

**Report to the North Carolina General Assembly's
Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on
Agriculture and Environment and Natural Resources**



***Report on Quarterly Expenditures through the
North Carolina Flood Resiliency Blueprint
of Funds Allocated in SL 2021-180 Sec. 40.7***

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Division of Mitigation Services

**NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

Pursuant to SL 2021-180 Sec. 40.7(d)

Department of Environmental Quality
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Background

This report is submitted to meet the requirements of Session Law 2021-180 Section 40.7(d), as amended by SL 2022-43 Sec. 2 and SL 2024-32 Sec. 5.2, which requires the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to report on expenditures of funds authorized for stream debris removal and other flood mitigation strategies throughout the state. Specifically, Session Law 2021-180 Section 40.7(d) states:

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The Department shall report within 30 days of the end of each fiscal quarter in which funds are expended to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Environment and Natural Resources and the Fiscal Research Division regarding uses of the funds appropriated by this section. The report shall include a cumulative and quarterly listing of projects funded, counties where funded projects were located, and linear feet of streams cleared.

Report Structure

This report summarizes project expenditures through the NC Flood Resiliency Blueprint (Blueprint), as well as legislation impacting future expenditures. The information provided is up to date as of July 31st, 2025.

Blueprint staff began implementing projects with the \$96 million appropriated by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2024. To implement projects efficiently and responsibly, DEQ established project partnerships with fellow state agencies that administer programs with overlapping goals. Flood resilience is a complex challenge. Many state agencies and programs have missions that intersect with various aspects of flood resilience. Recognizing these areas of overlap has allowed the Blueprint to efficiently implement much needed resilience projects. By supporting the ongoing flood resilience work of Local Governments, North Carolina Emergency Management (NCEM), the North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF), North Carolina office of Recovery and Resilience, and the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDACS), the Blueprint has made possible the implementation of 58 projects worth over \$68 million for \$26,059,395.00 in costs to the program. A summary of the receiving entities and amount contracted is shown in the table below.

Partner – Program	Amount	Individual Projects
Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services – StRAP 2023	\$4,721,991.00	32
Department of Natural and Cultural Resources – Land Water Fund (21-23)	\$9,047,404.00	15
NC Emergency Management – 2023 Disaster Relief and Mitigation Fund	\$3,910,000.00	3
Lumberton Recovery and Infrastructure Resilience - NCORR Community Development	\$8,000,000.00	6
NC Department of Transportation -	\$270,000.00	1
Local Government Partner	\$110,000.00	1

The Blueprint partnered with NC DOT on a project to reinforce the shoulder and embankments where U.S. 74 crosses the Lumber River near the Columbus County town of Boardman. The improvements are necessary to reduce the potential for roadway damage and loss from flooding of the Lumber River. U.S. 74 is also a major east-west evacuation route making it essential to communities in need of emergency and community services during extreme weather events. The \$270,000 Blueprint investment is matched by \$1,800,000 in USDOT funds.

The Blueprint executed grant contract to directly fund the town of Pollocksville to fund Pollocksville's Main Street Infrastructure Improvement Project. The project involves elevating six commercial structures to reduce flood exposure and damage and road improvements to limit flooding of vehicles. The \$120,000 Blueprint investment is matched by over \$1,482,000.

The six Lumberton Recovery and Infrastructure projects represent a range of project types. Two are stormwater system improvements to reduce localized flooding to housing and infrastructure. Three are fortification and retrofits for drinking water and wastewater infrastructure which will minimize the loss of function and the resulting damage and disruption from storms. One project is the relocation of PHA rental housing from areas that experience chronic flooding to an area outside of the 500-year flood plain.

The 32 StRAP projects with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services funded by the Blueprint are being disbursed through StRAP in the form of grants to local governments, Soil and Water Conservation Districts and nonprofits for stream debris removal and sediment removal. This effort benefits communities across the state in preventing future flooding, restoring streams and reducing the risk to life and property. The funding provides for debris removal for over 125 miles of streams.

The 15 Projects Land and Water Fund (NCLWF) projects were selected and funded by the Blueprint to implement flood reduction and floodplain protection projects. The Blueprint funded projects will provide an estimated 465 acre-feet of flood water retention, or 152 million gallons, during flood events.

The three projects funded through the NCEM 2023 Disaster Relief and Mitigation Fund focus on infrastructure improvements including:

- Support drainage improvements and stream restoration, including upsizing culverts and floodplain benching, in the City of Greenville.
- Upgrading culverts and increasing conveyance capacity systematically alleviate flooding along Eutaw Creek in the City of Fayetteville.
- Reducing upstream flood risk, by adding two additional box culverts to accommodate stormwater flow and better tie into stream and floodplain restoration where the Little Buffalo Creek crosses under Weatherspoon Street in the City of Sanford.

