

Legislation Text

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Title: Timber Sale - Forest Restoration at Rural Hill Nature Preserve (Park and Recreation)

Summary ACTION:

Approve FY19 sale of timber from thinning and accept the revenue into the Natural Areas Capital Reserve Account

Staff Contact: Chris Matthews - Division Director, Park and Recreation

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

Mecklenburg County Natural Resources has a responsibility of managing natural communities and restoring degraded communities to diverse and functional ecological systems. The purpose of this timber sale is to reduce species that have thrived under intensive agricultural practices, increase sunlight to the forest floor, and shift the composition of species to a more natural structure for increased forest health, resilience and ecological diversity. The sale includes two plantations on Rural Hill Nature Preserve in Huntersville; 38 acres planted in 1956 and 50 acres planted in 1976. Canopy trees will remain intact.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: N/A

<u>POLICY IMPACT</u>: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: Increase in Natural Areas Capital Reserve Revenue up to \$200,000 in Fund 9002.