

# **LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION STUDY COMMISSION**

Sen. Charles W. Albertson

Rep. Lucy T. Allen

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Thursday, November 16, 2006  
Room 643, Legislative Office Building  
9:00 a.m.

- I. Adoption of the Minutes from October 11, 2006, Meeting**
- II. Importance of Land & Water Conservation to North Carolina's Economy and Future**  
*Dr. Denise Barnes, President, Board of Preservation NC*
- III. North Carolina Conservation Funding Efforts and Needs: Relationship between Land Conservancies in NC and the four Conservation Trust Funds and Assessment of Present and Future Funding Needs**  
*Kate Dixon, Director, Land for Tomorrow*
- III. Current State Revenues Dedicated to Conservation Projects: General Fund Appropriations and Dedicated Sources of Revenue**  
*Kristin Walker, Fiscal Research Division*
- IV. Creating Partnerships: Leveraging State Funds with Federal, Local, and Private Dollars**  
*Will Abberger, Associate Director, Conservation Finance, The Trust for Public Land*
- V. Various Statewide Options to Finance Conservation Projects**  
*Richard Whisnant, Associate Professor of Public Law and Government, UNC School of Government*
- VI. Commission Discussion: Funding Options to Pursue in 2007**
- VII. Adjournment**

**Future Meeting Dates: November 28, 2006, and December 14, 2006, at 9:00.**

*The Commission will hold three public hearings across the State:  
Thursday, January 4, 2007, in Asheville, NC  
Monday, January 8, 2007, in Greenville, NC  
Wednesday, January 10, 2007, in Greensboro, NC*