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### **Financial Management** Division's mission:

To support the financial health of NCDOT by ensuring integrity, compliance and customer service for all stakeholders.

#### SERVICE AREAS

- Accounts Receivable
- Accounts Payable
- Budget
- Compliance Reporting
- Contract Management
- DMV Revenue
- Federal Funds Management
- Funds Management & Administration
- General Ledger
- P Card
- Payroll
- Purchasing
- State Funds Management
- Toll Revenue
- Travel Management Card

#### **CFO**

Stephanie J. King

## **COVID-19 Relief Funds**

# NCDOT Receives \$229.3 Million for Highway Construction and Maintenance

The N.C. Department of Transportation received a portion of the state's share of revenue replacement authorized by Congress last December. The law, titled "Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021," served as the second round of federal stimulus funding to help Americans, businesses and state and local

governments recover from the effects of the pandemic. The money was distributed to the states based on population.

## Agency breakdown of relief money

The state Legislature approved these NCDOT amounts:

- \$229.3 million will be reimbursed by the Federal Highway Administration for eligible expenses, such as highway construction. This also will help NCDOT to advance delayed bridge projects and perform interstate highway maintenance.
- \$1 million for eligible Federal **Aviation Administration** projects and activities.
- \$781,861 for public transit supporting older residents and those with disabilities.



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# Payroll Unit Stalwart Recognized for Her Stellar Dedication

Lynette Rogers, who has long been the point person when departmental employees had questions about payroll, has been honored for her exemplary dedication, financial stewardship and adherence to ethical standards.

Secretary J. Eric Boyette recognized Rogers during the April Board of Transportation meeting as the 2020 recipient of the Brent Hamilton Excellence in Financial Management and Integrity Award.

She has worked at NCDOT for over 29 years. She has come to work in snow and ice and other inclement weather to make sure employees had their checks. And through the pandemic, she has been dedicated to ensuring all is well for our employees.

## **Advance Construction Procedures Updated**

Advance Construction is a funding tool used by all states. It allows NCDOT to program more projects throughout the year, start them sooner and save money.

When projects eligible for federal funding have been identified, NCDOT can accelerate the project by using state funds to pay for the project's cost first; then, the department will use Federal Highway Administration dollars to reimburse itself for the federal portion of construction, which is typically 80 percent.

Visit the Advance Construction webpage to learn more.

#### EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

All current <u>Special Delegations and Exemptions</u> from N.C. Department of Administration purchase and contracts will remain in effect until their original expiration date, or until such time they are revoked by the current State Purchasing Officer.

## **Unit Contact**

Have a question or suggestion for the Financial Management Division? Contact Tonya Austin below.



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