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Thank you for attending the public information open house for Project No. STP-0003-00(626), P.I. 0003626 and Hall County Project GHMPO No. GH-016, the proposed construction of a new 4 lane road from the intersection of SR 60/Thompson Bridge Road and SR 283/Mt. Vernon Road to the intersection of Sardis Road and Chestatee Road. In this handout package you will find a project description, location map and comment card.

As you enter the room, you will notice displays of the proposed project. Department of Transportation (DOT) and Hall County 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 or Hall County 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 May 15, 2007. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Harvey D. Keepler, 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*. Click on <u>Public Outreach</u> 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 1 Office located at 2505 Athens Highway, SE Gainesville, Georgia 30507. 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, Georgia 30336 as soon as compilation is completed.

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

Sincerely.

Russell McMurry, P.E. / District Engineer

RM/kc/js(PB)

Attachments

Project Description

HALL COUNTY PROJECT: PROJECT No.: STP-0003-00(626), HALL COUNTY P.I. NO. 0003626

SARDIS ROAD CONNECTOR

This project STP-0003-00(626) begins at the Sardis Road /Chestatee Road intersection and extends north to SR 60 in the vicinity of the intersection with Mt. Vernon Road. The alignment follows several existing local roads with some of the roadway on new location. The total project length is approximately 3.59 miles and will provide a connector roadway between S.R. 53 to the south and S.R. 60 to the north. The proposed roadway will consist of a four lane curb and gutter divided roadway, 2 lanes in each direction separated with a 20 foot wide, 6 inch high curb and gutter median. Sidewalks will be provided on both sides of the road. The project will utilize portions of the existing Fran Mar Drive, Brackett Road and Ledan Road. The horizontal and vertical alignments will meet the requirements for a 45 MPH speed design. The intersections at Chestatee Road, Ledan Road and S.R. 60 will be designed as signalized intersections. The Right of Way limits will vary from 100 to 200 feet depending on the limits of construction. Also temporary easements will be utilized where required to minimize impacts to the property owners adjacent to the proposed alignments.

Alternates shown and to be considered:

No-Build

The No-Build alternate would not construct a new roadway and would not provide a viable and direct roadway connection between S.R. 53 and S.R. 60 which as proposed would provide some relief to the traffic congestion in downtown Gainesville.

Alternate 1 (west end of project)

Alternate 1 will begin near the intersection of Chestatee Road and will extend to the south on a partial new alignment and will re-connect and follow along Fran Mar and Brackett Drive's.

Alternate 2 (west end of project)

Alternate 2 will begin near the intersection of Chestatee Road and will extend to the north on a partial new alignment and will re-connect and follow along Fran Mar and Brackett Drive's.

A common section of the alignment connecting the different alternates is proposed to utilize the existing Ledan roadway corridor and Right of Way.

On the east end of the proposed project leaving Ledan Road the project splits into:

Alternate 1 (east end of project)

Alternate 1 will leave Ledan Road and will extend to the south on a partial new alignment forming a new intersection with S.R. 60 and will re-connect to Mt. Vernon Road (S.R. 283).

Alternate 2 (east end of project)

Alternate 2 will leave Ledan Road and will extend on a partial new alignment to the existing intersection with S.R. 60 and tie to the existing Mt. Vernon Road (S.R. 283) eliminating any future extension of Sardis Road to the east.

Alternate 3 (east end of project)

Alternate 3 will leave Ledan Road and will extend to the south on a partial new alignment to the existing intersection with S.R. 60 and will re-connect to Mt. Vernon Road (S.R. 283).



GDOT/Hall County

Public Information Open House Comment Card Project STP-0003-00(626), Hall County, P.I. No. 0003626 Hall County Project GHMPO No. GH-016

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Were your questions answered by the GDOT/Hall County personne		
Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?	Yes	No
Please share your suggestions on improving the way Georgia DOT of	conducts publ	ic meetings?

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