



**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF STATE BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT**



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April 17, 2025

TO: Department Heads and Chief Fiscal Officers
State Departments, Agencies, and Institutions

FROM: Kristin Walker *Kristin Walker*

SUBJECT: Council of State Meeting Notification

The next Council of State (COS) meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am on Tuesday, May 6, 2025. Although space is limited, members and guests are invited to attend in person at the Transportation Building, 1 South Wilmington Street, DOT Board Room (#150), Raleigh. Guests should sign-in at the Security Desk upon arrival to the main entrance accessible from Wilmington Street. For those who wish to participate virtually, a link will be provided closer to the meeting date.

Submissions to be considered for the May 6th Council of State agenda should be submitted by April 22, 2025. If there are questions, please email them to MaryGrace.Corr@osbm.nc.gov.

Thank you.

KW/mgc

COUNCIL OF STATE
ETHICS AWARENESS AND CONFLICT OF
INTEREST REMINDER

In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Council member to avoid both conflicts of interest and the appearances of conflict.

If any Council member has any known conflict of interest or is aware of facts that might create the appearance of such conflict, with respect to any matters coming before the Council today, please identify the conflict or the facts that might create the appearance of a conflict to ensure that any inappropriate participation in that matter may be avoided. If at any time, any new matter raises a conflict during the meeting, please be sure to identify it at that time.

AGENDA

COUNCIL OF STATE

May 6, 2025

Transportation Building
1 South Wilmington Street, Raleigh
DOT Board Room, Room 150

Webex public link for guests wishing to participate virtually- <https://bit.ly/May2025COS>

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NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER

BRADFORD B. BRINER
STATE TREASURER OF NORTH CAROLINA

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT DIVISION

May 6, 2025

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Council of State

FROM: Bradford Briner
State Treasurer

SUBJECT: Current STIF crediting interest rate and report on the earnings credited to the General and Highway Funds for the periods indicated.

Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF)
Annualized Net Cash Return

Current Month (March)
4.58%

The earnings of the Short-Term Investment Fund credited to the General Fund and Highway Funds are shown below:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Highway Fund</u>	<u>Highway Trust Fund</u>	<u>Total Highway Funds</u>
April 2025 Credits	\$52,191,997	\$ 0	\$10,746,415	\$10,746,415
2024-25 Fiscal Y-T-D Credits	\$532,774,413	\$ 0	\$96,100,872	\$96,100,872
2023-24 Fiscal Y-T-D Credits	\$546,691,862	\$35,472,635	\$36,665,519	\$72,138,154

Fund earnings and STIF Annualized Net Cash Return provided by DST Financial Operations Division.

FIRE INSURANCE MATTERS
FUND CONDITION REPORT

State Property Fire Insurance Fund
Fund Condition May Council of State
(Cumulative Since March 1, 2025 as of March 31, 2025)

Beginning Balance	7/1/2024	14,144,519.06
Premium Received		37,786,419.00
Legislative Funding		0.00
Reinsurance Reimbursement		53,268,975.50
Interest Income		1,708,559.36
Realized Gain - Sale of Investments		0.00
Total Revenue		92,763,953.86
Losses Paid (Fund)		11,792,107.18
Losses Paid (Reinsurer)		0.00
Return of Expenditure		0.00
Reinsurance Premium Paid		0.00
Realized Loss - Sale of Investments		0.00
Administrative Expenses		2,002,204.93
Total Expenditures		13,794,312.11
Fund Balance	3/31/2025	93,114,160.81

FIRE INSURANCE MATTERS
PROPERTY INSURANCE LOSSES

March 2025

Office of State Fire Marshal Requests permission to pay the following loss(es) from the State Property Fire Insurance Fund:

1. Western Carolina Univ.

Location of Loss:	Cordeillia Camp Gymnasium #27
Cause of Loss:	Wind
Coverage Type:	All Risk Special Form
Date of Loss:	3/5/2025
Loss Number:	20250007-60005010
Amount of Loss:	\$35,515.08

BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION
RIGHT OF WAY MATTERS INDEX

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BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MATTERS
SALE OF RESIDUE TO HIGHEST BIDDER VIA REAL ESTATE AGENT AND/OR
AUCTIONEER

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina Department of Transportation

GRANTEE: Daniel Quinell, Jr.

LOCATION: Winston Salem Northern Beltway, Forsyth County

AREA: 2.236 Acres

CONSIDERATION: \$11,025.00

COMMISSION: Buyer's Premium

COMMENTS: The Department acquired this residue during the construction of Highway Project U-2579DEF in Forsyth County for \$5,000.00 in 2021. The current appraised value of this residue property is \$10,500.00. The Grantee, Daniel Quinell, Jr., the highest bidder after auctioneer advertisement, has agreed to pay the Department the high bid amount of \$11,025.00. The Secretary of Transportation approved this conveyance with the concurrence of the Board of Transportation in a resolution adopted on April 3, 2025.

CONVEYANCE OF RESIDUE AS PART SETTLEMENT OF HIGHWAY
RIGHT OF WAY CLAIM

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina Department of Transportation

GRANTEES: Randolph R. Hickman and Wife, Sarah A. Hickman

LOCATION: US-70, Craven County

AREA: 0.586 Acres

CONSIDERATION: \$15,975.00

COMMENTS: This residue property was acquired by the Department in connection with the construction of Highway Project R-5777C in Craven County. The Department purchased this residue for \$15,975.00 in 2024. The Grantees, Randolph R. Hickman and Wife, Sarah A. Hickman, have agreed to settle their right-of-way acquisition claim, while agreeing to purchase the subject residue valued at \$15,975.00 as part of the total settlement. This conveyance prevents the Department from relocating the Grantees as the area purchased allows for septic repair area. The Secretary of Transportation approved this conveyance with the concurrence of the Board of Transportation in a resolution adopted on April 3, 2025.

BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY MATTERS (Continued)
SALE OF RESIDUE TO HIGHEST BIDDER AFTER PUBLIC ADVERTISMENT

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina Department of Transportation

GRANTEE: Old Tobacco Road, LLC

LOCATION: Greensboro Eastern Loop, Guilford County

AREA: 4.120 Acres

CONSIDERATION: \$32,000.00

COMMENTS: The residue property was acquired by the Department in connection with the construction of Highway Project U-2525C in Guilford County. The Department purchased this residue for \$10,200.00 in 1999. The current appraised value of this residue property is \$35,000.00. The Grantee, Old Tobacco Road, LLC, the highest bidder after public advertising, has agreed to pay the Department the high bid amount of \$32,000.00. The Secretary of Transportation approved this conveyance with the concurrence of the Board of Transportation in a resolution adopted on April 3, 2025.

OTHER MATTERS

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina Department of Transportation

GRANTEE: North Carolina Land and Water Fund

LOCATION: Bridge # 36 over Fishing Creek on NC-561
Nash/Halifax Counties

AREA: 0.910 Acres

CONSIDERATION: \$708.52

On February 18, 2015, the state acquired a conservation easement encumbering 55.004 acres on behalf of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF) from Tar River Land Conservancy. The NC Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is requesting the release of a 0.91-acre portion of the easement area for a permanent right of way and temporary construction easement to accommodate NCDOT BR-0090 bridge project. The NCDOT will pay for all costs associated with the release. The NCLWF has agreed to this release. Therefore, authorization is requested to release this area from the conservation easement.

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STATE PROPERTY MATTERS
ACQUISITION BY DEED

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: North Carolina Coastal Land Trust

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Coastal Management

LOCATION: off Ocean Boulevard, Topsail Beach, Pender County

AREA: ±96.07 acres

UNIT COST: \$10,409.08/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$1,000,000

COMMENTS: New Conservation Area. Property proposed for acquisition contains sensitive coastal and rare species habitats at the south end area of Topsail Beach. Acquisition of this property will provide protection, conservation, and resource management opportunities. Funding for this acquisition will be provided by a National Coastal Wetlands grant from the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Grantor received partial funding for their acquisition of this property from the North Carolina Land and Water Fund. This property will be conveyed subject to terms and restrictions of grant requirements. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S.§146-22.

