



# NORTH CAROLINA Department of Transportation

## Division 14

COUNTIES SERVED | Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood,  
Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Polk, Swain, Transylvania

## November 2020 Edition

# World Day of Remembrance



On Nov. 15, we recognize World Day of Remembrance.

Every year, NC Vision Zero hosts a memorial exhibit which features a large display of shoes to represent the lives lost on North Carolina's roadways. Your organization could donate shoes for future exhibits.

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## News Near You...

### New Detour Opens in Dillsboro

DILLSBORO – A new detour for local traffic and passenger vehicles is opening around construction to replace a bridge on Haywood Road over Scott Creek in Jackson County. Local traffic may now use Dillsboro Road and Old Home Town Road — which has been paved to connect at both ends — around the construction and back to Haywood Road with minimal delay.

[Learn more](#)



## Roadway Death Rates Decline

Road safety remains a priority for NCDOT and traffic deaths in North Carolina are thankfully still declining.

According to data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the total number of traffic deaths in our state decreased by 63, or 4.4 percent, from 2018 to 2019.

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## First-Ever Waiver for Drone Bridge Inspections

Drones are NCDOT's newest tool in maintaining the safety of the state's bridges and other infrastructure.

The Federal Aviation Administration recently approved the first-ever waiver that allows NCDOT to operate drones beyond visual line of sight while conducting bridge inspections.

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## Animal-Vehicle Crashes Soar

Daylight hours are shorter and we are now in the season when animal-vehicle crashes are more common in North Carolina.

The frequency of animal-vehicle crashes climbed considerably in the latest annual report from NCDOT. There was an increase of more than 2,300 crashes in 2019 over the 2018 statewide total.

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