

## Action Alert- We Need Your Voice



Please attend the public hearing on coal ash classifications for our NC site on the Lumber River!

While our litigation remains active, the N.C. Department of Environmental Quality is proceeding through a classification process for coal ash sites in North Carolina. This process could secure cleanup at the Weatherspoon site on the Lumber River and protect all its downstream communities.

The current draft classification for Weatherspoon is 'intermediate', a classification that requires excavation and removal of the toxic coal ash away from the Lumber River to safe, dry, lined storage. We will accept no less than 'intermediate' (and really believe it to be 'high'). Anything less means the coal ash could be left in place and continue to pollute our river and threaten our communities if the earthen berm around the coal ash pit is breached.

We need you to show up, stand up and speak up at the March 10th public hearing on the Weatherspoon coal ash. A strong show of support for excavation and removal of coal ash is important to secure cleanup and eliminate existing and future threats to clean water and healthy communities.

South Carolinians, you are impacted too! The Lumber River joins the Little Pee Dee River and then the Great Pee Dee River as it makes its way through South Carolina on its way to Winyah Bay. You are a downstream user and you can and should submit comments!

With YOUR voice, we can secure cleanup for Weatherspoon and all of our downstream communities. Help us make sure the Lumber River and the communities that rely on clean water have this threat removed!

# Public Hearing on Weatherspoon Coal Ash

**Thursday, March 10th at 6 pm**

**Robeson Community College's auditorium**

**5160 Fayetteville Road, Lumberton, NC**

[Click here for learn more about the Weatherspoon coal ash.](#)



## **Christine Ellis, *Deputy Director***

Bob Shiles from *The Robesonian* interviewed our *Deputy Director*, Christine Ellis on March 5th, on the importance of public participation at the hearing. [Click here to read Shiles' full interview.](#)