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# **News Release**

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## **Durham Hosts Eno River Watershed Improvement Plan Meeting**

Public Information Session Set to Share Study Results and Gather Input

DURHAM, N.C. – Residents who want to learn about the efforts to improve the <u>Eno River Watershed</u> should mark their calendars now to attend a November 2 public information session.

Hosted by the Stormwater and GIS Services Division with the City of Durham's Public Works Department, the session will be held on Thursday, November 2 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the cafeteria at the Durham Public Schools Staff Development Center, located at 2107 Hillandale Road. The purpose of the meeting is to present the results of fish and aquatic plant studies, share approaches for prioritizing improvement projects, and gather input from residents. Project staff are also gathering input through an <u>online survey</u> which is open now through November 15 at <a href="http://bit.ly/enoplan">http://bit.ly/enoplan</a>.

According to <u>Sandra Wilbur</u>, project manager with the <u>Stormwater & GIS Services Division</u> with the City's Public Works Department, some of the field study results point to good news. "Biologists found a diversity of fish species and good quality habitat," Wilbur said. "Making improvements along some of the Eno River tributaries will support continued high water quality in the river."

Next steps for the project are to complete computer models that evaluate benefits of proposed projects and to incorporate public feedback. For more information, visit the Eno River Watershed Plan webpage or contact Wilbur at (919) 560-4326, extension 30286 or by email.

Persons who require assistance to attend the session should call (919) 560-4197, TTY (919) 560-1200, or email no later than 48 hours before the event.

## About the Public Works Department Stormwater and GIS Services Division

The <u>Stormwater and GIS Services Division</u> with the City of Durham <u>Public Works Department</u> is guided by the City's <u>Strategic Plan</u> goals of Stewardship of City's Physical and Environmental Assets as well as Innovative and High-Performing Organization. Activities include storm drainage design and plans review; inspecting and maintaining City-owned drainage systems; enforcing stormwater ordinances and regulations; education and outreach; stream monitoring, restoration, and watershed master planning; maintaining multiple layers of the City's geographic information; and stormwater billing. To learn more, visit the <u>Web page</u>, like on <u>Facebook</u> and follow on <u>Twitter</u>.

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