

RESOLUTION ADOPTING A REGIONAL WATERSHED STORMWATER EDUCATION STRATEGY

WHEREAS, population growth, residential and industrial development, and the resulting changes to the landscape have led to stormwater quality and quantity concerns throughout the Horry and Georgetown counties, and

WHEREAS, these impacts cannot be entirely avoided or eliminated but can be minimized; and

WHEREAS, it is currently recognized that control of stormwater quantity and quality is most effectively implemented when people and organizations understand the related causes and consequences of polluted stormwater runoff and flooding, and the actions they can take to control these, and

WHEREAS, the need arises not only from the regulatory requirements of EPA NPDES Phase II Stormwater rules, but also from the recognition that local decision makers, citizens and elected officials will require more than a rudimentary grasp of stormwater pollution and flooding concerns in order to make effective decisions that will have a positive impact on stormwater issues, and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of effective, outcomes-based stormwater education and outreach programs will meet the related federal stormwater pollution control requirements and those of the communities they serve,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that _____
(CITY/COUNTY) fully supports the development and implementation of a regional watershed stormwater education strategy. Efforts will be overseen by the Coastal Waccamaw Stormwater Education Consortium and their respective municipal and county representatives. This approach seeks to coordinate use of local resources and expertise to achieve economy of scale by jointly addressing common needs of the cities and counties and provide uniformity in educational message to enhance learning.