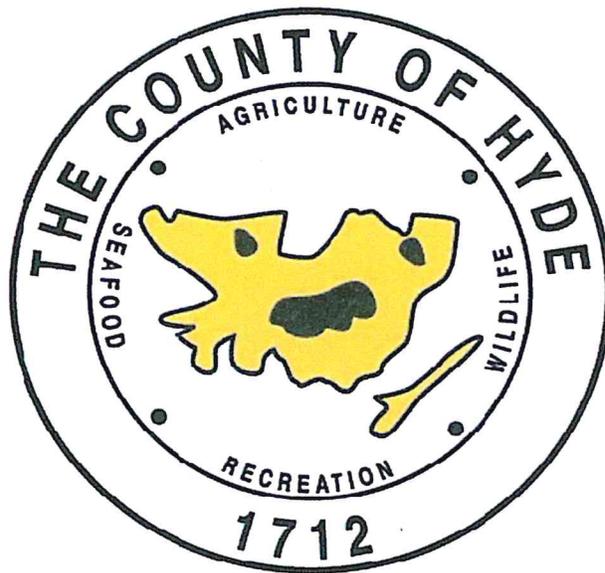


HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Hyde County Courthouse Multi-purpose Room

30 Oyster Creek Road, Swan Quarter, NC

and

Ocracoke School Commons Area

120 School House Road, Ocracoke, NC

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: OPENING

SUMMARY: Call to Order
Opening Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

SUMMARY: Attached is the proposed Agenda for the January 3, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMEND: Review, Amend and Approve.

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

AGENDA

HYDE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2017 – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARINGS (none)

INTRODUCTION (none)

PRESENTATIONS

- 1) Trillium Health Resources – Annual Report Dave Paterson
- 2) ABC Board Report Meredith Nicholson
- 3) 2015 SOTCH Report Luana Gibbs

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments are a time for the public to make comments to the County Commissioners. Comments should be kept to three (3) minutes or less and comments should be directed to the entire Board and not to individual members, the staff or to other members of the public. Comments requesting assistance will typically be referred to the County Manager for follow-up or for Board action at a future meeting.

ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION

1) Resolution

- a. Resolution Opposing The Proposed Expansion of The Alligator River Debbie Cahoon
National Wildlife Refuge
- b. Resolution In Opposition to A Proposed NC DMF Trawl Ban Kris Noble

2) Appointment

- a. Trillium Central Regional Advisory Board Kris Noble
- b. Albemarle Commission Board Kris Noble

- 3) FY2016-17 Health Department Fee Schedule Revisions/Additions Luana Gibbs

- 4) 2017 IRS Standard Mileage RateCorrinne Gibbs
- 5) Amend Rules of Procedure for The Hyde County Board of CommissionersKris Noble
- 6) Hyde County Youth Athletics Volunteer Policy and Waiver, Coach Contract Kris Noble

BUDGET MATTERS

HEALTH

- a) BR17-17 – Maternal Health Interpreter
- b) BR18-17 – Immunization Capitol Outlay
- c) BR19-17 – Child Health Physician
- d) BR20-17 – Salary & Fringes
- e) BR21-17 – WIC
- f) BR22-17 – BCCCP Radiology
- g) BR23-17 – General Health – Essential Services
- h) BR24-17 – Maternal Health Supplies
- g) BR25-17 – Ebola Supplies & Travel

MANAGEMENT REPORTS

The Commissioners, County Manager and Assistant County Manager will share with the public their various activities and ideas for continuous improvement of government services to the citizens.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is invited to use this time to make comments to the County Commissioners on items discussed during this meeting and/or matters not discussed earlier in the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION (discussion and possible action if required)

ADJOURN

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Department Reports

- 1) Tax Department (requires signature)
- 2) Human Resources
- 3) Health Department

Informational Items

- 1) Taking Oaths – News Article
- 2) Hyde Officials Seek More Help After Flooding – News Article
- 3) EIC Report

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Lois Stotesberry, Clerk
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

SUMMARY: Attached are the December 5, 2016 Organizational and Regular Meeting Minutes of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMEND: Review, Amend and Approve.

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

1 **Organizational Meeting Minutes**

2 **Board of County Commissioners**
3 **Hyde County**

4
5 **Monday, December 5, 2016**

6 Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the Organizational Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners to order on
7 Monday, December 5, 2016, in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room, and the Ocracoke School
8 Commons Room using electronic conferencing equipment.

9 The following members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr., Vice-chairman Barry Swindell,
10 Dick Tunnell and Ben Simmons; Attorney Fred Holscher; County Manager Bill Rich; Clerk to the Board Lois
11 Stotesberry; and, members of the public. Commissioner John Fletcher was absent.

12 Public Information Officer Teresa Adams and members of the public were present on Ocracoke.

13 Chairman Pugh commended Commissioner Fletcher for his service to Hyde County (2012 – 2016). Following
14 reminder to honor our troops and to remember Pearl Harbor the meeting was called to order.

15 **Consideration of Minutes:**

16
17 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve the November 7, 2016 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular
18 Meeting Minutes as presented by the Clerk. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
19 following vote: Ayes – Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – Fletcher.

20 **Induction:**

21 Brandy Pugh, Clerk of Court administered “Oath of Office” to Ocracoke Township – District 3 – Commissioner
22 Tom Pahl; Lake Landing Township – District 5 – Commissioner Earl Pugh, Jr.; and, Fairfield Township – District 2
23 – Commissioner Benjamin Simmons, III.

24 **Nominations and Appointments:**

25 Clerk to the Board of Commissioners called for nomination of Board Chairman.

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27 Commissioner Swindell moved to nominate Commissioner Pugh for Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Mr.
28 Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons
29 and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

30 Chairman Pugh assumed his position as Chairman and thanked the Board for his nomination.

31 Commissioner Simmons moved to nominate Commissioner Swindell for Vice-Chairman of the Board of
32 Commissioners. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh,
33 Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

34 Commissioner Simmons moved to re-appoint Fred Holscher County Attorney for the Board of Commissioners. Mr.
35 Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons
36 and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

1 Commissioner Swindell moved to re-appoint Lois Stotesberry for Clerk to the Board of Commissioners. Mr.
2 Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons
3 and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

4 Commissioner Simmons moved to re-appoint Justin Gibbs, Teresa Adams and Rosemary Johnson for Deputy
5 Clerk(s) to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following
6 vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

7 **Induction:**

8 Brandy Pugh, Clerk of Court administered “Oath of Office” to Deputy Clerk(s) Justin Gibbs, Teresa Adams and
9 Rosemary Johnson.

10 Commissioner Pugh moved to close the Organizational Meeting of the Hyde County Board of Commissioners.
11 Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell,
12 Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

13 The meeting adjourned at 6:15p.m.

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15 Respectfully submitted:

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17 Minutes approved on the 3rd day of January, 2017.

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19 Attest:

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21 _____
22 Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
23 Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners
24

Earl Pugh, Jr.
Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

1 **Regular Meeting Minutes**

2 **Board of County Commissioners**
3 **Hyde County**

4
5 **Monday, December 5, 2016**

6 After opening prayer and a moment of silence for WWII troops and Pearl Harbor by Commissioner Tunnell and
7 Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. called the Regular Meeting of the Hyde County Board of
8 Commissioners to order on Monday, November 7, 2016, in the Hyde County Government Center, Multi-Use Room,
9 and the Ocracoke School Commons Room using electronic conferencing equipment.

10 The following members were present on the mainland: Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr., Vice-chairman Barry Swindell,
11 Tom Pahl, Ben Simmons and Dick Tunnell; Attorney Fred Holscher; County Manager Bill Rich; Clerk to the Board
12 Lois Stotesberry; and, members of the public.

13 Public Information Officer Teresa Adams and members of the public were present on Ocracoke.

14 **Agenda:**

15 Commissioner Simmons moved to approve the December 5, 2016 Hyde County Board of Commissioners Regular
16 Meeting Agenda as presented by the Clerk with addition of Items of Consideration – Item No. 9. – Installation of
17 Discharge Pipe Through Swan Quarter Dike; Item No. 10. – Hyde County Home and Community Block Grant Form
18 731 and 732; Resolution 1.c. – Opposition to Proposed Trawl Ban on Shrimp; and, Departmental Reports for Senior
19 Center and Inspections Department. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:
20 Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

21 **Presentations:**

22 **Proclamation to Honor The Memory of Gloria Collins-Spencer**

23 Commissioner Pugh presented “Proclamation of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners to Honor The Memory
24 of Gloria Spencer” for her 32-years of dedicated service to the citizens of Hyde County. Her husband, Mr. James
25 Roy Spencer, accompanied by Mr. Melvin Blount and wife, Shirley Blount accepted the Proclamation.

26 Commissioner Simmons moved to adopt “Proclamation of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners to Honor The
27 Memory of Gloria Spencer”. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes –
28 Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

29 *Clerk’s Note: A copy of “Proclamation of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners to Honor the Memory of Gloria
Spencer” is attached herewith as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.*

30
31 **Hyde County Public Library Award**

32 Hannah Easley, Director, Beaufort/Hyde/Martin Regional Library, reported the Hyde County Public Library was
33 selected as the winner of the 2016 award for Best Newly Leased Facility by the North Carolina Public Library
34 Directors Association. This award is given annually to public libraries around the state. Ms. Easley reported the
35 library is open from 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. and from 1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m. on Monday – Thursday.

36 **Employee Recognition:**

37
38 Bill Rich, County Manager, reported he will award Corrinne Gibbs, Finance Officer, a certificate of appreciation for

1 work done during Hurricane Matthew at the next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday,
2 January 3, 2017.

3 **Public Comments:**

4 **Bill Jones, Ocracoke** – thanked Tom Pahl for his willingness to serve Hyde County citizens.

5 **Peter Vankevich, Ocracoke** – welcomed Commissioners Pugh, Simmons and Pahl.

6 **Connie Lienbach, Ocracoke** – asked everyone to speak into the microphones.

7 There being no further comment from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

8 **Items of Consideration:**

9 **Resolution – Establishing Regular Meeting Dates**

10 Commissioner Swindell moved to adopt “Resolution of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners Establishing
11 Regular Meeting Dates” as amended to change July 3 to July 10. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion
12 passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not
13 voting – None.

14 *Clerk’s Note: A copy of “Resolution of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners Establishing Regular Meeting
15 Dates” is attached herewith as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.*

16 **Resolution – To Support The Hyde County Youth Athletics League As A County Function**

17 Kris Cahoon-Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported in an effort to promote recreation for Hyde County
18 mainland youth, the Hyde County Youth Athletics League, operated by Bryant Morrison and Shawn Zehnacker
19 requests County support for a youth recreation league by supporting the league’s activities as County functions.
20 Supporting these activities as County functions allow the Youth Athletics League to utilize facilities and active use
21 areas that are owned by Hyde County, as well as Hyde County School District, as it applies to our current Joint Use
22 Agreement and State code section GS 115c-203 – 209.1, 524, 527, 160A – 274 and 163 – 129.

23 Commissioner Swindell moved to adopt “A Resolution To Support The Hyde County Youth Athletics League As A
24 County Function” as amended to change July 3 to July 10. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on
25 the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

26 *Clerk’s Note: A copy of “A Resolution To Support The Hyde County Youth Athletics League As A County Function” is
27 attached herewith as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference.*

28 **Resolution – To Oppose Ban On Shrimp Trawling In Pamlico Sound**

29 Kris Cahoon-Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported NC Division of Marine Fisheries proposed rule changes
30 will ban shrimp trawling in Pamlico Sound up to three (3) miles off shore, will reduce the number of days to trawl to
31 three (3), and will order day-time only trawling. Ms. Noble will draft the resolution and e-mail it to commissioners
32 for review and approval.

33 Commissioner Simmons asked Bryant Morrison to take a picture of children attending Mattamuskeet School who
34 have ties to commercial fishermen to bring awareness to the impact of this ban on Hyde County.