ITEM 2

GRANTOR: ASF Carolina Holdings, I, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Stewardship Program

LOCATION: Rockingham, Richmond County

AREA: 127.86 acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Property proposed for acquisition is presently encumbered by a State of NC conservation easement. The property meets the ecological criteria for habitat protection and monitoring and is managed by the NC Stewardship Program. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S.§146-22.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY DEED (Continued)

ITEM 3

GRANTOR: Restoration Systems, LLC

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: near River Road, Number One Township, Craven County

AREA: ±346 acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Game Land Addition. Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion in Neuse River Game Land. In addition to providing additional public hunting and trapping opportunities, acquisition will provide important habitat for reptiles, amphibians, and migratory songbirds. Access is by water only with a NC Wildlife Boating Access Area in close proximity. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

ITEM 4

GRANTOR: Jordan Heitman and wife, Marissa Heitman

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: Kesler Road, Lexington, Davidson County

AREA: ±2.14 acres

UNIT COST: ±\$23,832/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$51,000

COMMENTS: Game Land Addition. Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion in Yadkin River Game Land. Acquisition of this property will secure public and administrative access to the existing game land. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Wildlife Resources Commission Agency Funds. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY DEED (Continued)

ITEM 5

GRANTOR: Randy V. Mabry

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: off Stokes Road, Denton, Davidson County

AREA: ±49.5 acres

UNIT COST: ±\$2,202/acre

CONSIDERATION: \$109,000

COMMENTS: Game Land Addition. Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion in Yadkin River Game Land. Acquisition of this property will provide additional public hunting opportunities for the area. Funding for this acquisition is provided by a grant from the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The property will be conveyed subject to terms and restrictions of grant requirements. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

ITEM 6

GRANTOR: Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Wildlife Resources Commission

LOCATION: Roadman Drive, Waynesville, Haywood County

AREA: ±460 acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Game Land Addition. Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion in Pisgah Game Land. Acquisition of this property will provide access off Roadman Drive. Portions of this property are within the Great Smoky Mountains National Park Important Bird Area. The Grantor was awarded a grant from the NC Land and Water Fund to assist in their acquisition of the property. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY DEED (Continued)

ITEM 7

GRANTOR: American Battlefield Trust,
a Virginia non-profit corporation

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources,
State Historic Sites

LOCATION: off of Harper House Road, Four Oaks, Johnston County

AREA: ±54 acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Bentonville Battlefield Addition. Property proposed for acquisition is for inclusion in the Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site. Acquisition of this property will provide perpetual preservation and protection of the property. In 2013, the Grantor granted a conservation easement over this property to the State. According to its terms, the conservation easement will survive the State's acquisition and continue to encumber the property. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

ITEM 8

GRANTOR: The North Carolina A&T Real Estate Foundation, Inc.
Sheena German, Director of Real Estate

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, North Carolina A&T State University

LOCATION: 427 Stewart Street, Greensboro, Guilford County

AREA: ±5,120 sq. ft. or 0.12-acre improved duplex containing 1,288 sq. ft., built
in 1961

UNIT COST: \$2.73/sq. ft. – land
\$86.18/sq. ft. – improvements

CONSIDERATION: \$125,000

COMMENTS: Campus Expansion. Property proposed for acquisition is needed for future expansion in accordance with the campus master plan. The improvements will be severed, and the site utilized for future development. The grantor will be reimbursed for direct expenses associated with this acquisition. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Title III Education Grants Funds.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY DEED (Continued)

ITEM 8 (Continued)

This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

ITEM 9

GRANTOR: The North Carolina A&T Real Estate Foundation, Inc.
Sheena German, Director of Real Estate

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, North Carolina A&T State University

LOCATION: 408 Boyd Street, Greensboro, Guilford County

AREA: ±5,120 sq. ft. or 0.12 acre improved single family dwelling containing
922 sq. ft., built in 1923

UNIT COST: \$4.88/sq. ft. – land
\$130.15/sq. ft. – improvements

CONSIDERATION: \$145,000

COMMENTS: Campus Expansion. Property proposed for acquisition is needed for future expansion in accordance with the campus master plan. The improvements will be severed, and the site utilized for future development. The grantor will be reimbursed for direct expenses associated with this acquisition. Funding for this acquisition is provided by Title III Education Grants Funds. This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY DEED (Continued)

ITEM 10

GRANTOR: Pitt County Memorial Hospital, Incorporated
Michael R. Waldrum, M.D., Chairman

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, East Carolina University

LOCATION: B's Barbeque Road, Greenville, Pitt County

AREA: ±12 acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Campus Expansion. Property proposed for acquisition is needed for future expansion in accordance with the campus master plan. Acquisition of this property will allow the university to construct a Medical Examiner's Building as provided in Session Law 2023-134, Section 9H.10A.(b). This item was reported to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Notifications of acquisitions were made to the County and/or Municipality in accordance with G.S. §146-22.

ACQUISITION BY LEASE

ITEM 1

LESSOR: Barbetta, LLC
Ronald J. Hester, Manager

LESSEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Health and Human Services
Asheville Regional Office

LOCATION: 12 Barbetta Drive, Asheville, Buncombe County

TERM: Five years effective July 1, 2025, or possession with two
5-year renewal options

AREA: ±6,039 sq. ft. of office space

UNIT COST: \$18.00/sq. ft. (average) including parking
\$19.11/sq. ft. (average) – 1st renewal option
\$21.10/sq. ft. (average) – 2nd renewal option

ANNUAL RENTAL: \$108,702.00 (average)
\$115,400.67 (average) – 1st renewal option
\$127,411.67 (average) – 2nd renewal option

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY LEASE (Continued)

ITEM 1 (Continued)

COMMENTS: New Reduction and Consolidation Lease. New lease to replace 3 expiring leases for 7,000 sq. ft. at an average annual rate of \$91,350 or \$13.05/sq. ft., including parking. Lowest of four proposals received through advertising with moving costs considered. Space accessible to the disabled. 100% State Funds.

ITEM 2

LESSOR: Borum Properties, LLC
Melinda Mathews, Manager

LESSEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Public Health, Communicable Disease Branch

LOCATION: 3409-G West Wendover Avenue, Greensboro, Guilford County

TERM: Five years effective July 1, 2025, or possession with two
5-year renewal options

AREA: ±3,713 sq. ft. of office space

UNIT COST: \$17.18/sq. ft. (average) including utilities, water/sewer, janitorial services
and parking
\$18.79/sq. ft. (average) – 1st renewal option
\$21.78/sq. ft. (average) – 2nd renewal option

ANNUAL RENTAL: \$63,789.34
\$69,765.25 – 1st renewal option
\$80,877.05 – 2nd renewal option

COMMENTS: New Lease. New lease to replace an expiring lease for ±3,713 sq. ft. at an average annual rate of \$62,945.68 or \$16.68/sq. ft., including utilities, water/sewer, janitorial services and parking. The lowest of four proposals received through advertising. Space accessible to the disabled. 100% State Funds.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY LEASE (Continued)

ITEM 3

LESSOR: Griffin Charlotte Airport Plaza, LLC
Edward Griffin, President

LESSEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Health and Human Services
Charlotte Regional Office

LOCATION: 5260 Parkway Plaza Boulevard, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County

TERM: Ten years effective October 1, 2025, or possession with two
5-year renewal options

AREA: ±34,590 sq. ft. of office space

UNIT COST: \$31.58/sq. ft. (average) including utilities, water/sewer, janitorial services
and parking
\$37.04/sq. ft. (average) – 1st renewal option
\$38.93/sq. ft. (average) – 2nd renewal option

ANNUAL RENTAL: \$1,092,455.54 (average)
\$1,281,192.26 (average) – 1st renewal option
\$1,346,545.94 (average) – 2nd renewal option

COMMENTS: New Relocation and Consolidation Lease. New lease to replace 5 expiring leases for 31,794 sq. ft. at an average annual rate of \$784,020 or \$24.66/sq. ft., including utilities, water/sewer, janitorial, and parking. Two proposals were received through advertising but did not meet specifications. Negotiated on open market. Space accessible to the disabled. 32.2% State Funds and 67.8% Federal Funds.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
ACQUISITION BY EASEMENT

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: The Nature Conservancy

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources,
Natural Heritage Program

LOCATION: Along the Black River in Franklin Township, Sampson County
Lake Creek and Frenches Creek Townships, Bladen County; and
Caswell, Grady, and Canetuck Townships, Pender County

AREA: $\pm 3,413$ acres

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Nature Preserve Dedication. Proposed easement is for the dedication of the Black River Preserve as a Dedicated Nature Preserve in accordance with The Nature Preserves Act (Part 42 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B) of the North Carolina General Statutes. The Articles of Dedication constitute an agreement between the Grantor and the State and sets forth the purpose of the Preserve and the rules of management. The Grantor shall retain custody of the Preserve.

