

## Governor McCrory Visits Fayetteville State University to Discuss Connect NC

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Governor Pat McCrory visited Fayetteville State University today to talk about Connect NC projects proposed for the school and the region.


“In order for North Carolina to produce highly-skilled graduates, our universities and community colleges must provide students and educators the resources to do so,” Governor McCrory said. “The Connect NC bond proposal allots \$734 million to improve our state’s universities and community colleges. This will increase the quality of education received by our students, and, in turn, increase the quality of our workforce.”

The Connect NC bond package includes \$10.6 million to renovate Fayetteville State University’s Lyons Science Building. The renovation will create much-needed faculty and staff offices as well as general classroom space. It is also an opportunity to upgrade the building's outdated heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems.

Connect NC is targeted investments in North Carolina’s roads, education, public health, parks and military. From small farming towns to large cities, Connect NC projects will benefit every community across the state while creating thousands of jobs along the way.

The proposal includes two bonds of approximately \$1.5 billion each - one for roads, the other for infrastructure - which would go before the voters for approval either in October or November. The proposed transportation bond would pay for 27 permit-ready highway projects throughout North Carolina that have completed environmental documents.

In addition, the bond would fund the paving of 176 unpaved secondary roads totaling 113 miles. Because of the state's fiscal strength and strong balance sheet, no tax increase is needed to fund the bonds and the state's AAA bond rating would be preserved.

To learn more about Connect NC, visit <http://www.connect.nc.gov> .

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