

**07 NCAC 13I .0202 SITE EVALUATION**

In assessing natural features, each site shall be evaluated with respect to:

- (1) presence of natural features, not adequately represented in other protected natural areas;
- (2) diversity of native flora and fauna;
- (3) quality and condition of natural features;
- (4) viability and self-sufficiency of the natural ecosystem when properly managed;
- (5) extent to which past disturbances have altered the natural features;
- (6) degree of vulnerability to disturbances and encroachments;
- (7) capability of being managed so as to protect and maintain natural conditions;
- (8) compatibility of protective management practices with current use of adjacent lands;
- (9) scientific and educational value.

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