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RALEIGH - They go by many names but "Necessity" probably best describes them whether on a jet or on the fairgrounds. Commonly known as restrooms or comfort stations, 15 handicapped-friendly facilities will serve State Fair visitors this year. The newest of these will be located on the midway near the western border. Fair officials say it is a modern, mobile structure 14 feet by 48 feet.

"I can remember when restrooms were hard to find at the fair," said state Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham. "I made up my mind when I became commissioner, I would add them to the fairgrounds as quickly as possible."

As State Fair crowds increased and the public became sensitive to handicapped needs, Graham made good his pledge. Restrooms can be found in public buildings, at the Sam Rand Grandstand and several free-standing sites.

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What do you get when you cross the Mother of Invention with the Father of Sod? More toilets at the North Carolina State Fair! Leave it to Commissioner Graham to flush out a problem and solve it. Sources tell us that thousands of fair-goers were relieved to learn of Graham's actions. And thanks to Commissioner Graham, a state among the nation's leaders in number of outhouses now can boast of a few more free-standing sites. Meanwhile, we'd be relieved if somebody would send us another memorable memo. Anonymity guaranteed.