

## NORTH CAROLINA Department of Transportation

#### **Division 6**

COUNTIES SERVED | Bladen, Columbus, Cumberland, Harnett and Robeson

# May 2025 Edition

## Memorial Day Click It or Ticket



Whether you're driving or riding, always wear your seatbelt. It's proven to save lives.

The Governor's Highway Safety Program is running its statewide Memorial Day Click It or Ticket campaign from May 18 through June 1.

Law enforcement will increase patrols across all 100 counties to ensure everyone is properly buckled up.

Stay safe! Memorial Day is approaching, and the GHSP and its partners will be watching out for you.

### Litter Sweep Wrap Up

The department's Spring Litter Sweep just concluded, with 434,235 pounds of litter collected from North Carolina's roadsides.

With over 80,000 miles of state-maintained roads, we need everyone's help to keep our highways clean.

Visit our Litter Sweep <u>webpage</u> to t learn about how you can get involved moving forward!





#### Youth, Motorcycle & Bicycle Safety Campaigns

May is National Youth Traffic Safety Month, Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and National Bicycle Safety Month.

In North Carolina, motorcycles make up just 2% of registered vehicles but account for nearly 10% of road fatalities. Proper training, wearing helmets, and following traffic laws greatly reduce the risk of crashes.

Drivers should stay alert, watch for motorcycles and bicycles, and always share the road.

NCDOT offers a variety of <u>safety resources</u> to help protect all users of the statemaintained road system.

#### **News Near You**

#### Grady Hunt Lauded, Retires from BOT

Grady Hunt (right), a member of the N.C. Board of Transportation since 2017, announced <u>May 1 his</u> <u>retirement</u> from the board. During the same meeting, board Chairman Tony Lathrop presented Hunt with the "Road Gang Award" for outstanding service to transportation.

#### Raeford Road in Fayetteville Temporarily Closed



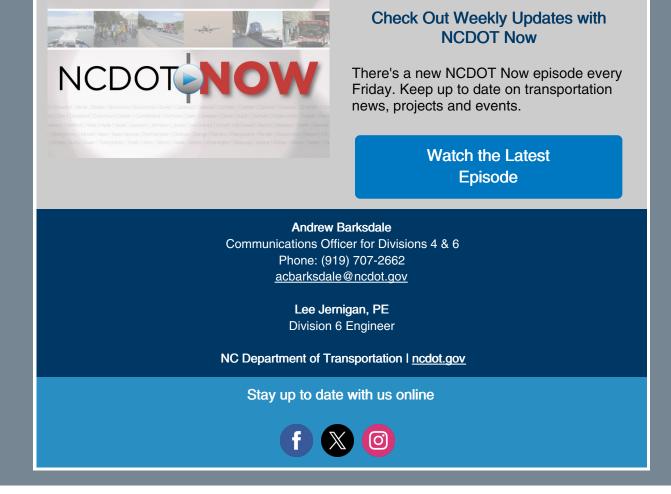
**FAYETTEVILLE** – A section of Raeford Road near Highland Country Club closed this spring to replace a culvert by a state highway contractor.

The 7-foot-wide concrete culvert that drains Branson Creek underneath Raeford Road was built in 1940s, and is nearing the end of its lifespan. The new culvert will improve drainage for this road. This road is scheduled to reopen by the end of this year

#### I-295 and I-95 Interchange Fully Opens

HOPE MILLS – Great news! You can now hop onto I-295 North (Fayetteville Outer Loop) from I-95 North at Exit 38 in northern Robeson County, or take I-295 South to I-95 North. Our contractors fully opened this interchange on April 29.

The rest of the outer loop, from <u>Camden Road to Raeford Road</u> in western Fayetteville is scheduled to be completed by early summer 2026.



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