

EYE ON III

State of Nebraska

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NEW EMPLOYEES



Reece Gemaehlich started October 2nd at the Norfolk Construction office as a Hwy. Construction Tech I. He was born in Norfolk and moved back from Sidney, NE in July. Reece was in the Marine Corps for 2 years. He likes to learn new things, play games, including cards, and work on diesel engines on his time away from work.

MISSION STATEMENT

To build, maintain and operate a system of highways in Northeast Nebraska as approved by the legislature, suitable for the continuous, safe and efficient movement of people.

VISION STATEMENT

To continue to be the leading District in building, maintaining and operating our highway system, meeting and exceeding all the expectations of the traveling public, supported by a staff of well trained, diversified employees using the state of the art technology. We also provide a fulfilling work environment.





Jorge Castaneda is our new Highway Construction Tech in the Columbus Construction office and started on 10-15-24. He was born in San Jose, California and moved to Columbus about 4 years ago. He says that Nebraska is one of the most beautiful states he's ever seen. He loves to learn new jobs that help him to be more self-confident and inspiring. His favorite hobbies are playing with his one-year-old Golden Doodle, learning about new cultures, reading, and traveling. Previously, he was a chiropractic assistant before moving to Columbus and he is currently working on his associate degree in human resources.



SILVERBERG RETIREMENT

Norm Silverberg started at NDOT on Dec 11, 1995. He made his way through the ranks to being Crew Chief, and then became the Albion Supervisor in January of 2021. Norm was a dedicated and conscientious leader, and his knowledge and experience will be missed.



But even greater than his work ethic was his care for his crew. No-one went hungry if Norm could help it - his ample snack stash had something for everybody. Norm made his team feel like family.

Thank You, Norm!



BEST WISHES ON
YOUR RETIREMENT!

DRONE PICTURES BY MIKE



CREIGHTON MAINTENANCE YARD

**Below & to the right:
NIOBRARA MAINENANCE YARD**





Standing Bear Bridge from 2 miles away



Standing Bear Bridge from 4 miles away.



Niobrara River Bridge.



COOK'S CORNER

Chicken and Rice Casserole

2 lbs. raw chicken tenders

1 large yellow or white onion, chopped

2 cans Rotel-type tomatoes with chilies

1 can black beans, rinsed

¼-1/3 cup olive oil

2 cups uncooked rice

shredded cheese (optional)

3 cups chicken broth

1 can yellow corn, drained

2 T taco or creole seasoning

Preheat the oven to 350° F.

Spread the rice into a 9x13 greased, oven proof dish. Evenly distribute the undrained tomatoes, onion, beans, and corn on top of the rice. Pour the chicken broth gently over the mixture. Arrange the chicken tenders (or ¾ inch thick slices of chicken breast) on top. Drizzle or brush the meat with the olive oil and sprinkle with seasoning. Bake, uncovered, for 50-60 minutes. Sprinkle with shredded cheese, if desired.

