

# MOMENTUM WITH PERSISTENCE

## Cape Fear River Partnership

3rd Annual Meeting

University of NC at Wilmington, CREST Research Park

MARBIONC Building, 5600 Marvin Moss Lane, Room 1001

Wilmington, NC 28409



Tuesday, May 24, 2016 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

- 8:30 – 9:00**    **Coffee and Breakfast Professional Exchange**
  
- 9:00 – 9:15**    **Welcome and Introductions**  
Dawn York, Coordinator of Cape Fear River Partnership
  
- 9:15 – 9:30**    **Review of 2015 Annual Progress Report**  
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- 9:30 – 10:00**    **Proposed Policy Changes and Current Issues in the Cape Fear River Basin**  
Kemp Burdette, Cape Fear Riverkeeper
  
- 10:00 – 10:15**    **Visioning Plan for the Lower Cape Fear River Basin: A Concept for Protection**  
Mike Giles, NC Coastal Federation
  
- 10:15 – 10:30**    **Kerr McGee NRDAR Case Funding Update**  
Sara Ward, US Fish and Wildlife Service
  
- 10:30 – 12:00**    **Committee Breakout Sessions**  
Water Quality and Quantity – Dr. Mike Mallin, UNCW and Dr. Larry Cahoon, UNCW  
Habitat – Fred Tarver, NC Department of Environmental Quality  
Fish Passage – Fritz Rohde, NOAA Fisheries and Mike Wicker, USFWS  
Socioeconomic – Dr. Peter Schuhmann, UNCW – Department of Economics
  
- 12:00 – 1:15**    **Lunch Break (bring your own or eat local)**
  
- 1:30 – 2:30**    **Implementation Team Updates**  
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- 2:30 – 3:30**    **Partner Updates**
  
- 2:30 – 2:45**    **Toxic and Nontoxic *Microcystis* in the Cape Fear River: Why, When and Where?**  
Madi Polera, UNCW and Dr. Larry Cahoon, UNCW

- 2:45 – 3:00 **Evidence of Nutrient Factors in Cape Fear Algal Blooms**  
Bradley Sauls, Doctoral Student in Biostatistics, UNC-Chapel Hill
- 3:00 – 3:15 **Cape Fear Water Availability Study Update (SL 2015-196)**  
Fred Tarver, NC Department of Environmental Quality
- 3:15 – 3:30 **Cape Fear River Basin Fish and Wildlife Habitat Assessment**  
Keith Walls, Dial Cordy and Associates Inc.
- 3:30 – 4:30 **Review of Priority Action Items for 2016 - 2017 and Strategies for Implementation**  
Discussion by All
- 4:30 **Adjourn – Thank you for your participation!**

*The Cape Fear River Partnership was formed in 2011 with a vision of a healthy Cape Fear River for fish and people. The partnership's mission is to restore and demonstrate the value of robust, productive, and self-sustaining stocks of migratory fish in the Cape Fear River. Building on the momentum of the fish passage at Lock & Dam #1, this partnership of key federal, state, local, academic, and other organizations in the region is working together on this multi-year action plan. Using a broad range of tools and capabilities, we seek to provide long-term, habitat-based solutions for the most pressing challenges for migratory fish.*

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