35 Commissioner Swindell moved to draft a resolution in opposition to NC DMF ban on shrimp trawling in Pamlico
36 Sound. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell,
37 Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

1 **Appointments:**

2 **Firefighter's Relief Fund Trustees**

3 Bill Rich, County Manager, reported the Firefighter's Relief Fund (FRF) benefit financially assists firefighters that
4 may have been injured while volunteering their service to their community. The FRF is funded by a percentage of
5 the tax paid on property coverage pursuant to NCGS 105-228.5.

6 Commissioner Simmons moved to appoint John T. Stotesberry (Treasurer) and Gary Cahoon (Chair) to serve as
7 Firefighter's Relief Fund Trustees for Swan Quarter Volunteer Fire Department and Lois Stotesberry (Treasurer) and
8 Glenn Blake (Board Member) to serve as Firefighter's Relief Fund Trustees for Ponzer Volunteer Fire and Rescue
9 Department. Mr. Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh,
10 Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

11 **Ocracoke Board of Adjustments**

12 Commissioner Pahl moved to accept resignation from Aaron Caswell, Wayne Clark and Marty Baumgaertel from
13 the Ocracoke Board of Adjustments. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote:
14 Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

15 Commissioner Pahl moved to appoint Finley Austin to replace Marty Baumgaertel, Ann Warner to replace Aaron
16 Caswell and William Howard to replace Wayne Clark on the Ocracoke Board of Adjustments with all appointments
17 being 3 year terms from this point forward. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
18 following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

19 **Electronic Monitoring**

20 Sergeant Joe Smith reported the Sheriff's Office is requesting to enter into a one year contract with Corrisoft. This
21 contract will provide the Sheriff's office with five (5) bracelets for electronic monitoring. There is no equipment to
22 purchase. They charge \$8.00 per day per bracelet billed every month. The total yearly cost would be \$14,600.00 for
23 the five (5) bracelets. These bracelets would be used to release people from jail for pretrial release as long as they
24 are not violent. Because Hyde County does not have its own jail, it currently costs \$55.00 per day to house an
25 inmate (not including medical expenses incurred from the inmate) plus travel time to and from jail and court. This
26 monitoring system would allow the Sheriff's Office to release a prisoner from jail for only 48.00 per day and they
27 would be GPS monitored. Sergeant Smith reviewed jail records from July 2015 thru July 2016 and reports the
28 County would have saved approximately \$16,000.00 (not including medical or travel costs) if the monitoring
29 program were in place.

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31 Commissioner Simmons moved to enter into a one year term pre-trial monitoring agreement with Corrisoft. Mr.
32 Swindell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons
33 and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

34 **Ethics Training for Local Elected Officials**

35 County Manager Bill Rich reported under North Carolina law, members of governing boards of cities, counties, local
36 boards of education, unified governments, sanitary districts, and consolidated city-counties are required to receive at
37 least two (2) clock hours of ethics training within twelve months after each election or re-election to office. The
38 ethics training requirement is an ongoing obligation, triggered by each subsequent re-election or re-appointment to
39 office.

40 In collaboration with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) and the North Carolina
41 Municipalities, the School of Government provides ethics training for city and county governing board members.

1 School board members receive their training through the North Carolina School Boards Association, Sanitary
2 District board members may participate in city and county programs conducted by the School of Government.

3 **Hyde County Water Advisory Board**

4 Kris Cahoon-Noble, Assistant County Manager, reported the Hyde County Water Advisory Board will work to
5 advise the County Manager in regard to work performed by the Water and Flood Control Coordinator. This group
6 will serve as an advisory board and will provide recommendations to the Hyde County Board of Commissioners for
7 final approval. The group will meet at least quarterly but more often when needed.

8	<u>Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>
9	Ray Tooley	Sladesville/Scranton
10	Tony Carawan	Swan Quarter/West Quarter
11	Darren Armstrong	Grassy Ridge
12	Wilson Daughtry	Mattamuskeet Association
13	Dawson Pugh	Slocum Drainage
14	Joey Ben Williams	Fairfield Drainage District
15	Mitchell Balance	Mattamuskeet Drainage District No. 1

16 **Board of Commissioners Advisors**

17 Ben Simmons, III
18 Earl Pugh, Jr.

19 Ms. Noble reported the Advisory Board met earlier in the day and discussed the Water Management Coordinator
20 position. The job will now be advertised, interviews conducted and the position filled.

21 **Voting Delegate Designation**

22 County Manager Bill Rich reported each Board of County Commissioners is requested to designate a commissioner
23 or other official as a voting delegate for the 2017 North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Legislative
24 Goals Conference.

25 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr. the Voting Delegate representing Hyde County
26 at the 2017 NCACC Legislative Goals Conference. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
27 following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

28 **Management & Consulting Services for Hazard Mitigation Programs**

29 Kris Cahoon-Noble, Assistant County Manager, and Chris Hilbert, Project Manager, Holland Consulting Planners,
30 Inc., reported Hyde County has an active contract with Holland for the provision of project management services in
31 support of the Hyde County Hurricane Irene HMGP Elevation Project. The HMGP project was completed in the fall
32 of 2015 with the elevation of five (5) homes. Additional funding through the HMGP fund became available in the
33 spring of 2016 (known as the HMGP Rescopement Project). Hyde County submitted applications for six additional
34 homeowners for elevation, reconstruction and acquisition. HCP is already under contract for management of the
35 Irene HMGP project and will be managing the rescopement grant for the completion of the six additional units. HCP
36 plans to utilize the same engineering/surveying/asbestos inspection firms who are already on contract for Hurricane
37 Irene HMGP for the additional six units. Hyde County has also successfully obtained FY15-16 FMA funds for five
38 (5) additional elevations under two separate projects. HCP assisted Hyde County with the application process.

39 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve Holland Consulting Planners, Inc. as the management firm for the HMGP
40 Rescopement Project and the FY2015 and FY2016 FMA Projects. Mr. Tunnell seconded the motion. The motion

1 passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not
2 voting – None.

3 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve Appian Consulting Engineers, Sorrell Land Surveying, Inc., and W. F.
4 Bulow Inspections (engineering/surveying/asbestos inspection) firms under contract for Hurricane Irene HMGP to
5 also complete services under the HMGP Rescopement, FY2015 and FY2016 FMA projects. Mr. Simmons seconded
6 the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays –
7 None; Absent or not voting – None.

8 **Update on 911**

9 County Manager Bill Rich presented PowerPoint update on the new Dare-Tyrrell-Hyde Regional Emergency
10 Communication Center (DTH-RECC) in Dare County. Mr. Rich reported the project will be completed in March
11 and the building operational in April.

12 **Installation of Pipe Through the Dike**

13 Daniel Brinn, Tar-Pamlico River Basin Technician, reported a group of farmers with the support of the Swan Quarter
14 Steering Committee have been actively pursuing the installation of a permanent discharge pipe for pumping activity
15 through the Swan Quarter Dike at the end of the Farrow Road (Supplemental Watershed Agreement No. 3) and
16 Berry Canal (Supplemental Watershed Agreement No. 4).

17 Commissioner Tunnell moved to approve additional pipe installation as part of the process underway with the
18 Farrow Road project to ensure that the installation is completed with final design approved by NRCS. Mr. Swindell
19 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and
20 Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

21 **Home and Community Care Block Grant Forms**

22 Commissioner Pahl moved to approve Chairman Pugh to sign HCCBG Form 731 – County Funding Plan – County
23 Services Summary and HCCBG Form 732 – County Funding Plan – Provider Services Summary. Mr. Swindell
24 seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and
25 Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

26 **Budget Transfers:**

27 Bill Rich, County Manager, presented the following budget transfers for Board of Commissioner approval.

28 **Health Department**

29 BR13-17 – KBR	\$40,727.59
30 BR15-17 – Healthy Communities	\$ 3,150.00
31 BR16-17 – Environmental Health	\$ 1,100.00
32 BR17-17 – Maternal Health Interpreter	\$ 100.00

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34 Commissioner Swindell moved to approve Health Department BR13-17, BR15-17, BR16-17 and BR17-17
35 transfers as presented. Mr. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion passed on the following vote: Ayes –
36 Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – None.

37 **Management Reports:**

38 **Chairman Earl Pugh, Jr.** – attended meetings at Cross Creek Healthcare/Liberty Health, Albemarle
39 Commission in Currituck, and Mattamuskeet Lake and Water Management meetings. Mr. Pugh also gave a
40 presentation on Hurricane Matthew at the CRC meeting.

1 **Commissioner Ben Simmons** – attended drainage meetings.

2 **Commissioner Barry Swindell** – attended the Health Board quarterly meeting.

3 **Commissioner Dick Tunnell** – attended the NC Farm Bureau Federation meeting, and will attend the Mid-East
4 Housing meeting in January. Mr. Tunnell also reported 17 miles of Swan Quarter Dike was inspected and the
5 Dike Steering Committee will be asking NC DOT to maintain the Highway 45 portion of the Dike.

6 **Commissioner Tom Pahl** – reported he is looking forward to working with the Board of Commissioners.

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8 **County Manager Bill Rich** – announced a \$10,000.00 donation was presented to Hyde County through the
9 Ocracoke Methodist Church. Mr. Rich reported the Albemarle Commission will fund six (6) full time and 2
10 clerical employees in Hyde County for six months. He also invited Commissioners and staff members to attend
11 the County Employees Christmas Party from 8:00a.m. – 11:00a.m., December 19, at the Swan Quarter Volunteer
12 Fire Department. Mr. Rich reported the January 3, 2017 commissioners meeting will be held in the Government
13 Center and at the Community Center on Ocracoke via teleconferencing equipment. Mr. Rich’s November 2016
14 calendar was provided.

15 **Assistant County Manager Kris Noble** – reported on meetings and events she attended in December and
16 invited everyone to attend “Christmas In The Quarter”.

17 **Public Comments:**

18 There being no comment from the public, Chairman Pugh continued the meeting.

19 **Closed Session (none)**

20 **Adjourn**

21
22 Commissioner Simmons moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Pahl seconded the motion. The motion passed on the
23 following vote: Ayes – Pahl, Pugh, Tunnell, Simmons and Swindell; Nays – None; Absent or not voting – none.

24 The meeting adjourned at 7:30p.m.

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26 Respectfully submitted:

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28 Minutes approved on the 3rd day of January, 2017.

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30 Attest:

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35 _____
36 Lois Stotesberry, CMC, NCCCC
37 Clerk, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

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39 _____
40 Earl Pugh, Jr.
41 Chair, Hyde County Board of Commissioners

42 Attachments:

43 **Exhibit A: “Proclamation of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners to Honor The Memory of Gloria Spencer”**

44 **Exhibit B: “Resolution of The Hyde County Board of Commissioners Establishing Regular Meeting Dates”**

45 **Exhibit C: “A Resolution To Support The Hyde County Youth Athletics League As A County Function”**

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Dave Peterson
Attachment: ---

ITEM TITLE:

SUMMARY: Trillium Health Resources, Central Regional Director Dave Peterson, will present the Trillium Health Resources Annual Report.

RECOMMEND: Receive report.

