



Legislation Text

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Title:

NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund Grant Award

Summary

ACTION:

- 1. Affirm submission of a stream restoration grant application to the North Carolina Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) for the restoration of Long Creek Phase II from Rumney Court to I-485 up to an amount of \$500,000; and**
- 2. Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and enter into a grant contract with CWMTF; and**
- 3. Upon receipt of grant; recognize, receive and appropriate up to \$500,000 in funds from the CWMTF**

Staff Contact: David Kroening, LUESA - Storm Water Services

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

The County's Storm Water pay-as-you-go Capital Program was expanded in FY05 to restore degraded surface water quality conditions and to enhance aquatic habitat in our streams. Since 1997, the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) has provided more than \$19,500,000 in funding for projects in Mecklenburg County. Past projects include land/easement acquisition, wetland construction, stream-bank and overbank re-vegetation, and stream restoration.

Staff seeks to continue to pursue CWMTF grant funding for the restoration of Long Creek Phase II from Rumney Court to I-485 near Trotter Road (see attached map). The \$500,000 grant will be used for design services and will be reimbursed to the County once construction is underway. Long Creek Phase I (I-77 to Rumney Court) was awarded a \$400,000 CWMTF grant in 2017 and construction is expected to begin in conjunction with the greenway in 2019. Phase II will restore approximately 8200 feet of Long Creek to improve aquatic habitat and reduce in-stream erosion. Storm Water will coordinate closely with Park and Recreation on

greenway alignment and grading for future trail.

The grant application was due February 5, 2019. Storm Water Services submitted the grant application on-time but can withdraw the application in the event this action item is not approved.

The \$1,600,000 in matching funds for the grant is available through Storm Water's Capital Reserve.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

N/A

POLICY IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$500,000 from NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund and \$1,600,000 from Storm Water Capital Projects Fund