The following table is a breakdown of projects and expenditures by county:

County	Projects	Funding (\$)
Avery	1	\$ 149,200.00
Beaufort	8	\$ 766,789.00
Brunswick	1	\$ 344,000.00
Carteret	1	\$ 800,000.00
Columbus	1	\$ 270,000.00
Cumberland	1	\$ 910,000.00
Duplin	3	\$ 158,000.00

Durham	1	\$	500,000.00
Edgecombe	1	\$	490,000.00
Haywood	1	\$	800,000.00
Henderson	1	\$	604,625.00
Hyde	1	\$	31,000.00
Johnston	1	\$	800,000.00
Jones	3	\$	872,414.00
Lee	1	\$	1,500,000.00
Lenoir	2	\$	777,956.00
Martin	4	\$	1,060,000.00
Mitchell	1	\$	346,000.00
New Hanover	2	\$	885,150.00
Onslow	1	\$	107,600.00
Pamlico	4	\$	534,586.00
Pender	1	\$	334,625.00
Pitt	1	\$	1,500,000.00
Robeson	7	\$	11,332,500.00
Scotland	2	\$	43,000.00
Wayne	1	\$	151,950.00

In June 2025, HB 1012-Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 - Part II Section 2A.7.(a) takes \$20,000,000 away from Blueprint implementation and reallocates it “to Robeson County for State matching requirements for federal funding for the community-led Lumber River Basin Coalition waterway restoration project due to damage from PTC #8 and TS Debby.”

This change in funding will affect previous commitments and the program’s ability to fund projects identified through the ongoing River Basin Action Strategy processes. We have made adjustments to future contract amounts by \$20 million as shown in the table below.

Program - Partner	Previously Committed	HB 1012 Adjustment	New Commitment
Agricultural Pond Flood Storage - Department of Agriculture Consumer Services	\$10,000,000.00	\$(1,000,000.00)	\$9,000,000.00
Natural Infrastructure Flood Mitigation Program Implementation - DEQ Mitigation Services	\$10,000,000.00	\$(5,000,000.00)	\$5,000,000.00
Resilient Transportation - NC Dept. Of Transportation	\$9,730,000.00	\$(7,000,000.00)	\$2,730,000.00
French Broad Resilient Recovery Opportunities - Direct Funding Local Governments	\$10,000,000.00	\$(1,000,000.00)	\$9,000,000.00
Funds for Actions Prioritized RBAS process	\$18,098,603.00	\$(6,000,000.00)	\$12,098,603.00

Overall flood resilience funding allocation to date with the HB1012 adjustment is presented below. Total of \$76,142,500.

Program - Partner	Total Committed With Partners Post-HB 1012	Under Contract	Contracting in process
StRAP 2023 - Department of Agriculture Consumer Services		\$ 4,387,666.00	
Land Water Fund - Department of Natural and Cultural Resources		\$9,047,404.00	\$1,139,351.00
Disaster Relief and Mitigation Grants - NC Emergency Management		\$3,910,000.00	
RISE Priority Projects - Direct Funding Local Governments		\$120,000.00	\$ 3,559,476.00
Lumberton Recovery and Infrastructure Resilience - NCORR		\$8,000,000.00	
Water Resources Development Grants - DEQ - Water Resources			\$5,000,000.00
Agricultural Pond Flood Storage - Department of Agriculture Consumer Services	\$9,000,000.00		
Natural Infrastructure Flood Mitigation Program Implementation - DEQ Mitigation Services	\$5,000,000.00		
Resilient Transportation - NC Dept. Of Transportation	\$2,730,000.00	\$270,000.00	
French Broad Resilient Recovery Opportunities - Direct Funding Local Governments	\$9,000,000.00		
Funds for Actions Prioritized RBAS process	\$12,098,603.00		
Administration		\$2,880,000.00	
Totals	\$37,828,603.00	\$28,615,070.00	\$9,698,827.00

Below is a list of projects and awards funded through the Flood Resiliency Blueprint to date.

