



NORTH CAROLINA Department of Transportation

Division 14

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

March 2021 Edition

NCDOT Celebrates Black History Month



Through the month of February, the N.C. Department of Transportation honored contributions of African Americans to the transportation industry, both past and present.

- A [series of videos and social media posts](#) were shared highlighting historical leaders in the industry and exceptional

NCDOT employees.

- The first class of [NCDOT HBCU/MSI Fellows](#) were honored.
- The N.C. Governor's Highway Safety Program worked with cultural influencers to develop ideas to [improve roadway safety for Black families](#).

News Near You...

Major Phases Starting On I-26 in Henderson County

HENDERSONVILLE – The major construction project on Interstate 26 in Henderson County is entering a new phase with two significant impacts to drivers starting in March.



- Closing Butler Bridge Road over I-26 for 180 days starting March 15
- Overnight closures of I-26 between exits in one direction for one week

[Read more](#)

Three Highways to be Resurfaced This Summer

SYLVA – N.C. Department of Transportation officials recently awarded three contracts to resurface highways in Cherokee, Jackson and Henderson counties.

The three contracts combine to cover more than 20.3 miles of four-lane highway with a new surface, new reflective paint and new reflective markers for a combined cost of \$22.4 million.

[Read more](#)



Back to School Safety

As schools slowly reopen across the state, drivers and pedestrians should remember to prioritize safety, especially for children.

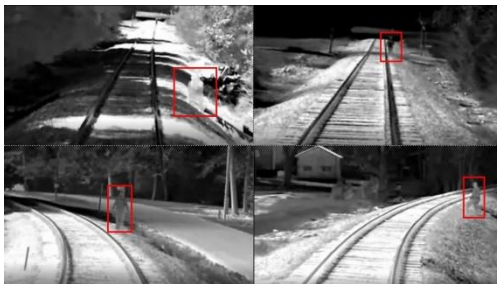
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License and Theft Centennial Kickoff

The Division of Motor Vehicles License and Theft Bureau hosted a virtual event on Feb. 8 to kickoff the celebration of its 100 years of service to North Carolina. You can experience the history of the bureau and [see the virtual event now](#).

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NCDOT Employs New Tech for Railway Safety

To reduce deaths on railroad tracks, NCDOT's Rail Division is using thermal cameras and motion sensors to compile data for a four-year study.

[Learn More](#)



Bicycle Helmet Initiative Breaks Records

Over 11,000 children will be receiving lifesaving bike helmets from 163 organizations across the state through NCDOT's Bicycle Helmet Initiative.

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Join a Local Litter Sweep

The 2021 Spring Litter Sweeps will be kicking off across the state from April 10-24.

You can volunteer to help us clean up our state's roadsides. Volunteers are provided with cleaning supplies, gloves and safety vests.

[Volunteer Today](#)



Find Out What's New on NCDOT Now

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