



August 7, 2014

Thank you for attending the Detour Open House for the proposed SR 200 bridge replacement over Ichawaynochaway Creek, PI Number 0007153. 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, which includes a traffic detour route that would be used during construction. In this handout package, you will find a description of the project, a location map, a map of the proposed detour, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, please take a look at the project display and the detour map. Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) 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 Georgia DOT 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 the next 45 days. 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 Monday, August 18, 2014** by using either of the following methods:

- Online at www.dot.ga.gov.
 1. Click *Information Center* on the upper right side of the page;
 2. Click *Public Outreach* in the Public Events block;
 3. From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click *Go*;
 4. Then select *SR 200 over Ichawaynochaway* ;
 5. Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Ms. Hiral Patel, P.E., 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 *Information Center* at www.dot.ga.gov, described above. Hardcopies will also be available at the Georgia DOT District 4 Office located at 710 West 2nd Street, Tifton, GA, 31793 and at the Albany Area Office located at 2060 Newton Rd, Albany, GA, 31701. 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, Sonja Thompson, at 229-529-5300 or the environmental analyst, Iris Hernandez, at 404-631-1190 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

Hiral Patel, P.E.
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here: This bridge (Structure ID 007-0006-0; SR 200 over Ichawaynochaway Creek) was built in 1956. The bridge consists of six spans of steel beams on concrete caps with steel piles and concrete columns. This bridge was designed to carry trucks that weigh less than the current state legal truck weights. This bridge is posted. No rehabilitation work would improve this bridge in so far as the posting of the structure is concerned. Due to the structural integrity based on the design and that the bridge is currently posted, replacement of this bridge is required.

Project Description: The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) proposes to replace the existing bridge on State Route (SR) 200 over the Ichawaynochaway Creek. The current bridge will be replaced with a wider bridge that meets current GDOT Guidelines. The proposed approaches will consist of two 11-foot travel lanes, 6-foot shoulders with 2 feet paved and open ditches. The proposed project will be approximately 0.32 mile in length.

Due to constructability issues, an off-site detour is needed to accommodate traffic during construction. The proposed detour would last approximately 9 months and will be 33-miles long. See attached Detour Map.

Detour Map
P.I. 0007153
Baker Co.

Total Detour Length
33.31 miles
Damascus to Newton via
S.R. 45, S.R. 216, S.R. 37

