

## **James H. Trogdon III**

James H. Trogdon III was sworn in January 23, 2017, as the state's Secretary of Transportation, a position to which he was appointed in early January by Governor Roy Cooper.

Trogdon joined NCDOT in 1985 as a highway engineer. In 2000 he was named the department's Division 4 Engineer. After later working as Director of Strategic Planning for the N. C. General Assembly, Trogdon became NCDOT's chief operating officer in 2009 until his retirement in 2013. He has held several positions in the private sector since retiring, most recently serving as the national transportation director at the SAS Institute.

In addition to being a registered professional engineer, Trogdon is also a retired major general with more than three decades of military service. A native of Hope Mills, Trogdon holds a master's degree in Strategic Studies from the U. S. Army War College as well as two civil engineering degrees from North Carolina State University.