Project Name	Applicant	County	River Basin	Project Type	Supporting Partner	DEQ Award	Projected Construction Start Date	Implementation Notes
Avery SWCD	Avery SWCD	Avery	French Broad	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 149,200.00	completed	Project complete
Town of Robersonville	Town of Robersonville	Martin	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 255,000.00	completed	Project complete
Town of Parmele	Town of Parmele	Martin	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 245,000.00	completed	Project complete

Pender Soil & Water Cons District	Pender Soil & Water Cons District	Pender	Cape Fear	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 334,625.00	<i>TBD</i>	First quarterly report was due 4/30/2025. Quarterly reporting is still outstanding.
Town of Rowland	Town of Rowland	Robeson	Lumber	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 500,000.00	completed	Project complete.
Pamlico SWCD	Pamlico SWCD	Pamlico	Neuse	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 148,810.00	11/8/2024	All but Smith creek completed; Smith Creek to be completed in the Fall.
Edgecombe County SWCD	Edgecombe County SWCD	Edgecombe.	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 490,000.00	<i>TBD</i>	Stream segments have not started nor been contracted on, due to not having the fully executed contract during Quarter 4 of 2024. Once the fully executed contract is received, the SWCD office will open up for bids to be taken on the projects.
Mitchell SWCD	Mitchell SWCD	Mitchell	French Broad	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 346,000.00	10/29/2024	Scope of work was updated on December 20, 2024 to adjust planned work to focus on repair activities associated with Hurricane Helene damage. Cane Creek- removal of debris began on 2,650 LF (approx. 75% complete). Charles Creek, Bee Branch to UT and Honeycutt Branch completed.
Martin SWCD	Martin SWCD	Martin	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 185,000.00	<i>underway</i>	Debris removal is underway. Martin SWCD has submitted a SOW revision request. Their contract amount will remain the same- they just want to shorten their 2 current streams, and add a 3 rd stream to the

								SOW. Their justification for this change is that some sections of the 2 initial streams have very large floodplains surrounded by forested swamp, so they would remove some of the stretches that have less of an impact on infrastructure/homes, while still working on the sections that have more of an impact. The added stream segment (Conoho Creek) affects more homesites and farm land.
Robeson County Church and Community Center	Robeson County Church and Community Center	Robeson	Lumber	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 140,816.00	completed	All work has been completed. Removal of debris from 15,918 linear feet along back Swamp Main Canal. Debris removed from canal was mulched offsite. Removal of 2 beaver dams from 3,331 linear feet along segment 2 of Moss Neck Main Canal. Debris removed from the canal was mulched offsite.
Robeson County Drainage District 1	Robeson County Drainage District 2	Robeson	Lumber	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 132,500.00	TBD	First quarterly report was due 4/30/2025. Quarterly reporting is still outstanding.
Town of Pembroke	Town of Pembroke	Robeson	Lumber	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 159,184.00	Completed	The Town of Pembroke has completed the RFQ and received responses. The review committee has met but no determination has been made as of yet. Review

								committee are finalizing their review and completing reference checks. Debris removal completed on both Bear Swamp and Bonnie Road Ditch. Discussing how to use remaining funds.
Town of Bear Grass	Town of Bear Grass	Martin	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 375,000.00	Fall 2025	Sites have been visited with contractors to explain scope of work. Debris Removal should begin in the Fall.
Wayne Soil and Water Conservation District	Wayne Soil and Water Conservation District	Wayne	Neuse	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 151,950.00	12/23/2024	First quarterly report was due 4/30/2025. Quarterly reporting is still outstanding.
Town of Beulaville, N.C.	Town of Beulaville, N.C.	Duplin	Cape Fear	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 33,000.00	Completed	Project complete
Town of Magnolia	Town of Magnolia	Duplin	Cape Fear	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 10,000.00	TBD	First quarterly report was due 4/30/2025. Quarterly reporting is still outstanding.
Town of Leland	Town of Leland	Brunswick	Cape Fear	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$ 344,000.00	11/22/2024	Debris removal of 8863 linear feet along Jackeys Creek. 5 beaver dams were removed along the route. The Town of Leland is evaluating more sites along Jackeys Creek to remove debris as the bids came in under budget.
Loves Creek Tributary 2 - Section 4	Town of Siler City	Chatham	Cape Fear	Stream Restoration	NCDACS	\$ 85,150.00	TBD	Awaiting the first quarterly report with status update.
City of Washington	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 14,130.00	Underway	The 7 sites that were funded through DEQ's \$61,980 came in under budget, so the city added 4 additional segments to their project to use the

