

## Interstate taking shape

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State highway officials are continuing to extend Interstate 74, which will run through the Triad on a course from Michigan to South Carolina.

State highway officials recently opened a 6-mile stretch of the new interstate in Robeson County, between the U.S. 74 Bypass in Maxton and N.C. 710 near Pembroke.

The project cost \$76 million. The DOT also is working on the next section of the new road, a \$99 million addition that will go 14 miles from the current end point near Pembroke to N.C. 41 at Lumberton.

The U.S. 311 bypass from Forsyth County through High Point eventually will be renamed I-74. It will merge with new Interstate 73 in northern Randolph County and follow what is now U.S. 220 to the south.

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