

Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Letter to Rules Review Commission Objecting to Wheat Straw Bale Proposed Rule
Attachments: Signature Copy of Letter to NCRRC.RWLANey.06.26.2025.pdf

-----Original Message-----

From: Gail & Wilson Laney <rallaneys@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2025 4:14 PM

To: Rules, Oah <oah.rules@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] Letter to Rules Review Commission Objecting to Wheat Straw Bale Proposed Rule

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Commission Members,

Please enter the attached signed letter in your administrative record regarding 15A NCAC 07H.0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing.

I am requesting that the Proposed Rule be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in NC General Statute 150B-21.3.

The revised Proposed Rule fails to adequately address concerns raised regarding likely impacts upon sea turtles, other wildlife species, and the debris which would be added to any NC beaches on which wheat straw bales would be placed. Prohibiting the use of wheat straw bales for such use is the most appropriate course of action.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

/s/ R. Wilson Laney, PhD

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Reid Wilson Laney, PhD
3205 Bedford Avenue
Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

June 26, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Although I realize that there have been some changes made to the original Proposed Rule, those changes fail to address my concerns regarding the impact of using wheat straw bales as sand fencing, on both nesting sea turtles, other wildlife, and our beaches themselves. The bales have been shown to rapidly deteriorate and leave debris strewn across the beach. I oppose their use under any circumstances for the stated purpose.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Wilson Laney", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

R. Wilson Laney, PhD

Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Review of NCGS G.S. 150B-21.3 Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

From: Kara Solomon <karasolomon55@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:01 PM

To: Rules, Oah <oah.rules@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] Review of NCGS G.S. 150B-21.3 Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Kara Solomon
[1504 Marshall Farm Street](#)
[Wake Forest, NC](#)

June 27, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
[1711 New Hope Church Rd.](#)
[Raleigh, NC 27609](#)

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Wheat straw bales pose a significant threat to both sand dune aesthetics and wildlife -- notably, sea turtles and shore birds. Please review the concerns submitted by the SELC.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kara Solomon

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Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] Objection to straw bale rule

From: Dana M. Stachowiak <dmstachowiak@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:47 PM

To: Rules, Oah <oah.rules@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] Objection to straw bale rule

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Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration.

Dr. Stachowiak

Dana M. Stachowiak, Ph.D.
Wilmington, NC

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Subject: FW: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

From: Jan Weems <jan.weems@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:05 PM

To: Postmaster, Oah <oah.postmaster@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Jan Weems
3215 Mid Pines Road
Raleigh, NC 27606
Jan.weems@yahoo.com

June 27, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Since the use of straw bales as sand fencing poses potentially significant risks to sea turtles and other coastal wildlife, with minimally demonstrated efficacy, I urge the Commission to not adopt the rule and instead commission a scientific study with appropriate wildlife experts to assess the environmental impacts of this practice.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jan Weems

Jan Weems
Private Citizen

Head of Early Childhood & Elementary Education, *retired*
North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences

Life Member, NC Herpetological Society

Gail F. Laney
3205 Bedford Avenue
Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

June 27, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand
Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,


Gail F. Laney

Burgos, Alexander N

Subject: FW: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Gail F. Laney Letter to NCRRC.Signature Copy.pdf

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From: Gail & Wilson Laney <rallaneys@nc.rr.com>

Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 2:47 PM

To: Postmaster, Oah <oah.postmaster@oah.nc.gov>

Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Rules Review Commission Staff,

Please enter the attached letter into the administrative record for the subject Proposed Rule. Thank you.

I object to the Proposed Rule and am requesting legislative review.

Sincerely yours,

Gail F. Laney

Gail F. Laney

3205 Bedford Avenue

Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Anthony Leiro <anthony.leiro@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 29, 2025 1:18 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Anthony Leiro
110 Lindsay st
Carrboro NC 27520

June 26th

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Thank you for your consideration.

Anthony Leiro

My return address is:

Anthony Leiro
110 Lindsay st
Carrboro NC 27510

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Becki Maldonado <beckim143@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:49 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Letter Regarding Wheat Straw Bales
Attachments: Maldonado - Wheat straw bales Letter.docx.pdf

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Good evening,

Please find my attached letter regarding the wheat straw bales that are a danger to sea turtles and other marine and shore animals.

Thank you!

