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BURKE COUNTY
ALL ABOUT ADVANCING
TAX ADMINISTRATION

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Burke County Board of Commissioners
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Burke County Board of Commissioners:

I respectfully submit the following Tax Collections Settlement for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30th, 2026.

In compliance with NCGS 105-373(a)(1) & (3)(d), included are the amounts collected using the NC Property Tax System (NCPTS) and the NC Vehicle Tax System (NCVTS) for the county, fire districts and municipalities. These amounts include current and delinquent taxes collected and uncollected for the above period. Also, the county tax administrator's office collects for:

- Connelly Springs
- Glen Alpine
- Hildebran
- Long View
- Rhodhiss
- Drexel
- Valdese

Section 1: Property Tax County Only
(Data from NCPTS TR-401E Report)

	Collected	**Uncollected**
• Tax-Current (2025)	$54,463,015.19	$ 909,913.46
• Delinquent Tax (2024-prior)	$ 720,637.80	$ 871,688.89
• **Total**	**$55,183,652.99**	**$1,781,602.35**

Total of Taxes and Tax Related Collections (County Only) 2025-Prior

	Collected	Uncollected
• Advertisement Fee	$ 19,436.64	$ 46,527.23
• Garnishment	$ 49,884.00	$ 6,698.10
• Interest	$ 281,480.63	$ 0.00
• Landfill User Fee	$ 3,529,870.65	$ 248,694.00
• Landfill User Fee Sr.	$ 81,347.64	$ 5,785.71
• Late List Penalty	$ 137,817.27	$ 19,529.40
• Migrated LFUF	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
• Misc. Cost	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
• NSF Penalty	$ 7,778.00	$ 751.01
• Tax All Years	$55,207,902.73	$ 1,657,580.31
• **Total**	**$59,315,517.56**	**$ 1,985,465.76**

Section 2: RMV Tax County Only
(Data from NCVTS Net Distribution Report)

	Collected
• VTS RMV Interest	$ 44,618.45
• VTS RMV Tax	$ 6,484,233.05
• **Total**	**$ 6,528,851.50**

Section 3: Fire District County & RMV Tax
(Data from TR-401E NCPTS Report & NCVTS Net Dist. Report)

	Collected	Uncollected
• FD Tax Current (2025)	$ 6,402,430.81	$ 100,510.76
• FD tax Interest (2025)	$ 17,395.86	$ 0.00
• FD Prior & Int (2024-Prior)	$ 109,629.28	$ 74,892.78
• VTS RMV FD Int	$ 5861.35	$ 0.00
• VTS RMV FD Tax	$ 874,860.40	$ 0.00
• **Totals**	**$ 7,410,177.70**	**$ 176,295.06**

Section 4: Property Tax City/Town
(Data from TR-401E NCPTS)

	Collected	Uncollected
• City & Town (2025)	$ 4,163,308.98	$ 38,425.27
• City & Town (2024-Prior)	$ 27,551.54	$ 10,785.71
• Interest 2025-Prior	$ 13,683.58	$ 0.00
• Late List Penalty 2025-Prior	$ 3,866.62	$ 278.63
• Landfill User Fee 2025-Prior	$ 14,523.00	$ 197.84
• **Total**	**$ 4,222,933.72**	**$ 49,687.45**

Section 5: RMV Taxes City Town 2025
(Data from NCVTS Net Distribution Report)

	Collected
• VTS RMV Int	$ 10,926.75
• VTS RMV Tax	$1,562,386.12
• VTS Morganton Tag Fee ($20)	$ 296,140.00
• VTS Hickory Tag Fee ($5.25)	$ 796.25
• **Total**	**$1,870,249.12**

Section 6: Additional Revenues Collected
(Data from NCPTS TR-426 & TR-431)

	Collected
• Rental Vehicle (County)	$ 68,225.00
• Rental Vehicle (Hickory)	$ 12,789.79
• Occupancy Tax	$1,011,305.64
• Occupancy Tax (Late Penalty)	$ 129.52
• Occupancy Filing (Penalty)	$ 107.61
• Beer License (On Premises)	$ 1,575.00
• Beer License (Off Premises)	$ 400.00
• Wine License (On Premises)	$ 1,450.00
• Wine License (Off Premises)	$ 1,800.00
• **Total**	**$1,097,782.56**

SECTION 12 - Summary of Enforced Collection Activity

Enforced collections of delinquent tax bills can use several different remedies as allowed by N.C.G.S. § 105-367, 368, 374, and 375.

- Debt Setoff
- Bank Attachment/garnishment
- Wage Garnishment
- Foreclosure

I certify that the collections staff has diligently tried using the collection remedies available by statute (notices, second notices, wage garnishment, bank attachment, debt set-off, foreclosure, and delinquent collection service) to collect all delinquent debts. These delinquent debts are for tax years 2014 through 2023, including those 2024 taxes that became delinquent after January 5, 2025.

I respectfully request that the Burke County Board of Commissioners accept this report as the Annual Settlement for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026

/s/ Travis J Isaacs