MANDATORY REFERRAL REPORT NO. 01-05 CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BY PARK AND RECREATION FEBRUARY 2001

PROJECT LOCATION

The subject property, tax parcel number 111-491-01 is located in the eastern portion of the County on Camp Stewart Road (Moore Farm property).

PROJECT PROPOSAL

Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation is proposing to acquire 213 acres to be developed as a district park and potential school sites.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

This property is located east of I-485 and is a 1920's vintage farm site. The property is approximately 2/3's wooded and 1/3 open land. The surrounding area is rapidly developing, primarily with single family subdivisions. This property would be reserved for future park/open space and potential school sites.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROJECTS

This property is zoned R-3 and is located in the East District Plan area. The Plan identifies this site as a location for single family housing. However, the Plan recommends a park in the general area, for a site just south of this property on Camp Stewart Road.

Additionally, this property is part of the effort to acquire and preserve land for public needs including parks, open space and schools for this portion of the County.

PROJECT IMPACT

Acquisition of this property would allow for the development of a district park and other public facilities in an area that is rapidly growing.

PROJECT COST

Market appraisals will be the basis for negotiations and to determine land costs for this project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the property be acquired for the use of a district park.

PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Planning Committee unanimously approved the purchase of this property.

Mandatory Referral: MR01-05

