

To	Marchell Adams-David, City Manager
Thru	Whit Wheeler, P.E., Director
From	Jonathan Ham, P.E., M.B.A., Development Services Manager
Department	Raleigh Water – Public Utilities
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Subject	Service Outside City Limits – 8100 Battle Bridge Road

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Raleigh Water has been approached by Aqua North Carolina, Inc (Aqua) and the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to connect The Preserves at Long Branch Farm Subdivision to municipal water.

The Preserves at Long Branch Farm is outside all current watersheds and could be served if it were within the ETJ/Corporate Limits. The subdivision is in the county and cannot be served without specific Council Action. A water main is available on the northside of Battle Bridge Road and no main extension will be required to serve the property.

The Preserves at Long Branch Farm Subdivision is an existing subdivision located on the southside of Battle Bridge Road between Auburn Knightdale Road and Brown Field Road. The subdivision is currently served by a well system owned and operated by Aqua. The well system only has one well that is direct conflict with Phase 2 of the Complete 540 project being constructed by NCDOT. Aqua and NCDOT have been working for over two years to obtain an additional well to provide an adequate water supply for the subdivision, including drilling two test wells. The two wells that were drilled did not provide the water supply required by Public Water Supply to serve the existing 38 homes.

Based on conversations with Aqua and NCDOT staff, it was determined that the only practical alternative was to connect the subdivision to municipal water. The existing well will be disconnected and abandoned once the connection to Raleigh Water is complete. Aqua will continue to own the water system in the subdivision and the meter/backflow will be located at the right-of-way of Battle Bridge and Griffice Mill Rd.

Connecting to the public water will provide water supply to the subdivision and allow them drinking water for their homes. Current city code Sec. 8-2063 states that “All utility extensions outside the corporate limits shall be subject to the approval of the City Council.” Recognizing the need for adequate water supply for the subdivision, Raleigh Water requests the ability to allow The Preserves at Long Branch Farm to connect to Raleigh Water and allow Aqua to apply for water service without requiring annexation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and please let us know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.