NC Connect public improvement bond Vote March 15 \$2 billion appstate.edu/go/bond

On **March 15, 2016**, North Carolina will vote on the Connect NC Public Improvement Bond Act of 2015, a \$2 billion statewide bond that will impact every region of our state.

It has been **15 years since voters approved a bond** like this. Since then, North Carolina has grown by more than 2 million people. This is more than a 24% increase, making NC one of the top 10 most populous states in the nation.

The **Connect NC bond allows for much-needed investments in public higher education**, our parks and natural resources, local government water and sewer infrastructure needs, and in public safety and agriculture.

The Connect NC bond will fund investments in the state's natural resources, including **Grandfather Mountain State Park**, Chimney Rock State Park and Mount Mitchell State Park.

Funding from the Connect NC bond will provide \$70 million to **build a new state-of-the-art health science facility, the Beaver College of Health Sciences**.

Of the \$2 billion in bond funds, nearly **\$1.5 billion will be dedicated to projects at public universities and community colleges**.

Bond projects extend the life of our state's assets, align financing with asset lifespan and **focus on areas that will boost North Carolina's economic activity**.

No new taxes or tax increases are necessary to finance the Connect NC bond.

