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## **SWA Bridge Ribbon Cutting/Dedication Ceremony**

**Conway, SC** – Today in Conway the Horry County Solid Waste Authority (SWA) celebrated the completion of a 653-ft bridge connecting the SWA’s landfill property to it’s 1187-acre parcel where the Material Recycling Facility (MRF) is located.

The Solid Waste Authority provides comprehensive solid waste management services for the citizens of Horry County. In the late 1990’s, the SWA established the goal to maximize the use of the Highway 90 landfill property for long-term disposal operations with the 1187 parcel providing resources to support the operations. Sterritt Swamp separates the two parcels and presented a challenge for the SWA to access the 1187 parcel’s resources. The SWA concluded construction of a bridge suitable for heavy construction traffic was the most efficient way for direct access between the two HCSWA parcels while minimizing traffic impact to Highway 90. The bridge project pushed forward at a remarkable pace. The HCSWA obtained all regulatory approvals by September 2020. Engineering design for the 653-ft precast cored slab bridge was completed by December 2020. Bridge construction began in February 2021 and was completed on-time in August 2021 when it opened for traffic. The bridge project was also completed on-budget at a total construction cost of approximately \$3.17M. “The Solid Waste Authority is committed to it’s mission to provide comprehensive solid waste management services to Horry County while being conscientious of our neighbors along Highway 90. This bridge will provide access to our two parcels in a manner that will increase operational efficiencies while lessening the SWA’s impact to traffic along Highway 90” stated SWA Board Chairman Bo Ives.

In honor of his invaluable service and vision as a member of the Board of Directors, the SWA is pleased to announce the dedication of the W. Norfleet Jones Bridge. Completion of the bridge on time and on budget is considered a tremendous accomplishment made possible by the committed leadership and vision of the Solid Waste Authority Board of Directors, a conscientious regulatory community, and superior engineering and construction.

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From Left: SCDOT Commissioner Tony Cox, Senator Greg Hembree, SWA Board Member Bob Kemp, SWA Board Member Carlyle Berry, former SWA Board Member Pam Creech, SWA Board Member Carl Schwartzkopf, SWA Board Member and Honoree Norfleet Jones, Mrs. Jan Jones, former SWA Board Member Mike Campbell, Horry County Councilman Danny Hardee, NMB Mayor Marilyn Hatley, Engineer Vance Moore, SWA Board Chairman Bo Ives



From Left: SWA Board Member Carl Schwartzkopf, SWA Board Member and Honoree Norfleet Jones, Mrs. Jan Jones, former SWA Board Member Mike Campbell, Horry County Councilman Danny Hardee



W. Norfleet Jones Bridge



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