Respectfully,

Rebecca Maldonado, PhD
Beckim143@gmail.com
580-279-7435

Rebecca Maldonado
202b Stratford Rd.
Jacksonville, NC 28540

June 27, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw
Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Wheat straw bales are a significant threat to both coastal aesthetics and wildlife. Please review the concerns submitted by the SELC.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rebecca Maldonado, PhD

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Melissa Edmonds <medmonds@awionline.org>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:52 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Request for Legislative Review: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314
Attachments: AWI Letter-for-Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.6.27.25.pdf

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Good afternoon,

Please find the attached request for legislative review on 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing.

Thank you for your consideration of this request,

Melissa L. Edmonds (she/her)
Scientist, Marine Biology
[Animal Welfare Institute](#)



Animal Welfare Institute

Submitted via electronic mail

June 27, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609
oah.rules@oah.nc.gov

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

On behalf of myself and the Animal Welfare Institute, I request that the above rule be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

I am very concerned that the use of straw bales on beaches poses risks to sea turtles and other wildlife, with minimal demonstrated efficacy. Sea turtles are an iconic species of North Carolina's coast, and they are highly sensitive to changes to the beach environment. The use of these straw bales would alter the specific environmental parameters required by nesting sea turtles for successful reproduction. I encourage the General Assembly to disapprove this rule to ensure it does not cause harm to threatened and endangered sea turtles.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Melissa Edmonds

Melissa L. Edmonds, M.E.M.
Scientist, Marine Biology
Animal Welfare Institute
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Durham, NC 27701
(919) 623-5003
medmonds@awionline.org

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Gina Terlau-Benford <rterlau@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:29 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: R Terlau-Benford Letter-for-Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.pdf

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Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

Regina Terlau-Benford

Submitted via electronic mail

June 27, 2025

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Raleigh, NC 27609
oah.rules@oah.nc.gov

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Regina Terlau-Benford
730 Grand Banks Drive
Wilmington, NC 28412

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Rachel Myers <rsparrow1687@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:26 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Letter to NC Rules Review Commission.pdf

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Members of the Commission,

Please find my letter attached in this email regarding the use of wheat straw bales for sand fencing.
Thank you for your time,

Rachel

Rachel Myers
3605 Vandam Dr.
Apex, NC 27539

June 27, 2025

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1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand
Fencing

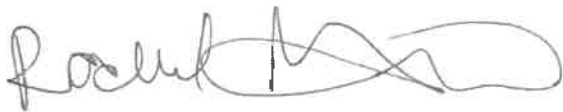
Members of the Commission:

I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

The potential negative impacts on native wildlife including endangered and threatened species of sea turtles and the effect on our beaches themselves make using wheat straw bales in this manner a serious concern.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rachel Myers

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rachel Myers", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Ann Stewart <stewartaws@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:15 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Straw bale rule - request review
Attachments: Straw bale rule letter.docx

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Ann W Stewart
204 Sound Drive
Surf City, NC 28445

June 27, 2025

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1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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I live on Topsail, where thousands of sea turtles have hatched over decades. The addition of straw bales, along with their baling twine, will have a seriously detrimental effect on the conditions under which females will

continue to return to nest on their birth beaches. This rule should NOT be implemented without the proper science and studies being conducted.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ann W Stewart

Those who dwell among the beauties and mysteries of the earth are never alone or weary of life. Rachel Carson



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Thank you for your consideration.

Ann W Stewart

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Rules, Oah
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 1:48 PM
To: Burgos, Alexander N
Subject: Fw: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.docx

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Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 12:46:50 PM
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Beverly Allen
5001 Clear Run Drive
Wilmington, NC 28403

June 27, 2025

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1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration,

Beverly Allen

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Beverly Allen
5001 Clear Run Drive
Wilmington, NC 28403

June 27, 2025

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Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration.

Beverly Allen

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Rules, Oah
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 8:34 AM
To: Burgos, Alexander N
Subject: Fw: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Review Straw Bale Rule Jerald Reynolds.pdf

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From: Jerry Reynolds <jhreynolds42383@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 7:13:47 AM
To: Rules, Oah <oah.rules@oah.nc.gov>
Subject: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Please see attached letter.

Thank you!