ITEM 2

GRANTOR: Baxter Wade Miller, Jr. and wife, Victoria Shaw Miller, Edmond Chris Miller and wife, Rebecca Miller, Jonathan Earl Miller, and Herbert Clark Miller, Jr. and wife, Cathy Jones Miller, Marcia Miller Clay, Betty M. Harmon and husband, Daniel Harmon

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Appalachian State University

LOCATION: off Howard's Creek Road, Boone, Watauga County

AREA: ± 0.25 acre

CONSIDERATION: Gift

COMMENTS: Proposed easement is needed to inspect, repair and maintain the water reservoir pump station and dam that serves Appalachian State University, improving continuous water flow to the reservoir.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
DISPOSITION BY DEED

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Markets Division

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Transportation, Division of Highways,
Right of Way Unit

LOCATION: Piedmont Farmers Market, Sandy Ridge Road, Colfax, Guilford County

EASEMENT AREA: Permanent Right of Way: $\pm 152,155$ sq. ft. (± 3.49 acres)
Permanent Utility Easement: $\pm 10,803$ sq. ft. (± 0.248 acre)
Permanent Drainage Easement: $\pm 7,405$ sq. ft. (± 0.17 acre)
Temporary Construction Easement: $\pm 19,384$ sq. ft. (0.445 acre)
Temporary Drainage Easement: $\pm 9,452$ sq. ft. (0.217 acre)

CONSIDERATION: \$874,900

COMMENTS: Right of Way and Easements. Property proposed for disposition is needed to accommodate a lane expansion project along SR 1850 South of I-40. This project will improve safe and efficient traffic flow to serve current and future needs. The temporary drainage and construction easements will terminate upon completion of the project.

ITEM 2

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Transportation,
Division of Highways, Maintenance

GRANTEE: State of North Carolina, Department of Transportation,
Division of Highways, Right of Way

LOCATION: Big Laurel Creek Bridge #552 on SR9901, Madison County

EASEMENT AREA: Permanent Right Way: $\pm 9,007.84$ sq. ft. (± 0.207 acre)
Temporary Drainage Easement: $\pm 1,280.27$ sq. ft. (± 0.029 acre)

CONSIDERATION: \$3,700

COMMENTS: Right of Way. Property proposed for disposition is needed to repair a bridge that was damaged by Hurricane Helene. The bridge is the only entrance to this satellite Department of Transportation maintenance yard. The temporary drainage easement will terminate upon completion of the project.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
DISPOSITION BY EASEMENT

ITEM 1

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Administration

GRANTEE: Chatham County

LOCATION: Haw River off US Highway 15-501, Baldwin Township, Chatham County

AREA: Eight uninhabited islands totaling ± 25 acres

CONSIDERATION: None

COMMENTS: Property proposed for disposition is to allow for the installation and maintenance of safety and warning signs on unallocated, unimproved islands north and upriver of the Bynum Dam on the Haw River.

ITEM 2

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Administration

GRANTEE: Metropolitan Sewerage District of Buncombe County

LOCATION: French Broad River, near Old Fanning Bridge Road, Town of Mills River, Henderson County

EASEMENT AREA: $\pm 3,363$ sq. ft. (± 0.077 acre)

CONSIDERATION: \$250

COMMENTS: Subaqueous Easement. Proposed easement is needed for the installation of a sewer force main to transport wastewater to a downstream manhole.

ITEM 3

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Environmental Quality,
Division of Wildlife Resources Commission

GRANTEE: Frank O. Hester and wife, Lynda Hester

LOCATION: off Toler Road, Manteo, Dare County

EASEMENT AREA: $\pm 20'$ x $\pm 185'$ or $\pm 3,700$ sq. ft. (± 0.085 acre)

CONSIDERATION: \$28,000

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
DISPOSITION BY EASEMENT (Continued)

ITEM 3 (Continued)

COMMENTS: Access Easement. Proposed easement is needed to provide a gravel access road for an adjacent, landlocked property owner at the Roanoke Marsh Islands Game Land. Grantee will be responsible for all costs associated with maintenance and any improvements to the gravel road. Use of the road by the grantee will be restricted through terms within the easement document.

ITEM 4

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Department of Justice, Justice Academy

GRANTEE: Henderson County

LOCATION: 3971 Chimney Rock Road, Edneyville, Henderson County

EASEMENT AREA: Permanent Easement: $\pm 17,865$ sq. ft. (± 0.410 acre)
Temporary Construction Easement: $\pm 26,685$ sq. ft. (± 0.613 acre)

CONSIDERATION: Benefit

COMMENTS: Sewer Easement. Proposed easements are needed for the construction, installation, operation and maintenance of a sanitary sewer system including any needed lines and appurtenant equipment to provide sewer service to the Western Justice Academy and to the public.

ITEM 5

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, Elizabeth City State University

GRANTEE: Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

LOCATION: Muldrow Way, Elizabeth City, Pasquotank County

EASEMENT AREA: $\pm 10'$ x $\pm 419.6'$ or $\pm 4,196$ sq. ft. (0.096 acre)

CONSIDERATION: Benefit

COMMENTS: Utility Easement. Proposed easement is needed for the construction, installation, maintenance, and operation of a natural gas pipeline. The pipeline will support the new Dining Hall on campus.

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DISPOSITION BY EASEMENT (Continued)

ITEM 6

GRANTOR: State of North Carolina, North Carolina Central University

GRANTEE: City of Durham

LOCATION: 817 E. Lawson Street, Durham, Durham County

EASEMENT AREA: ±28,248 sq. ft. (±0.649 acre)

CONSIDERATION: Benefit

COMMENTS: Utility Easement. Proposed easement is needed for installation, maintenance and access of a stormwater retention pond as required by the City of Durham for the new School of Business at North Carolina Central University.

