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Thank you for attending the public information open house for Project NHS-0000-00(765), Tift County, P.I. No. 0000765, the proposed reconstruction of the existing Interstate 75 (I-75)/County Road (CR) 418—Omega Eldorado Road interchange. In this handout package you will find a project description, a location map, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, you will notice displays of the proposed project. Department of Transportation (DOT) representatives, who can be identified by the name tags they are wearing, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. Please take this opportunity to discuss the project with a DOT representative. There will be no formal presentation.

A court reporter will be available for those persons who would like to make a verbal statement about the project. You may also complete a comment card and deposit it into the box provided here or send in written comments about the project until June 29, 2006. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Harvey D. Keeper, State Environmental/Location Engineer, Georgia Department of Transportation, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, Georgia 30336-1593. Comments can also be made via the web at [www.dot.state.ga.us](http://www.dot.state.ga.us). Click on **Public Outreach** from the list of Featured Links. All comments will be made a part of the project record. We hope you will take advantage of one of these opportunities to let the Department know your view of the proposal.

The displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after the public information open house at the Georgia Department of Transportation, District 4 Office, 710 W. 2nd Street, Tifton, Georgia 31793. A copy of all comments received will be available for public review at this same location and at the Office of Environment/Location, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, GA, 30336 as soon as compilation is completed.

Again, thank you for attending this public information open house and for giving us your comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Buddy Gratton" followed by a stylized flourish or initials.

Buddy Gratton, P.E.  
Director of Preconstruction

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Attachments

**Georgia Department of Transportation**  
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**June 15, 2006**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Preferred Alternative

The proposed project (see Figure 1, Project Location Map) would reconstruct the existing interchange at Interstate 75 (I-75) and County Road (CR) 418—Omega-Eldorado Road (Exit 55) in Tift County. This project is a part of the Georgia Department of Transportation's (DOT) overall objective to increase the number of travel lanes on I-75 from 4 lanes to a minimum of 6 lanes throughout the state. The reconstruction would include replacing the existing approximately 216-foot, two-lane bridge at this interchange with a new bridge; relocating the exit and entrance ramps at this interchange; and improving Omega-Eldorado Road from U.S. 41 west approximately 2,600 feet. The new bridge at this interchange would be an approximately 300-foot, three-lane bridge to accommodate one travel lane in each direction and a center left-turn lane for the I-75 entrance ramps. The new bridge would correct sight distance deficiencies and allow for the future widening of I-75. The exit and entrance ramps would be relocated to achieve 1,000 feet of separation between ramp termini to allow for improved sight distance over the bridge and at the ramp intersections. In addition, designated right-turn lanes would be provided along the I-75 exit ramps. Improvements to Omega-Eldorado Road along the approaches to the I-75 interchange would include the provision of designated right-turn lanes onto the I-75 entrance ramps.

Additional right-of way would be required to implement this project. Existing right-of way along Omega-Eldorado Road varies from approximately 80 feet to 160 feet. The proposed right-of-way would be a minimum of 100 feet.