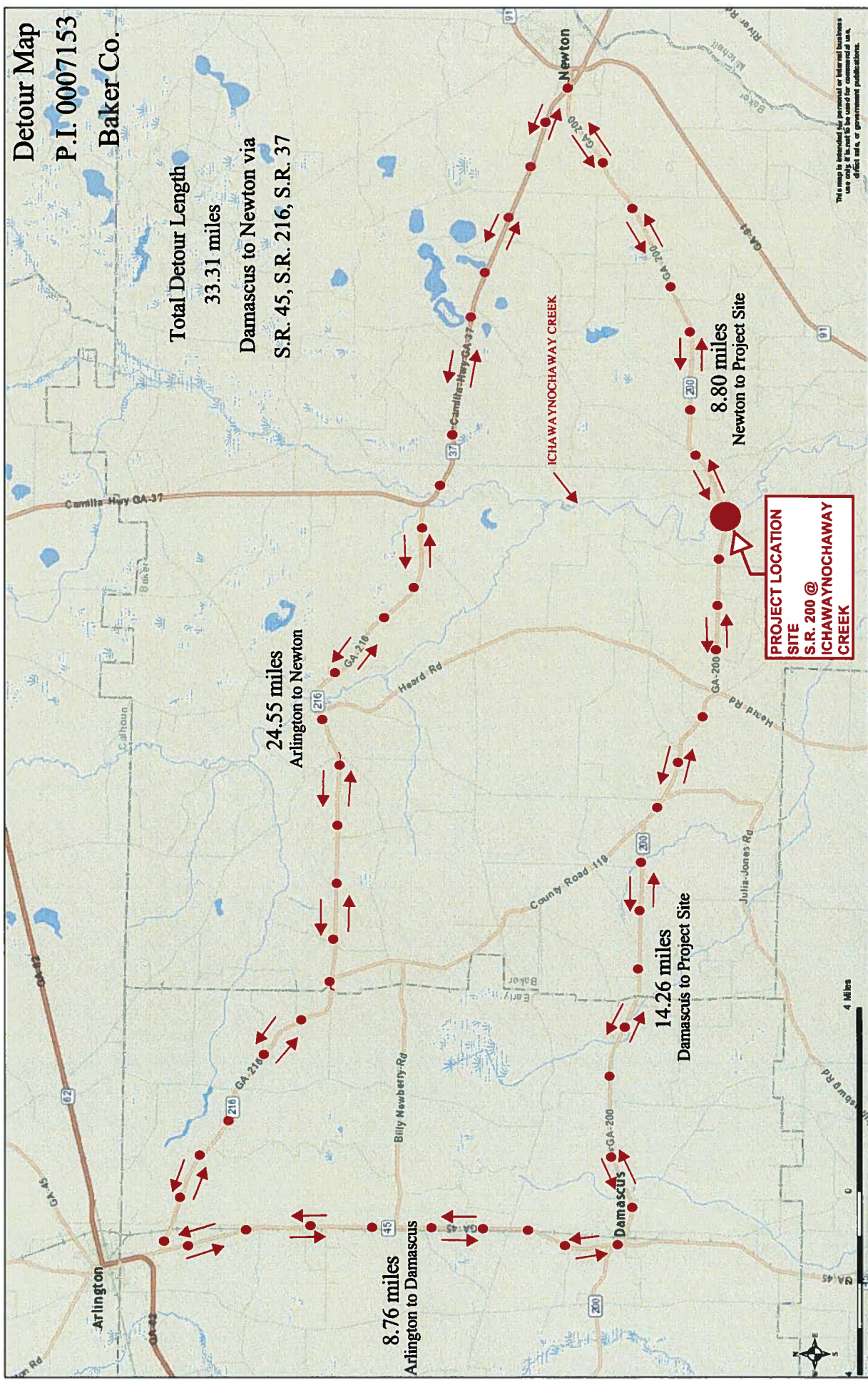
24.55 miles
Arlington to Newton

8.76 miles
Arlington to Damascus

14.26 miles
Damascus to Project Site

8.80 miles
Newton to Project Site

PROJECT LOCATION
SITE
S.R. 200 @
ICHAWAYNOCHAWAY
CREEK

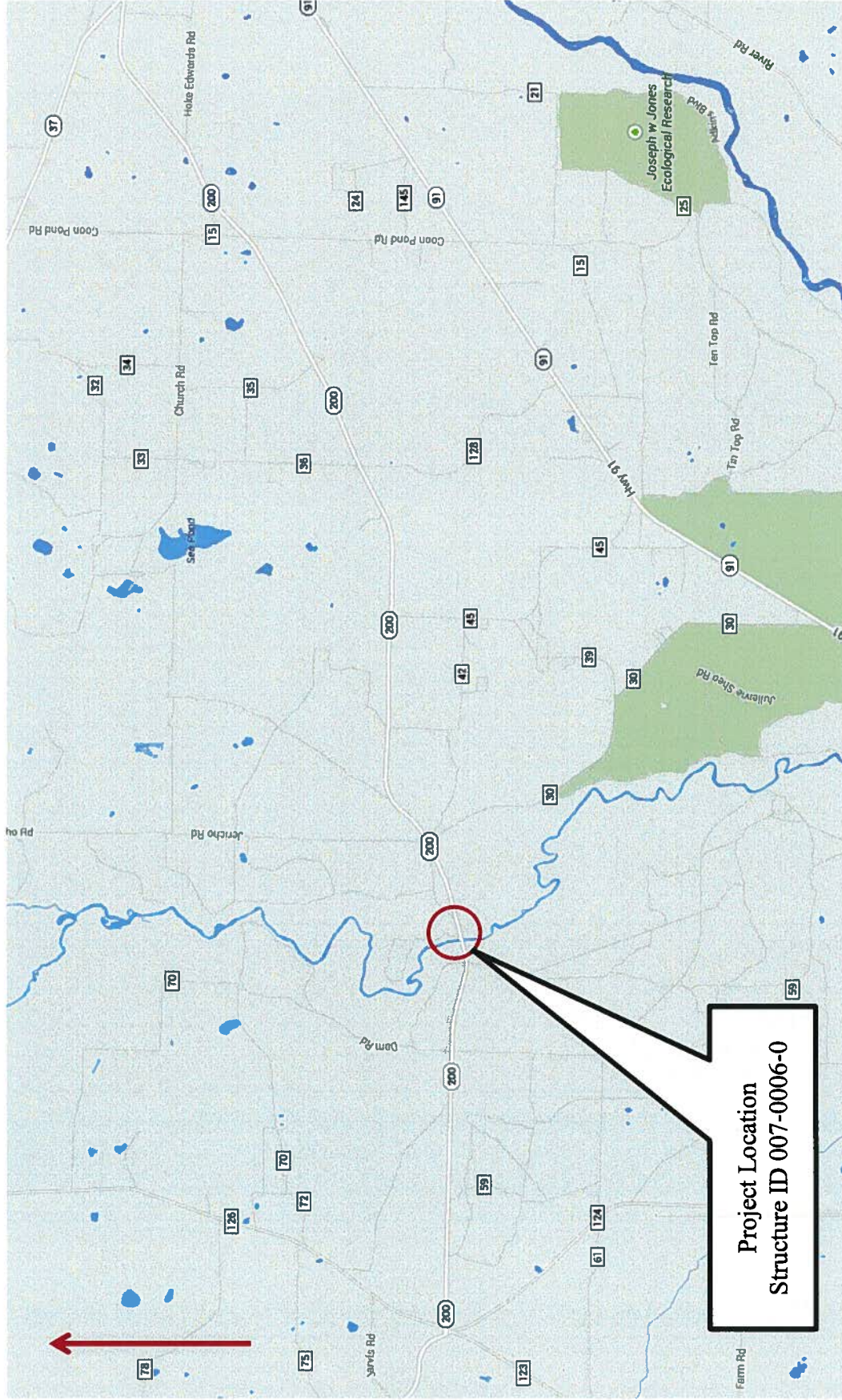


This map is intended for general information only and should not be used for construction or other purposes without the approval of the project engineer. The project engineer is not responsible for any errors or omissions on this map.

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PI#(s): 0007153, County: Baker

Project Location Map:



Not to scale

Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project and the detour as presented? (check your response)

- For
- Against
- Conditional
- Uncommitted

General Comments _____

How did you hear about this Open House? (check) Radio Newspaper Signs Word of Mouth

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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