

The Connect NC Bond vote is

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The **Connect NC Bond** is a \$2 billion bond referendum to provide critical support for North Carolina’s university system, National Guard, community colleges, state parks, and water and sewer systems. Because of the state’s superior financial standing, **passage of the bond will not result in a tax increase.** It’s been 15 years since North Carolina voters last approved a bond to invest in the state’s infrastructure — and we’ve added more than 2 million residents since then. The Connect NC Bond will keep our state strong now and well into the future.

NC State University: A Solid Return on Investment

<h1>#1</h1> <p>NC State is No. 1 in commercialization of research among universities without a medical school.</p>	<h1>\$6.5B</h1> <p>NC State’s expenditures generate a ripple effect of \$6.5 billion in added state income annually.</p>	<h1>\$1 → \$9</h1> <p>Every \$1 invested in NC State by society as a whole returns \$9 in added state income and social savings.</p>
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Investing in a Stronger NC State

The bond includes \$980 million to improve the UNC system and another \$350 million to enhance the state’s community colleges. \$160 million has been designated to support two major projects on NC State’s Centennial Campus: the **Engineering Oval** building and the **Plant Sciences Research Complex**.



Engineering Oval

NC State’s College of Engineering — the fourth largest in the nation — produces graduates who not only lead the workforces at North Carolina companies such as Cree, SAS and IBM; they also create jobs by developing new technologies, launching innovative companies and bringing cutting-edge products to market. Our College of Engineering is critical in attracting business and industries to North Carolina.

The new **Engineering Oval** building, with its state-of-the-art laboratories, will enable the college to continue advancing research excellence and driving the state’s 21st-century economy.

Learn more at www.engr.ncsu.edu/oval.



Plant Sciences Research Complex

Agribusiness is North Carolina’s No. 1 economic sector, generating \$78 billion annually. Every \$1 spent on agricultural research in North Carolina returns \$19.90 in economic benefit to the state. In addition, over the next 25 years, 84 percent of U.S. agricultural jobs are projected to be in the plant sciences. That’s why NC State’s plant sciences leadership — we have the world’s largest plant breeding program — helps fuel our state’s economy.

Researchers in the new **Plant Sciences Research Complex** will work across disciplinary boundaries to help guarantee a safe, sustainable food supply for North Carolina and the world.

Learn more at cals.ncsu.edu/agcomm/psi.



Learn more about the bond at ncsu.edu/ConnectNC