

Area fuel prices remain high

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High Country fuel prices remain among the highest in North Carolina. On Wednesday, the Quick Shop in Newland had a posted price for diesel at \$4.25 per gallon. The price at the Valero in Newland was \$3.99. High diesel prices are especially painful in Avery County due to the increased number of large trucks servicing the Christmas tree business. We continue to recommend gas price websites for people traveling to and from our area. Websites like GasBuddy.com can help you pick more economical fuel stops for your trips off the mountain and back.