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On the Waterfront

Editor's Note

More than half of America's population lives within a few hours of the ocean; many others live near a major river or lake. In this *Carolina Planning*, we explore the particular planning demands and development opportunities presented by waterfronts. In particular we look at the social, environmental and economic aspects of waterfront planning, and the conflicts that arise among them.

In *Forum*, Doug Rader of the North Carolina Environmental Defense Fund makes the case for thoughtful wetland regulations in North Carolina.

Our *Articles* break down into pairs of essays looking at waterfront planning issues from contrasting (although often complementary) points of view. Michael Young discusses the problems faced by Toledo, Ohio's Portside marketplace, while Ralph Wallace tackles "quiche vs. cargo" waterfront land use issues. The next pair of articles address legislative action in North Carolina. David Moreau, Jeri Gray and Kathy Watts discuss the history and impact of watershed protection rules, and Dale Roenigk and Maureen Heraty address the effectiveness of the North Carolina Coastal Area Management Act. Two articles focus on New York's Hudson River; the first, by Andy Strauss and Geraldine Wang of the Trust for Public Land, deals with efforts to create a public walkway that spans nine jurisdictions in the densely populated area of New Jersey across from New York City. The other, by Seth McKee, discusses Scenic Hudson's mission to protect the entirety of the Hudson and the use of conservation easements and land acquisition to achieve this goal. The final pair of articles deal with estuarine management. Wesley Crum's article about the Environmental Protection Agency's National Estuary Program highlights the Albermarle-Pamlico Sound Estuarine Study. Bill Dreyfoos discusses the necessity of consensus-building in the Charleston Harbor Project.

Occasionally we receive an article that does not fit in with the topic of a particular issue, but that we feel deserves inclusion anyway. Such is the case with our final article by Andy Raubeson. It deals with the provision of housing and social services to residents of downtown Los Angeles. The article serves as a reminder that there remain in Los Angeles (and other cities of our nation) many forces at work for positive change.

It is with great pleasure and some regret that John and I pass on editorship to Steven and John. We know that they will carry on the tradition of excellence associated with *Carolina Planning* that John and I worked so hard to uphold. I hope you enjoy reading this issue as much as the four of us enjoyed putting it out.

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Correction

In our last issue, we failed to identify the gentleman pictured on the cover. He is Tim Bazemore with the Workers' Owned Sewing Company of Ahoskie, NC. Our apologies to Mr. Bazemore and our readers for the mistake.

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