

# CCAP: Community Conservation Assistance Program

This is a state-funded program that offers 75% reimbursement. Applications are due by August 1st.

The owner can choose to match funds through a monetary payment or pay in kind through assisted labor during installation of the BMP. Eligible citizens may include homeowners, businesses, schools, parks and publicly owned lands.



*Bradley Creek Elementary BMP*

# HOW: Heal Our Waterways

Proudly serving the Hewletts and Bradley Creek Watershed areas, this program is city-funded at 100% with no out-of-pocket expense. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. If you are interested, and live in one of these two watersheds, contact the NHC Soil and Water Conservation District to start an application.

To see if you are in these two watersheds, you can check your address here: [www.wilmingtonnc.gov/watershed](http://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/watershed)



# NHC-WQIP: New Hanover County – Water Quality Improvement Programs

New Hanover County proudly supports the unincorporated areas of the county with this 50% matching based funding program. NHC will provide up to half of the funding to install an approved BMP device.

Similar to the CCAP program, interested parties can choose to match funds through a monetary payment or pay in kind through assisted labor during installation of the BMP.



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## GRANTS FOR WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS

Interested in making a difference in local water quality? Need the technical support and funds to help make it happen? Based on your address, you could be eligible for 50-100% funding to install a BMP, such as a rain garden, our most popular BMP.

### FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:

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<https://soilwater.nhcgov.com/programs/stormwater-solutions/>

### WHAT IS STORMWATER?

Stormwater runoff occurs when rainwater flows over impervious, or hard surfaces, picking up pollutants like pet waste, vehicle fluids, litter, and fertilizer, and carrying it, untreated, directly to our waterways. Polluted stormwater runoff flows directly into our waterways, causing shellfish closures and swimming advisories.

### WHAT IS A BMP?

Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) are control measures a landowner can take to reduce stormwater runoff and pollution from entering our waterways. A BMP can be an action, a structure, or a practice. BMPs are designed to reduce the volume of runoff and reduce the influx of non-point source pollutants.

### WHAT IS A RAIN GARDEN?

A rain garden is a depressed area in the landscape that collects rain water and allows it to soak into the ground. Planted with grasses and flowering perennials, rain gardens can be a cost-effective and beautiful way to reduce runoff from your property. Rain gardens can also help filter out pollutants in runoff and provide food and shelter for butterflies, song birds and other wildlife.

## New Hanover County Soil & Water Conservation District

### GRANT PROGRAMS FOR WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS

The New Hanover Soil and Water Conservation District (NHSWCD) mission is to protect and enhance water quality throughout New Hanover County through land conservation, stormwater management, technical support to citizens and organizations, and conservation education and outreach activities.

