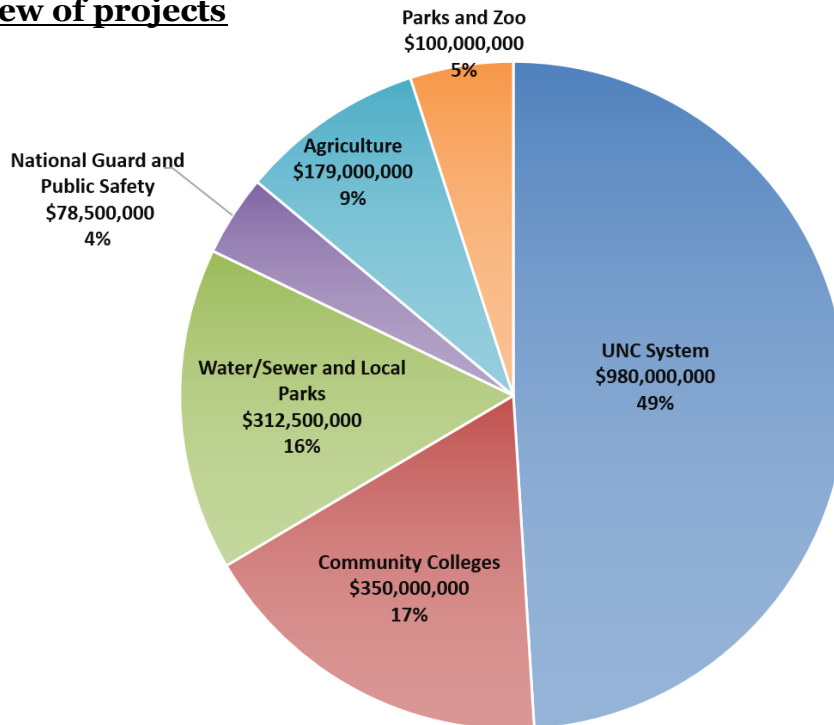


# CONNECT NC

- \$2 billion of targeted, long-term investments
- Infrastructure investments are vital to NC's competitiveness
- Connect NC will pay for assets that will last for 50 years or more
- Interest rates are historically low
- Connect NC will not jeopardize our strong credit ratings
- There will be no new taxes or tax increases because of Connect NC

## Overview of projects



### *Higher Education*

- The UNC system will receive **\$980 million**, particularly to build and repair STEM facilities to prepare our students for careers in these high-demand fields.
- The North Carolina Community College System will receive **\$350 million** for needed repairs and renovations at all 58 campuses across the state. These improvements are needed to retrofit and repair existing space to meet the demands of a 21st century workforce.

### *State Parks and Attractions*

- Provides a total of **\$75 million** to update facilities at 45 treasured state parks.
- Includes an investment of **\$25 million** for upgrades to service support facilities, trails and exhibits at the North Carolina Zoo.

### *National Guard Regional Readiness Centers*

- Includes **\$70 million** to construct National Guard Regional Readiness Centers in Burke, Guilford and Wilkes Counties allowing the Guard more efficiently and effectively respond in times of emergency.

### *Water and Sewer Infrastructure*

- Invests **\$309.5 million** in statewide water and sewer loans and grants to meet the demands of a growing state.

### *Agricultural research*

- Provides **\$85 million** for the Plant Sciences Research Complex at NC State University to establish North Carolina as the world leader in plant sciences research and innovation.
- Invests **\$94 million** for a lab at the Agricultural and Consumer Sciences Building for veterinary, food, drug and motor fuel testing.

### **Regional Investments: North Central**

- Invests **\$432.6 million** in the North Central region
- 9 community colleges:
  - Durham Technical Community College
  - Edgecombe Community College
  - Central Carolina Community College
  - Johnston Community College
  - Nash Community College
  - Piedmont Community College
  - Vance-Granville Community College
  - Wake Technical Community College
  - Wilson Community College
- 3 universities:
  - N. C. Central University
  - UNC-Chapel Hill
  - N.C. State University
- 8 state parks:
  - Jordan Lake State Park
  - Lower Haw River State Recreation Area
  - Deep River State Trail
  - Eno River State Park
  - Raven Rock State Park
  - Kerr Lake State Park
  - William B. Umstead State Park
  - Falls Lake State Park
- 2 agricultural research labs:
  - Agricultural and Consumer Sciences Veterinary, Food, Drug, Motor Fuels Lab
  - N.C. State University Plant Sciences Building