								remaining funds (total cost of the 4 new segments is \$28,449).
Ditch ID9	Town of Vandemere	Pamlico	Neuse	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 123,495.00	1/6/2025	Wetland and riparian buffer delineations are underway for permitting applications. Began bidding process; engineering contract delayed due to other projects.
Hasty beside the church Water Creek	Scotland SWCD	Scotland	Lumber	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 35,000.00	Completed	Project complete
StRAP 1- West 9th 10th	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 4,650.00	Completed	Project complete
Strap 2 - West 12th 13th	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 5,550.00	12/4/2024	Contractor began work to complete Strap segments 1-7 on April 15, 2025 and completed work on April 25, 2025. Anticipated need to add additional segments was realized and Scope of Work Revision was revised to include this additional need.
Azalea Behind Church Water Creek	Scotland SWCD	Scotland	Lumber	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 8,000.00	Completed	Project complete.
Ditch IDs 14-31	Town of Vandemere	Pamlico	Neuse	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 171,041.00	1/6/2025	Wetland and riparian buffer delineations are underway for permitting applications. Began bidding process; engineering contract delayed due to other projects.
Strap 5 - East 9th Street	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 12,600.00	12/4/2024	. (See above comments about Washington projects)
Ditch ID 10	Town of Vandemere	Pamlico	Neuse	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 91,240.00	1/6/2025	Wetland and riparian buffer delineations are underway for permitting applications.

								Began bidding process; engineering contract delayed due to other projects.
Strap 4 - E 12th 13th	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 4,500.00	12/4/2024	Project complete
Strap 6 - Bennett Street	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 8,550.00	12/4/2024	Project complete
Strap 3 - East 13th 14 th	City of Washington	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Sediment Removal	NCDACS	\$ 12,000.00	12/4/2024	(See above comments about Washington projects)
Swamp Road Ditch	Hyde SWCD	Hyde	Tar-Pamlico	Infrastructure.	NCDACS	\$ 31,000.00	12/13/2024	Contractor bidding process has begun.
Nickelson Branch	Town of Wallace	Duplin	Cape Fear	Infrastructure.	NCDACS	\$ 115,000.00	June 2025	Project design underway along with USACE evaluations for permitting requirements. Contractor bidding process began and awaiting Q2 update.
Beaufort SWCD	Beaufort SWCD	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Stream Debris Removal	NCDACS	\$132,500	1/7/2025	Planning and contractor bid process is underway.
Little Buffalo Creek MIT	Sanford	Lee	Cape Fear	Infrastructure.	NCDPS	\$ 1,500,000.00	TBD	City continuing to work on easement acquisition. The anticipated bid date of the project is set for the middle of July, with the bid opening scheduled for mid-August.
Lyon & Ivy Culvert Replacement	Fayetteville	Cumberland	Cape Fear	Infrastructure.	NCDPS	\$ 910,000.00	7/1/2024	Project is on schedule. Anticipated Completion Date: February 28, 2027
East Fire tower Rd Drainage & Stream Resto.	Greenville	Pitt	Tar-Pamlico	Infrastructure.	NCDPS	\$ 1,500,000.00	6/2/2025	Surveying began mid-June. The design team will continue working on geomorphic assessment and preliminary design. This includes conducting site surveys, and a

								hydrologic and hydraulic study. GIS property data will be used initially to support early modeling and drawing setup. A review of the HMS model from WSMP is underway with a focus on substantial land use changes and verifying points of interest.
2022-FRR20 Upper Pigeon River Flood Mitigation	Haywood Waterways	Haywood	French Broad	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	1/31/2026	Grantee has secured a purchase agreement for a 73-acre tract necessary for the project. They have competed pre-acquisition documents and have submitted appraisals to the State Property Office with review expected to be completed before 5/30/25.
2022-FRR26 Adkin Branch Flood Mitigation Phase I Construction	Kinston	Lenoir	Neuse	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 472,750.00	10/31/2025	Phase one of construction is complete. Phase two design is underway. Final construction expected to begin late fall of 2025.
2022-FRR12 South Ellerbe Restoration Project	Durham	Durham	Neuse	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 500,000.00	12/30/2025	Durham is still negotiating how best to accept the DEQ funded award for supplemental work. Design underway for original flood retention work.
2022-FRR28 Lumberton Loop Five Mile Branch and Saddletree Swamp Confluence	Lumberton	Robeson	Lumber	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	4/30/2026	Grantee has secured purchase agreements for six parcels necessary for the project. They have competed pre-acquisition documents and the appraisals

