



# News Release

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## **Bullard Circle Community Survey Mailed to Property Owners**

FAYETTEVILLE – Cumberland County mailed 75 letters and surveys to property owners in the Bullard Circle community on March 27 seeking feedback on steps the county can take to move forward with supplying water to the area.

Arsenic levels in water from 27 private wells in the Bullard Circle community in northern Cumberland County exceed the Environmental Protection Agency standards. Cumberland County Public Health and state officials have recommended residents not use the water for drinking and cooking, unless a water treatment system is installed to remove the substance. The water may be used for washing, cleaning, bathing and showering.

To follow up with a public meeting held on March 20, the county's Public Utilities Division is asking the property owners listed on tax records to complete the survey and return it no later than April 10. The county is asking the owners if they are in favor of pursuing the request for water service and the information will help the Public Utilities Division determine how best to proceed with getting potable water to the area.

A copy of the letter and survey are attached.

For additional information, property owners and residents may contact 910-678-7682 or [ahall@co.cumberland.nc.us](mailto:ahall@co.cumberland.nc.us).

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CUMBERLAND  
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ENGINEERING & INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT  
PUBLIC UTILITIES DIVISION

March 26, 2014

Bullard Circle Community Property Owners  
**Bullard Circle Community**  
Cumberland County, North Carolina

Subject: Water Service Survey

Dear Property Owner:

The Public Utilities Division is interested in knowing what steps the property owners in the Bullard Circle Community would like for our Department to take in moving forward with supplying water to your area. At this time there is no proposed project in the area and therefore we do not have a cost for the project. We are asking the owners of the Bullard Circle Community if they are in favor of pursuing the request for water service.

Please complete the enclosed survey and return in the self-addressed, postage paid envelope by **April 10, 2014**.

This survey is in no way obligating you to any of the options that you choose. This is for information only, to see how our Department is to proceed with getting potable water to your area. I will continue to send out information to you, regarding the steps that we will be taking moving forward.

If you have any questions or need any additional information please contact me at 910-678-7682 or email [ahall@co.cumberland.nc.us](mailto:ahall@co.cumberland.nc.us).

Sincerely,

Amy Hall  
Public Utilities

# Water Survey

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Property Site Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Is this property:       Owner-Occupied       Rental Unit       Vacant

**Please select the option that you would prefer the County to take to extend the waterline to your community:**

**1. Create a Water and Sewer District and Seek Funding.**

This is a very competitive process and does not guarantee any funds. This could be a lengthy process that may or may not lead to funding.

**2. Special Assessments.**

For this option the county may make a special assessment against benefited property within the county for the total cost of the project, including but not limited to engineering, construction, and administrative costs. The basis of assessment is normally an equal rate per lot in the project area along which water is extended. This option is the quickest way to provide the community potable water. In the past, the County and/or PWC have contributed to the overall cost of providing water in similar circumstances.

**3. Nothing.**

For this option you prefer the county not to move forward with extending the waterlines to your community.

If water lines were extended for the community, would you connect to the water system if it was strictly voluntary?

Yes       No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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