LAKE GASTON WEED CONTROL COUNCIL DIRECTOR'S HANDBOOK

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Name

This organization is a non-profit corporation registered in the State of North Carolina and shall be known as the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council.

Purpose

The LGWCC is organized to promote research, control and/or eradication of undesirable aquatic weeds in Lake Gaston and to improve the quality of the water and to control pollution in and around Lake Gaston.

Procedures

The LGWCC will advise the Board of Commissioners and the Board of supervisors of the five counties surrounding Lake Gaston. The LGWCC will also make recommendations to all local, state and federal agencies concerned with quality of human life, water, pollution, recreation, wildlife, fish and fishing conditions. The LGWCC will petition for and accept any public or private funds that may be available and will use the funds for the control, improvement or eradication of undesirable weeds and improvement of water quality in Lake Gaston. The corporation has full control and authority, both in North Carolina and Virginia, to perform all acts that may be necessary or expedient for the purposes summarized above. Business will be conducted according to Chapter 55A of the General Statutes of North Carolina or as specified in the By-Laws of the corporation. All meetings will comply with the open meetings law of the State in which the meeting is held.

Meetings

The annual meeting will be held in January of each year at a time and place to be determined by the President. In addition, regular meetings will be held during the months of March and July as designated by the President. Special meetings may be called by the President or by a majority of the members. All meetings require notification of the directors at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting

Composition of the Board of Directors

The Council shall consist of fifteen members, three from each of the five member counties surrounding Lake Gaston (Brunswick and Mecklenburg in Virginia and Halifax, Northampton and Warren in North Carolina) and such other alternates as each county deems appropriate to serve for terms as specified by the respective counties.

Elections

Officers of the Board shall be elected annually at the January meeting for a one-year term beginning with that January meeting. Vacancies on the Board will be filled by majority vote of the members at the first regular meeting following creation of the vacancy, or at a special meeting, except that a vacancy in the office of President will be automatically filled by the Vice-President.

Termination of Membership

Any member in good standing may resign from the Council upon written notice to the Secretary and to the County governing body that appointed the member. Each of the five counties has the power to terminate the membership of any of its three members by written notice to the Secretary and the effected member.

Vacancy on the Board

Any vacancy in membership shall be filled by the county governing body that appointed the vacant seat, as soon as practicable.

Dissolution of the Council

The Council may be dissolved at any time by recommendation of 2/3 of the members in good standing and according the Chapter 55 of the North Carolina Statutes and Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.