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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project includes sidewalk improvements along US 23/Clairmont Road from Interstate 85 (I-85) to Buford Highway/SR 13 for a total distance of approximately 1.38 miles (see Figure 1, Project Location Map). Under the proposed project, new concrete sidewalks would be constructed along both sides of the roadway in areas currently without them, and existing sidewalks would be replaced if they are determined to be Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) noncompliant or are in poor condition. The proposed sidewalks would be 5 feet wide, and would include a 2-foot stamped concrete strip, 0.5-foot concrete header curb or granite curb, and a 1-foot grassed strip before beginning cut and fill slopes unless protection of environmental features warrant a smaller typical section. In those cases, the width of the stamped concrete strip would be reduced or eliminated to minimize environmental impacts.

The horizontal and vertical alignments for the four-lane pavement would remain as they currently exist. Existing granite curb along the project corridor would be replaced with new granite curb. New concrete header curb would be added where there is no existing curb. Retaining walls are anticipated in areas where the existing ground adjacent to the road has steep slopes. Where retaining walls are required, they would be located at the back of the sidewalk, wherever possible. New retaining walls would be concrete.

Limited right-of-way (ROW) would be required for the proposed project. Proposed ROW widths would range between 66 and 106 feet along US 23/Clairmont Road within the project limits. In addition to ROW, permanent easements would be required in some areas for the construction and maintenance of slopes.