SEVERANCE

ITEM 1

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Adult Correction,
Division of Prisons

LOCATION: 600 Amity Park Road, Avery-Mitchell Correction Institution,
Spruce Pines, Avery County

STRUCTURES: 1) Metal Storage Bldg #2, built in 1999, containing 480 sq. ft.,
Complex #6-25, Asset #14
2) Metal Storage Bldg #3, built in 1999, containing 480 sq. ft.,
Complex #6-25, Asset #15

COMMENTS: These structures are in poor condition, deemed unsafe and no longer serve a useful purpose. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

STATE PROPERTY MATTERS (Continued)
SEVERANCE (Continued)

ITEM 2

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Adult Correction,
Division of Prisons

LOCATION: 1300 Western Boulevard, Central Prison/Triangle Correctional
Institute, Raleigh, Wake County

STRUCTURE: Industrial Building/8105, built in 1940, containing 50,163 sq. ft.,
Complex #92-13, Asset #31

COMMENTS: This structure is in poor condition, beyond repair, deemed unsafe and
structurally deficient. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 3

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Agriculture and Consumer
Services, Research Stations

LOCATION: 300 Providence Road, Agric Oxford Tobacco Research Station,
Oxford, Granville County

STRUCTURES: 1) Shed #2, built in 1950, containing 651 sq. ft.,
Complex #39-7, Asset #46
2) Plastic Greenhouse, built in 1964, containing 4,608 sq. ft.,
Complex #39-7, Asset #76

COMMENTS: These structures are in poor condition and no longer serve a useful purpose.
Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 4

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Health and Human
Services, Cherry Hospital

LOCATION: 201 Stevens Mill Road, Goldsboro, Wayne County

STRUCTURE: Power Plant, built in 1924, containing 11,204 sq. ft.,
Complex #96-4, Asset #11

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SEVERANCE (Continued)

ITEM 4 (Continued)

COMMENTS: This structure is in poor condition, represents a liability issue, and no longer serves a useful purpose. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 5

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Museum of History

LOCATION: Mountain Gateway Museum, 24 Water Street, Old Fort, McDowell County

STRUCTURE: Museum Picnic Shelter, built in 1936, containing ±408 sq. ft., Complex #59-18, Asset #6

COMMENTS: This structure has been declared unsafe due to Hurricane Helene storm damage. The structure will be demolished, and the site will be used to accommodate the construction of a new Museum Picnic Shelter with a similar footprint. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 6

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Public Safety, North Carolina National Guard

LOCATION: 2110 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, Wake County

STRUCTURE: Plant Protection Greenhouse, built in 1974, containing 7,889 sq. ft., Complex #92-267, Asset #1

COMMENTS: This structure no longer serves a useful purpose. The building will be demolished, and the land used for construction of the new North Carolina National Guard Museum. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

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SEVERANCE (Continued)

ITEM 7

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Transportation,
Division of Highways, Maintenance

LOCATION: 2008 W. Wilson Street, DOT Maintenance Yard,
Tarboro, Edgecombe County

STRUCTURE: Maintenance Office/Storage Building, built in 1964, containing
3,600 sq. ft., Complex #33-5, Asset #10

COMMENTS: This structure is in poor condition and has become obsolete. A new maintenance office and storage facility will be built in its place. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 8

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Department of Transportation,
Division of Highways, Maintenance

LOCATION: 917 Tandem Drive, Dallas, Gaston County

STRUCTURE: Maintenance Storage Shed, built in 1958, containing ±5,360 sq. ft.,
Complex #36-4, Asset #5

COMMENTS: This structure is in poor condition and beyond its serviceable life. The structure will be demolished, and the site will be used to construct a new equipment shop. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

ITEM 9

PROPOSED ACTION: Severance by demolition

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY: State of North Carolina, Western Carolina University

LOCATION: 154 Catamount Road, Cullowhee, Jackson County

STRUCTURE: EJ Whitmire Stadium Gate 1 (Ticket booth), built in 1974,
containing 89 sq. ft., Complex #50-5, Asset #69

COMMENTS: This structure and the existing chain-link entrance gate no longer serve a useful purpose. Subsequent to demolition, a new entrance gate and ticket booth will be constructed. Demolition will be handled by a contractor.

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ITEM 1

The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources requests approval of the dedication of the lands listed below as nature preserves in accordance with the Nature Preserves Act, Part 42 of Article 2, Chapter 143B of the North Carolina General Statutes. Dedication will be accomplished by letters of allocation executed by the Secretary of Administration in accordance with the statute.

Lands to be dedicated under this request include the following:

<u>SITE NAME</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE ACREAGE</u>
Department of Natural and Cultural Resources North Carolina Zoo Nature Preserve DNP Amendment	441 acres
Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Eastwood Plant Conservation Preserve DNP Amendment	731 acres

ITEM 2

Utility Easement. On December 3, 2024, the Governor and the Council of State approved a disposition by easement on behalf of the State of North Carolina, Department of Administration for a subaqueous easement to the Lower Cape Fear Water and Sewer Authority at the Cape Fear River near Vitamin Drive and US 421 in the Northwest Township in Brunswick County. Subsequent to approval, it was determined that the easement area is also located in the Cape Fear Township in New Hanover County. Therefore, authorization is hereby requested to proceed with the disposition by easement to include New Hanover County.

ITEM 3

Preservation Easement. The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources is requesting to acquire a term-limited Conservation and Historic Preservation Easement from the Town of Smithfield to protect a historic property known as the Hastings House, located at 200 South Front Street in Smithfield, Johnston County. The structure is situated on a tract consisting of ± 0.16 acre and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places within the Town of Smithfield. The Preservation Easement is to be granted by the property owner and held by the State at no cost to the State. It will enable the owner to meet the conditions of a federal bricks-and-mortar grant from the National Park Service's Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund for historic structures that were damaged during Hurricanes Florence and Michael and be in keeping with the requirements of the Federal Historic Preservation Fund manual. The Federal government requires a term-limited preservation easement to the State with a term not to exceed 15 years to be placed on this building as a condition of its grant assistance. Therefore, authorization is requested to accept the Preservation Easement from the Town of Smithfield.

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ITEM 4

Lease Revision. On April 1, 2025, the Governor and Council of State approved a 5-year acquisition lease with one 5-year renewal option at 3301 Jones Sausage Road, Garner, Wake County, on behalf of the Department of Transportation, Division of Highways for ±4,519 sq. ft. of office space from Beacon Industrial LLC. Subsequent to approval, the State Property Office was informed that the Lessor should be BIN - JSR3301 LLC.

With the approval of the Council of State, the lease will be amended to reflect this change. All other terms and conditions will remain the same.

ITEM 5

The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources requests approval by the Council of State of the following petition, which requests the General Assembly to dedicate and delete certain properties in the State Nature and Historic Preserve.

PETITION

REQUESTING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DEDICATE PROPERTIES AS PART OF
THE STATE NATURE AND HISTORIC PRESERVE

Whereas, Article XIV, Section 5 of the North Carolina Constitution authorizes the dedication of State and local government properties as part of the State Nature and Historic Preserve, upon acceptance by resolution adopted by a vote of three-fifths of the members of each house of the General Assembly and removal of properties from that Preserve by law adopted by three-fifths of the members of each house of the General Assembly; and

Whereas the General Assembly enacted the State Nature and Historic Preserve Dedication Act, Chapter 143, 1973 Session Laws, to prescribe the conditions and procedures under which properties may be specifically dedicated for the purposes enumerated by Article XIV, Section 5 of the North Carolina Constitution; and

Whereas, the last dedication of properties to the State Nature and Historic Preserve occurred in 2023, as requested by a petition by the Council of State dated May 2, 2023, and since this last dedication in excess of 4,700 acres have been added to the N.C. State Parks System; and

Whereas, with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources that two parcels at William B. Umstead State Park, one parcel at Morrow Mountain State Park, three parcels at Crowders Mountain State Park, three parcels at Hanging Rock State Park, two parcels at Eno River State Park, two parcels at Hemlock Bluffs State Natural Area, one parcel at Lake James State Park, one parcel at Lake Waccamaw State Park, two parcels at Chimney Rock State Park, two parcels at Gorges State Park, one parcel at Lower Haw State Natural Area, two parcels at Lumber River State Park, and two parcels at Mitchell's Millpond State Natural

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Area are not to be included in the State Nature and Historic Preserve and are no longer needed for the satisfactory administration of the parks; and

Whereas, the Council of State also concurs that one parcel at Lake James State Park, five parcels at Jockey's Ridge State Park, one parcel at Mount Jefferson State Natural Area, two parcels at Chimney Rock State Park, one parcel at Stone Mountain State Park, two parcels at Carvers Creek State Park, one parcel at Lake Waccamaw State Park, ~~and one parcel at the Mountains-to-Sea State Trail~~, and one parcel at Fonta Flora State Trail should be authorized for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Article XIV, Section 5 of the North Carolina Constitution; and

