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Thank you for attending the public information open house for NHS-0000-00(425), P.I. No. 0000425, the proposed construction of an interchange with I-985 between SR 13 near Martin 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) representatives, who can be identified by the nametags 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 August 30, 2007. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Glenn S. Bowman, P.E., 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 **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 1 office located at 2505 Athens Highway, PO Box 1057, SE, Gainesville, GA 30503. 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 30336-1593, 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, appearing to read "M - Babs Abubakari".

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Attachments

**A New Interchange on I-985 North of SR 13 Crossover Near Martin Road
(Between Exit #12 and Exit #16)
NHS-0000-00(425), P.I. No. 0000425
Hall County**

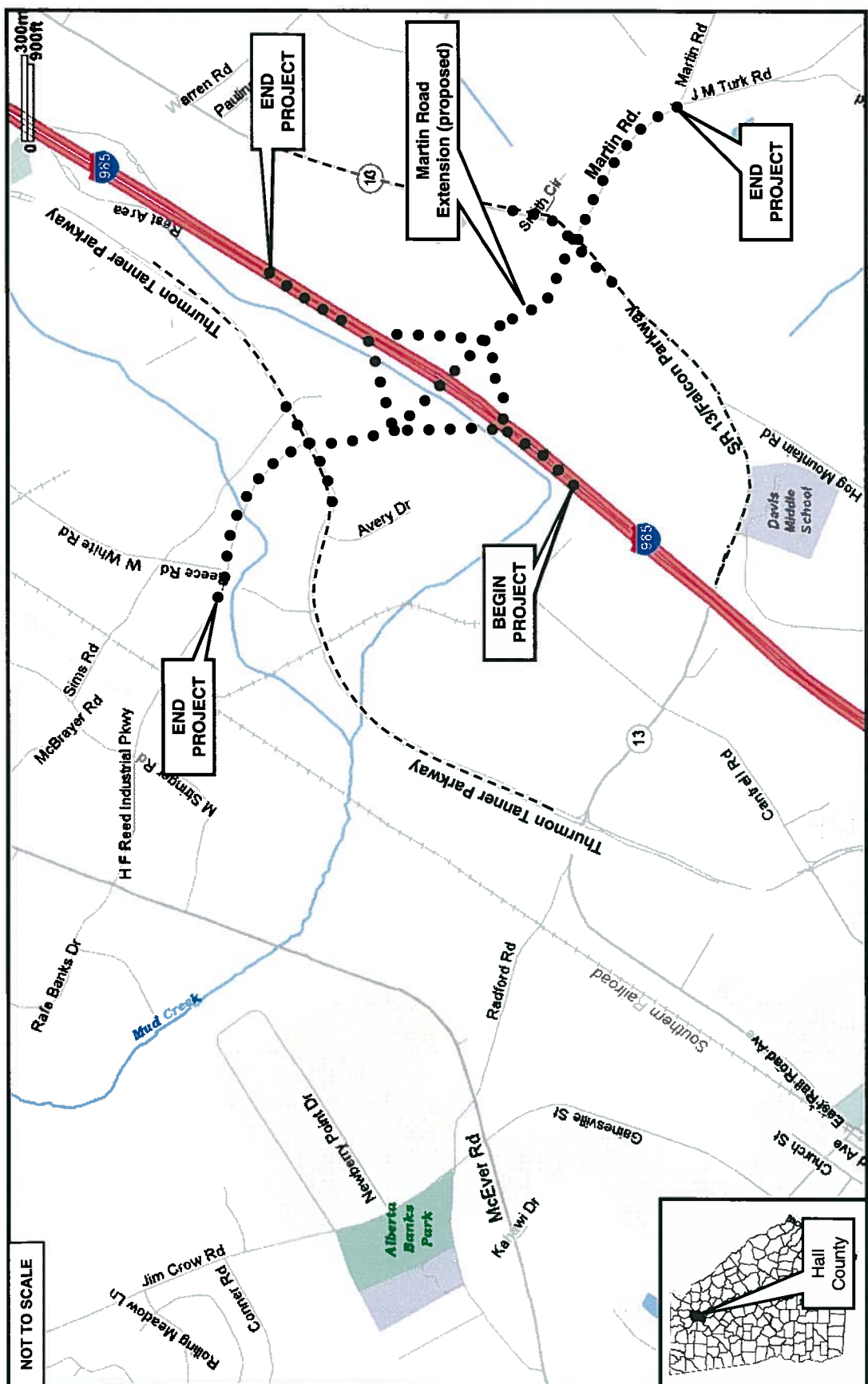
Project Need and Purpose

The purpose of the proposed project is to provide improved access to the rapidly growing industrial area along I-985 between the vicinities of the City of Flowery Branch (I-985 Exit 12) and the City of Oakwood (I-985 Exit 16). The proposed interchange would improve traffic flow and continuity between the interchange area and large industrial employers located between Flowery Branch and Oakwood.

Proposed Project Description

The proposed project would create a new diamond interchange approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile north of the SR 13/Falcon Parkway crossover. A new Industrial Connector Road (Martin Road Extension) would connect H.F. Reed Industrial Parkway between Thurmon Tanner Parkway at the west end of the project and Martin Road at SR 13/Falcon Parkway at the east end of the project. Martin Road Extension would be a four-lane divided roadway with a variable width (24-foot to 32-foot) raised median and 16-foot shoulders, which would include 5-foot ADA compliant sidewalks, with curb and gutter. Martin Road Extension would cross over I-985 and would be approximately 0.72 mile in length.

Project limits would include approximately 7500 feet along I-985 for entrance and exit ramps, approximately 1500 feet north and south of the SR 13/Falcon Parkway at Martin Road intersection, approximately 1500 feet along Thurmon Tanner Parkway, and approximately 500 feet along Martin Road. No Improvements on I-985 are planned under this project.



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	<p>Source: 2006 MapQuest, Inc</p>	<p>Project Location Map A New Interchange on I-985 North of SR 13 Crossover Near Martin Road (Between Exit #12 and Exit #16)</p>	<p>NHS-0000-00(425) PI # 0000425 HALL COUNTY, GA</p>
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Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project? For Against Conditional Uncommitted

Comments

How did you hear about this meeting? Radio Newspaper Sign 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.

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.

Mail To:

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