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TREASURER COWELL ANNOUNCES \$31.9 MILLION FOR PROJECTS IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA

RALEIGH – State Treasurer Janet Cowell announced today that more than \$31.9 million in federal economic recovery has been approved by the Local Government Commission, which she chairs, to be invested in water, wastewater and green projects in Eastern North Carolina.

The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources administers this funding through its Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program and its Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Loan Program.

More than 70 projects have been approved statewide totaling \$83.3 million as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Of the \$120 million available for the program, \$43.1 million and \$40.2 million have been approved respectively.

The loans help local governments in that they are interest-free and only half of the principal amount has to be repaid.

Regional highlights include:

- Elizabeth City received \$2.3 million to expand four water supply wells.
- Carolina Beach received \$2.3 million to install two treatment ponds, pump stations and force mains to treat storm water run-off. This is a designated green project.
- Carolina Beach also received \$1.1 million to replace aging sewer lines.
- Morehead City is using \$2.1 million to renovate and replace two sewer pump stations, and improve water quality at the Bridges Street well site.
- The Town of Rich Square received \$1.7 million to replace existing gravity sewer collection lines and manholes.
- Wilson received \$1.3 million to rehabilitate an existing pipe within the Contentnea Creek/Wiggins Mills floodplain.
- Cove City and the Town of Dover received \$1.2 million and \$1.1 million respectively to replace aging sewer lines and expand to underserved areas.

“My office is working diligently to help local communities take advantage of the federal stimulus program to meet their critical infrastructure needs,” Treasurer Cowell said. “These projects improve water quality and enhance the water supply while providing jobs and bolstering the economy.”

Additional information on these projects and other economic recovery projects can be found at www.ncrecover.gov.

Below is a list of all approved projects in the region:

WASTEWATER / STORMWATER

Carolina Beach	\$2,300,000
Morehead City	\$2,100,000
Pitt County	\$1,802,264
Rich Square	\$1,728,180
Wilson	\$1,396,006
Cove City	\$1,250,000
Chadbourn	\$1,212,491
Dover	\$1,100,000
Carolina Beach	\$1,000,000
Hertford	\$854,187
Kure Beach	\$619,432

WATER

Farmville	\$3,000,000
Greene County	\$3,000,000
Morehead City	\$3,000,000
Perquimans	\$3,000,000
Elizabeth City	\$2,366,255
Duplin Co. Water Dist. D	\$729,000
Columbia	\$507,000
Rose Hill	\$459,947
Tarboro	\$325,000
Kill Devil Hills	\$112,522
First Craven Sanitary District	\$99,773

TOTAL
\$31,962,057