Whereas, those properties listed herein have been acquired and are being utilized for the public purposes set forth in Article XIV, Section 5 of the North Carolina Constitution; and

Whereas, the Council of State desires the General Assembly to adopt a resolution pursuant to Article XIV, Section 5 of the Constitution accepting properties added to the State Parks System since the last dedication of lands on May 2, 2023, into the State Nature and Historic Preserve,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF STATE that G.S.143-260.10 should be revised to reflect the following:

Section 1. The General Assembly should dedicate all lands and waters hereinafter described as components of the State Nature and Historic Preserve:

- (1) All lands and waters within the boundaries of the following units of the State Parks System as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025: Baldhead Island State Natural Area, Bakers Lake State Natural Area, Bay Tree Lake State Natural Area, Bear Paw State Natural Area, Beech Creek Bog State Natural Area, Bob's Creek State Natural Area, Bullhead Mountain State Natural Area, Bushy Lake State Natural Area, Carolina Beach State Park, Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, Chowan Swamp State Natural Area, Deep River State Trail, Dismal Swamp State Park, Elk Knob State Park, ~~Fonta Flora State Trail~~, Fort Fisher State Recreation Area, Fort Macon State Park, Goose Creek State Park, Grandfather Mountain State Park, Haw River State Park, Hammocks Beach State Park, Jones Lake State Park, Lake Norman State Park, Lea Island State Natural Area, Medoc Mountain State Park, Merchants Millpond State Park, Mount Mitchell State Park, Northern Peaks State Trail, Pettigrew State Park, Pilot Mountain State Park, Pineola Bog State Natural Area, Pisgah View State Park, Raven Rock State Park, Run Hill State Natural Area, Salmon Creek State Natural Area, Sandy Run Savannas State Natural Area, Singletary Lake State Park, Stone Mountain State Park, Sugar Mountain State Natural Area, Theodore Roosevelt State Natural Area, Warwick Mill Bay State Natural Area, Weymouth Woods-Sandhills State Natural Area, Wilderness Gateway State Trail, and Yellow Mountain State Natural Area.

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- (2) All lands and waters within the boundaries of William B. Umstead State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of William B. Umstead State Park or sell and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State of North Carolina may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. [The tracts are as follows:]
 - a. Tract Number 65, containing 22.93140 acres as shown on a survey prepared by John S. Lawrence (RLS) and Bennie R. Smith (RLS), entitled "Property of The State of North Carolina William B. Umstead State Park", dated January 14, 1977 and filed in the State Property Office, which was removed from the State Nature and Historic Preserve by Chapter 450, Section 1 of the 1985 Session Laws.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at William B. Umstead State Park in Wake County, described in Deed Book 13337, Page 2379, and containing 0.15 acres as shown on the survey prepared by Robert T. Newcomb (RLS) entitled "Property of Robert J. Demartini," dated August 1981.
- (3) Repealed by Session Laws 1999-268, s. 2.
- (4) All lands within the boundaries of Morrow Mountain State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: That certain tract or parcel of land at Morrow Mountain State Park in Stanly County, North Albemarle Township, containing 0.303 acres, more or less, as surveyed and platted by Thomas W. Harris R.L.S., on a map dated August 27, 1988, and filed in the State Property Office, reference to which is hereby made for a more complete description.
- (5) Repealed by Session Laws 1999-268, s. 2.
- (6) All land within the boundaries of Crowders Mountain State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Crowders Mountain State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. [The tracts are as follows:]
 - a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Crowders Mountain State Park in Gaston County, Crowders Mountain Township, described in Deed Book 1939, page 800, and containing 757.28 square feet and as shown in a survey by Tanner and McConnaughey, P.A. dated July 22, 1988 and filed in the State Property Office.
 - b. Repealed by Session Laws 2022-31, s. 1, effective June 30, 2022.
- c. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Crowders Mountain State Park in Cleveland County, described in Deed Book 1286, Page No. 85, located on the north side of SR 2245 (Bethlehem Road) and containing 14,964 square feet as shown on the survey entitled "Survey for Crowders Mountain State Park,

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- Deed Book 1103-107, Township 4 Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, N.C." by David W. Dickson, P.A. dated February 28, 2008.
- d. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Crowders Mountain State Park in Cleveland County, described in Deed Book 1286, Page 85, and containing 0.06 acres and 0.515 acres as shown on the survey entitled "Boundary Survey for the State of N.C. Department of Administration, Township No. Four Cleveland County, N.C." by Carolinas Design Group, PLLC, dated November 6, 2007.
 - e. Repealed by Session Laws 2022-31, s. 1, effective June 30, 2022.
 - f. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Crowders Mountain State Park in Gaston County, Crowders Mountain Township, described in Deed Book 1240, Page 451, and containing 225 square feet as shown in a survey prepared by R&W Engineering and Surveying entitled "Conveyance of 0.0052 acres owned by Crowders Mountain State Park, Gaston Co., NC" and dated January 18, 1995.
- (7) All lands owned in fee simple by the State within the boundaries of New River State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at New River State Park in Ashe County, Chestnut Hill Township, described in Deed Book 432, Page 724, and containing 44,033 square feet as shown on the survey prepared by Thomas Herman Company, PLLC and entitled "Survey for State of North Carolina, Division of Parks and Recreation; Harold Davis; and Joe Davis" dated March 24, 2017, and on file with the State Property Office.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at New River State Park in Ashe County, Obids Township, described in Deed Book 497, Page 371, and containing 10,014 square feet as shown on the drawings prepared for North Carolina Department of Transportation Project HB-0054 by TGS Engineers, Inc. and on file with the State Property Office.
- (8) Repealed by Session Laws 2022-31, s. 1, effective June 30, 2022.
- (9) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of the following State Historic Sites as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025: Alamance Battleground, Charles B. Aycock Birthplace, Historic Bath, Bennett Place, Bentonville Battleground, Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson, C.S.S. Neuse and Governor Caswell Memorial, Charlotte Hawkins Brown Memorial, Duke Homestead, Historic Edenton, Fort Dobbs, Fort Fisher, Historic Halifax, Horne Creek Living Historical Farm, House in the Horseshoe, North Carolina Transportation Museum, President James K. Polk, Reed Gold Mine, Shallow Ford of the Yadkin, Somerset Place, Historic Stagville, State Capitol, Thomas Day House/Union Tavern, Town Creek Indian Mound, Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens, Zebulon B. Vance Birthplace, Endor Iron Furnace, and Thomas Wolfe Memorial, with the exception of the following tracts:

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- a. The parcel of property at Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens in Craven County, described in Deed Book 1740, Page 575, and located at 308 George Street, New Bern, North Carolina, 28562.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens in Craven County, described in Deed Book 1248, Page 699, and containing approximately 4,250 square feet as shown on a survey prepared by Rivers & Associates, Inc., entitled "Easement Survey Map for: The City of New Bern Permanent Utility and Maintenance Easement, State of North Carolina (State Property Office) 116 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27603," dated April 24, 2017.
- (10), (11) Repealed by Session Laws 2001-217, s. 2, effective June 15, 2001.
- (12) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of Hanging Rock State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portion of that tract or property at Hanging Rock State Park in Stokes County, Danbury Township, described in Deed Book 360, Page 160, for a 30-foot wide right-of-way beginning approximately 183 feet south of SR 1001 and extending in a southerly direction approximately 1,479 feet to the southwest corner of the Bobby Joe Lankford tract and more particularly shown on a survey entitled, "J. Spot Taylor Heirs Survey, Danbury Township, Stokes County, N.C.", by Grinski Surveying Company, dated June 1985, and filed in the State Property Office. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Hanging Rock State Park in Stokes County, described in Deed Book 267, Page 159, and containing 1.53 acres as shown on the survey entitled "Plat of Survey for NC Division of Parks and Recreation showing Camp Sertoma Tracts" by C.E Robertson and Associates, PC, revised April 6, 2016. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Hanging Rock State Park or sell and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State of North Carolina may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
 - c. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Hanging Rock State Park in Stokes County, Danbury Township, described in Deed Book 368, Page 415, and containing 2,800 square feet as shown on the survey prepared by Norman T. Scott entitled "Survey For David Hoskins," dated May 20, 2020.
 - d. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Hanging Rock State Park in Stokes County, Yadkin Township, described in Deed Book 588, Page 727, and containing 0.155 acres as shown on the survey entitled "Plat of Survey for the State of North Carolina Showing Proposed Boundary Line Agreement" by C.E. Robertson and Associates, PC, dated March 14, 2023. The tract excluded

