



# NC Agriculture and Family Farms

The Connect NC Bond will include one of the largest investments ever to promote family farms and bolster the agriculture industry. The bond will provide nearly \$180 million for improvements to farming and agriculture across the state, including a new “plant sciences” research complex at North Carolina State University. The bond will also provide funding for new science lab for the NC Department of Agriculture for veterinary research and food and drug testing---helping North Carolina to become a world leader in agricultural research and innovation.

North Carolina has grown by about 2 million residents since the last general obligation bond, making it necessary for the North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services industry to upgrade and expand services in order to release the increased pressure that has been placed on NC’s infrastructure. With such a high demand in agriculture, the bond will help fund upgrades to technology, renovations for buildings, and education to those who want to be in the industry.

North Carolina State University, one of North Carolina’s biggest and most advanced agriculture schools, will benefit from this bond. Millions will be invested into technology upgrades, research facilities, and other necessary developments. **This major project will benefit the entire state and help establish North Carolina as a world leader in plant sciences research and innovation.**



NC State University Plant Sciences Building Concept Rendering