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Eighteen months and \$787 billion later, the final verdict on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, also known as the stimulus bill, is still unclear, particularly for Mecklenburg County.

According to the North Carolina Office of Economic Recovery and Investment, a temporary office that manages the distribution of the state's stimulus funds, Mecklenburg

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The North Carolina Department of Transportation spent \$5.56 million in stimulus funds to widen a one-mile section of Rock Hill-Pineville Road from the South Carolina state line to Downs Circle in Pineville from two lanes to four. The project, which created 28.35 full-time equivalent jobs, might also have a long-term impact on the local economy by helping to improve mobility and the transportation of goods into the area, according to the NCDOT. Photos by Jim McGuire

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