

Meet Jerodd Todd

'Peanut' is nuts about SCDOT

By Kim Corley

Employee: Jerodd "Peanut" Todd
Office: District 5 Maintenance
Title: Trades Specialist III

Jerodd "Peanut" Todd began his career with SCDOT in 2009. In February, he received his Certificate for 5 Years of Service. He works with the paint crew in Horry County.

Before joining SCDOT, he worked with a contractor mowing right-of-ways. Todd says he is glad the opportunity to work with SCDOT came along because he enjoys working on the paint crew.

He says the best part about his job is "traveling around to different counties in our district." Todd has also had the opportunity to work outside his district. He and his crew were asked to lend a hand to crews in Lexington with painting. During February's winter storm, Todd's

crew was one of many on call to assist crews in the upstate. "I work out of Horry and we got the truck ready to head up York around 4:30 in the morning," he enthusiastically posted on the SCDOT Facebook page.

Todd lives in Loris with this two lab/pit mixes, Onyx and Cephus. He is an avid outdoorsman who spends much of his free time fishing, camping and duck hunting. Todd also enjoys participating in the annual SCDOT Golf Tournament, a sport he frequently plays, even though he confessed that his golf game could use some work.

A proud Free Mason, Todd is a member of the Little Pee Dee Lodge #83 AFM where he is a master mason and sitting senior deacon.

His nickname is a remnant of his high school days. He says the name came from friends his sophomore year in agricultural science class. Ever since, Todd has embraced the name. For a short time, it was even on his SCDOT uniforms.

Congratulations to him on his five years of service, and we wish him many more.



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Jerodd Todd works on the paint crew in District 5. He enjoys traveling around the District and has helped out other areas of the state during emergency situations. He is enthusiastic about his job and loves SCDOT.

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Crash Closes Ravenel Bridge

On Tuesday, May 26, at around 11 a.m., a fuel tanker and a sedan collided on the Ravenel Bridge in Charleston County. The leaking tanker caused the bridge to be shut down in both directions for most of the afternoon. Fortunately, less than 100 gallons of diesel fuel leaked from the truck. The fuel had to be transferred to another tanker while the spilled fuel needed to be scrubbed off the bridge deck. The Ravenel Bridge was reopened at 7:20 p.m.

SCDOT Receives FTA Award

SCDOT was recognized with an award from the Federal Transit Administration Regional Administrator, Dr. Yvette Taylor, for "consistently demonstrated outstanding transit service" at the Southeastern Regional Transit Conference held in Atlanta in May. The conference was co-sponsored by the Georgia Transportation Institute/University Transportation Center and the Center for Urban Transportation Research. Attendees included transit operators, MPOs, state agencies, state transit associations and other

transit stakeholders and advocates throughout the Southeast, along with senior leadership of the Federal Transit Administration in Washington. The award recognizes SCDOT's innovation, leadership and efforts on behalf of the state's public and human services transportation providers with the state and the Federal Transit Administration.

SCDOT DBE firm in USDOT mentor program

Freeland Construction Company, Inc. based in Charleston has been selected to participate in USDOT's first Heavy Civil Construction Contractor Mentor Protégé Agreement. Freeland Construction will be partnered with Skanska, one of the largest construction companies in the US. This program provides an opportunity for small businesses to create strategic alliances with successful prime contractors in an effort to move their businesses to the next level. The agreement is a three-year arrangement. Freeland's President & CEO, Kenneth Cantey, P.E. says his company is honored to be a part of this mentor program and states that the goal for the company is to be worthy enough to serve as a mentor at the conclusion of the three-year contract.

Ethics Training Deadline: Nov. 30, 2015

South Carolina General Assembly Act 114 requires all SCDOT employees to take mandatory Ethics training every two years. This two hour e-learning class is now available via the SCDOT Learning Management System.

All employees are required to complete the course no later than **Nov. 30, 2015**.

Each employee with computer access needs to log in and take this mandatory training class.

For those employees without a computer, the training can be delivered in a group setting. Employees completing the training in a group setting must sign a sign-in sheet including the employee's name and employee number. This sign-in sheet can then be entered into the LMS by the Learning Manager for your office.

Course Name: SCDOT Workplace Ethics
 Course Length: 2 hrs

The training is located on the e-learning site

<https://scdot.csod.com/client/scdot/default.aspx>