

<p><b>Action name:</b> Flow Communication Plan    <b>Prerequisite Actions:</b> none</p> <p><b>Action Description:</b></p> <p>Develop a system to provide information to the public disclosing instream flows and generation for the Nantahala and Tuckasegee sub-basins.</p> <p><b>Applicable Hydro Projects/Developments:</b></p> <p>Nantahala, East Fork, and West Fork</p>
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**I. Objective**

Review needs and communications methodologies for providing desired information on instream flows and generation to the general public at specific locations on the Tuckasegee and Nantahala Rivers.

**II. Basis**

The basis for this study to enhance public recreation, safety, and overall enjoyment increased stream flows made possible when the hydro generators are operating. Continued area and recreational growth are expected to increase the need for reservoir information.

**III. Geographic and Temporal Scope**

This study should begin in early 2001 to increase the potential of prototype testing of new communications processes this summer.

**IV. Approach and Analysis**

Self-identified members of the public, Duke Hydro Central, stakeholders, and others, plus other parties to be identified by the working group will define the needs, review current methods, and make recommendations to meet future needs. The group will also review the effectiveness of implemented activities after one season of operation.

**V. Schedules and Required Conditions**

The study will begin in late January 2001.

**VI. Results**

Results will be used to consider adopting new methodologies for informing the public and lake property owners of lake level changes and stream flows.

**VII. Participants**

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**VIII.Expected Benefits**

The study plan should result in recommendations leading to improved instream flow and generation schedule information available to the public in a reasonably timely and accessible manner.

**IX. List of Attachments**

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