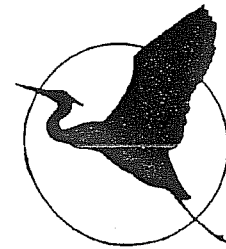


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To: Chatham County Planning Board;
Keith Megginson; Lynn Richardson
Cc: Chatham County Board of Commissioners
Date: February 27, 2007
Re: Comments on The Glens (McBane Development)

We understand that our comments concerning the Mc Bane property dated July 10, 2006 have been included in a communication to you from Ken and Cynthia Crossen. We would like to address some additional issues.

This property, now called The Glens, contains small streams that are currently helping restore water quality in Dry Creek, which is greatly impaired from this section on down to the Haw River, due to sediment damage in 2005. These small streams are providing a flow of cleaner water that is helping the recovery of Dry Creek. We believe that any disruption to these streams on this property, The Glens, needs to be preceded by very careful examination of the impact on Dry Creek. We fully agree that there are real doubts about the classification of the streams as ephemeral instead of intermittent. This is an important distinction because of the greater protection for these streams in the development plan if they are classified as intermittent.

In addition, at no time did the previous planning board examine the totality of the development proposals that will all be dependent on the Chapel Ridge sewer and water infrastructure. This proposal comes before you in time to consider the **cumulative impact** of this development on water quality in Dry Creek and the Haw River.

We appreciate your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

Elaine Chiosso
Executive Director

Protecting the Haw River and Jordan Lake