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### **CAROLINA THREAD TRAIL SECTION OPENS IN NEWTON**

NEWTON, NC - Officials from Catawba County and the Carolina Thread Trail celebrated the opening of a 0.65-mile section of Carolina Thread Trail (CTT) on the Catawba County Government Center campus in Newton Friday, November 11.

The new trail crosses the Government Center campus and links the Newton Heritage Trail at NC Highway 10 to downtown Newton. The completion of this section provides approximately 8 miles of continuous CTT pathway from NC Highway 10 to Lyle Creek north of Conover. The trail and related amenities, including a map kiosk, picnic table, and benches, were constructed by Catawba County staff, citizen volunteers, contractors, and a local Eagle Scout.

For more information about the Carolina Thread Trail, visit <http://www.carolinathreadtrail.org/>.

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**PHOTO CAPTION:** A ribbon-cutting was held Friday, November 11, to officially open a new 0.65-mile section of Carolina Thread Trail on the Catawba County Government Center campus. Pictured left to right: Jacky Eubanks, Director, Catawba County Planning & Parks; Shuford Abernethy, Carolina Thread Trail Governing Board Member for Catawba County; Kitty Barnes, Catawba County Commissioner; Andy Kane, Senior Director, Carolina Thread Trail; and Chris Timberlake, Senior Planner, Catawba County Planning & Parks.

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