Item Title:

Granting of Permanent Utility Easements and a Temporary Construction Easement to the Town of Cary on County-Owned Property Known as Lake Crabtree County Park

## **Specific Action Requested:**

That the Board of Commissioners approves the conveyance of Permanent Utility Easements and a Temporary Construction Easement to the Town of Cary and authorizes the Chairman to execute said easements to the Town of Cary (along with any supporting documentation), subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

## **Item Summary:**

The Town of Cary (Cary) is proceeding with its York Interceptor Replacement and Sewer Interconnections project. Due to separate operations prior to 2006, both Cary and the Town Morrisville constructed interceptors along the same major creeks in the Crabtree Creek corridor. Now that the Morrisville collection system infrastructure is owned and operated by Cary there are number of opportunities to improve the sewer routing and function. Installing interconnections at strategic points between the two systems will allow for more efficient routing of flow as well as allow for the abandonment of unnecessary parallel pipe segments.

Wake County owns a number of parcels in the areas south and west of Raleigh-Durham Airport as part of the Crabtree Creek Watershed Project. Flood Control structures have been constructed in various locations within this watershed and are maintained by the County. The attached aerial photo labeled "Site Map" shows the property and utility easement area locations in relation to the flood control structure (Lake Crabtree County Park).

Cary has requested that the County convey utility easements and a temporary construction easement in support of the sewer project, that request is attached. The proposed utility easements are also shown on the attached map entitled "Easement Exhibit-UPE" while the temporary easement is shown on the attached map entitled 'Easement Exhibit-TCE." The proposed utility easements are north of Evans Road and along the western portion of the Wake County owned land south of Lake Crabtree.

United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resource Conservation Service staff, along with County staff from Facilities Design & Construction, General Services Administration, and Parks Recreation and Open Space have reviewed the proposed plans and have concluded that this conveyance will have no impact on the function of this structure or operations of the park. Staff recommends approval of the conveyance subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

## **Attachments:**

- 1. Site Map
- Cary easement request
  Easement Exhibit-UPE
- 4. Easement Exhibit-TCE
- 5. Town of Cary Permanent Utility Easement6. Town of Cary Temporary Construction Easement