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Public Information Session on Third Fork Creek Improvement Plan

May 24 Meeting to Highlight High-Priority Restoration Projects

DURHAM, N.C. — Durham residents interested in the health of Third Fork Creek will get a chance to hear results from the plan to improve the watershed's health during a public information meeting later this month.

The meeting will be held at the Southwest Regional Library, 3605 Shannon Road, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 24, 2012. The purpose of the meeting is to identify the high-priority areas that have been selected for watershed restoration projects.

According to Sandi Wilbur, project manager with the Stormwater Services Division of the City's Public Works Department, the areas were selected by studying field conditions and analyzing opportunities with watershed modeling tools. "The improvement plan sets a course for improving water quality in Third Fork Creek and complying with state regulations," Wilbur said.

In addition to hearing about the plan, residents are invited to participate in an interactive session during the meeting to learn more about watershed restoration and provide input to City staff.

For additional information on the Third Fork Creek Watershed Improvement Plan, visit www.DurhamNC.gov/Stormwater or contact Wilbur at (919) 560-4326, ext. 30286 or by email at Sandra.Wilbur@DurhamNC.gov.

About the Public Works Department Stormwater Services Division

The Stormwater Services Division with the City's Public Works Department is guided by the City's strategic plan goals of stewardship of the City's physical assets and promoting thriving, livable neighborhoods. It has the major responsibility for enforcing all existing stormwater ordinances and regulations. Activities include storm drainage design and plans review; inspecting and maintaining City-owned drainage systems; education and outreach; and stream monitoring, restoration, and watershed master planning. To learn more, visit www.DurhamNC.gov/Stormwater or "like" on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/DurhamNCStormwater.