

## Adopt-A-Highway Program Invites Participants

In response to growing public concern about trash and debris along North Carolina's roadways, the N.C. Department of Transportation (NCDOT) established its Adopt-a-Highway program in 1988. Since then, thousands of volunteers have not only helped reduce litter but also saved North Carolina's taxpayers millions of dollars annually in roadside cleanup costs.

With more than 120,000 participants across North Carolina, Adopt-A-Highway is made up of civic and community groups - including schools, religious, professional and social organizations - as well as individuals and families.

There is no fee to be part of the program, but the N.C. Department of Transportation asks volunteer groups to commit at least four years to a 2-mile stretch of roadway. Litter cleanups happen at least four times a year - and sometimes more on heavily traveled roads.

NCDOT, in turn, installs two Adopt-A-Highway signs, each with a recognition panel, on the adopted roadway and provides the training and materials that volunteers need to safely carry out their goals.

Volunteers must be at least 12 years old, and children 12-17 must be supervised by an adult who is at least 21 years old. NCDOT provides participants safety training, safety vests and trash bags.

Groups may keep their adopted section of highway if their contract is renewed at the end of each four-year period and they meet their required number of pickups.

To volunteer with Adopt-A-Highway, interested groups should first use the litter management map (online at [apps.ncdot.gov/LM](http://apps.ncdot.gov/LM)) to determine roadway availability and then to request a segment when submitting their application online (at [apps.ncdot.gov/LM](http://apps.ncdot.gov/LM)) or by mail at NCDOT, 1521 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699. The telephone number is 1 (877) 368-4968.

For questions contact the local Anson County Adopt-A-Highway coordinators, Tiffanie Mullis or Jamie Hoopagh at 704-218-5100.

## Wildlife Commission Seeks Public Comment on Proposed 2020-2021 Rule Changes

The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission has opened the public comment period for proposed changes to agency regulations related to wildlife management, inland fisheries and game lands for the 2020-2021 seasons. The comment period will be open until Friday, Jan. 31, 2020.

Comments may be submitted online, emailed to [regulations@ncwildlife.org](mailto:regulations@ncwildlife.org) (must include name, phone number and mailing address in e-mail) or mailed to: Rule-Making Coordinator, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, 1701 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1700. The public can also provide comments at one of nine public hearings the Commission will conduct across the state in January. For more information, including the schedule for the upcoming public hearings, visit [ncwildlife.org/proposed-regulations](http://ncwildlife.org/proposed-regulations).

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## Church News

**DECEMBER 31**  
**New Year's Service**

At Divine Unity House of Restoration, 6090 Hwy 109 South, Wadesboro, 10pm

**Watch Night And Shut-in Service** at House of Faith, 10:45pm

**New Year's Eve Service** at Parsons Grove MBC, 10pm-midnight with Bishop Walter Ellerbe

**JANUARY 9 & 10**  
**Taking It Back Crusade** at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 7:30pm nightly. Thu-Pastor Anita Scott of New Direction Life Ministries in Norwood. Fri-Pastor Bernice Johnson of Pee Dee COD in Lilesville. Everyone is invited

**JANUARY 12**  
**Foot Stomping Service** At Church of God of Prophecy, 3pm

**ONGOING**  
**Theology Studies Especially for Veterans** & their families, Sundays at 10am in Fellowship Hall at Peachland Baptist Church, 79 Clinton Ave. Info 704-272-8522

**Soup Kitchen** Every Wednesday at New Life Ministries, 1678 Hwy 109 S, Wadesboro, 12-2pm. Info 704-690-4900

**Bible Study** Wednesday nights for youth & adults, 6pm at Church of God of Prophecy, 8477 Hwy 52 S, Morven

**Bible Study** Wednesdays, at Henderson Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 6:30pm

**Prayer Service** Intercessory Prayer at Voice of Evangelism Church every Sat 9am & Sun 8am

**Bible Study** At Voice of Evangelism Church every Wednesday & Friday at 7:30pm

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## Events

**JANUARY 7**  
**Board of Commissioners Meet** 6pm in Board Room, Suite 209, in Government Center, 101 S Greene St in uptown Wadesboro. Public Hearing regarding the proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget. To appear, sign up prior to meeting. Info 704-994-3201

**JANUARY 15**  
**Free Groceries** For families in need Mobile Food Pantry & Atrium Health Bus at Austin Grove Baptist Church, located at 5919 Austin Grove Church Road in Marshville. Register 8-10am. Call for details 704-694-2445

**ONGOING EVENTS**  
**Free Movies** 4th Monday of the month at Hampton B. Allen Library, 10am. Info 704-694-5177

**Writers' Club Meets** Fourth Sunday each month at First Presbyterian Church in Wadesboro, 3pm (except July & Dec). Open to public, new members of all ages invited. Info 704-694-5211 or [sandybruney@gmail.com](mailto:sandybruney@gmail.com)

**Afternoon Out** For ladies & gentlemen at Grace Senior Center each Monday from 2-4pm. Enjoy bingo & activities led by someone from the center. Register & info at 704-694-6616

**Children's Group Meets** Every Thursday at Anson County Domestic Violence Coalition, 5-6pm to discuss how to keep you & your children safe 704-694-4499

**MoMs Meeting** Support group for mothers of multiples, third Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Lockhart-Taylor Center, 704-695-1031

**Family Caregiver Support Group** First Mondays, 7-8:30pm, Peachland United Methodist Church Fellow-

ship Hall, anyone concerned with Alzheimer's disease invited

**Lillie Belles Red Hat Society** Meeting, third Tuesdays, 2:30pm, At Lillie Bennett Nursing Center, all Red Hatters invited

**Storytime** Tuesdays, Hampton B. Allen Library, 10am

**50+ Club** At Hampton B. Allen Library, second Mondays, Pritchett Room, 10:30am, wheelchair accessible

**Cub Scouts Pack #530** Meets each Thursday at Peachland UMC at 7pm. Info 704-994-9173

**Monthly Meetings** Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. meets the first Tuesday of every month at 4 pm in the Chamber of Commerce conference room. Info 704-695-1644

**Bariatric Pal Support Group** meets the 4th Monday of each month at CHS-Anson, 6pm. Info 704-475-3024

## Ag Export Seminar in Kannapolis January 28 and 29

The North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will host its third annual N.C. Ag Export Seminar at The Laureate Center in Kannapolis on Jan. 28 and 29. The two-day event is designed for farmers and agribusiness owners currently exporting or interested in exporting in the future.

"Exports present a great opportunity for local farmers and food businesses to grow their operations by reaching the 95 percent of the world's market that live outside the United States," said Agriculture Commissioner Steve Troxler. "North Carolina exported about \$2.3 billion worth of agricultural products in 2019, and I see that number only rising in the future."

During the seminar, industry experts will discuss the latest on logistics, financing and managing risks when selling to the global marketplace. The first day will kick off with a review of the current state of N.C. agricultural exports and remarks from Commissioner Troxler. That will be followed by presentations on International Commercial Terms and an update from the N.C. State Ports Authority. Afternoon sessions will focus on transportation logistics of exporting by ground, rail, air or sea.

The second day resumes with a series of panel discussions. Sessions will cover export resources available to business owners and how to prepare your shipment for export. Additional panels will discuss finance options, getting paid and protecting your sale.

Registration is \$195, but participants can save \$20 by registering before January 7. The registration deadline is Jan. 21. For more information and to register, go to [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) and search for "ag export."