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North Carolina Department of Transportation

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ENVIRONMENTAL  
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The mission of the North Carolina Department of Transportation is to provide an integrated transportation system that enhances the state's well being. Our goal is to provide a safe and well-maintained transportation system that meets the needs of our customers and supports the development of sustainable, vibrant communities. In so doing, we are committed to planning, designing, constructing, maintaining and managing an interconnected transportation system while striving to preserve and enhance our natural and cultural resources.

Environmental stewardship encompasses these responsibilities and is reflected in our day-to-day operations by:

- ◆ Safeguarding the public's health by conducting our business in an environmentally responsible manner
- ◆ Demonstrating our care for and commitment to the environment
- ◆ Recognizing that our customers expect us to provide mobility and a quality of life that includes the protection of the natural resources and the cultural and social values of their community.

Each employee is responsible for incorporating these principles of safety, environmental stewardship and customer focus into their daily activities.

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