

StructuresPolygon, 1st Quarter 2026 - NC Department of Transportation

Geodatabase Feature Class



Tags Bridge, Pipe, Culvert, Structures Management Unit, Go!NC, Structures, Deck

Summary

To provide a polygon representation of all non-sign structures currently inventoried by the Structures Management Unit (SMU). The polygons outline the extents of the structures visible in the State imagery provided by CGIA & NCOneMap and using Structure Length from the database. Where aerial imagery is outdated, such as in cases of new construction, all available information and other image sources are used to best locate the structure polygon and await confirmation through the State imagery.

Description

The structure deck polygons outline the extents of the structures visible in the State imagery provided by CGIA & NCOneMap and using Structure Length from the database. Where aerial imagery is outdated, such as in cases of new construction, all available information and other image sources are used to best locate the structure polygon and await confirmation through the State imagery.

This polygon file represents North Carolina bridges and other non-sign structures. Structure polygons match to structures visible in the State imagery, while structure points found in a separate layer are snapped to the road lines, also found in a separate layer. In cases where the road lines do not match the visible pavement, the structure point may not sit inside the structure polygon. If all features are in agreement with the imagery, the structure point and road line should intersect the structure polygon.

Polygons are reviewed in an ongoing, year-round visual QC that occurs between processes. This is in addition to the updates to the structures layer that occur on a quarterly basis. The purpose of this visual QC is to look for changes in the State imagery and adjust structure polygons where needed, especially in cases of new construction where structures were rebuilt in place, keeping their existing ID number. Also, areas of new construction, with or without the road lines updated, are reviewed for any changes that might affect the current inventory of structures. In a few cases of extreme disagreement in structure lengths with the values in the structures database (and with no way to resolve them), measurements from the imagery may be used for the decks in place of the database value - in these cases, the discrepancy is reported to the Structures Unit and a resolution is anticipated.

Credits

The deck layer is a compilation of data originally used in a hydraulic study, then individually reviewed and manually revised to keep up with changes in inventory and imagery.

Use limitations

The availability and accuracy of the structures-related datasets are dependent upon an ongoing process of integration between the NCDOT GIS Unit and the Structures Management Unit. Discrepancies may exist since the frequency with which the sources are updated is not the same among the different groups. Please take this into account prior to utilizing any structures layer.

This polygon layer is also dependent upon the State imagery which can be found on NCOneMap.com. Deck polygons for all structures contained within this layer are matched to the visible structures in the State imagery. Where structures are not visible, other layers and information are utilized to best approximate their location. Where structures are significantly updated or rebuilt, a polygon may not match the structure if it is not visible in the imagery yet. For new construction reflected in the database, the polygon can be updated to at least show the new structure length. Where new construction is not reflected in the database but can be seen in the imagery, it depends upon whether the structures have been reviewed in the area as to whether or not they will also reflect those changes. Thus, there is another ongoing process attempting to keep the deck polygons matched to the State imagery. The NEWCONSTR field in this layer reflects those polygons with structure lengths updated in the database but not yet in the imagery. Please keep this in mind when reviewing the deck polygons.

Extent

West -84.402420

East -75.426360

North 36.614236

South 33.763802

Scale Range

Maximum (zoomed in) 1:5,000

Minimum (zoomed out) 1:150,000,000

Topics and Keywords

Themes or categories of the resource Environment, Inland Waters, Location, Planning & Cadastral, Structure, Transportation

Content type Downloadable Data

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Contact instructions

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Resource Details

Dataset languages English (UNITED STATES)

Dataset character set utf8 - 8 bit UCS Transfer Format

Spatial representation type vector

Supplemental information

This polygon layer, like the structures point layer, contains many kinds of structures currently maintained by the Structures Management Unit (SMU) of the NCDOT. They reflect an ongoing attempt by the NCDOT GIS Unit to portray the traffic-carrying structures found in the NCDOT SMU's Structures Database and shown in the GIS Structures layer in as timely a manner as possible. Until such time as the GIS Unit can approximate the maintenance schedule of the SMU, the GIS layer may not accurately reflect the structures currently in service or the additions and deletions to the Bridge Inventory System which are performed on a daily basis by the SMU. Minimal attribute information is attached to this layer. It can be joined to the main structures point layer via the Brdg_Nbr value, gaining access to that point layer's more complete attribute listing. It can also be joined to any table requested from SMU via the Brdg_Nbr.

Processing environment Version 6.2 (Build 9200) ; Esri ArcGIS 10.8.1.14362

Credits

The deck layer is a compilation of data originally used in a hydraulic study, then individually reviewed and manually revised to keep up with changes in inventory and imagery.

Extents

Extent

Geographic extent

Bounding rectangle

Extent type Extent used for searching

West longitude -84.402420

East longitude -75.426360
North latitude 36.614236
South latitude 33.763802
Extent contains the resource Yes

Extent in the item's coordinate system

westBL 412569.425611
eastBL 3049484.060236
southBL 46803.960064
northBL 1042525.784234
exTypeCode Yes

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Resource Maintenance

Resource maintenance

Update frequency quarterly
Other maintenance requirements
Time Period of content: 4th Qtr 2025 (source date 01/26/26)

Resource Constraints

Spatial Data Properties

Vector

Level of topology for this dataset geometry only

Geometric objects

Feature class name NCDOTStructureLocationsPolygon

Object type composite

Object count 20151

ArcGIS Feature Class Properties

Feature class name NCDOTStructureLocationsPolygon

Feature type Simple

Geometry type Polygon

Has topology FALSE

Feature count 20151

Spatial index TRUE

Linear referencing FALSE

Data Quality

Scope of quality information

Resource level attribute

Data quality report - Quantitative attribute accuracy

Quality evaluation procedure

Evaluation method

There are no measurement, precision, spatial, or data schema standards assigned to this dataset.