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl



Central Regional Advisory Board

NAME	COUNTY
Ann Holton	Commissioner Representative - Pamlico
Benjamin (Ben) Simmons, III	Commissioner Representative - Hyde
C. David Creech* <i>APPOINTED TO GOVERN BOARD</i>	Law Practice, civil litigation defense, health care providers - Craven
<i>Luana Gibbs</i>	Health Director - Hyde
David L. Clegg*	Tyrrell County Manager - Tyrrell
Duane Holder* <i>APPOINTED TO GOVERN BOARD</i>	Deputy County Manager - Financial Services - Pitt
James Madson*	Health Director of Beaufort County - Beaufort
Jay Burrus*	Health & Human Services Director - Dare
Jerry Langley	Commissioner - Beaufort - Chair
(James) Jim Baluss*	Retired Vidant - Pamlico
Leroy Spivey	Commissioner Representative - Tyrrell - Vice-Chair
Melvin McLawhorn	Commissioner Retired Probation Parole Administrator - Pitt
Ms. Terrell Davis*	Martin-Tyrrell-Washington Health Department Director - Washington
Sandra Buckman	CFAC Board Member
Scott Dacey	Commissioner - Craven
Tracey A. Johnson	Commissioner Representative - Washington
Walter L. "Wally" Overman <i>APPOINTED TO GOVERN BOARD</i>	Commissioner Representative - Dare

*§112C-118.1. Representative

[Find A Provider \(/en/For-Providers/Provider-Directory/\)](#)

[Español \(/es/Conexiones-Regionales/Region-Central/\)](#) 24-Hour Crisis Care & Service Enrollment: 1-877-685-2415



[For Individuals & Families \(/en/For-Individuals-Families/\)](#)

[For Providers \(/en/For-Providers/\)](#)

[Regional Connections \(/en/Regional-Connections/\)](#)

[Trillium Initiatives \(/en/Trillium_Initiative/\)](#)

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Central Region

Trillium's Central Region includes 8 counties covering 4,717 square miles with a population of 399,374 people:

Central Region Counties

Beaufort	Hyde	Tyrrell
Craven	Pamlico	Washington
Dare	Pitt	



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Central Regional Director

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Local Representation

Click on the following links to learn how area residents represent service needs for individuals and families living in the Trillium Central Region.

- [Central Regional Advisory Board Members \(/PageFiles/4339/Trillium-Central_Regional_Advisory_Board_Roster.pdf\)](#)
- [Central Regional CFAC \(/en/Regional-Connections/Regional-CFACs/\) \(Consumer & Family Advisory Committee\)](#)

Central Regional Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

Central Regional Advisory Board meeting are held at Beaufort County Health Department (1436 Highland Drive, Washington, NC 27889), from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm. Open to public

Meeting Schedule 2016

[Regional Advisory Boards \(/en/Regional-Connections/Regional-Advisory-Board/\)](#)

[Northern Region \(/en/Regional-Connections/Northern-Region/\)](#)

[Central Region \(/en/Regional-Connections/Central-Region/\)](#)

[Southern Region \(/en/Regional-Connections/Southern-Region/\)](#)

[Regional CFACs \(/en/Regional-Connections/Regional-CFACs/\)](#)

[Employment East \(/en/Regional-Connections/Employment-East/\)](#)

[Crisis Intervention Team \(CIT\) \(/en/Regional-Connections/Crisis-Intervention-Training-CIT/\)](#)

[Mental Health First Aid \(/en/Regional-Connections/Youth-](#)

[Find A Provider \(/en/For-Providers/Provider-Directory/\)](#)

[Español \(/es/Conexiones-Regionales/Junta-de-Asesores-Regionales/\)](#) [24-Hour Crisis Care & Service Enrollment: 1-877-685-2415](#)



[For Individuals & Families \(/en/For-Individuals-Families/\)](#) [For Providers \(/en/For-Providers/\)](#)

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Regional Advisory Boards

Trillium Health Resources has a 2-tiered governance structure to keep governance close to the communities we serve through Regional Advisory Boards. These Advisory Boards, in turn, elect representatives to the Governing Board.

PURPOSE

- To involve local stakeholders to respond to unique community needs and priorities
- To promote understanding and collaboration at the local level
- To provide local participation in monitoring the performance and services within each region

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advise the CEO on evaluation and hiring of future Regional Directors
- Recommend priorities for expenditures of state/county funds for development of the annual budget
- Recommend priorities for the area-wide strategic plan
- Identify community needs and concerns
- Monitor resolution of issues
- Monitor performance at the regional level:
 - Access to Care
 - Financial Status and Expenditures
 - Service Delivery
 - Provider Network Size and Composition
 - Enrollee Satisfaction
- Identify gaps and needs; make recommendations on the service array

[Regional Advisory Boards \(/en/Regional-Connections/Regional-Advisory-Board/\)](#)

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**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Meredith Nicholson
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: Hyde County ABC Board Update

SUMMARY: General financial update; Report on State Commission's compliance audit findings; Request for timing of bottle tax payment from quarterly to annual as suggested by State Commission

RECOMMEND: RECEIVE INFORMATION; DECISION ON TIMING OF BOTTLE TAX PAYMENT

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
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Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
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Accrual Basis

Hyde County Board of Alcohol Control
Balance Sheet - CY & PY
As of November 30, 2016

	Nov 30, 16	Nov 30, 15	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
1000 - Yadkin Bank	30,311.07	82,097.65	-51,786.58
1001 - Yadkin Money Market Savings	80,077.16	0.00	80,077.16
1004 - Potty Cash	150.00	150.00	0.00
1009 - Cash Register Change Drawer			
1009-OC - Change Drawer-OC	200.00	200.00	0.00
1009-SQ - Change Drawer-SQ	200.00	200.00	0.00
Total 1009 - Cash Register Change Drawer	400.00	400.00	0.00
Total Checking/Savings	110,938.23	82,647.65	28,290.58
Other Current Assets			
1450 - Net Pension Asset	3,539.00	3,539.00	0.00
1200 - Other Current Asset			
1201 - Liquor Inventory-Ocracoke	31,868.62	26,739.25	5,129.37
1202 - Liquor Inventory- Swan Quarter	27,308.51	22,922.64	4,385.87
Total 1200 - Other Current Asset	59,177.13	49,661.89	9,515.24
1250 - Prepaid Expenses			
1251 - Prepaid Workers' Comp Insurance	2,092.75	2,263.50	-170.75
1252 - Prepaid Vehicle Insurance	950.58	960.67	-10.09
1253 - Prepaid Liability Insurance	3,759.25	2,766.50	992.75
Total 1250 - Prepaid Expenses	6,802.58	5,990.67	811.91
Total Other Current Assets	69,518.71	59,191.56	10,327.15
Total Current Assets	180,456.94	141,839.21	38,617.73
Fixed Assets			
1300 - Fixed Assets			
1330 - Equipment	48,212.48	48,212.48	0.00
1400 - Accumulated Depreciation	-42,219.05	-38,244.75	-3,974.30
Total 1300 - Fixed Assets	5,993.43	9,967.73	-3,974.30
Total Fixed Assets	5,993.43	9,967.73	-3,974.30
TOTAL ASSETS	186,450.37	151,806.94	34,643.43
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
2000 - Accounts Payable	30,315.19	39,144.51	-8,829.32
Total Accounts Payable	30,315.19	39,144.51	-8,829.32
Credit Cards			

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Accrual Basis

Hyde County Board of Alcohol Control
Balance Sheet - CY & PY
As of November 30, 2016

	Nov 30, 16	Nov 30, 15	\$ Change
2050 · VSB Credit Card	113.86	387.17	-273.31
Total Credit Cards	113.86	387.17	-273.31
Other Current Liabilities			
2148 · Alcohol Education Contrib Accru	1,502.85	1,502.85	0.00
2100 · Other Current Liabilities			
2102 · Pension Liability - EE & ER	0.00	341.12	-341.12
Total 2100 · Other Current Liabilities	0.00	341.12	-341.12
2400 · Payroll Liabilities			
2120 · Federal Income Tax (941)	805.52	0.00	805.52
2121 · FICA Withheld + Employer	1,579.22	0.00	1,579.22
2122 · NC Income Tax (NC-5)	268.00	200.00	68.00
Total 2400 · Payroll Liabilities	2,652.74	200.00	2,452.74
Total Other Current Liabilities	4,155.59	2,043.97	2,111.62
Total Current Liabilities	34,584.64	41,575.65	-6,991.01
Long Term Liabilities			
2700 · Deferred Inflows - pension	1,717.00	1,717.00	0.00
2159 · 2159 L.T. Debt / County Loan	9,130.00	17,550.00	-8,420.00
2160 · Loan Repayment	0.00	3,833.54	-3,833.54
Total Long Term Liabilities	10,847.00	23,100.54	-12,253.54
Total Liabilities	45,431.64	64,676.19	-19,244.55
Equity			
3020 · Retained Earnings	106,666.86	48,098.86	58,568.00
Net Income	34,351.87	39,031.89	-4,680.02
Total Equity	141,018.73	87,130.75	53,887.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	186,450.37	151,806.94	34,643.43

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Accrual Basis

Hyde County Board of Alcohol Control
YTD Profit & Loss
 July through November 2016

	Jul - Nov 16	Jul - Nov 15	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
4000 · Sales				
4001 · Liquor Sales - Swan Quarter	73,077.48	76,330.26	-3,252.78	-4.3%
4002 · Liquor Sales - Ocracoke	192,315.52	186,497.53	5,817.99	3.1%
4005 · Mixed Beverage - Swan Quarter	3,639.60	2,942.60	697.00	23.7%
4006 · Mixed Beverage - Ocracoke	127,125.48	123,148.58	3,976.90	3.2%
4007 · Refunds	-217.00	-46.00	-171.00	-371.7%
Total 4000 · Sales	395,941.08	388,872.97	7,068.11	1.8%
4020 · Deduct Taxes on Gross Sale				
4021 · State Excise Tax	-82,647.00	-81,177.00	-1,470.00	-1.8%
4022 · Rehabilitation Tax County	-1,042.80	-1,023.04	-19.76	-1.9%
4023 · Mixed Beverage Tax - NCDR	-11,617.00	-11,395.00	-222.00	-2.0%
4024 · Mixed Beverage Tax - NCDHHS	-1,161.51	-1,139.16	-22.35	-2.0%
Total 4020 · Deduct Taxes on Gross Sale	-96,468.31	-94,734.20	-1,734.11	-1.8%
Total Income	299,472.77	294,138.77	5,334.00	1.8%
Cost of Goods Sold				
5000 · Cost of Goods Sold				
5001 · Cost of Liquor	192,477.10	188,533.15	3,943.95	2.1%
5002 · Bailment	2,836.50	2,407.50	429.00	17.8%
5003 · Surcharge	2,647.40	2,247.00	400.40	17.8%
5010 · Missing/Theft	92.00	0.00	92.00	100.0%
5012 · Breakage/No Longer Saleable	103.53	0.00	103.53	100.0%
Total 5000 · Cost of Goods Sold	198,156.53	193,187.65	4,968.88	2.6%
Total COGS	198,156.53	193,187.65	4,968.88	2.6%
Gross Profit	101,316.24	100,951.12	365.12	0.4%
Expense				
6000 · General Expenses				
6001 · Salaries & Wages				
6002 · Salaries	0.00	13,461.50	-13,461.50	-100.0%
6003 · Hourly Wages	34,221.71	15,229.29	18,992.42	124.7%
Total 6001 · Salaries & Wages	34,221.71	28,690.79	5,530.92	19.3%
6005 · Payroll Tax Expenses				
6005-1 · FICA Expense	1,387.18	1,061.74	325.44	30.7%
6005-2 · NC Unemployment Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 6005 · Payroll Tax Expenses	1,387.18	1,061.74	325.44	30.7%
6020 · Employer Matching Pension	0.00	-95.17	95.17	100.0%
6050 · Alarm services	240.60	434.99	-194.39	-44.7%
6060 · Rent	3,400.00	3,400.00	0.00	0.0%
7090 · Telephone	1,360.40	1,133.68	226.72	20.0%

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Accrual Basis

Hyde County Board of Alcohol Control
YTD Profit & Loss
 July through November 2016