Jerald Reynolds

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Jerald H. Reynolds
117 Saratoga Lane
Clayton, NC 27520

June 27, 2025

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Raleigh, NC 27609

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I request that the above rule(s) be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule(s) be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

I have concerns about the impact of using wheat straw bales as sand fencing on our beaches. I am concerned about possible negative effects on nesting sea turtles and other wildlife. I oppose their use on our beaches.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. H. Reynolds", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jerald H. Reynolds

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Rules, Oah
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 8:34 AM
To: Burgos, Alexander N
Subject: Fw: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Subject: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration.

Page Turner
Wilmington, NC

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Rules, Oah
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 8:34 AM
To: Burgos, Alexander N
Subject: Fw: [External] Objection to Wheat Straw Bales

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From: Deb Allen <oibseaturtlevolunteers@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 7:08:22 AM
To: Rules, Oah <oah.rules@oah.nc.gov>
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Debra Allen
14 W Asheville St, Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469
June 27, 2025

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Raleigh, NC 27609

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Thank you for your consideration.

Deb Allen

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Ann Somers <ABSOMERS@uncg.edu>
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2025 7:43 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] regarding rule 15A NCAC 07H. 0314

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June 26, 2025

N.C. Rules Review Commission
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Dear Members of the Commission:

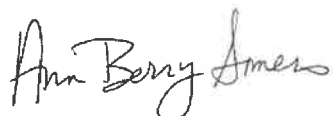
This note is regarding 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing.

For over 25 years, I taught a course at UNC Greensboro called Biology and Conservation of Sea Turtles. The students and I monitored nesting beaches in North Carolina and in Costa Rica at the Caribbean Conservation Corporation's Biological Research Station in Tortuguero, Costa Rica. Over the course of those many years working in Costa Rica, I witnessed hundreds sea turtles crawling up beaches and successfully nesting and those failing to nest for a variety of natural and unnatural causes. The environmental conditions in North Carolina and in Costa Rica are vastly different, even so, comparisons can be made when it comes to the proposal to place straw bales on our beaches.

One of the primary causes for turtles failing to nest is encountering obstacles both on the sand while crawling up the beach and in the nesting area once digging begins. Both are potential hazards of straw bales being used as sand fencing.

From the biologist's perspective the idea of placing straw bales on the dunes seems ill-conceived and one that needs to be seriously thought out before being accepted. My request is that the rule be carefully reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. Additionally, I request that the rule be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

Thank you for your consideration.



Ann Berry Somers, MSc

Senior Lecturer Emerita, Department of Biology
Affiliate Faculty, Department of Geography, Environment, and Sustainability
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Ann Berry Somers, MSc.
Senior Lecturer Emerita, Department of Biology
Affiliate Faculty, Department of Geography, Environment, and Sustainability
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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Mary Bures <mary@ncwf.org>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 8:54 AM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule .docx

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I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mary Bures

Mary Bures
1115 S. Kings Drive
Charlotte, N.C. 28205

6/27/2025

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1711 New Hope Church Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27609

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Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Bures

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Page Turner <pageturner04@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 2:02 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.pdf

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: alb2018@aol.com
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:12 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Letter to Rules Review Commission 27Jun2025.pdf

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Rules Review Commission,

Please see attached letter requesting review of this NCAC.

Thank you,
Alvin Braswell
3215 Mid Pines Road
Raleigh, NC 27606
919-801-4646 (c)

Alvin Braswell
3215 Mid Pines Road
Raleigh, NC 27606-9388

27 June 2025

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As detailed extensively in the Southern Environmental Law Center letter to the Coastal Resources Commission, dated 2 December 2024, this addition to the NCAC is ill conceived and without due diligence to prevent occurrence of more harm than good. Please review and judge the rule on sound information.

Thank you for your consideration.

Alvin Braswell

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Jan Farmer <djpfarmer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:16 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Objection to Straw Bale Rule

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Janet Farmer
212 Olde Point Loop
Hampstead, NC 28443

June 27, 2025

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Thank you for your consideration.

Janet Farmer

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Laura Frazier <laurafrazier217@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:20 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Requesting Legislative Review: Straw Bale Rule
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Dear Members of the Commission,

Please review my attached letter regarding 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Laura Frazier

103 Cypress Dr.
Edenton, NC 27932

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Laura Frazier

Laura Frazier

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Katalin Kluge <katalin.kluge@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:32 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
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1731 Fairway Dr
Wilmington, NC 28403

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Katalin Kluge

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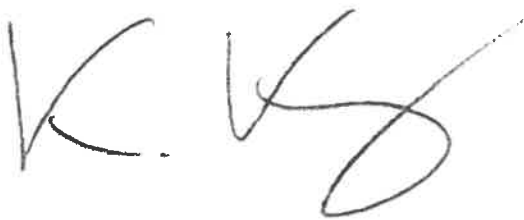
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Thank you for your consideration.

