

District 2 News

Abbeville, Anderson, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry and Saluda counties

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Bridge team keeps up bridges in D2

The District Two Bridge Construction Crew is connecting communities literally by building bridges. Based in Saluda County, the team consists of Foreman **Jacob Courtney**, **Bennie Leopard** and **John Davis**.

Each year the Bridge Crew works to reduce the number of closed and load restricted bridges within District 2. Courtney explained that in a typical year the crew is able to build between four and six bridges. The width of the new bridge will be 36 feet and the length can vary from 40 feet to 140

feet depending on the stream channel length.

The bridge shown in the picture below is approximately 75 percent complete. The team drove piles, formed and placed pile caps and installed the precast bridge deck sections. The final step involves an asphalt paving contractor building the approach slabs and paving over the deck to create a uniform riding surface.

When asked about the Bridge Construction Crew, Assistant District Maintenance Engineer **Will Munnerlyn** expressed his gratitude for the level of expertise and dedication that Courtney and his team have.

When they have a pause in bridge construction they move over to bridge maintenance tasks repairing damaged areas. Clearly their priority is the safety of the traveling public.



The District 2 Bridge Construction Crew is made up of, from left, John Davis, Bennie Leopard and Jacob Courtney.

Got news?

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Nick Rebovich

Meet Kim Ashley

Kim Ashley has served as the Administrative Specialist II for the Greenwood Maintenance Office in District 2 since February 2018.

As the first voice or face that a customer hears or sees, Ashley knows her interaction with the customer is paramount to the successful resolution of the customer's challenge.

An extrovert by nature, Ashley enjoys the busy nature of the Greenwood Maintenance Office. Each person that calls or walks in is greeted with a smile and a confident voice. In addition to her normal duties Ashley has agreed to assist with clerical needs for the Greenwood Reclamation Crew. These duties include producing purchase orders for materials and supplies, ensuring needed supplies are delivered to the work site and filing oversize overweight permits when the large reclamation equipment must be relocated. Reclamation Crew Foreman **Troy Young** had this to say; "Kim Ashley is one of a kind. If it wasn't for her, I and the reclamation crew would be lost!"



Kim Ashley