

## **Biography**

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Jason Orthner is the Rail Division Director for the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), a position he has held since June 2018. Mr. Orthner has been with NCDOT since 2000 and has worked in railroad project and program management for 23 years. Prior to becoming Rail Division Director, he most recently held the position of Manager of Design & Construction and was responsible for leading railroad programs and projects including large components of the federally funded Piedmont Improvement Program, North Carolina's largest multi-year railroad infrastructure program. As Rail Division Director, Mr. Orthner is responsible for leading statewide rail initiatives including safety, planning, engineering, construction, and freight and passenger programs, including state supported passenger rail services. Mr. Orthner holds a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University, is a registered Professional Engineer and a Certified Public Manager.