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**Subject:** Re: I-95 Tree Cutting

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No response necessary

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**From:** Catherine McNicoll  
**Sent:** Friday, January 26, 2018 1:53 PM  
**To:** Danny Varat  
**Subject:** FW: I-95 Tree Cutting

Danny, Please Advise.

*Best Regards,*  
*Catherine McNicoll*  
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**From:** Suramy Cabrera [mailto:suramycabrera@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, January 26, 2018 1:27 PM  
**To:** Lt. Governor's Office  
**Subject:** I-95 Tree Cutting

Good afternoon. I live in Miami, Florida. My family owns a cabin in Beech Mountain, NC which we visit a few times a year. Typically, we take I-95 for the majority of this 12 hour trip.

My family and I have always looked forward to the stretch of I-95 in South Carolina. It used to be the most beautiful stretch between Miami and North Carolina. Sadly, however, on our last trip, we noticed that the State is cutting all the trees along the entire median. I immediately checked to see what was happening. I read that the state was cutting the trees to "save lives"! Incredibly, I thought this was a joke. Is this really the only, or even, THE solution to this problem?

Please, it may be too late for I-95, but can the State find more environmentally conscience solutions to vehicle crashes into trees that are in a median that is more than 100' wide? I have shared the article with my friends and everyone has same reaction - "What, is that a joke?"

I have attached the article for your information.

Thank you,

Suramy

15-year old frequent traveler through your state.

<http://www.islandpacket.com/news/local/traffic/article176584296.html>