \*

Coordination with SHPO

## 8. Flood Zone Designation (Corps Requirement)

Link to the FEMA Floodplain Maps: <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/search>

8a. Will this project occur in a FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain? \*

☒ Yes ☐ No

8b. If yes, explain how project meets FEMA requirements:

The proposed activity is for temporary impacts.

8c. What source(s) did you use to make the floodplain determination? \*

FRIS

## Miscellaneous

### Comments

Please use the space below to attach all required documentation or any additional information you feel is helpful for application review. Documents should be combined into one file when possible, with a Cover Letter, Table of Contents, and a Cover Sheet for each Section preferred.

Click the upload button or drag and drop files here to attach document

attachments.pdf

30.88MB

File must be PDF or KMZ

## Signature

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☒ By checking the box and signing below, I certify that:

- The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request within the applicable reasonable period of time.
- I have given true, accurate, and complete information on this form;
- I agree that submission of this PCN form is a "transaction" subject to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I agree to conduct this transaction by electronic means pursuant to Chapter 66, Article 40 of the NC General Statutes (the "Uniform Electronic Transactions Act");
- I understand that an electronic signature has the same legal effect and can be enforced in the same way as a written signature; AND
- I intend to electronically sign and submit the PCN form.

**Full Name:** ★

Jason L Dilday

**Signature** ★

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jason L Dilday".

**Date**

10/1/2025