

Marsh Resources Pott Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank *Lincoln County, NC*

The Pott Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank is a 74-acre site in Lincoln County, NC, which is also a forested wetland and stream restoration mitigation bank being built for the NC Department of Transportation for future road projects in the Catawba River Watershed. Construction began in January of 2002 and was completed in March of 2002, with planting activities continuing into May 2002.

The site was being used as cattle pasture prior to acquisition for the project. The site is bordered on the North by Pott Creek and a tributary of Pott Creek runs onto the property from adjacent land to the southwest. Prior to construction this tributary had been channeled straight into Pott Creek and the property had been ditched significantly. The existing ditches were filled and in some places plugged and a more natural stream channel was excavated for the tributary to run over the site and then into Pott Creek. The site also contains several springs and seeps and a ditch that drains the adjacent property to the west, which was reshaped to provide a more natural look to the feature and to the site as a whole. Credits will be generated from Preservation, Enhancement, Restoration and Creation activities on the site. The project has turned out very well and we look forward to monitoring the Pott Creek Wetland Mitigation Site as it progresses and develops into a beautiful and fully functional wetland.



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