



Regional Growth Management Plan

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ADDENDUM

Pender County Section

Page 618, Issues Facing the County, 5th bullet: change “no” to “limited...”

Page 618, Issues Facing the County, 6th bullet: change “no central sewer” to “limited public sewer...”

Page 618, Issues Facing the County, 8th bullet: change sentence to “Pender County currently purchases bulk water from the Town of Wallace, and has an agreement providing for additional water purchase if needed by the County.”

Page 618, Issues Facing the County, 3rd paragraph: delete 3rd sentence beginning “There is a water plant...” and replace with “A water treatment plant is under design in the new commerce park owned and being developed by the County on US 421 near the New Hanover County line. The plant should be producing water in late 2011. The County is also evaluating a joint venture with the Cape Fear Public Utilities Authority to construct a sewer treatment plant on the property as well.”

Page 618, Issues Facing the County, 3rd paragraph: delete last sentence and replace with “Surf City and Burgaw also have water and sewer facilities and capacities to absorb new growth and development in Pender County. The Town of Atkinson in western Pender County is planning for a new water system.”

Page 620, Existing Conditions, last paragraph: delete paragraph and replace with the following: “Over the past two years, the county had seen a single public notice of workforce job losses as of March 2009, as shown in the Announced Business Closings & Permanent Layoffs table. This occurred at the Long Creek Farms & Nursery and affected an announced 23 employees. A more recent, significant development is the announcement in May by Coty (formerly Del Labs) that it will close its manufacturing facility in Pender County within the next 12 months. This closure is projected to affect more than 400 COTY employees and approximately 125 temporary or contract employees, and is expected to have a significant impact on unemployment in the county. Many county job gains and losses are not covered by this survey, though other sources of industry and occupational information are explored below.”

Page 624, Needs Assessment, 3rd bullet: delete sentence and replace with “Current plans announced by Coty to close a factory this year will put more than 400 full-time workers and approximately an additional 125 part-time employees out of work.”

Page 636, Water Utility Companies, 1st sentence: Insert after Rocky Point, “-Hampstead-Topsail areas, but long range plans are underway to expand the utility into the six water/sewer districts.”

Page 636, Water Supply and Treatment, 1st paragraph, 3rd sentence and following: delete “is currently expanding...Topsail High School northeast” and replace with “currently has a distribution system in place.”

Page 636, Water Supply and Treatment, 3rd paragraph: delete 1st sentence and replace with “The Maple Hill Water & Sewer District, managed by Pender County Utilities, provides water service to the Maple Hill area.”

Page 638, Wastewater Collection and Treatment, 3rd paragraph: delete “75,000 gallons per day (GPD). A planned expansion will construct facilities from this area” and replace with “250,000 gallons per day (GPD) and conveys wastewater to the Cape Fear Public Utility Authority's (CFPUA) Northside Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment and disposal. An additional project in concert with the Town of Burgaw and the Town of Wallace will construct facilities from the Northeast portion of Pender County...”

Page 638, Wastewater Collection and Treatment, 3rd paragraph: delete last sentence.

Page 660, Parks and Recreation and Sports Venues, 2nd paragraph: after “On Topsail Island,” insert “There is a large waterfront public park in Surf City, owned and operated by the Town of Surf City in Pender County. In addition,”

Page 660, Current Plans: at end of paragraph insert “The county recognizes the county is undersupplied, and has initiated development of a parks and recreation capital improvements plan to identify and promote the development of several regional park facilities throughout the county, which include a variety of opportunities including athletic facilities, nature centers, eco and agri-tourism opportunities, and passive recreation opportunities.”

Page 661, Water Access and Parking, 1st paragraph: after “Surf City” insert “Park...” and at end of sentence insert “Pender County is currently working with the State Wildlife Commission to develop a public boating access to the Intracoastal Waterway in the Hampstead area. Properties have been identified and site negotiations are underway. Public boating access to the waterways is a significant issue in Pender County due to the limited boat access facilities.