

Item Title: Conveyance of a Permanent Electric Utility Easement to Duke Energy Progress, LLC in Wendell, NC

Specific Action Requested:
That the Board of Commissioners:

- 1. Approves the conveyance of a Permanent Electric Utility Easement to Duke Energy Progress, LLC; and**
- 2. Authorizes the Chairman to execute a Deed of Permanent Electric Utility Easement to Duke Energy Progress, LLC, at 10505 Poole Road (along with any other supporting documentation), subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.**

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners must approve all property and easement conveyances by the County. NC General Statute 160A-274 authorizes the Board of Commissioners to convey any interest in real property to other governmental agencies.

Background: Duke Energy has requested that Wake County convey a Permanent Electric Utility Easement to facilitate the completion of a feeder tie which will connect overhead electric lines from the Southern side of Poole Road to the Northern side. This connection will improve system reliability in the area. The impacted Wake County parcel is located at 10505 Poole Road, Wendell, NC which contains a City of Raleigh pump station. This parcel is also encumbered by a conservation easement. The conservation easement holder has consented to this deed of easement to DEP.

Board Goal: This action supports routine County operations.

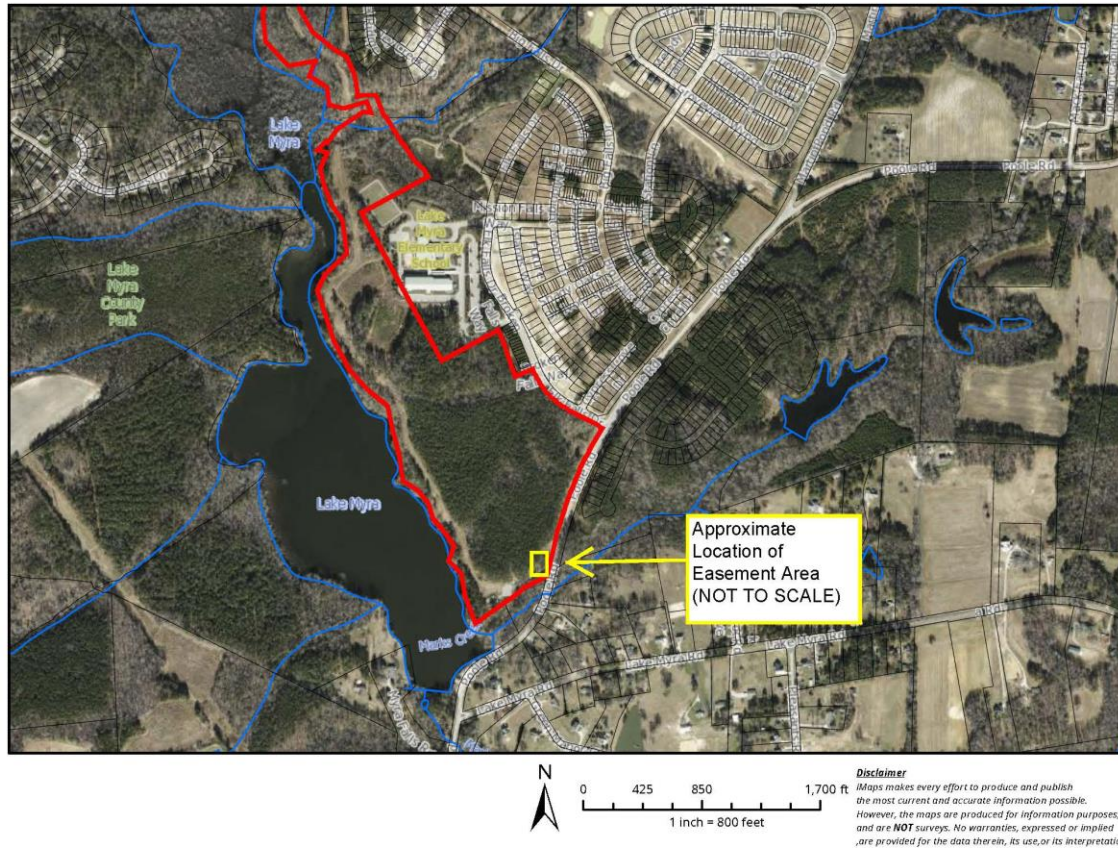
Fiscal Impact: Wake County will not receive any revenues associated with this easement conveyance to Duke Energy.

Additional Information:

In February of 2021, DEP contacted the County regarding the proposed easement request for 4,258 square feet of permanent electric utility easement needed to extend the overhead distribution line from the existing pole on Wake County property to a new proposed pole on the adjacent property in order to improve system reliability in the area. The property is Wake County Open Space located adjacent to Lake Myra.

The map below displays the Wake County property and approximate location of the proposed easement. The scope of the project on County property will be extending the existing overhead distribution line from the existing pole (Pole# 147Y10) on Wake

County property to a new proposed pole on the adjacent property. Brush removal and side tree trimming will be necessary to provide adequate clearance for 3-phase electrical service. More detailed plans showing the proposed pole locations are attached, (Pole Location Plans).



The proposed project plans have been reviewed by County staff from Facilities Design & Construction and Parks Recreation & Open Space. Staff has concluded this conveyance will have no impact on the future use of this property. Staff recommends approval of the conveyance subject to terms and conditions acceptable to the County Attorney.

Attachments:

1. Property Map
2. Formal Request Letter
3. Easement Exhibit
4. Pole Location Plan Sheet
5. Deed for Permanent Electric Utility Easement