



Stream Buffer Use Request Form

This form is intended for use by anyone requesting the use of a stream buffer from the Guilford County Planning & Development Department, Stormwater Management & Watershed Protection Division for use in the un-incorporated limits and contracted townships within Guilford County. Please include all supporting information, as described within each category, with your request. You may submit your request to the Watershed Section via mail, e-mail to James Tardiff at jtardiff@guilfordcountync.gov.

Section A: Project Information

Project Name:

Property Address:

City, State:

Zip Code:

Parcel Identification Number(s):

Section B: Applicant and Applicant Agent Information

Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State:

Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

- I am the current property owner, if yes, then please disregard Section C below.
- I am an authorized agent of the property owner
- Other, please explain:

Section C: Property Owner Information

Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State:

Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Email Address:



Section D: Property Owner Certification

The undersigned applicant, a duly authorized owner on record of the property/project area does hereby authorize the Applicant Agent listed to act on my behalf and take all actions necessary for the processing, issuance and acceptance of this Riparian Buffer Authorization and any and all standard and special conditions attached. From this, the assigned Guilford County staff is permitted to enter upon the property herein described for the purpose of conducting on-site investigations and issuing a determination associated with Waters of the U.S. subject to Federal Jurisdiction under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and/or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899.

Signature

Date

Section E: Buffer Impact Information

Buffer Impact ID	Activity or Use [From GCUDO]	Linear Impact (feet)	Zone 1 Impact (square feet)	Zone 2 Impact (square feet)	Zone 3 Impact (square feet)	Mitigation Required? (Yes or No)
Total Buffer Impacts						

Section F: Certification of no practical alternatives

I certify that this project meets all the following criteria for a determination of no practical alternatives:

- A. The basic project purpose cannot be practically accomplished in a manner that would better minimize disturbance, preserve aquatic life and habitat, and protect water quality;
- B. The use or activity cannot practically be reduced in size or density, reconfigured, modified or redesigned to better minimize disturbance, preserve aquatic life and habitat, and protect water quality; and
- C. Best management practices shall be used as necessary to minimize disturbance, preserve aquatic life and habitat, and protect water quality.



Further, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all information supplied with this application is true and accurate.

Signature

Date

Print Name

The following must accompany your application. Failure to do so will result in your application being considered incomplete. For assistance with this application, please contact Guilford County Planning & Development Department.

- Digital Files (PDF) – provide digital files of all plans and documents.**
- Recorded Plat or Deed of Property**
- Written Narrative for No Practical Alternative describing the proposal – must include:**
 - **Explanation of why this plan for the use or activity cannot be practically accomplished, reduced or reconfigured to better minimize disturbance to the riparian buffer, preserve aquatic life and habitat and protect water quality.**
 - **Description of measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts in designing the project.**
 - **Description of measures taken to avoid or minimize the proposed impacts through construction techniques.**
- Stream Determination – necessary for all submittals**
- Jurisdictional Wetland Determination – if applicable**
- Copy of 404 permit/401 certification – if applicable**

Site Plan (PDF printable no larger than 24" x 36"). Plans should be legible and clearly drawn by a licensed Professional Engineer and/or Land Surveyor.

- Legend
- Labels
- North Arrow (North oriented toward top of page)
- Property Boundaries



- Scale (Engineering), denoted graphically and numerically
- Existing topography at minimum 2-foot intervals and finished grade
- Setbacks and property boundaries
- Buffer impact IDs, as specified in Section E – Buffer Impact Information

All plan sets should include the following:

- Natural drainage and manmade drainage features, including, water bodies, streams, applicable riparian buffer boundary, floodplain, and wetlands boundary, where applicable (note ephemeral streams on site).
- Delineate the boundaries of the uses or land to be utilized for activities. Delineate the location and dimensions of any proposed disturbance in the riparian buffers.
- Existing/Proposed utilities in the project area.
- Notes for specific uses or activities based on requirements in the GCUDO
- All relevant development plan items that impact, effect or cause buffer disturbance.
- Plans for any best management practices proposed to be used to control the impacts associated with the activity.

Signature of Owner

Date

Print Name

Guilford County Planning & Development Department may request additional information not described in this request form.