

## **GUILFORD COUNTY**

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT Erosion Control Section



## Seeding Season

This letter is sent out to developers with active grading permits reminding everyone that now is the time to apply the applicable seeding mixture (refer to your County approved erosion control plan for seeding specifications) on your projects.

The seeding window for tall fescue is **February 15 – May 1**, and with warmer weather around the corner and our frequent spring rain events, it shouldn't take long for properly seeded areas to germinate. In order to close your grading permit and release the surety, we like to see approximately *90-95% germination of permanent ground cover*.

Seeding stabilization is one of the best forms of erosion control and will typically keep a site compliant in conjunction with properly installed, maintained and functioning erosion control and sedimentation control devices. If your site is not to the point of permanent seeding, temporary seeding can stabilize critical areas and reduce maintenance requirements on erosion and sedimentation control devices.

Remember: Before you or your contractor seeds, please reference the seeding schedule and required specifications on your County approved erosion control plan.

Sincerely,

Soil Erosion Control Team