	Jul - Nov 16	Jul - Nov 15	\$ Change	% Change
7095 · Computer and Internet Expenses	308.36	517.68	-209.32	-40.4%
7110 · Repairs Maintenance	25.53	535.26	-509.73	-95.2%
7125 · Supplies				
7130 · Store Supplies	317.05	0.00	317.05	100.0%
7140 · Office Supplies	395.42	706.98	-311.56	-44.1%
Total 7125 · Supplies	712.47	706.98	5.49	0.8%
7150 · Travel	0.00	173.40	-173.40	-100.0%
7151 · Lodging	590.90	286.33	304.57	106.4%
7160 · Meals and Entertainment	270.00	219.76	50.24	22.9%
7181 · Contract Labor	640.00	0.00	640.00	100.0%
7195 · Merchant Account Fees	4,723.61	4,699.55	24.06	0.5%
7200 · Miscellaneous	-895.30	0.00	-895.30	-100.0%
7300 · Utilities Services				
7310 · Electric Service	965.62	921.70	43.92	4.8%
7300 · Utilities Services - Other	456.81	160.00	296.81	185.5%
Total 7300 · Utilities Services	1,422.43	1,081.70	340.73	31.5%
Total 6000 · General Expenses	48,407.89	42,846.69	5,561.20	13.0%
Total Expense	48,407.89	42,846.69	5,561.20	13.0%
Net Ordinary Income	52,908.35	58,104.43	-5,196.08	-8.9%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
8000 · Other Income				
8021 · Bank Interest	21.59	0.00	21.59	100.0%
8090 · Cash Over	0.38	53.41	-53.03	-99.3%
Total 8000 · Other Income	21.97	53.41	-31.44	-58.9%
Total Other Income	21.97	53.41	-31.44	-58.9%
Other Expense				
7000 · Other Expenses				
7001 · Administration Allocated	18,578.45	19,125.95	-547.50	-2.9%
Total 7000 · Other Expenses	18,578.45	19,125.95	-547.50	-2.9%
Total Other Expense	18,578.45	19,125.95	-547.50	-2.9%
Net Other Income	-18,556.48	-19,072.54	516.06	2.7%
Net Income	34,351.87	39,031.89	-4,680.02	-12.0%

Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Luana C Gibbs, Interim Health Director
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: 2015 State of the County Health (SOTCH) Report

SUMMARY: Every three (3) years, Local Health Departments (LHDs) are required to submit a comprehensive Community Health Assessment (CHA), which requires the collection of primary and secondary data specific to our county. The most recent CHA for Hyde County was conducted in 2014. During the two (2) interim years, the local health department issues a State-of-the-County's Health Report (SOTCH) that provides updated information about the priority health issues specific to the county. The results are to be disseminated to local health department stakeholders, community partners and the general population

RECOMMEND: RECEIVE THE ATTACHED 2015 STATE OF THE COUNTY HEALTH REPORT FOR HYDE COUNTY, AFTER A BRIEF PRESENTATION BY ANNA MOTTELER, PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATOR II

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons

Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons

Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
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2015
STATE OF THE COUNTY
HEALTH REPORT

Hyde County, NC



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Photography*

From the lodge to the lighthouse
We're striving for a healthier Hyde



About the Report

The State of the County Health (SOTCH) Report is created during the years between Community Health Assessments as a way to track and present annual changes and progress in the health of the county. The SOTCH is a document which provides an overview of leading health priorities, emerging issues, and new health initiatives in the county.



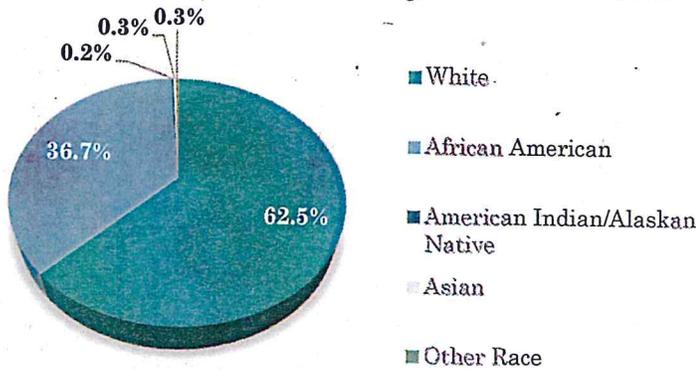
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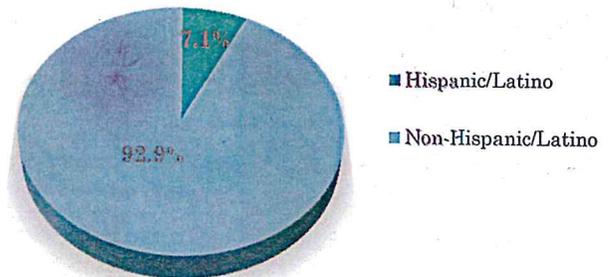
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Hyde County at a Glance

2014 Race/Ethnicity Estimates



2014 Estimates of Hispanic/Latino Population



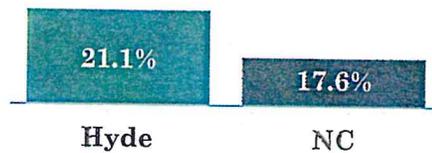
Median Age*

The median age for Hyde is 7 years older than that of the state.



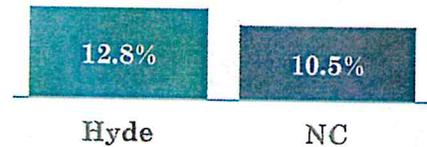
Poverty*

The percent of people living in poverty in Hyde is higher than in NC.



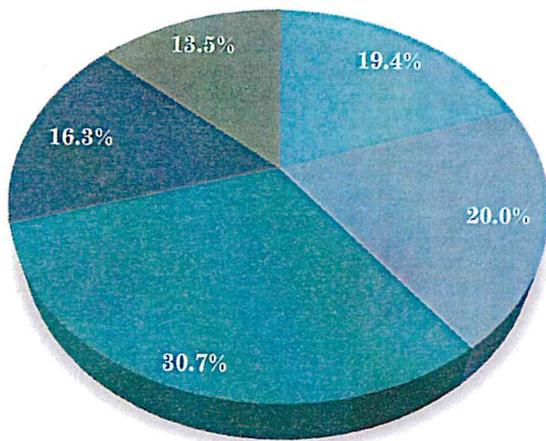
Unemployment*

The percentage of people unemployed in Hyde is higher than in NC.

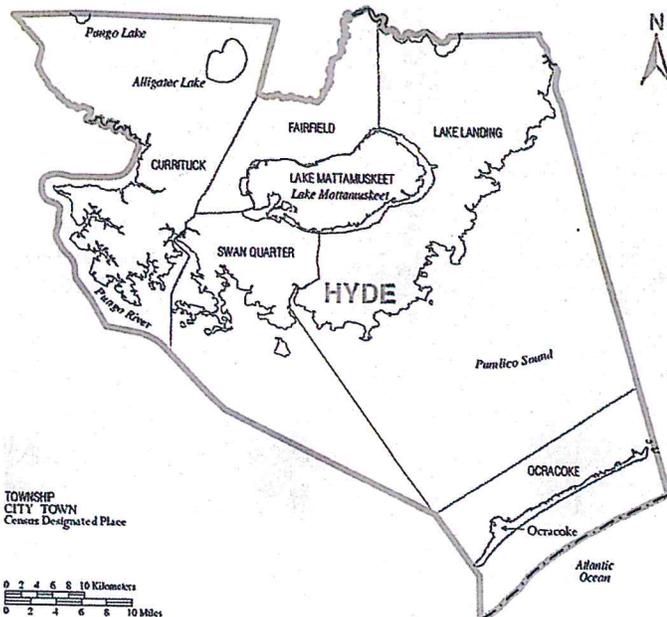


*Figures are estimates for 2014

2014 Township Population Percentages



- Currituck
- Fairfield
- Lake Landing
- Ocracoke
- Swan Quarter



2014 Population Estimate:

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Leading Health Priorities

In Hyde County, a Community Health Assessment (CHA) is performed every three years in collaboration with our local hospitals and community & regional agencies. The most recent CHA was conducted last year, in 2014. The CHA process involves a review of county health data, as well as the collection and review of community input on the topic of health. Once all data is reviewed, leading health priorities are selected prior to action planning. These are the top health priorities identified in the 2014 CHA:

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION (Chronic Disease Prevention)

ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Physical Activity & Nutrition (Chronic Disease Prevention)

PROGRESS MADE IN 2015

★ Denotes new funding opportunity!

School-Based Programming

- English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers at Hyde County Schools have been trained in the evidence-based weight-management program, KidShape2.0. This 6-week program empowers families to adopt healthier eating and physical activity habits while promoting positive self-esteem.
- Afterschool staff at Hyde County Schools have been trained in the evidence-based program, Youth Fit for Life. This 24-week program aims to improve self-efficacy with respect to exercise and physical activity, self-regulation of these behaviors, and behavioral performance. The program has been incorporated into the existing afterschool programming at Hyde County Schools.

Community-Based Programming

- ★ Thanks to grant funds from the Vidant Community Benefit Grant Program, the Hyde County Health Department and Hyde County Cooperative Extension offered Healthy Hyde Cooking Classes at various locations in mainland Hyde in the fall of 2015. These classes involved hands-on meal preparation, as well as a nutrition education component.



Annual PDL Health Forum, June 2015

- For the better half of a decade, the Hyde Partners for Health Chronic Disease Taskforce, better known as Project DIRECT Legacy (PDL), have empowered their community to take control of their health. In 2015, PDL held their annual event called The Health Forum in June 2015, with 44 community members in attendance. This 4-hour event, open to the public, included informational sessions on health-related topics such as high blood pressure, cholesterol, obesity, nutrition, and breast, cervical, & prostate cancer. The expert panel that facilitated this event included a local physician, registered dietitian, health educator, and public health nurses.

Healthy Food Access

- ★ The “food desserts” in Hyde County present barriers to residents who aim to maintain a healthy diet. Therefore, in collaboration with regional agencies and Partnerships Improving Community Health grant funding from the Centers for Disease Control, the Hyde County Health Department facilitated the increase in access to fresh, local produce by supporting local farm stands and produce outlets. These outlets received materials and supplies to increase their ability to get their healthy food products in the hands of local families.

Diagnoses & Management of Chronic Disease

- In 2015, the Hyde County Health Department began offering face-to-face Primary Care services to the community after the new hire of Family Nurse Practitioner. These services have undoubtedly increased the identification and management of overweight/obesity, and chronic disease in county residents. As a result, we also have greater insights into overweight/obesity and chronic disease prevalence/etiology in community.

RELATED DIAGNOSES

In both the 2011 and 2014 CHA Community Input Surveys, respondents were asked to report on diagnoses by a doctor. Several diagnoses that are directly affected by physical inactivity & poor nutritional habits have increased in recent years.

High Blood Pressure



2014 CHA

2011 CHA

High Cholesterol



2014 CHA

2011 CHA

Overweight/Obesity



2014 CHA

2011 CHA

Access to Primary Care

Progress Made in 2015

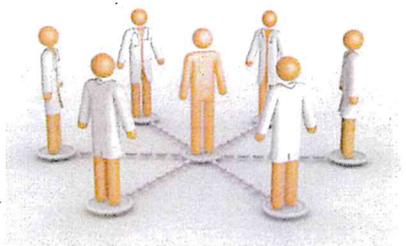
About 66.8% of surveyed Hyde County residents travel outside of the county for primary care services.

Health Department Services

- In February 2015, the Hyde County Health Department began offering Primary Care Services upon hiring a Family Nurse Practitioner. From February to December 2015, there were 619 total patient visits, 314 of which were coded as Adult Health or Primary Care. All other visits were coded as breast & cervical cancer prevention, child health, epidemiology, family planning, immunization, maternal health, sexually transmitted diseases, or "other services".

Strengthening Community Partnerships

- The Hyde County Health Department, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Department of Social Services, and local hospitals work together for the purpose of ensuring the highest quality and most accessible primary care possible between our locations and services.



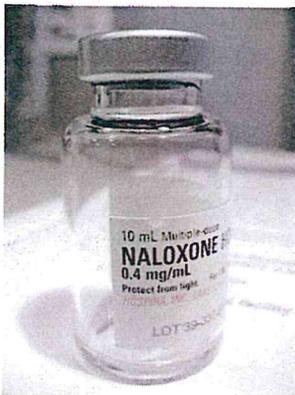
Hyde County residents who were surveyed believe that the availability and affordability of health care is among the top five issues affecting the quality of life in Hyde County.

