

## **Resolution: Water Resources Development Grant**

WHEREAS, the Ashe County Board of Commissioners desires to sponsor, The Deep Ford River Access Project, which will construct a new access roadway to the river, construct vehicular parking, provide riverbank remediation including planting of native plants and establishment of habitat for endangered species, and provide river access for recreational opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1) The Board requests the State of North Carolina to provide financial assistance to Ashe County Board of Commissioners for Deep Ford River Access in the amount of \$160,000 of the nonfederal project costs, whichever is the lesser amount;
- 2) The Board assumes full obligation for payment of the balance of project costs;
- 3) The Board will obtain all necessary State and Federal permits;
- 4) The Board will comply with all applicable laws governing the award of contracts and the expenditure of public funds by local governments.
- 5) The Board will supervise construction of the project to assure compliance with permit conditions and to assure safe and proper construction according to approved plans and specifications;
- 6) The Board will obtain suitable spoil disposal areas as needed and all other easements or rights-of-way that may be necessary for the construction and operation of the project without cost or obligation to the State;
- 7) The Board will assure that the project is open for use by the public on an equal basis with no restrictions;
- 8) The Board will hold the State harmless from any damages that may result from the construction, operation and maintenance of the project;
- 9) The Board accepts responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the completed project.

Adopted by the Ashe County Board of Commissioners this 7th day of July 2026

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Clerk to the Board- Missy Seiver

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Chairperson- Todd McNeil