Data quality report - Conceptual consistency

Quality evaluation procedure

Evaluation method

There are no measurement, precision, spatial, or data schema standards assigned to this dataset.

Data quality report - Completeness omission

Quality evaluation procedure

Evaluation method

There are no measurement, precision, spatial, or data schema standards assigned to this dataset.

The bridge layer contains many kinds of structures currently maintained by the Structures Management Unit of the NCDOT. They reflect an ongoing integration between the structures found in the GIS bridge layer and the bridge database maintained by the Structures Management Unit. As such, the GIS layer may not accurately reflect the structures currently in service or the additions and deletions to the Bridge Inventory

system which are performed on a daily basis.

Data quality report - Absolute external positional accuracy

dimension horizontal

Quality evaluation procedure

Evaluation method

Structures were compared for accuracy against the most current imagery and against field inspection reports where necessary. Structure points are snapped to the relevant state-maintained routes in the center of the structures where possible. In the case of intersecting, non-divided routes, the structure point is snapped to the routes' intersection point. In the case of divided highways, the structure point is snapped to the intersection of the inventory sides of the routes. Otherwise, there are no measurement, precision, spatial, or data schema standards assigned to this dataset.

Lineage

Lineage statement

Structure decks were created via a program utilizing the structure points in the GIS layer and attributes from the structures database. Following their usage in a hydrology study, they were adopted for use alongside the structures point layer and truck routing network.

Quarterly, the GIS Unit requests a structures database update from SMU and compares this update against the existing GIS Structures layer. Non-matching structure records are sorted according to whether they are additions or deletions compared to the existing structures layer. Deletions are removed to a separate layer and additions are merged into the existing layer, followed by a period of review using the latest imagery for location verification.

Polygons are created for all non-sign structures added to this layer. Polygons for deleted points are also removed to a separate layer, allowing for a one-to-one relationship between the deck polygons and the non-sign structures.

Distribution

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Distribution format

Version ArcGIS 10.1

Name File Geodatabase Feature Class

Fields

Details for object NCDOTStructureLocationsPolygon

Type Feature Class

Row count 20151

Definition

Bridges and other structures along NC highways

Definition source

NCDOT Structures Management Unit

Field BRDG_NBR

Alias Brdg_Nbr

Data type String

Width 10

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

2-digit county number + 4-digit bridge number

Description source

NCDOT Structures Management Unit

Field Shape

Alias Shape

Data type Geometry

Width 0

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

Feature geometry.

Description source

ESRI

Description of values

Coordinates defining the features.

Field OBJECTID

Alias OBJECTID

Data type OID

Width 4

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

Internal feature number.

Description source

ESRI

Description of values

Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.

Field Shape_Length

Alias Shape_Length

Data type Double

Width 8

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

Length of feature in internal units.

Description source

Esri

Description of values

Positive real numbers that are automatically generated.

Field Shape_Area

Alias Shape_Area

Data type Double

Width 8

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

Area of feature in internal units squared.

Description source

Esri

Description of values

Positive real numbers that are automatically generated.

Field NEWCONSTR

Alias NEWCONSTR

Data type String

Width 1

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

"New Construction" polygons for the purposes of this layer are defined as those structures rebuilt or altered prior to any update of the State imagery showing that structure. As such, the outline of the polygon in this layer may not match the structure visible in the latest imagery for those designated as "new construction." Polygons are drawn to match the most current Structure Length in the database, so New Construction polygons may not match the actual structures until they are visible in the imagery, and the corners can be confirmed.

A "Y" (yes) value in this field indicates that the structure is new construction and may not match the imagery.

An "N" (no) indicates the structure is not new construction and should match the imagery.

Description source

NCDIT GIS Unit

Field STRCTR_LEN

Alias STRCTR_LEN

Data type Double

Width 8

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

The length of the structure, as provided by the Structures Mgmt Unit.

Description source

NCDOT Structures Mgmt Unit

Field BRDG_TYP_NM

Alias Bridge Type

Data type String

Width 25

Precision 0

Scale 0

Field description

Type of structure as a text string.

Description source

Metadata Details

Metadata language English (UNITED STATES)

Metadata character set utf8 - 8 bit UCS Transfer Format

Scope of the data described by the metadata dataset

Scope name dataset

Last update 2026-04-22

ArcGIS metadata properties

Metadata format ArcGIS 1.0

Metadata style FGDC CSDGM Metadata

Standard or profile used to edit metadata ISO19139

Created in ArcGIS for the item 2026-04-10 08:06:29

Last modified in ArcGIS for the item 2026-04-22 13:10:10

Automatic updates

Have been performed Yes

Last update 2026-04-22 13:10:10

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Metadata Maintenance

Maintenance

Update frequency quarterly

Metadata Constraints

Constraints

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