Substance Abuse

Progress Made in 2015

Prescription Drug Abuse & Overdose Prevention ★

- In 2015, the Hyde County Injury Prevention Coalition (IPC) was formed to address the issue of prescription drug abuse in the county. The coalition consists of public health providers, emergency management staff, volunteer fire chiefs, law enforcement officers, mental health agency staff, school health & counseling staff, and more.
- The Hyde County Health Department has adopted a standing order for the opioid overdose antidote medication, Naloxone. This means that public health providers can dispense Naloxone kits to someone who uses or knows someone who uses opioids regularly. Thanks to grant funding, these kits are available to patients free-of-charge.



- Naloxone is now available to all first responders and law enforcement as a means to reduce overdose deaths in Hyde County.
- Medication drop boxes were purchased and distributed to all local law enforcement offices in the county. County residents now have an easy way to properly dispose of unused or expired medications.
- Advertising strategies were engaged in 2015 in order to raise awareness about prescription drug abuse and proper storage/disposal of medications. Ads were run via radio, newspaper, social media, online newsletter, church bulletins, and other methods.

Hyde County residents who were surveyed believe that alcohol and drug abuse is the second most important issue affecting the quality of life in Hyde County, second only to job availability & security.

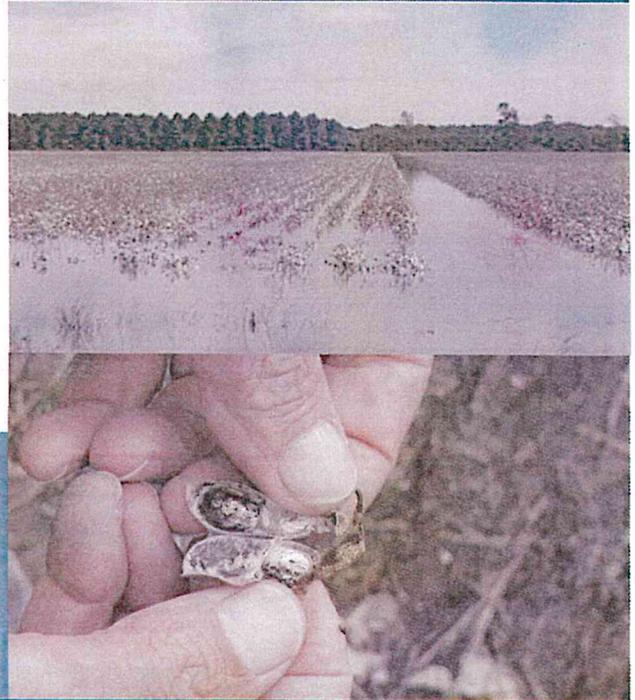
Hyde County residents who were surveyed believe that substance abuse prevention/treatment is the second most important health topic that Hyde County residents need more information about, second only to eating well/nutrition.

★ New funding opportunity, made possible by funds from North Carolina Community Care Networks, Inc.

New & Emerging Issues

FALL 2015 RAINFALL

In October 2015, Hurricane Joaquin and other storms brought abnormally excessive amounts of rain to the region. This created a number of issues for the residents of Hyde County. County businesses were halted for 3 consecutive days, and local crops were negatively impacted by the rain accumulation.



On average, about 30% of soybean crops and 40% of cotton crops were lost in the county, depending on location.

Rainfall damage to crops resulted in about an \$8-13 million loss for county farmers.

On average, local farmers were able to plant about half the amount of wheat than was planted last year.

County Health Rankings

Each year, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation releases the County Health Rankings. The rankings allow you to see how the health of your county compares to other counties in your state. Below you can see how Hyde County ranks in 2015 (out of 100 counties, where "1" is the best rank).

Health Outcomes	64
Length of Life	84
Quality of Life	23
Health Factors	72
Health Behaviors	45
Clinical Care	94
Social & Economic Factors	75
Physical Environment	1

Leading Causes of Death

LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH

(2010 - 2014)

1. Cancer
2. Heart Disease
3. Cerebrovascular Disease
4. Diabetes Mellitus
5. Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease
6. Alzheimer's Disease

Nephritis, Nephrotic Syndrome, & Nephrosis

7. Other Unintentional Injuries

8. Unintentional Motor Vehicle Injuries

9. Suicide

Pneumonia & Influenza

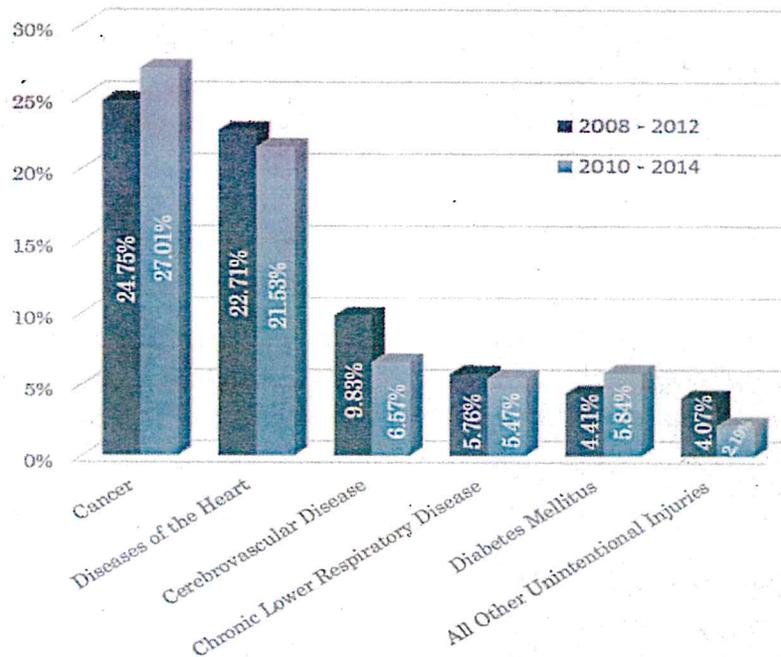
10. Septicemia

Chronic Liver & Cirrhosis

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

Homicide

Leading Causes of Death
2008 - 2012 versus 2010 - 2014



Age Groups	Rank	Cause of Death	# of Deaths	Death Rate
Total Deaths - All Ages			274	951.9
00-19 Years	Total Deaths - All Causes		7	121.2
	1	Conditions originating in the perinatal period	2	34.6
		Chronic lower respiratory diseases	1	17.3
	2	Congenital anomalies (birth defects)	1	17.3
20-39 Years	Total Deaths - All Causes		7	90.6
	1	Motor vehicle injuries	2	25.9
		Cancer - All Sites	1	12.9
	2	Diabetes mellitus	1	12.9
40-64 Years	Total Deaths - All Causes		51	484.1
	1	Cancer - All Sites	23	218.3
	2	Diseases from the heart	10	94.9
		Homicide	1	12.9
65-84 Years	Total Deaths - All Causes		130	3141.6
	1	Cancer - All Sites	38	918.3
	2	Diseases from the heart	29	700.8
		Other unintentional injuries	1	12.9
85+ Years	Total Deaths - All Causes		79	12908.5
	1	Diseases from the heart	20	3268
	2	Cancer - All Sites	12	1960.8

Birth Outcomes & Statistics

Resident Live Birth Rates per 1,000 Population (2010-2014)

Total		Non-Hispanic								Hispanic	
		Total		White		Black		Other			
Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate	Births	Rate
257	8.9	223	8.4	176	10.1	46	5.2	1	4.7	34	15.5

There were 257 live births between 2010 and 2014, 86.8% of which were non-Hispanic.

Resident Birth Risk Factors & Characteristics (2014)

		Births	% of Births
Trimester Care Began	1st	25	67.6%
	2nd	10	27.0%
	3rd	2	5.4%
Infants Breastfed at Discharge	Yes	29	78.4%
	No	8	21.6%
Maternal Pre-Pregnancy BMI	Underweight (<18.5)	2	5.4%
	Normal (18.5-24.9)	10	27.0%
	Overweight (25.0-29.9)	8	21.6%
	Obese (30.0)	17	45.9%

In 2014, 67.6% of mothers began prenatal care during the first trimester; 78.4% of infants were breastfed at discharge; and 67.5% of mothers had a pre-pregnancy BMI that was considered "overweight or obese".

Resident Birth Weights (2010-2014)

	Total Births	
	Births	% of Births
Premature Births (<37 weeks)	29	11.3%
Low Birth Weight	22	8.6%
Very Low Birth Weight	9	3.5%

From 2010 to 2014, 11.3% of births were premature, and 12.1% of babies were born with a "low" or "very low" birth weight.

Life Expectancy at Birth

	2010-2012	2012-2014
TOTAL	76.7	80
<i>Male</i>	77.5	78
<i>Female</i>	74.6	81.4
<i>White</i>	76.9	80.6
<i>African American</i>	75.9	79.2

The life expectancy has increased from 76.7 years in 2010-2012 to 80 years in 2012-2014.

Morbidity Data

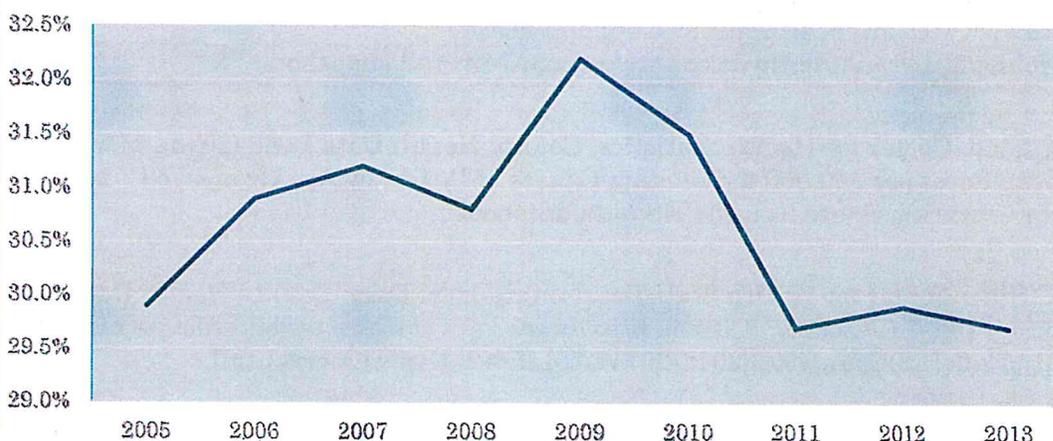
It is estimated that there were 39 new cases of cancer diagnoses and 14 cancer-related deaths in 2015.

Projected New Cancer Cases & Deaths for Hyde County, 2015

	Total	Lung/ Bronchus	Female Breast	Prostate	Colon/ Rectum
Projected New Cases	39	6	6	6	3
Projected Deaths	14	4	1	1	1

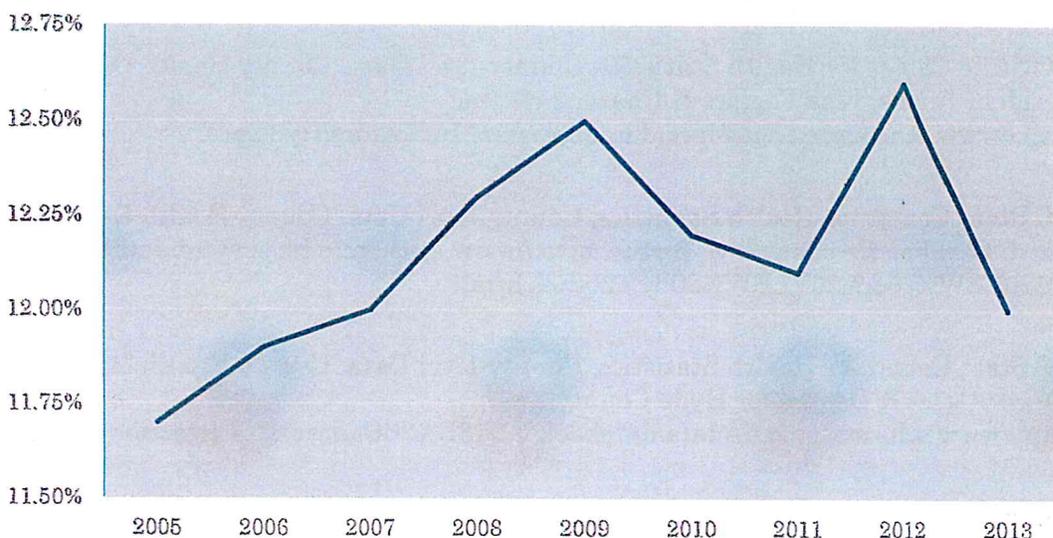
The average prevalence of diagnosed obesity among adults in Hyde County over the period of 2011-2013 was about 30% compared to about 31% in 2005-2010.

