

Appalachian Energy Summit



APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Student Panel

Thursday, July 18, 9:45 am – 10:45 am

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North Carolina Student Energy Network
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- **Climate Change is a Moral Issue**
- **Lifestyle vs. Political / Corporate**

UNC & The Power Grid

Climate Change Mitigation and Renewable Energy: The University shall develop a plan to become carbon neutral as soon as practicable and by 2050 at the latest, with an ultimate goal of climate neutrality.



- **UNC is trying to lead**
 - **NCSEN is going to the source of the problem**
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Follow the leader - The IT Sector



- IT companies Leveraging Customer Demand and Buying Power
 - Students = UNC Customers
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What are we waiting for?



The great Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Cowardice asks the question: is it safe? Expediency asks the question: is it politic? Vanity asks the question: is it popular? But conscience asks the question: is it right? And there comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular- but one must take it simply because it is right."

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- Campus culture
 - Every campus is different
- Institutional commitments
 - Transient nature of students
- Bottom-up and top-down
 - Hybrid

Zero Waste Initiative Student Involvement



Linda Toth, Office of Sustainability Graduate Assistant

Recycle at the Rock



Spring Student Interns



Let's Collaborate!



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Overview of Sustainability Initiatives



- Who did my groups collaborate with? How did it contribute to my education?
 - Zero Waste Football
 - ✦ Charlotte Green Initiative, Student Government, Recycling, Athletics, Chartwells, Greek Life, ROTC
 - Eco-Reps Program
 - ✦ Sustainability Office, Housing and Residence Life
 - Bike Repair Stand, Bike Racks, Bike Lockers in Parking Decks, Bike Resource Page, Parking and Transportation Advisory Board, Senior Honors Thesis
 - ✦ Cyclists Club, Student Government, Facilities Management, Parking and Transportation Services, Student Union, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences

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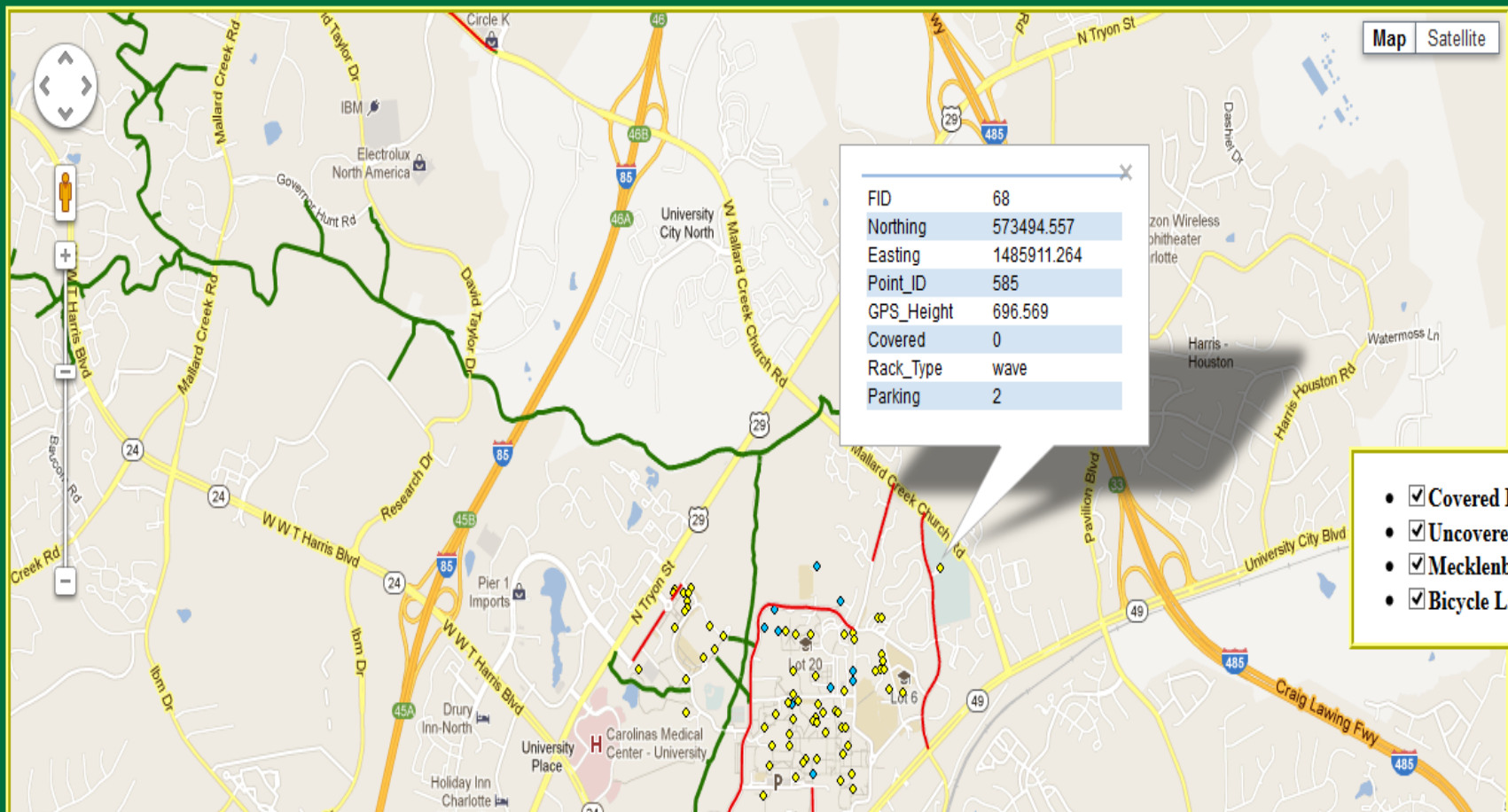
Students are valuable resource

Faculty and staff can contribute to our education



Welcome to the UNC Charlotte Bicycle Resource Map!

~ Developed by Ray Atkinson and Jacob Huffman ~



Strategies to Improve Collaboration



- Do you create an agenda and take minutes for every meeting?
- How can a Co-Leadership Model improve your organization?
- How many of you are in a senior position?
 - Have you started to train someone?



Thank You



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