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Thank you for attending the Public Information Open House for the proposed State Route (SR) 10 Loop at US 78/SR 10/Atlanta Highway Interchange Improvement, Including Jennings Mill Road Realignment, PI Number 122890-. Our goal is two-fold: 1) to provide you with information on the proposed project and 2) to provide an opportunity for you to give us your comments on the proposed project. In this handout package, you will find a description of the project, a location map, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, please take a look at the project display. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) representatives, wearing nametags, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. There will be no formal presentation.

We hope you will take the opportunity to tell the GDOT what you think. Listed below are several ways to comment on the project. Your comments are important to us and, should you provide comments by one of the methods noted below, we will respond to you in writing usually within 30 days of the close of the comment period. All comments will become part of the project's official record.

While you are attending the open house, you can provide your comments today by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it in the comment box, or you may choose to provide your verbal comments to the court reporter who will transcribe your comments.

You can also provide your comments by **Thursday, November 08, 2018** by using any of the following methods:

- Online at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach.
 1. From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click Go;
 2. Then select *SR 10 Loop at Atlanta Hwy Interchange Improvement*;
 3. Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Mr. Eric Duff, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

The project displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the GDOT District 1, Area 2 Office located at 450 Old Hull Road, Athens, GA 30601. Following the ten-day public comment period, a copy of all comments received will be available by request at the Atlanta address listed above.

Again, thank you for attending this open house. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager, Travis McDonald, at 404-631-1650 or the environmental analyst, David Borchardt, NEPA planner at 404-631-1184 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Duff" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here:

The purpose of this project is to increase mobility, improve safety and to enhance economic development within the interchange area.

Project PI Number 122890- was identified by and is a component of the Madison-Athens-Clarke County-Oconee Regional Transportation Study adopted in September 1997. This interchange is significant regionally in that it provides access to and between the SR 10 Loop which is a perimeter route around the city of Athens from US 78/SR 10/Atlanta Highway, and provides access to the Georgia Square Mall located west of the interchange. It also serves a wide variety of other shopping, eating, and employment opportunities in the immediate vicinity.

Project Description:

PI Number 122890- proposes widening US 78/SR 10/Atlanta Highway to a facility that varies from four to eight 11-foot lane urban (curb and gutter) facility with a variable 8-foot to 30-foot raised median, 5-foot sidewalks, 16-foot shoulders, and left and right turn lanes added or modified at various locations. The SR 10 Loop would remain four lanes with a 40-foot depressed median.

Improvements to SR 10 Loop include adding a 1,800-foot auxiliary deceleration-storage lane to a realigned southbound exit ramp, adding a southbound entrance loop ramp with an acceleration lane, and realigning the northbound entrance loop ramp with an acceleration lane and realigning the northbound exit ramp.

Huntington Road would be widened to add left and right turn lanes in both directions with 5-foot sidewalks and 10-foot shoulders. Jennings Mill Road intersection with Atlanta Highway would be relocated approximately 300 feet east of its current location. Relocated Jennings Mill Road would consist of two lanes with curb and gutter, 5-foot sidewalks, and 10-foot shoulders. All other lanes within the project would be 12 feet wide.

In addition, the project proposes to replace the US 78/SR 10/Atlanta Highway over the SR 10 Loop bridges due to cracking throughout the structures and existing undersized edge beams.

Project Location Map:



Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project? (check your response)

- For**
 Against
 Conditional
 Uncommitted

General Comments _____

How did you hear about this Open House? (check) **Newspaper** **Signs** **GDOT Website** **Radio**

Word of Mouth **Social Media** **Other** _____

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

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

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 GDOT personnel? **Yes** **No**

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

Please share your suggestions on improving the ways GDOT conducts Open Houses:

Mail to:

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