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TO: Senator Phil Berger  
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FROM: Mark Bondo   
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SUBJECT: Increase to Cost of a State Capital Project

Pursuant to G.S. 143C-8-8, a State Agency may increase the cost of a capital project with gifts, federal or private grants, special fund receipts, or direct capital improvement appropriations if the increase is in the best interest of the State. The Wildlife Resources Commission is requesting to increase the Setzer Hatchery Renovation project by \$9 million to a new total of \$55.7 million, with \$20 million coming from the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund as originally authorized in SL2023-134. The increase is needed due to project bids exceeding authorized budget and will come from the Wildlife Endowment funds, interest from which may be used according to GS143-250.1(e) and has been authorized for this specific project in SL2025-4.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at 984-236-0684 or email at [mark.bondo@osbm.nc.gov](mailto:mark.bondo@osbm.nc.gov), or you may contact Wildlife Resources Commission CFO, Jason Cottle, at [jason.cottle@ncwildlife.gov](mailto:jason.cottle@ncwildlife.gov).

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