								have been approved by the State Property Office.
2022-FRR29 Maple Street Green Stormwater Improvement Project	Maysville	Jones	White Oak	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 355,600.00	11/30/2024	Design is complete and permits are in hand. Preliminary construction (site preparation) is complete.
2024-051 TCF Schoolfield	The Conservation Fund	Robeson	Lumber	Acquisition	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	Projected Closing date 2/28/2026	Negotiations with landowners are ongoing.
2024-428 Wilmington - Wisteria and Clearbrook - Restoration	City of Wilmington	New Hanover	Cape Fear	Restoration	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	6/1/2026	Project contract under final review.
2024-056 TLC Lowgrounds	Triangle Land Conservancy	Johnston	Neuse	Acquisition	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	Projected Closing date 2/28/2026	Appraisals are completed and have been approved by the State Property Office. The closing attorney is currently completing title work, and as soon as completed, work on the survey will begin.
2024-038 WRC Big Swamp	NC Wildlife Resources Commission	Robeson	Lumber	Acquisition	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	Closing date to be determined.	WRC Commissioners gave Phase II approval December 2025 (inc. survey, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, and appraisals). The project must receive approval from both the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Council of State. Should those approvals be granted, title will be reviewed by the Attorney General's office and closing can be scheduled.

2022-FRR02 Bailey Creek Nature-Based Tributary Improvements	Aurora	Beaufort	Tar-Pamlico	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 704,809.00	6/1/2027	Al land agreements in place but for some small parcels with no recorded ownership. The town will now advertise an RFQ for engineering/design services, then record easements once 60% design is complete
2022-FRR35 Newport River Restoration Initiative Phase II	NCCF	Carteret	White Oak	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 800,000.00	7/1/2026	Design is nearing completion. Conservation agreements have been recorded. Surface and groundwater monitoring underway.
2022-FRR03 Caswell Farm Water Farming Demonstration and Research Project	NCSU	Lenoir	Neuse	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 305,206.00	8/31/2026	Design and permitting completed February 2025. Construction nearing completion, pre-installation monitoring complete.
2022-FRR16 Hofmann Forest Water Farming Demonstration and Research Project	NCSU	Onslow	White Oak	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 107,600.00	4/30/2025	Design and permitting complete. Pre-treatment monitoring underway and construction of flood control devices to begin spring of 2025.
2022-FRR61 Whiteville Stormwater Park	Whiteville	Columb.	Lumber	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 396,814.00	6/30/2026	Design is complete and bids have been approved by town council. Construction expected summer of 2026.
2022-FRR24 Lower Mud Creek Floodplain Restoration and Flood Reduction Project	Hendersonville	Henders.	French Broad	Flood Risk Reduction	NCLWF	\$ 604,625.00	9/30/2025	Design and permitting complete and conservation agreements have been recorded. Appraisals complete and approved by State

								Property Office. Construction expected to being fall or winter 2025.
NCORR_INF01 Pembroke Stormwater/Flooding Improvements	Pembroke	Robeson	Lumber	Infrastructure Stormwater	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 419,202.07	TBD	Design complete. Going out for bid around next quarter.
NCORR_INF02 Fairmont WWTP Improvements	Fairmont	Robeson	Lumber	Critical Infrastructure	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 1,450,498.37	12/19/2024	WWTP Improvements underway
NCORR_INF03 St. Pauls Stormwater Improvements	St. Pauls	Robeson	Lumber	Infrastructure Stormwater	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 200,000.00	9/9/2024	Construction underway. There were complaints from local residents about construction worsening flooding, but further investigation showed the flooding was present long before construction began. The incident helped establish a procedure for residents to submit complaints in the future, as there hadn't been one previously. Contractors are continuing work.
NCORR_INF04 Maxton Lift Station Improvements	Maxton	Robeson	Lumber	Critical Infrastructure	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 173,924.13	10/14/2024	Construction nearing completion. Final payment will be issued by subrecipient upon submission of final paperwork.
NCORR_INF05 Lumberton PHA Rental Housing	Lumberton	Robeson	Lumber	Housing	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 5,275,326.43	TBD	Bids returned higher than expected. Negotiations underway.
NCORR_INF06 Lumberton EOC Legend Rd. Water Supply	Lumberton	Robeson	Lumber	Critical Infrastructure	NCORR – Comm. Dev.	\$ 481,049.00	9/2/2024	Construction underway.
Protecting US 74 at the Lumber River		Columbus	Lumber	Critical Infrastructure	NC DOT	\$ 270,000	TBD	Agreement Signed June 2025

Main Street, Pollocksville	Pollocksville	Jones	Neuse	Infrastructu re	Local	\$ 120,000	TBD	Pending BRIC funding resolution
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