

TOPIC: Public Meeting October 11, 2005, in Troy, NC

SUBJECT: Uwharrie National Forest Plan Revision

LOCATION: First Bank, 341 Main Street, Troy, NC.

PARTICIPANTS: Carolyn Wells, Karen Katula, Elizabeth Earnhardt, Stephen Novak, Tommy Taylor, Mark & Jane Lewis, Scott Fields, Chris Cagle, Bill Lind (sp?), Boon Chesson, Tracy Davis, DJ Gerken, Richard Queen, Scott Maynor, Nathan Davis, Sara Moody, Weaver Moody, Lea Ann Kimble, William Kimble, Marla Coulthard, Pete Diamond, Mary Joan Pugh, Mike Schafale, Larry Blackburn, Gin Wall, Charles Cochran, Ruth Berner, Anthony Matthews, MaeLee Hafer, Sheryl Bryan, Mary Noel, Terry Seyden, Steve Simon, Gary Kaufmann, John Blanton, Joel Hardison, Rodney Snedeker, Leigh Marston, and two or three others who accompanied those who signed in.

MINUTES:

The meeting opened at 6:00 pm with Ruth Berner presenting a short recap of information presented at the September meetings and review of the concept of “desired conditions,” the subject of tonight’s meeting.

The room was set up with Resource Stations around the room where participants could submit “desired condition” statements for possible inclusion in the revised plan. Resource Stations were: Vegetation, Outdoor Recreation (including scenery, interpretation, trails, visitor info, and wilderness), Roads-Trails-Facilities-Health & Safety, Community Relations, Lands & Special Uses, Heritage Resources (archeology), Water Quality & Fisheries, and Wildlife. Participants moved from one station to the next according to their individual level of interest in a resource topic area.

When this segment of the meeting was complete, participants chose one Resource Station to work through an initial evaluation of the potential desired condition statements that had been submitted. The most popular resource stations were Outdoor Recreation and Vegetation. The document “Potential DCs and Initial Review is a record of all potential desired condition statements submitted at the meeting, and participants initial reaction to each.

Using the initial evaluation from meeting participants, the Forest Service Interdisciplinary Team will review all submitted desired condition statements and prepare a summary review for presentation at the October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. There may be follow-up work with participants to “massage” statements into an array that the most of the group can generally support.