Obesity Prevalence for Hyde County, 2011-2013



The average prevalence of diagnosed diabetes among adults in Hyde County over the 2011-2013 period has changed very little since the 2005-2010 period, hovering at about 12%.

Diabetes Prevalence for Hyde County, 2011-2013



For more information, please contact the Hyde County Health Department at 252-926-4200.

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**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: County Manager Bill Rich
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

SUMMARY: Manager Bill Rich will announce the Employee of the Month.
The employee will spin the "Wheel of Thanks."

RECOMMEND: Congratulations.

Motion Made By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Vote: Earl Pugh, Jr.
 Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 Tom Pahl

Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Citizens
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

SUMMARY: Citizens are afforded an opportunity at this time to comment on issues they feel may be of importance to the Commissioners and to their fellow citizens.

Comments should be kept to (3) minutes and directed to the entire Board, not just one individual Commissioner, staff member or to a member of the audience.

Time for one person cannot be used by another person.

Comments that reflect the need for additional assistance will be directed to the County Manager or referred to a future meeting agenda.

RECOMMEND: Receive comments.

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Debbie Cahoon
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: Resolution opposing the proposed expansion of the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge

SUMMARY: The Hyde Soil & Water Conservation Board of Supervisors have reviewed the proposed expansion report of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge dated September 19, 2016 and are opposed to the acquisition of 11,932.8 acres of land belonging to Mattamuskeet Ventures and Coastal Land Holdings, LLC.

RECOMMEND: The Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District Board are opposed to this proposed expansion of the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge and recommend other parties and agencies to oppose this expansion as well.

Motion Made By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 John Fletcher
 Earl Pugh, Jr.

Motion Seconded By: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 John Fletcher
 Earl Pugh, Jr.

Vote: Barry Swindell
 Dick Tunnell
 Ben Simmons
 John Fletcher
 Earl Pugh, Jr.



RESOLUTION
OPPOSING THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE ALLIGATOR RIVER
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

WHEREAS, the Hyde County Soil and Water Conservation District Board has reviewed the proposed expansion of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge by the acquisition of 11,932.8 acres of land belonging to Mattamuskeet Ventures and Coastal Land Holdings, LLC, and hereby resolves that we are opposed to this expansion of the refuge.

WHEREAS, the refuge is currently comprised of 153,017 acres in both Hyde and Dare counties. Taking another 11,000 acres out of the Hyde County tax base would put a hardship on the county and it's residents as it relates to tax revenues.

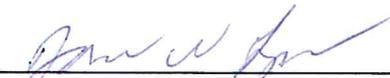
WHEREAS, in addition to the burdens it puts on the citizens of Hyde County, it is also spending money that the federal government doesn't have. Much of the land in the proposed expansion is in the Wetlands Reserve Program. With the \$20 trillion national deficit, it is fiscally irresponsible to spend U.S. taxpayer dollars for land that has permanent easements on it that mandate it be kept as wetlands in perpetuity.

WHEREAS, the proposed expansion is outside of the current refuge acquisition boundary, and thus should require more scrutiny as to why they are seeking to add land outside of a preapproved acquisition area.

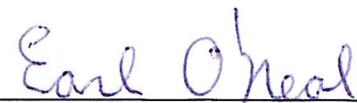
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hyde Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors are opposed to this expansion of the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge and we encourage other parties and agencies to oppose this expansion as well.

ADOPTED this the 8th day of December, 2016.

Attested by:



Chairman
Hyde Soil & Water Conservation



Secretary/Treasurer
Hyde Soil & Water Conservation

Decision Report
Proposed Expansion of
Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge
Dare and Hyde Counties, North Carolina

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Southeast Region
Atlanta, GA

September 19, 2016

I. OBJECTIVES

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region, proposes to acquire, protect, and manage approximately 11,932.8 acres of land as additions to Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge in Dare and Hyde Counties, North Carolina (Figures 1 and 2). The land proposed for acquisition would create a corridor from Alligator River NWR through Wetland Reserve Program lands to Mattamuskeet NWR, Buckridge Coastal Reserve, and Pocosin Lakes NWR. The proposed area is on the forefront of sea-level rise and would provide a buffer to slow the impact of salt water intrusion and a path of retreat for species whose habitats are in transition. The land is currently managed for waterfowl, shorebirds and other birds with impoundments and forested land in natural states. Red wolves occupy the land and given recent actions with regard to this species' management, acquiring additional desirable federal land would provide much needed area for this species to survive on the landscape. The land would also provide additional habitat for the benefit of many other species of wildlife.

The scope of this Decision Report is limited to the proposed minor expansion of the acquisition boundary of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. The report is not intended to cover the specific method(s) of land acquisition that may be used, nor the development and/or implementation of detailed, specific programs for the administration and management of those lands. If the refuge is expanded and the needed lands or interests in lands are acquired, the Service would modify the refuge's existing management plans to incorporate the new lands and resources under its control. At that time, these modified refuge management plans would be reviewed in accordance with Departmental requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act.

II. LOCATION AND SIZE

Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge was established in March 1984 through the donation of 118,000 acres by the Prudential Life Insurance Company. Over the following 23 years 17 additional tracts of land were acquired for the refuge bringing the current size to 153,017.35 acres. The current acquisition boundary is 239,800 acres. This proposed expansion would establish a new acquisition boundary that would include 11,932.8 additional acres that are adjacent to current refuge lands bringing the total acquisition boundary acreage to 252,400 (Figure 2).

The Refuge is bounded by the Albemarle Sound to the north, Alligator River to the north and west, Croatan Sound to the east and Pamlico Sound to the south. The closest Service owned land to Alligator River NWR is Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge also located in Hyde County, North Carolina. Within the acquisition boundary and completely surrounded by refuge lands is the Dare County Range constructed by the U.S. Air Force and used by the Air Force and Navy for target practice with inert ordnance.

III. DESCRIPTION OF HABITAT

The property considered in this proposed federal action is made up of 8 tracts of land with a total of 2 owners, Mattamuskeet Ventures and Coastal Land Holdings, LLC (Figure 2). The majority of the land, in excess of 8,000 acres, is currently managed for waterfowl and wildlife with significant acreage in the Wetland Reserve Program. Approximately 4,000 acres is currently devoted to agriculture. Specific habitat types include cropland, Cypress Gum forest, Mixed Pine Hardwood Forest, and Mixed Hardwood Swamp.

IV. MAJOR FISH AND WILDLIFE VALUES

Currently, the property's six waterfowl impoundments are actively managed for waterfowl, shorebirds, and marsh and wading birds, and they winter thousands of ducks, geese, and swans. Owner-reported waterfowl numbers indicate that up to 20,000 ducks, 10,000 swans and 10,000 snow geese are supported on these impoundments. Federal, state, and non-governmental conservation organizations have identified Mattamuskeet Ventures as important in the conservation of wildlife. Additionally, a pack of red wolves (an offshoot of the original population begun on the Refuge) was established on the property until recently and conditions are favorable for red wolf habitat.

V. RELATIONSHIP OF PROJECT TO ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The South Atlantic Conservation Cooperative Conservation Blueprint highlights the area including Mattamuskeet Ventures as an area of high and highest priority for conservation. This designation is based on input from resource management professionals and information and data gathered from conservation plans and State Wildlife Action Plans. The property addresses aspects of the five Landscape Conservation Design tenets the Service aspires to in its land protection planning.

1. **Partnership Driven:** The property is within an Atlantic Coast Joint Venture migratory bird priority area. It is part of the Northern Bobwhite Quail conservation strategy area which represents 25 state wildlife action plans. It is one of The Nature Conservancy's Conservation Priorities. It is part of an area recognized in the North Carolina Green Growth Toolbox for conservation.

Acquisition of the property would expand our partnership with the State of North Carolina through the increased opportunity of large and small game hunting and waterfowl hunting to the public. We currently partner with the North Carolina Wildlife

Resources Commission to manage hunting on our northeastern North Carolina refuges. The Commission is interested in increasing public hunting opportunities.

- 2. Assess Current Conditions and Project Future Conditions:** The majority of the property is in the Wetlands Reserve Program and has been restored to a more natural state than the agricultural land. This is a great opportunity for the refuge to add premium wildlife habitat without the cost of restoration that is so often the case on former agricultural land. In addition, due to the location the land will be a transition habitat as sea-level rises within the next 40 years (SALCC Conservation Blueprint). The location of the property connects or nearly connects three National Wildlife Refuges, State Game Lands and a State Estuarine Reserve effectively creating a corridor that will aid wildlife during sea level rise transition.

Until recently, 2016, the property supported a pack of red wolves and given the mix of forest and crop land, the habitat is especially ideal for support of the red wolf. Recent developments in landowner sentiment toward red wolf habitation of private lands increase the need for suitable habitat in conservation ownership.

- 3. Identify Desired Characteristics and Outcomes:** The property currently supports up to 20,000 ducks, 10,000 swans and 10,000 snow geese on the managed impoundments. In addition, this is an important area as articulated in the South Atlantic Conservation Cooperative Conservation Blueprint based on significance in supporting water quality in the Albemarle Sound and its role in protection of an estuary of National significance as designated by Congress. A desired outcome is the creation of a corridor connecting Alligator River NWR to Mattamuskeet NWR, Pocosin Lakes NWR, and Roanoke River NWR that will allow for the migration of habitats and species adapting to sea level rise impacts on the Albemarle-Pamlico Peninsula. This area is also identified under the Southeast Natural Resources Leadership Group (SENRLG) process. It supports important estuarine and fisheries habitat (e.g. seagrasses, coastal wetlands, oyster reefs) and is a connection point between the marine, estuarine, and freshwater areas.
- 4. Who is Doing What? Why Us?** The property has been managed for wildlife and the majority is already enrolled in the Wetland Reserve Program. The owners have created impoundments for resident and migratory waterfowl and have managed game populations as well. Acquisition by the Service is important to maintain the wildlife value of the land and to add needed habitat for the endangered Red wolf in this time of programmatic change. The current owners support management for migratory birds and other wildlife values, a change in ownership could jeopardize these very real benefits to the Service. This also offers the Service the opportunity to support State of North Carolina efforts to provide public access to lands for recreational purposes. The land in question is currently not open to public hunting opportunities and through Service ownership and the existing partnership with North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission; hunting could be opened to the public.

Several other options include procurement by an owner who wants to develop the land for some other purpose, procurement by one who wants to farm the land, or procurement for conservation. We are the only entity that has been approached by the owners so far. It is the owners' desire that the land to continue as conservation land and as part of Alligator River NWR.

5. **How Will We Do it?** We would seek to enlarge the acquisition boundary of Alligator River NWR to include the area of interest and pursue avenues of funding for fee title purchase of the Mattamuskeet Venture holdings. We would pursue fee title purchase or conservation easements on Coastal Land Holdings, LLC properties depending on the owner's interests. We would continue to manage the area for wildlife and, where opportunities exist for restoration, we would pursue those types of modifications on the landscape.