Katalin Kluge

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Tyler Neitzey <t.neitzey21@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:36 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Requesting Legislative Review - Straw Bale Rule
Attachments: Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.pdf

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Dear Members of the Commission,

Please review my attached letter regarding 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Tyler Neitzey

103 Cypress Dr.
Edenton, NC 27932

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Tyler Neitzey

Tyler Neitzey

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Addison, Lindsay <lindsay.addison@audubon.org>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:45 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Cc: Wallace, Zach; Smalling, Curtis
Subject: [External] Letter requesting General Assembly review of 15A NCAC 07H .0314 (straw bale rule)
Attachments: Audubon letter requesting legislative review 27 June 2025.pdf

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Hello,
Attached please find a request for General Assembly review of 15A NCAC 07H .0314.
Best,
Lindsay



Audubon North Carolina
807 E. Main Street, Ste. 2-220
Durham, NC 27701

27 June 2025

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I request that the above rule be reviewed in the upcoming legislative session as set out in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-21.3. I further request that the rule be subject to a delayed effective date as set out in that same provision.

As has been explained in Audubon North Carolina's comments letter to the Division of Coastal Management dated November 26, 2024, there is insufficient science and too many potential unintended consequences that are not addressed in the proposed rule to support the use of straw bales as an erosion control measure. Therefore, we would appreciate the opportunity for additional consideration of this rule.

Thank you for your consideration,

Lindsay Addison

coastal biologist
Audubon North Carolina

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Nancy Fahey <turtlehaul@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:11 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Review request 15A NCAC 07H .0314
Attachments: Rule review request20250627_15092545.pdf

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Hello,

Please find attached a letter of review request regarding 15A NCAC 07H .0314.

Thank you,

Nancy H. Fahey

"And the turtles, of course...all the turtles are free, as turtles and, maybe, all creatures should be." ---Dr. Seuss

Nancy Fahey
707 Darwin Dr.
Wilmington, NC, 28405

June 27, 2025

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Raleigh, NC, 27609

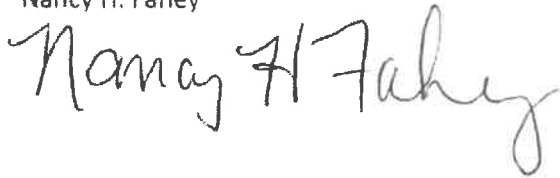
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Thank you for your consideration.

Nancy H. Fahey

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Burgos, Alexander N

From: Georgia Hancock <georgia.hancock@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:09 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] request for legislative review of straw bale rule
Attachments: G Hancock Letter-for-Requesting-Legislative-Review_Straw Bale Rule.pdf

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Please see the attached letter. Thank you!

Submitted via electronic mail

June 27, 2025

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Raleigh, NC 27609
oah.rules@oah.nc.gov

Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Georgia Hancock, Esq.
300 Sunset Grove Drive
Holly Springs, NC 27540

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Mary Maclean Asbill <mmasbill@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:09 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] 15A NCAC 07H. 0314—Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing
Attachments: Letter of objection.docx

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Attached please find my letter of objection regarding the above referenced rule.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary M Asbill

Mary M Asbill
2818 Exeter Circle
Raleigh, NC 27608

June 27, 2025

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Thank you for your consideration.

Mary M Asbill

Burgos, Alexander N

From: Anthony Leiro <anthony.leiro@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 4:08 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Cc: Gail & Wilson Laney
Subject: [External]

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Anthony Leiro
110 Lindsay st

June 26th

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Thank you for your consideration.

Anthony Leiro

My return address is:

Anthony Leiro
110 Lindsay st
Carrboro NC 27510

Burgos, Alexander N

From: David Thorsen <lowres@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 3:58 PM
To: Rules, Oah
Subject: [External] Re: 15A NCAC 07H. 0314 - Installation and Maintenance of Wheat Straw Bales for Sand Fencing

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