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- from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this sub-subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54.
- (13) Repealed by Session Laws 2022-31, s. 1, effective June 30, 2022.
 - (14) Repealed by Session Laws 2003-234, s. 1, effective June 19, 2003.
 - (15) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Jockey's Ridge State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
 - a. The portion of those certain tracts or parcels of land at Jockey's Ridge State Park in Dare County, Nags Head Township, described in Deed Book 227, Page 499, and Deed Book 227, Page 501, and containing 33,901 square feet as shown on the survey prepared by Styons Surveying Services entitled "Raw Water Well Site 13 Jockey's Ridge State Park" dated March 7, 2001, and filed in the State Property Office.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Jockey's Ridge State Park in Dare County, Nags Head Township, described in Deed Book 222, Page 726, and containing 42,909 square feet as shown on the survey prepared by Styons Surveying Services entitled "Raw Water Well Site 14 Jockey's Ridge State Park" dated March 7, 2001, and filed in the State Property Office.
 - c. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Jockey's Ridge State Park in Dare County, Nags Head Township, described in Deed Book 224, Page 790, and Deed Book 224, Page 794, and containing 34,471 square feet as shown on the survey prepared by Styons Surveying Services entitled "Raw Water Well Site 15 Jockey's Ridge State Park" dated March 7, 2001, and filed in the State Property Office.
 - d. The portion of those certain tracts or parcels of land at Jockey's Ridge State Park in Dare County, Nags Head Township, described in Deed Book 227, Page 501, and Deed Book 230, Page 525, and containing 12,655 square feet as shown on the preliminary plat entitled "Easement Survey for Town of Nags Head" prepared by Seaboard Surveying & Planning, Inc., dated August 29, 2012.
 - e. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Jockey's Ridge State Park in Dare County, described in Deed Book 222, Page 732, and Deed Book 227, Page 501, and containing 0.6 acres as shown in a survey by Timmons Group entitled "Plat Showing a Proposed Dominion North Carolina Power Easement Across the Properties of the State of North Carolina (Jockey's Ridge State Park)," dated December 18, 2014.
 - (16) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of Mount Jefferson State Natural Area as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025. With respect to the communications tower site on the top of Mount Jefferson and located on that certain tract or parcel of land at Mount Jefferson State Natural Area in Ashe County, West Jefferson Township, described in Deed Book F-3, Page 94, the State may provide space at the communications tower site to State public safety and emergency management agencies for the placement of antennas, repeaters, and other communications devices for public communications purposes. In conformance with G.S. 146-29.2,

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the State may lease space at the communications tower site to local governments in Ashe County for the placement of antennas, repeaters, and other communications devices for public communications purposes. State agencies and local governments that are authorized to place communications devices at the communications tower site pursuant to this subdivision may also locate at or near the communications tower site communications equipment that is necessary for the proper operation of the communications devices. The use of the communications tower site pursuant to this subdivision is authorized by the General Assembly as a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Article XIV, Section 5, of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.

- (17) All lands and waters within the Eno River State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Eno River State Park in Durham County, Durham Outside Township, described in Deed Book 435, Page 673, and Plat Book 87, Page 66, containing 11,000 square feet and being the portion of Lot No. 2 shown as the existing scenic easement hereby removed on the drawing prepared by Sear-Brown entitled "Recombination Plat Eno Forest Subdivision" bearing the preparer's file name 00-208-07.dwg, and filed with State Property Office. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Eno River State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Eno River State Park in Orange County, described in Deed Book 3878, Page 461, and Plat Book 98, Page 11, containing 5,313 square feet and required for the permanent easements for bridge replacement project B-4216 on SR 1002 (St. Mary's Road), as shown in the drawing entitled "Preliminary Plans, Project Reference No. B-4216" prepared for North Carolina Department of Transportation by Mulkey Engineers and Consultants dated March 10, 2009, and filed with the State Property Office. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this section are deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Eno River State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
- (18) All land and waters within the boundaries of Hemlock Bluffs State Natural Area as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of

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Hemlock Bluffs State Natural Area or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. [The tracts are as follows:]

- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Hemlock Bluffs State Natural Area in Wake County, Swift Creek Township, described in Deed Book 2461, Page 037, containing 2,025 square feet and being the portion of this tract shown as proposed R/W on the drawing prepared by Titan Atlantic Group entitled "Right of Way Acquisition Map for Town of Cary Widening of Kildaire Farm Road (SR 1300) from Autumgate Drive to Palace Green" sheet 1 of 3 bearing the preparer's file name Town of Cary Case File No. TOC 01-37, dated 26 September 2003, and filed with the State Property Office.
 - b. The portion of those certain tracts or parcels of land at Hemlock Bluffs State Natural Area in Wake County, Swift Creek Township, described in Deed Book 4670, Page 420, containing 24,092 square feet and being the portion of these tracts shown as proposed R/W on the drawing prepared by Titan Atlantic Group entitled "Right of Way Acquisition Map for Town of Cary Widening of Kildaire Farm Road (SR 1300) from Autumgate Drive to Palace Green" sheet 3 of 3 bearing the preparer's file name Town of Cary Case File No. TOC 01-37, dated 26 September 2003, and filed with the State Property Office.
 - c. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property in Wake County, described in Deed Book 3135, Page 937, and containing 14.4 acres as shown in a survey prepared by A. Roger Barnes (RLS) entitled "Proposed Exchange of 14.4 Acres From the State of North Carolina to the Town of Cary," dated August 19, 1988.
- (19) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Lake James State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lake James State Park containing 13.85 acres, and being 100 feet to the east and 150 feet to the west of a centerline shown on a survey by Witherspoon Surveying PLLC, dated February 9, 2007, and filed in the State Property Office. The State of North Carolina may grant a temporary easement to Duke Energy Corporation across this tract to facilitate the Catawba Dam Embankment Seismic Stability Improvements Project. The grant of the easement within Lake James State Park to Duke Energy Corporation under this sub-subdivision constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Article XIV, Section 5, of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes. The State of North Carolina may use the proceeds from the easement only for the expansion or improvement of Lake James State Park or another State park. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lake James State Park in McDowell County, Nebo Township, described in Deed Book 377, Page 423, and

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also shown as Tract B on the plat of survey prepared by Kenneth D. Suttles, RLS, dated December 4, 1987, entitled "Lake James State Park," Sheet 1 of 2, recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 275 of the McDowell County Registry, for a 40-foot right-of-way beginning at the southwest corner of Tract B and continuing along the southern boundary 86 38' 51 E for 400 feet to the now or former John D. Walker property. The State of North Carolina may grant an easement across this tract to extinguish prescriptive easements on Tract B to improve management of the State park property. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. The easement excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54.

c. Repealed by Session Laws 2023-70, s. 13, effective June 30, 2023.