VI. THREATS

Threats to this landscape include impacts from sea-level rise, habitat fragmentation, and land use conversion. Alligator River NWR, Mattamuskeet NWR, Swan Quarter and Pocosin Lakes NWR are all located along this section of the North Carolina coast. The refuges are experiencing changes to the landscape based on effects of sea-level rise including salt water intrusion, habitat transitions due to salt water intrusion, erosion, and subsidence. Programs are underway at these refuges to slow these impacts including installation of natural shoreline buffers, hydrology restoration and drainage canal retrofitting.

The property in question is for sale. If the Service cannot acquire the property there is a real chance that it will be sold to other interests. Hyde County is one of the poorest and least populated counties in North Carolina with limited options for industry. Possible uses for property such as this are farming or other industries that by necessity locate away from urban areas. Currently, the largest employer in this county is Rose Acre Farms, a commercial chicken and egg producer.

Wildlife will need the time and space to adjust to the climate driven changes on the landscape that are coming. The location of the property and the current management of the property make it an ideal addition to the refuge creating a corridor between conservation areas and much needed quality habitat for wildlife.

VII. ALTERNATIVES

In determining how to best protect the 11,932.8-acre project lands identified in this document, the Service considered and evaluated two alternative actions. These are:

Alternative 1: No Action

This is the "status quo" alternative. Under this alternative, the Service would not accept any donations or acquire an interest in any of the lands within the proposed 11,932.8-acre expansion area. The project lands would remain in private ownership, and a combination of recreational, residential, and commercial development would likely occur. Protection the area's fish and wildlife habitats, and its other natural resource values would be contingent upon the enforcement of existing federal, state, and local regulatory authorities (the Clean Water Act, state water quality and pollution requirements, etc.), and the discretion of the private landowners.

Alternative 2: Acquisition and Management of up to 11,932.8 acres by the Fish and Wildlife Service (Proposed Alternative)

Under this alternative, the Service would acquire an interest in up to 11,932.8 acres and manage these lands as part of Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge (Figure 2). This is the proposed alternative, as the Service would manage these lands for their nationally significant natural resource values and their diversity of wildlife habitats. Special emphasis would be placed on protecting additional habitat for waterfowl, neotropical migratory birds and other species of residential wildlife. Habitat and continued protection for the endangered red wolf would be secured. Habitat for the other wildlife including black bear and small mammals would also be conserved.

VIII. BENEFITS

Acquisition of the proposed project lands would allow the Service to protect and manage for shorebirds, marsh and wading birds, and waterfowl in excess of 20,000 ducks, 10,000 swans and 10,000 snow geese. Habitat for the endangered red wolf would be secured as well as continued protection. Habitat for the other wildlife including black bear and small mammals would also be conserved.

The lands would promote sea-level rise resilience across the landscape and provide wildlife corridors for those species responding to habitat transition.

In addition, the property will provide increased opportunities for collaboration with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission to provide for public recreation opportunities. Currently, the proposed lands offer no public hunting or fishing opportunities. It is anticipated that the proposed project lands would offer outstanding opportunities for wildlife-dependent public use.

IX. ESTIMATED COST

The land acquisition costs would be based on the current fair market value as determined by an appraisal. The owners of Mattamuskeet Ventures recently, 2015, commissioned an appraisal for their property. The table below shows the value given to the land in that appraisal.

<u>Property Type</u>	<u>Value per Acre</u>	<u># of Acres</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Recreational Use	\$1,875/Acre	5558.72	10,422,600
Duck Impoundments	\$7,600/Acre	2,563	19,481,080
Convertible to Croplands	\$3,250/Acre	327.98	\$1,065,935
Croplands	\$6,750/Acre	190.02	\$1,283,850
Canal/Lodge	\$55,000/Acre	7.60	\$418,000
Totals		8,647.8	\$32,671,465

The estimated cost of the 3285 acres of Coastal Land Holdings, LLC property if purchased in fee title is \$5,748,750 at \$1,750 per acre based on tax records.

X. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANTS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE

A Level I contaminant survey was conducted on the entire proposal area, and no hazardous substances or other environmental problems were revealed.

XI. CULTURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCE IMPACTS

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and Section 14 of the Archaeological Resources Protection Act require the Service to evaluate the effects of any of its actions on cultural resources (e.g., historic, architectural, and archaeological) that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). In accordance with these regulations, the Service has submitted this proposal to the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office.

The Service believes that the proposed acquisition of lands will have no adverse effect on any known or yet-to-be identified NRHP-eligible cultural resources, and would instead contribute to the protection of the historic values of this site. If, in the future, the Service plans or permits any actions that might affect eligible cultural resources, it will carry out appropriate site identifications, evaluations, and protection measures as specified in the regulations and in Service directives and manuals.

Figure 1. Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Acquisition Boundary

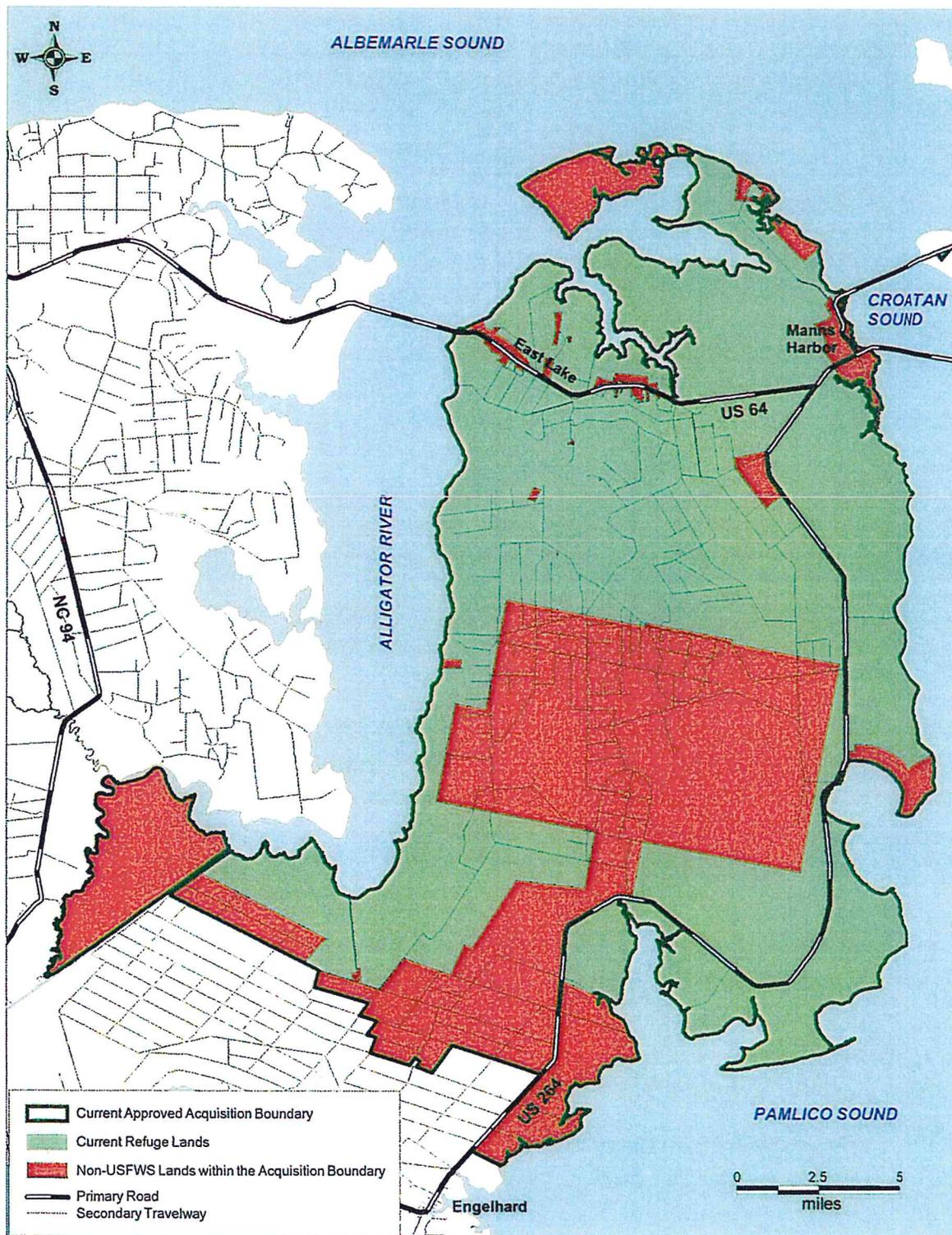
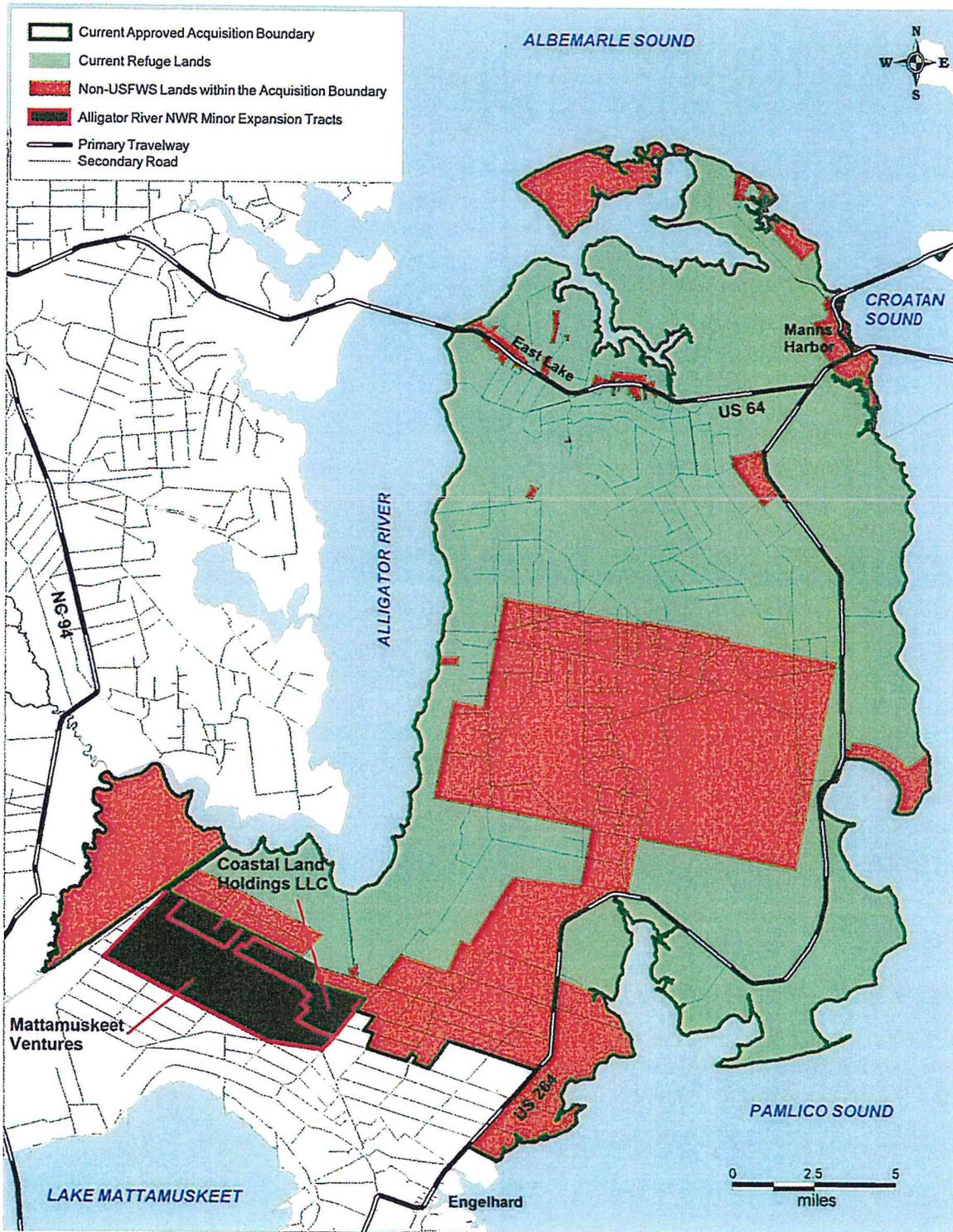


Figure 2. Proposed Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge Minor Expansion



**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Kris Cahoon Noble
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION OPPOSING WF PETITION TO DESIGNATE SPECIAL SECONDARY NURSERY AREAS "TRAWL BAN"

SUMMARY: Attached please find the resolution in opposition to a proposed trawl ban in North Carolina's internal waters.

