



January 23, 2025

Dear Property Owner/Resident,

You are receiving this letter because property you own has been affected by the re-establishment of the boundary line between Catawba County and Lincoln County. Based on the location of your property, it has been affected in one of the following ways:

- Shifted in its entirety from Catawba County into Lincoln County; or
- Split between Catawba County and Lincoln County.

Historically, in North Carolina, county boundaries were established using rudimentary surveying and mapping processes based on natural features and landmarks. Over decades of physical changes to the landscape and parcel changes between counties, the boundary line between Catawba County and Lincoln County gradually shifted.

The North Carolina Geodetic Survey (NCGS) recently completed a survey of the boundary line between Catawba County and Lincoln County. Advances in technology have made it possible for the NCGS to survey and record county boundary lines with a high level of accuracy. As a result, the boundary between Catawba and Lincoln counties was surveyed to set the line in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 153A-18. This line established is the line originating from the 1842 creation of Catawba County, when it was split from Lincoln County. Upon the receipt of concerns from citizens directly impacted, the Boards agreed to research and consider an alternative solution. Ultimately, no consensus was established resulting in the Boards of Commissioners reaching an impasse. The failure of the Boards of Commissioners for both counties to formally adopt the surveyed line will result in the line becoming conclusive and final on February 2, 2025.

To see how the re-established boundary line affects your specific property, you may use the boundary line mapping tools at <https://arcgisserver.lincolncountync.gov/countyline/> or <https://bit.ly/catawbalincolnline>. Also, enclosed you will find more detailed information to help answer questions you may have about the re-established boundary and how it may impact you.

Additionally, Lincoln County invites you to stop by one of two community open house events where you can talk with Lincoln County representatives regarding taxation, voting, planning, permitting, solid waste, and other services that may be affected by this change. The events are scheduled for the following dates and times:

Monday, January 27, 2025

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

East Lincoln Community Center

8160 Optimist Club Rd, Denver, NC 28037

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

James W. Warren Citizens Center

115 W. Main Street, Lincolnton, NC 28092

This change requires no immediate action on your part. Changes to most county services you receive will take place over time, and you will be notified when changes occur.

If you have questions for our team in Lincoln County, we encourage you to call the County Manager's Office at (704) 736-8471 or contact a specific department directly using the numbers listed on the enclosed information sheet during our regular business hours.