(20) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Lake Waccamaw State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:

a. The portions of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lake Waccamaw State Park in Columbus County described in Deed Book 835, Page 590, containing 48,210 square feet and being the portion of this tract shown as new R/W and permanent utility easement on drawing prepared by State of North Carolina Department of Transportation entitled "Map of Proposed Right of Way Property of State of North Carolina (Parks and Recreation) Columbus County" for Tip B-3830 on SR 1947 (Bella Coola Road) done by John E. Kaukola, PLS No. 3999 and compiled 1-18-2008, and filed with the State Property Office. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this section are deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Lake Waccamaw State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.

b. The portions of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lake Waccamaw State Park in Columbus County, Bolton Township, described in Deed Book 231, Page 597, containing 56,440 square feet and being the portion of this tract shown as Option A and Proposed 20' Wide Utility easement on a drawing entitled "Map for State of North Carolina and Town of Lake Waccamaw" and filed with the State Property Office. The grant of the easement within Lake Waccamaw State Park to the Town of Lake Waccamaw under this section constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.

(21) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Chimney Rock State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:

a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Rutherford County being a portion of Parcel 2 as described in Deed Book 933,

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Page 598, containing 346 square feet and being shown as proposed right-of-way for bridge replacement project B-4258 on U.S. 64 over the Broad River on drawing prepared by Kimley-Horn and Associates for the North Carolina Department of Transportation and revised October 26, 2007, and filed with the State Property Office. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Polk County, Cooper Gap Township, Deed Book 393, Page 1402, containing 6.5 acres more or less and shown on the survey entitled "Plat of Survey for The State of North Carolina" prepared by Stacy Kent Rhodes dated May 15, 2014, and filed with the State Property Office. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this section are deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Chimney Rock State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.

- b. With respect to the communications tower site on Chimney Rock Mountain located on a portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Rutherford County, Chimney Rock Township, described in Deed Book 933, Page 598, the State may provide space at the communications tower site to State public safety, emergency management, local governments in Rutherford County, and public television agencies for the placement of antennas, repeaters, and other communications devices for public communications purposes. State agencies and local governments that are authorized to place communications devices at or near the communications tower site pursuant to this subdivision may also locate at or near the communications tower site communications equipment necessary for the proper operation of the communications devices. The use of the communications tower site pursuant to this subdivision is authorized by the General Assembly as a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.
- c. Repealed by Session Laws 2022-31, s. 1, effective June 30, 2022.
- d. ~~The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Rutherford County, Chimney Rock Township, being Parcel 2 as described in Deed Book 933, Page 598, containing 0.24 acres as shown on a survey prepared by Professional Surveying Services entitled "Chimney Rock State Park," dated April 13, 2007. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this section is deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Chimney Rock State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.~~

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- e. The parcels of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Edneyville Township, Henderson County, described in Deed Book 4140, Page 567, containing 0.06 acres, 0.22 acres, and 0.15 acres, more or less, as shown on a survey prepared by Kee Mapping & Surveying entitled "A Boundary Survey for: North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation," dated September 27, 2023. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this section is deleted from the State Parks System pursuant to G.S. 143B-135.54. *The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Chimney Rock State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land*
 - f. The portions of those parcels of land at Chimney Rock State Park in Edneyville Township, Henderson County, Cooper Gap Township, Polk County, and Chimney Rock Township, Rutherford County, described as "Old Judes Gap Road" on the plat entitled "Plat of Survey For Kelton G. McCraw, William D. McCraw, et al." recorded in Rutherford County Plat Book 27 Page 228 and Henderson County Plat File 2021 Slide 13308, containing 251,803 square feet, more or less, and being a Proposed 30' Wide Permanent Redundant route for AT&T Interoffice Fiber. The grant of the easement within Chimney Rock State Park to AT&T under this section constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.
- (22) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of the Mountains-to-Sea Trail as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: The portion of that certain tract or parcel in Johnston County described in Deed Book 3634, Page 278, containing 1.538 acres as shown as the proposed easement area for Piedmont Natural Gas Company transmission line on the drawing prepared by McKim & Creed entitled "Easement Across The Land Of State of North Carolina," dated September 28, 2021, and revised October 6, 2021. The State of North Carolina may grant an easement to Piedmont Natural Gas Company across this tract to facilitate the transmission of natural gas. The grant of the easement within the Mountains-to-Sea Trail to Piedmont Natural Gas Company under this section constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes. The State of North Carolina may use the proceeds from the easement only for the expansion or improvement of the Mountains-to-Sea Trail or another State park. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
- (23) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of Gorges State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts. The tracts

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excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Gorges State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. [The tracts are as follows:]

- a. The portions of that certain tract or parcel of land in Transylvania County, described in Deed Book 267, Page 838, containing a total of 7.26 acres for the North Carolina Department of Transportation project TIP R-2409C US 64 Safety Improvements. As shown on right-of-way drawing from the North Carolina Department of Transportation dated May 22, 2014, for TIP R-2409C, Parcel 002, on file with the State Property Office.
 - b. Repealed by Session Laws 2023-70, s. 13, effective June 30, 2023.
- (24) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of Lower Haw State Natural Area as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcels in Chatham County, described in Deed Book 1319, Page 1047, containing 12,501 square feet and shown on a survey entitled "Recombination Survey for the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation and PK Ventures I LTD Partnership" prepared by S.D. Puckett and Associates dated April 22, 2014, and on file with the State Property Office. The tract excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision is deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Lower Haw State Natural Area or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lower Haw State Natural Area in Chatham County, Center Township, containing 1,658 square feet and shown on a survey prepared by TEP Engineering entitled "Permanent Electrical Easement Exhibit," dated June 15, 2020. The State of North Carolina may grant an easement to Conterra Ultra Broadband across this tract to extend broadband services. The grant of the easement within Lower Haw State Natural Area to Conterra Ultra Broadband under this section constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.
- (25) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of Lumber River State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts:
- a. The portions of those certain tracts or parcels of land in Robeson County, described in Deed Book 919, Page 862, Deed Book 1097, Page 837, Deed Book 935, Page 170, Deed Book 1125, Page 562, and Deed Book 1117, Page 680,

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- containing a total of 3.39 acres for the North Carolina Department of Transportation secondary road project 6C.078030 SR 2245 (VC Britt Road) and shown on the survey entitled "Survey of Tracts 1A and 1B, VC Britt Rd, Orrum NC" prepared by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this sub-subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Lumber River State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
- b. The portions of that certain tract or parcel of property at Lumber River State Park in Robeson County, described in Deed Book 575, Page 523, and containing approximately 1.08 acre (Tract A) and 0.12 acre (Tract C) as shown in a survey by Jerry W. Lee entitled "Survey for State of North Carolina" dated June 28, 2016. The land described in this sub-subdivision is deleted from the State Park System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of Lumber River State Park or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.
 - c. The portion of those certain tracts or parcels of land at Lumber River State Park in Robeson County, Pembroke Township, described in Deed Book 575, Page 523 and Deed Book 931, Page 415 and containing a total of approximately 2.12 acres as shown in surveys prepared by McKim and Creed and labeled Drawing Number 2017-041 and 2017-042 dated April 24, 2017, and on file with the State Property Office.
 - d. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lumber River State Park in Robeson County, described in Deed Book 1899, Page 479, containing 0.5 acres and being a 20-foot wide easement beginning at N.C. 711 (Country Club Road) and extending in a southerly direction approximately 1,200 feet along the eastern boundary of the Elaine K. Leggett tract, as shown on a survey prepared by W.E. Stone Jr., entitled "Map of Property in Raft Swamp TWP Robeson County N.C., Made For Estate of O.C. Norment," dated November 24, 1970. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this sub-subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with G.S. 143B-135.54.
 - e. The portions of that certain tract or parcel of land at Lumber River State Park in Robeson County, described in Deed Book 1134, Page 70, containing a total of 9,572.57 square feet for the North Carolina Department of Transportation Improvement Plan I-6064A (Interstate-95 Widening) and shown on the drawing prepared by ICE of Carolinas, PLLC, and filed in the State Property Office.
- (26) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of Mitchells Millpond State Natural Area as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts. The tracts excluded from the State Nature and Historic Preserve under this subdivision are deleted from the State Parks System in accordance with

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G.S. 143B-135.54. The State of North Carolina may only exchange this land for other land for the expansion of the State Parks System or sell this land and use the proceeds for that purpose. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land. [The tracts are as follows:]