RECOMMEND: APPROVE RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO DISTRIBUTE

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO PETITION FOR RULEMAKING TO AMEND 15A
ADMIN. CODE 3L .0101, 3L .0103, 3M .0522, 3M .0523, 3N .0151, AND 3R .0105 TO
DESIGNATE SPECIAL SECONDARY NURSERY AREAS AND REDUCE BYCATCH
MORTALITY IN NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FISHING WATERS AS PRESENTED BY
THE NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE FEDERATION**

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Wildlife Federation (“the Federation”) has filed a Petition (“Petition”) for Rulemaking to amend 15A Admin. Code 3L .0101, 3L .0103, 3M .0522, 3M .0523, 3N .0151, and 3R .0105 to Designate Special Secondary Nursery Areas and Reduce Bycatch Mortality in North Carolina Coastal Fishing Waters.

WHEREAS, Hyde County strives to promote and ensure the viability and sustainability of North Carolina’s valuable fisheries resources for all citizens including consumers demanding fresh North Carolina seafood.

WHEREAS, Hyde County strongly endorses support of this resolution against rulemaking that proposes reclassifying internal coastal waters as secondary nursery areas.

WHEREAS, Hyde County has a 300 year history of commercial fishing in Pamlico Sound and relies greatly on commercial fishing as their second largest industry supporting the Hyde County economy.

WHEREAS, hundreds of people in Hyde County rely on shrimp trawling to support their families, surrounding businesses, communities and the local economy. Hyde County’s shrimp fishermen are small, family-owned, independent businesses that sell to seafood dealers that seasonally employ hundreds more and whose expenditures spread through the communities in Hyde County.

WHEREAS, trawl effects greatly depend on the design of the gear, intensity of use and location used. The largest proportion of the bottom of the Pamlico Sound is soft, muddy bottom or soft, sandy bottom, where shrimp trawls and their doors have not been found to be highly destructive.

WHEREAS, D. Corbett et al. 2004, found that shrimp trawl effects on the bottom found in most of the Pamlico Sound have been described by scientists as similar to harsh winter storms with short term impacts.

WHEREAS, R.A. Deehr 2012, found that scientists have found that trawling disturbance can stimulate an increase in population numbers of bottom invertebrates and that predators of those invertebrates were more common in areas not open to trawling.

WHEREAS, trawls are designed to be selective for certain sized fish by modifying the mesh size, modifying the design, and speed of tow. Shrimp trawls in North Carolina are required to use finfish excluders to allow small fish to escape.

WHEREAS, according to Harrington, D.L. and R.A. Vendetti in 1996, as much as 70% of the juvenile finfish are excluded with finfish excluders. North Carolina was the first state to require finfish excluders in shrimp trawls in its internal waters.

WHEREAS, shrimp trawlers are also required to use Turtle Excluder Devices (TEDs) to allow sea turtles to escape. Scientists have documented that TEDs exclude significant amounts of juvenile finfish.

WHEREAS, the Albemarle-Pamlico Sound, which is the largest brackish water body in any one state in the United States of America, is unique in its characteristics and cannot be compared to water bodies in other states. The Albemarle-Pamlico Sound is large and dynamic but relatively shallow.

WHEREAS, Pamlico Sound is one of the few water bodies that support commercial quantities of pink, white and brown shrimp in the south Atlantic.

WHEREAS, North Carolina is the only state that has formally designated nursery areas for juvenile fish, shrimp and crabs. All bottom-disturbing fishing gear is prohibited in these areas, including shrimp trawls and has been prohibited for over 35 years. The greatest majority of bays and creeks of western and northern Pamlico Sound are classified as secondary nursery areas to protect these populations.

WHEREAS, 124,000 acres of estuarine areas are classified as primary or secondary nursery areas. An additional 47,000 acres of brackish waters are classified as special secondary nursery areas. These areas are closed to trawling, but may be opened when the majority of juvenile fish have migrated from the areas. In 2006 almost 92,000 acres in the Pamlico, Pungo and Neuse Rivers were closed to shrimp trawling as part of the North Carolina Shrimp Fisheries Management Plan. In total almost 1,000,000 acres of internal coastal waters are closed to trawling in North Carolina representing approximately 48% of the total.

WHEREAS, North Carolina has not allowed trawling in Albemarle Sound since 1987. North Carolina closed extensive areas of submerged aquatic vegetation located on the eastern shore of the Outer Banks from Oregon Inlet to the mouth of Core Sound to shrimp trawling in 1994. These areas serve as nurseries for juvenile fish and shrimp.

WHEREAS, shrimp trawl fishermen try to fish in areas that maximize shrimp catch and minimize finfish bycatch. High amounts of finfish bycatch increase fuel costs and labor costs in addition to decreasing the economic quality of the shrimp caught. Shrimp trawl fishermen currently avoid high amounts of bycatch at every opportunity.

WHEREAS, characterizing bycatch in the North Carolina shrimp trawl fishery is difficult due to factors including but not limited to distribution of the bycatch species, variation in fishing effort, variations in gear, the seasonality of the fishery, and mortality of the bycatch species. The Director of the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries recognized in August of 2013 that 4.5 lbs of fish per lb. of shrimp is “not a good estimate” and is “not the appropriate way to characterize bycatch.”

WHEREAS, the variation of the amount of finfish to shrimp in a shrimp trawl is tremendous. Scientists studying bycatch in North Carolina have cautioned that finfish/shrimp ratios tend to overestimate bycatch.

WHEREAS, survival rates of discarded finfish from the shrimp trawl catches are also difficult to accurately calculate. Survival rates are greatly influenced by trawl tow times, water temperatures, catch volumes, and the time it takes to cull the fish. Studies have shown that creatures of the ecosystem where the shrimp are caught do consume large quantities of the discarded finfish that die. Blue Crabs and other benthic invertebrates, birds and bottlenose dolphins all consume discarded finfish.

WHEREAS, North Carolina is recognized by other states and the federal government as having one of the best fisheries data collection programs in the country. Since 1978, North Carolina has been collecting detailed biological data on spot, Atlantic croaker, and gray trout; species most common in shrimp trawl bycatch. Data collected by the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries is used to assess population levels and to identify sources of fishing mortality.

WHEREAS, the 2010 Atlantic Croaker Stock Assessment Report for Peer Review, prepared by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, states that in a 2010 stock assessment of Atlantic croaker, it found that while there was too much uncertainty in the models to precisely determine if the population was overfished, scientists state it is unlikely the stock is overfished based on other population data.

WHEREAS, spot are not classified as overfished but are classified as concerned by the North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries. However, scientists recognize it is very difficult to determine population status from landings data.

WHEREAS, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission found in their Weakfish Stock Assessment Report in 2009 that there is little evidence that overfishing is occurring on weakfish and they believe other factors besides fishing are causing the weakfish stock decline.

WHEREAS, federal scientists in the 2005 South Atlantic Shrimp FMP found that while reviewing the stock status of weakfish, spot and Atlantic croaker, they could find no evidence to indicate that the mortality of shrimp trawls with TEDs was having a significant adverse effect on those populations.

WHEREAS, North Carolina has produced a fishery management plan for shrimp and other species. In addition, the federal government has developed a FMP for shrimp in the south Atlantic, with numerous amendments. None of these plans, amendments, or addendums has recommended a ban on inside shrimp trawling in North Carolina to ensure sustainability of these fisheries resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that rulemaking reclassifying most internal coastal waters as secondary nursery areas is not needed to improve fisheries management. The proposed reclassification will have a devastating impact on commercial fishing families and coastal fishing communities. The proposed reclassification will eliminate the availability to consumers of North Carolina harvested shrimp; a public resource to North Carolina residents, tourists, restaurants, and seafood retail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on behalf of the citizens of Hyde County, the Hyde County Board of Commissioners strongly urge the North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission to reject the proposed rule. Copies of this resolution in opposition to rule making that proposes reclassifying most internal coastal waters as secondary nursery areas will be forwarded to the Honorable Roy Cooper, NC Governor Elect, Nancy Fish, NCDMF Commission Liaison, the Hyde County Legislative Delegation to the North Carolina General Assembly and each county in the great state of North Carolina.

Adopted this the 3rd day of January, 2017, in Hyde County, North Carolina.

SIGNATURE OF BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST: _____
CLERK TO THE BOARD

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: Kris Noble
Attachment: No

ITEM TITLE: APPOINTMENTS TO TRILLIUM CENTRAL REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

SUMMARY: Trillium Health Resources is a local governmental agency (LME/MCO) that manages mental health, substance use and intellectual/developmental disability services in a 24-county area in eastern North Carolina. Our responsibility is to connect individuals and families to the help they need when they need it. We are responsible for managing state and federally funded services for people who receive Medicaid, are uninsured or cannot afford services.

RECOMMEND: APPOINT LUANA GIBBS, HYDE COUNTY INTERIM HEALTH DIRECTOR TO THE TRILLIUM CENTRAL REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD.

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

**Hyde County Board of Commissioners
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET**

Meeting Date: January 3, 2017
Presenter: County Manager Bill Rich
Attachment: Yes

ITEM TITLE: APPOINTMENTS TO THE ALBEMARLE COMMISSION AAA

SUMMARY: The Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is in need of two appointed representatives on the Regional Advisory Council (RAC). This group meets quarterly to give direction to the AAA's efforts in serving the senior population in Hyde County. The primary purpose of this council is to serve as advocates for older adults, their caregivers and their families living within the service area of the Albemarle Commission. Mr. Rich will be recommending Emma Cahoon Williams of Swan Quarter and Elizabeth Dyer of Ocracoke for appointment to the Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging. Both are registered nurses working to promote home health care in Hyde County.

RECOMMEND: APPROVE

Motion Made By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl

Motion Seconded By: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
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___ Tom Pahl

Vote: ___ Earl Pugh, Jr.
___ Barry Swindell
___ Dick Tunnell
___ Ben Simmons
___ Tom Pahl



November 7, 2016

Mr. Bill Rich, County Manager
Hyde County
30 Oyster Creek Road
Swan Quarter, NC 27885

Dear Mr. Rich:

The Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is in need of two appointed representatives on our Regional Advisory Council (RAC). This group meets quarterly to give direction and guidance to the AAA's efforts in serving the senior population in Hyde County. The primary purpose of this council is to serve as advocates for older adults, their caregivers and their families living within the service area of the Albemarle Commission as specified by the Older American's Act.

The RAC meets quarterly in Hertford to discuss issues and concerns as they pertain to older adults throughout the 10 county service planning area. This group is primarily responsible for providing guidance and input in our 4 year area plan to serve older adults in Northeast North Carolina.

Appointment length to this council can vary based on the county preference, but should be no less than a two year term.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 252-426-5753 ext. 224. I thank you in advance for your assistance.

Most Sincerely,

Laura Alvarico, Director
Albemarle Commission Area Agency on Aging

- CAMDEN
- CHOWAN
- CURRITUCK
- DARE
- GATES
- HYDE
- PASQUOTANK
- PERQUIMANS
- TYRRELL
- WASHINGTON
- COLUMBIA
- CRESWELL
- DUCK
- EDENTON
- ELIZABETH CITY
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- HERTFORD
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- KITTY HAWK
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- NAGS HEAD
- PLYMOUTH
- ROPER
- SOUTHERN SHORES
- WINFALL