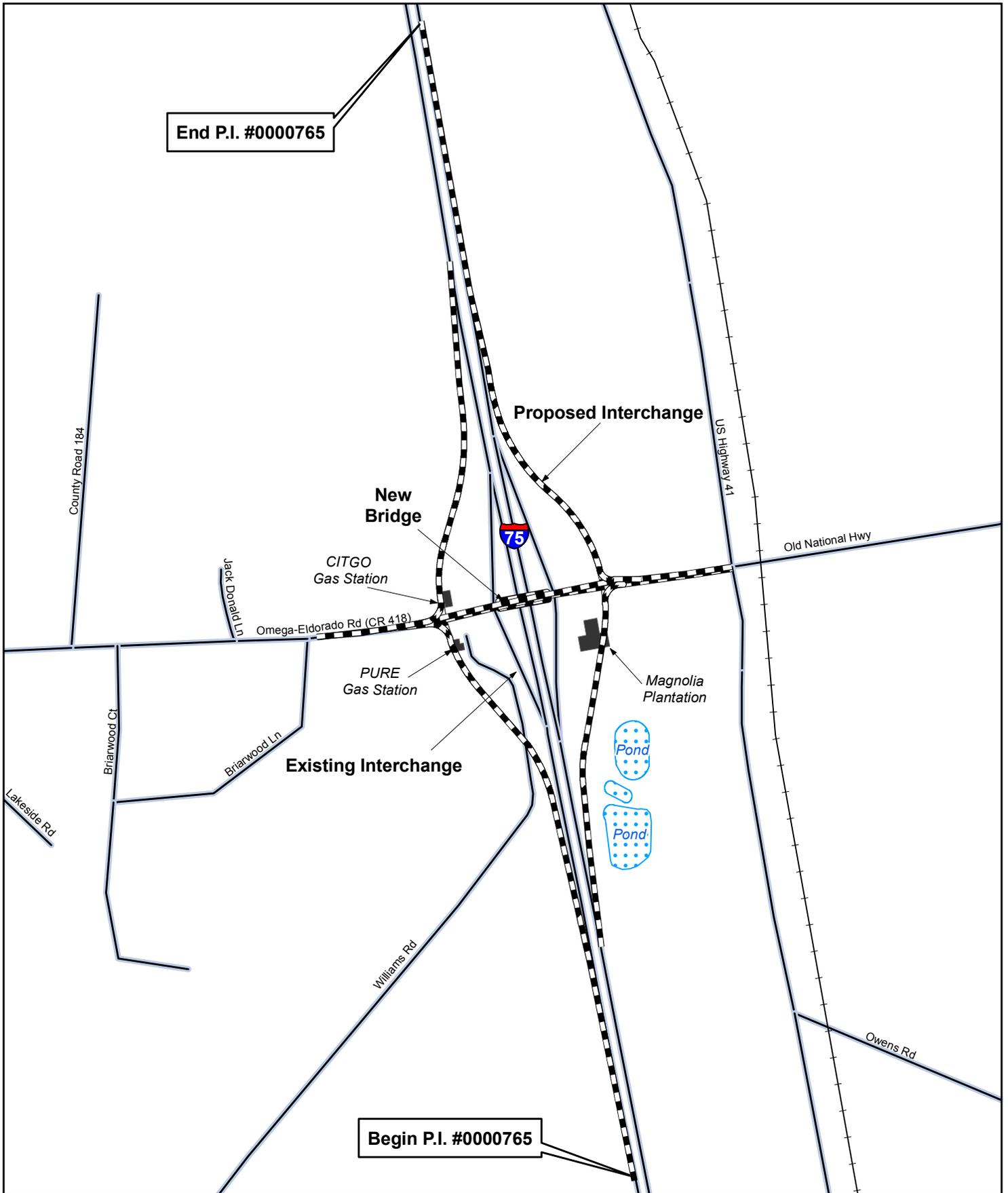
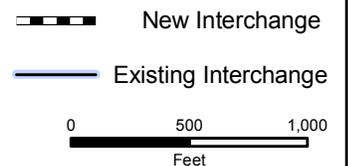


Figure 1. Project Location Map  
 I-75 from CR 246 / Cook to CR 204 in Tift County-- Phase 2  
 Project NHS-0000-00(765)  
 Tift County  
 P.I. No. 0000765



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## Public Information Open House Comment Card

Project NHS-0000-00(765), Tift County, P.I. No. 0000765

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*Please print responses.*

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Do you support the project?**     *For*     *Against*     *Conditional*     *Uncommitted*

**Comments** \_\_\_\_\_

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**How did you hear about this meeting?**     *Radio*     *Newspaper*     *Signs*     *Word of Mouth*

**Was the location of the meeting convenient for you to attend?**     *Yes*     *No*

**If no, please suggest a general location that is more convenient to your community.**

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**Was the time of the meeting convenient for you to attend?**     *Yes*     *No*

**If no, please suggest a time frame that is more convenient for you.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Were your questions answered by the DOT personnel?**     *Yes*     *No*

**Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?**     *Yes*     *No*

**Please share your suggestions on improving the way Georgia DOT conducts public meetings?**

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