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## WHO PAVES & MAINTAINS ROADS (AND CLEARS THEM OF ICE AND SNOW) IN CATAWBA COUNTY?

Roads in North Carolina fall into three categories. The great majority of them are constructed and maintained by the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). You might occasionally hear these referred to as "State-maintained" roads. Some cities or towns may use money from NCDOT to maintain roads.

In many other cases, the road is privately maintained, meaning individuals or neighbors living on a road get together to handle any maintenance needs. Some roads aren't maintained at all, but those are often short and remote.

If you have a concern about a road-related issue, start by calling the North Carolina Department of Transportation's field office in Catawba County at 828-466-5519 or the district office at 704-748-2400. There's an excellent chance they can give you the information you're seeking.

There is the possibility that your municipality handles road repair and maintenance. If you believe your city or town does road maintenance, you might want to call your town or city hall. This is more likely to be the case in our larger cities regarding removal of ice and snow in the winter.

The one part of road work that Catawba and other counties do is to maintain the signs with the names of each road. If you know of a damaged or missing road name sign, you may report it online through a link down the left side of the page at <a href="http://www.catawbacountync.gov">http://www.catawbacountync.gov</a> labeled "Street Sign Repair," or call 828-465-8147.

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