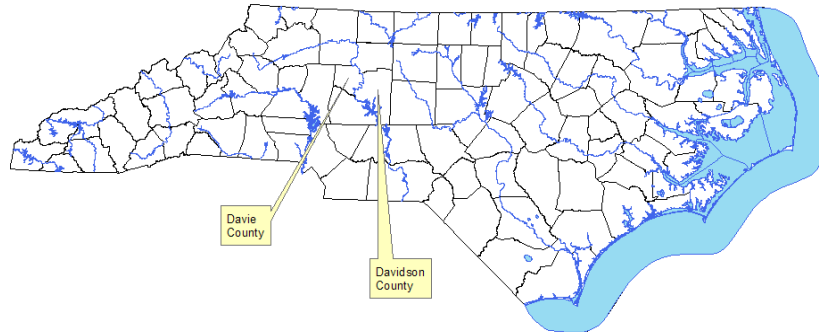


Davidson Water, Inc. Source Water Protection Plan Summary

The Yadkin River is one of Davidson County's most valuable assets, serving as the County's primary drinking water source. While robust economic development benefits the community and quality of life, rapid growth could threaten natural resources, including the Yadkin River. This Source Water Protection Plan is designed to help protect the Yadkin River for the community, both today and for future generations.



This plan was drafted by a committee of local citizens (the SWP committee). The plan includes recommendations to provide long term protection of one of Davidson County's drinking water sources and its immediate watershed. The recommendations are as follows:

1. Regulations and enforcement – Add Water Quality Policies to Davidson County's Land Development Plan that will encourage the protection of the Yadkin River and its tributaries.
2. Establish and maintain permanent partnerships with local groups or entities with the ability to impact Yadkin River's water quality, (Yadkin Riverkeepers, Stormwater Smart Program, Winston Salem Wastewater Treatment Plant, Davie County, local industry, etc).
3. Organize a public education, communication, and outreach program to target all age groups throughout Davidson County. (Schools K-12, Civic Organizations, Davidson County Board of Commissioners, etc.)
4. Support the transfer of enforcement of the state Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance from the state to Davidson County.
5. Support the creation of a local Stormwater Control Ordinance, promote education and require developers to contain stormwater generated by development.

The Committee strongly recommends adoption and implementation of this plan to help ensure the purity and adequacy of the drinking water drawn from the Yadkin River. In addition to cleaner water, implementation of this Plan will raise awareness in the community of the importance of the river, sources of contamination and the river's vulnerability.

Adoption and state approval of this plan may also make Davidson County eligible for a low interest-long term (1%, 20 year) loan program through the NC DENR.