

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 14  
HOUSE BILL 40

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF GREENSBORO, THE CITY OF HIGH  
POINT, OR GUILFORD COUNTY BY ORDINANCES TO REGULATE SOIL  
EROSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** The Board of County Commissioners of Guilford County is hereby authorized to make such ordinances as it deems appropriate to prevent soil erosion by requiring the submission of plans in order to control sediment erosion at the site of any construction, landscaping, clearing projects or any other project except normal agricultural operations which in any manner alters the natural structure of the land mass within the county. The Board of County Commissioners may establish by ordinance a sediment control program whereby prior to any alteration of the land mass within the unincorporated portion of the county, a permit must be obtained from the Board of County Commissioners, in the manner prescribed by the ordinance, and in accordance with the criteria and standards for proper sediment control as established by the Board of County Commissioners. Such ordinance may also regulate the alteration of the land mass within the territorial jurisdiction of any municipality whose governing body by resolution agrees to such regulation; provided, however, that any such municipal governing body may, upon thirty (30) days written notice, withdraw its approval of the county ordinance, and that ordinance shall have no further effect within the municipality's jurisdiction.

**Sec. 2.** The governing body of the City of Greensboro or High Point is authorized to make such ordinances as it deems appropriate to prevent soil erosion by requiring the submission of plans in order to control sediment erosion at the site of any construction, landscaping, clearing projects or any other project which in any manner alters the natural structure of the land mass within said City of Greensboro or High Point. The governing body of said City may establish by ordinance a sediment control program whereby prior to any alteration of the land mass within the City of Greensboro or High Point, a permit must be obtained from the governing body in the manner prescribed by the ordinance, and in accordance with the criteria and standards for proper sediment control as established by the governing board.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 15th day of February, 1973.