

**PROGRESS ENERGY
YADKIN-PEE DEE RIVER PROJECT
LAND USE AND RECREATION WORKING GROUP
ISSUES EVALUATION TEMPLATE
January 2004**

Issue No. 13: Whitewater Feasibility

1. Description of Issue

Interest in having Progress Energy consider the feasibility of providing a whitewater facility at the Project was expressed. Also to consider a dual purpose fishway to incorporate both whitewater and fish passage interests.

2. Project Effects

The operation of the Project does not impact existing resources for whitewater recreation in the Project area which are extremely limited or non-existent. The river is generally a wide, smooth flowing river rated as a Class I river.

3. Applicable Existing Information

- The Pee Dee River Canoe Trail – A Spirited Journey through the heart of North Carolina. <http://www.peedeepages.com/river.htm>
- Progress Energy. 2003. Initial consultation document. Yadkin-Pee Dee River Project. FERC No. 2206. February 2003. Submitted by Progress Energy, Raleigh, North Carolina.

4. Study Needs

Progress Energy is not proposing to perform a study on this issue. A whitewater facility is not consistent with the character of the river in this area. Supporting development of a diadromous fish migration plan and the effect of the Project on fish migrations are issues being discussed in the Water Resources Working Group, Issues No. 4 and 5. Discussion of fish passage and any proposals for fish passage will occur in the Water RWG.

Resource Working Group Overlap (check if applicable)

X Water Resources Issue # 4, 5

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___ Terrestrial Resources Issue # ___

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