- a. The portions of that certain tract or parcel in Wake County, described in Deed Book 2445, Page 62, containing approximately 0.215 acres as shown on the right-of-way plan for SR 2224 (Mitchell Mill Road) bridge No. 162 replacement project and on file with the State Property Office.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of property at Mitchell's Millpond State Natural Area in Wake County, described in Deed Book 4186, Page 756, and containing 0.08 acres as shown in a survey by the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Right-of-Way Branch, entitled "State of North Carolina, Parcel 002," dated March 11, 2015.
- (27) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Carvers Creek State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: the portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Carvers Creek State Park in Cumberland County, described in Deed Book 8466, Page 67, and containing 0.33 acres, more or less, as shown on the survey entitled "Ingress-Egress Easement for Stone Mountain Farm, LLC & William C. Elliott, Estate & The State of North Carolina" by George L. Lott, PLS, dated November 2013, and revised in May 2015 and filed with the State Property Office.
- (28) All lands and waters within the boundaries of Mayo River State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tracts, to allow construction of an access bridge from a tract or parcel of land owned by the State of North Carolina over the Mayo River, which bridge shall be of sufficient width to allow emergency vehicle and State Park vehicle access for the purpose of addressing public safety issues and service vehicle access to monitor, maintain, repair, or replace the existing sewer line traversing portions of Mayo River State Park:
- a. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Mayo River State Park in Rockingham County described in Deed Book 1244, Page 1392, and containing 6.62 acres.
 - b. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Mayo River State Park in Rockingham County described in Deed Book 1244, Page 1390, and containing 0.62 acres.
 - c. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Mayo River State Park in Rockingham County described in Deed Book 1353, Page 2214, and containing 0.61 acres.
 - d. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Mayo River State Park in Rockingham County described in Deed Book 1353, Page 2216, and containing 0.52 acres.

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- e. The portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Mayo River State Park in Rockingham County described in Deed Book 1353, Page 2216, and containing 1.54 acres.
- (29) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of Mayo River State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: the portion of that certain tract or parcel of land in Mayo and Madison Townships, Rockingham County, described in Deed Book 1552, Page 1261, and Deed Book 1518, Page 181, containing 0.394 acres, more or less, for the North Carolina Department of Transportation Improvement Plan BR-0093 and shown on the drawing prepared for North Carolina Department of Transportation and on file with the State Property Office.
- (30) Certain tracts within and in the vicinity of the National Landmark Historic District of Bethania in Forsyth County containing approximately 189.84 acres, identified within the State Property Office file as those complexes designated as Bethania Walnut Bluffs and Historic Bethabara Park, and assigned to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025.
- (31) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of the Occoneechee Mountain State Natural Area as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: the portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at Occoneechee Mountain State Natural Area in Orange County, Hillsborough Township, described in Deed Book 6638, Page 2222, and Deed Book 6638, Page 2227, containing 2,662.48 square feet for the North Carolina Department of Transportation Improvement Plan I-3306A (Interstate-40 Widening) and shown on the drawing prepared by HDR Engineering, Inc., of the Carolinas and filed in the State Property Office.
- (32) All lands and waters located within the boundaries of South Mountains State Park as of ~~May 2, 2023~~ May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: with respect to the communications tower site on Walkertop Mountain located on a portion of that certain tract or parcel of land at South Mountains State Park in Burke County, Morganton Township, described in Deed Book 2654, Page 801, the State may provide space at the communications tower site for the placement of broadband infrastructure on State land. In conformance with G.S. 146-29.2, the State shall allow the collocation, installation, and operation of equipment by a broadband provider on any existing structure owned by the State. The use of the communications tower site pursuant to this subdivision is authorized by the General Assembly as a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Article XIV, Section 5, of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.
- (33) All State-owned land and waters within the boundaries of the Fonta Flora State Trail as of May 6, 2025, with the exception of the following tract: The portion of that certain tract or parcel in Old Fort Township, McDowell County described in Deed Book 1241, Page 916, containing 4417 square feet, more or less, as shown as

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the access and maintenance easement on the survey prepared by Ed Holmes & Associates Land Surveyors, PA entitled "Relocated Access and Maintenance Easement For Slater Old Fort Properties, LLC Across The Property Of State of North Carolina," dated March 27, 2025. The grant of the easement within the Fonta Flora State Trail under this section constitutes authorization by the General Assembly that the described tract of land may be used for a purpose other than the public purposes specified in Section 5 of Article XIV of the North Carolina Constitution, Article 25B of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, and Part 32 of Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes. The State of North Carolina may use the proceeds from the easement only for the expansion or improvement of the Fonta Flora State Trail or another State park. The State may not otherwise sell or exchange this land.

Section 2. Copies of this petition shall be sent to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of the North Carolina General Assembly.

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Josh Stein
Governor

Gabriel J. Esparza
Secretary

TO: NC Council of State Members
FROM: Gabriel J. Esparza, Secretary of Administration 
DATE: April 29, 2025
RE: Changes to State Parking in the Context of DOA Efficiency Initiatives

At the May 2025 Council of State meeting, you are being asked to consider several changes to State Parking – a) a transition to unreserved spaces, b) investments in safety & security, and c) increased public access to state parking facilities. These proposed changes are part of the broader effort already underway at the Department of Administration (DOA) to overhaul state government operations, which the agency oversees to be more efficient and effective for both our clients and for North Carolina taxpayers. Across all 12 divisions of DOA, I have asked the team to identify areas in which we could potentially reduce costs through common sense reforms, leveraging modern technology (including AI), and other private sector best practices. These initiatives will have documented impact goals and future savings that the Governor's Impact Center will track and report on.

I know you join me in focusing on this important business transformation effort – both in mindset and in practice. To that end, we appreciate your support for this first step in our journey related to changes in State Parking.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
STATE PARKING MATTERS

ITEM 1

Transition from Assigned to Unassigned Parking Spaces for State Employees. Approximately 1,100 parking spaces (15% of total capacity) across the state government complex have been eliminated or will soon be taken offline due to construction or re-purpose. While 97% of parking spaces are assigned, recent state parking audits found that the majority of spaces are vacant on any given day primarily driven by hybrid work schedules. In accordance with NCGA 143-340 and with approval from the Council of State, state employees will be assigned to a designated parking lot/deck, but parking would move to a first-come, first-served basis with limited exceptions for agency principals retaining their assigned spaces.

ITEM 2

Invest in Necessary Safety & Security Upgrades through Adjusted Parking Fees.

State Parking facilities have suffered from lack of investment in necessary infrastructure and safety upgrades including required elevator maintenance, proper signage, proper painting, security camera installation, and other items. Monthly parking fees do not provide adequate funding to conduct the necessary maintenance and safety investments. Monthly state parking fees have remained unchanged since 1979 (\$10/month for lots; \$15/month for decks). Meanwhile, private market parking comps are at least \$60/month, roughly equating to the inflation-adjusted increase over the last 45 years. In accordance with NCGA 143-340 and with approval from the Council of State, monthly parking fees would increase by \$5/month (to \$15/month for lots and \$20/month for decks) with the increased proceeds invested in required maintenance and safety upgrades.

ITEM 3

Increase Public Access to State Parking After Normal Business Hours.

Downtown Raleigh continues to develop into an increasingly popular, busy and thriving area during non-business hours with new housing, restaurants, entertainment options and other venues. In addition, seasonal events, festivals, demonstrations and other activities draw increasing crowds to the downtown area. Recognizing the interests of the City of Raleigh in promoting downtown commerce, NCDOA seeks to expand its parking availability to the public and increase goodwill with the City of Raleigh. In accordance with NCGA 143-340 and with approval from the Council of State, State Parking would make state-run parking lots and decks available to the public after regular business hours and on the weekends, with the relevant pricing decisions left to the discretion of the Secretary.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Governor allows time for each member to share updates from respective agency.