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Jon Parsons has been the Executive Director of Sustainable Sandhills since August 2005.

Jon is a registered Professional Engineer and Geothermal Ground Loop Designer and Installer (International Ground Source Heat Pump Association). As a research engineer in the Solar Heat Division of the Solar Energy Research Institute (now known as the National Renewable Energy Laboratory) in Golden, Colorado, Jon's research focused on solar thermal technologies, including ocean thermal energy conversion and desiccant dehumidification.

After leaving the renewable energy field in 1990, Jon went to work for Purolator and Mark IV Products as a design and manufacturing engineer, leaving the company in 2001 as the manager of Mark IV's Advanced Manufacturing Engineering Group which was responsible for capital projects at manufacturing plants across the United States.

As President of Parsons Technical Services, Inc., Jon provided professional construction management services for public construction projects in southeastern NC.

An avid folk musician, Jon also served as grants manager for the Arts Council of Fayetteville/Cumberland County, and has been known to break into song without warning.

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