



1 develop and recommend to the General Assembly and to the Environmental Review  
2 Commission a plan to improve the mapping and digital representation of surface waters  
3 in North Carolina; and

4         Whereas, the Geographic Information Coordinating Council established a  
5 Stream Mapping Working Group composed of State, local, and federal agencies to  
6 develop the plan; and

7         Whereas, the Stream Mapping Working Group determined user requirements,  
8 mapping specifications, implementation options, and developed a time line and a budget  
9 for stream mapping; and

10         Whereas, in 2005 the Geographic Information Coordinating Council  
11 recommended the adoption of the "Implementation Plan to Improve Mapping and  
12 Digital Representation of Surface Waters," at a cost of \$16,236,500 over five years; and

13         Whereas, the General Assembly appropriated \$2,685,000 to fund Phase I of  
14 the Implementation Plan to Improve Mapping and Digital Representation of Surface  
15 Waters in western North Carolina in S.L. 2005-1, the Hurricane Recovery Act of 2005;  
16 and

17         Whereas, the State Water Infrastructure Commission has recommended that  
18 the 2007 Session of the General Assembly appropriate \$3,428,500 for Phase II of the  
19 Implementation Plan to Improve Mapping and Digital Representation of Surface  
20 Waters, which encompasses portions of the Broad, Cape Fear, Catawba, Neuse,  
21 Roanoke, Yadkin, and White Oak river basins, in its November 2006 report to the  
22 Environmental Review Commission; and

23         Whereas, the Center for Geographic Information and Analysis will complete  
24 Phase I of the Plan on time and within budget in 2007; Now, therefore,  
25 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

26         **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
27 Department of Environment and Natural Resources the sum of three million four  
28 hundred twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,428,500) for the 2007-2008  
29 fiscal year to fund Phase II of the Implementation Plan to Improve Mapping and Digital  
30 Representation of Surface Waters.

31         **SECTION 2.** The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall  
32 make the mapping and digital representation of surface waters available to other State  
33 agencies and the public as soon as practicable via the Internet on NC OneMap.

34         **SECTION 3.** The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall  
35 seek funds from federal agencies, including, but not limited to, the Federal Emergency  
36 Management Agency, United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States  
37 Environmental Protection Agency, United States Geological Survey, and United States  
38 Department of Agriculture to help fund the Implementation Plan to Improve Mapping  
39 and Digital Representation of Surface Waters.

40         **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective 1 July 2007.