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## Fall Country Music Preview 2015: 25 Essential Albums and Events

From a presumed nail-biter at the CMA Music Awards to a rock icon's big country move, here's what we're most looking forward to in the coming months

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### Jason Boland and the Stragglers' 'Squelch' Album



Country stars all like to sing about back roads, but Jason Boland's *Dark & Dirty Mile* was one of the few albums that actually sounded like one. Nothing was clean, and there was plenty of wry charm. On "Electric Bill," the frontman and his boo use their worst mail to smoke their favorite herb. On October 9th, he and his band release a follow-up that includes tracks like "I Guess It's Alright to Be an Asshole" and "Fuck, Fight and Rodeo." The record itself is called *Squelch*. Let's hope it lives up to the title. *Nick Murray*