



February 28, 2012

Thank you for attending the public information open house for Projects STP00-0021-01(24) & (25), P.I. Nos. 631300 & 631310, the proposed widening and reconstruction of SR 166 and proposed construction of a northern bypass around the town of Bowdon. 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. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) 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 GDOT 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 Friday, March 9th. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Glenn Bowman, P.E., State Environmental Administrator, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308. Comments can also be made via the web at www.dot.ga.gov. Click on **Public Outreach** from the **Information Center** dropdown menu at the top right side of the page. All comments will be made a part of the project record. We hope you will take advantage of one of these opportunities to let GDOT 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 Area 5 Office-Buchanan located at 4323 US Highway 27, Buchanan, GA 30113. A copy of all comments received will be available for public review at this same location and at the Georgia Department of Transportation, Office of Environment Services, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, as soon as compilation is completed.

Again, thank you for attending this public information open house and for giving us your comments. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager Chandria Brown, P.E. at (404) 631-1580 or Carla Benton-Hooks at (404) 631-1415 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bobby Hilliard".

Bobby Hilliard, P.E.
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Attachments

Project Description:

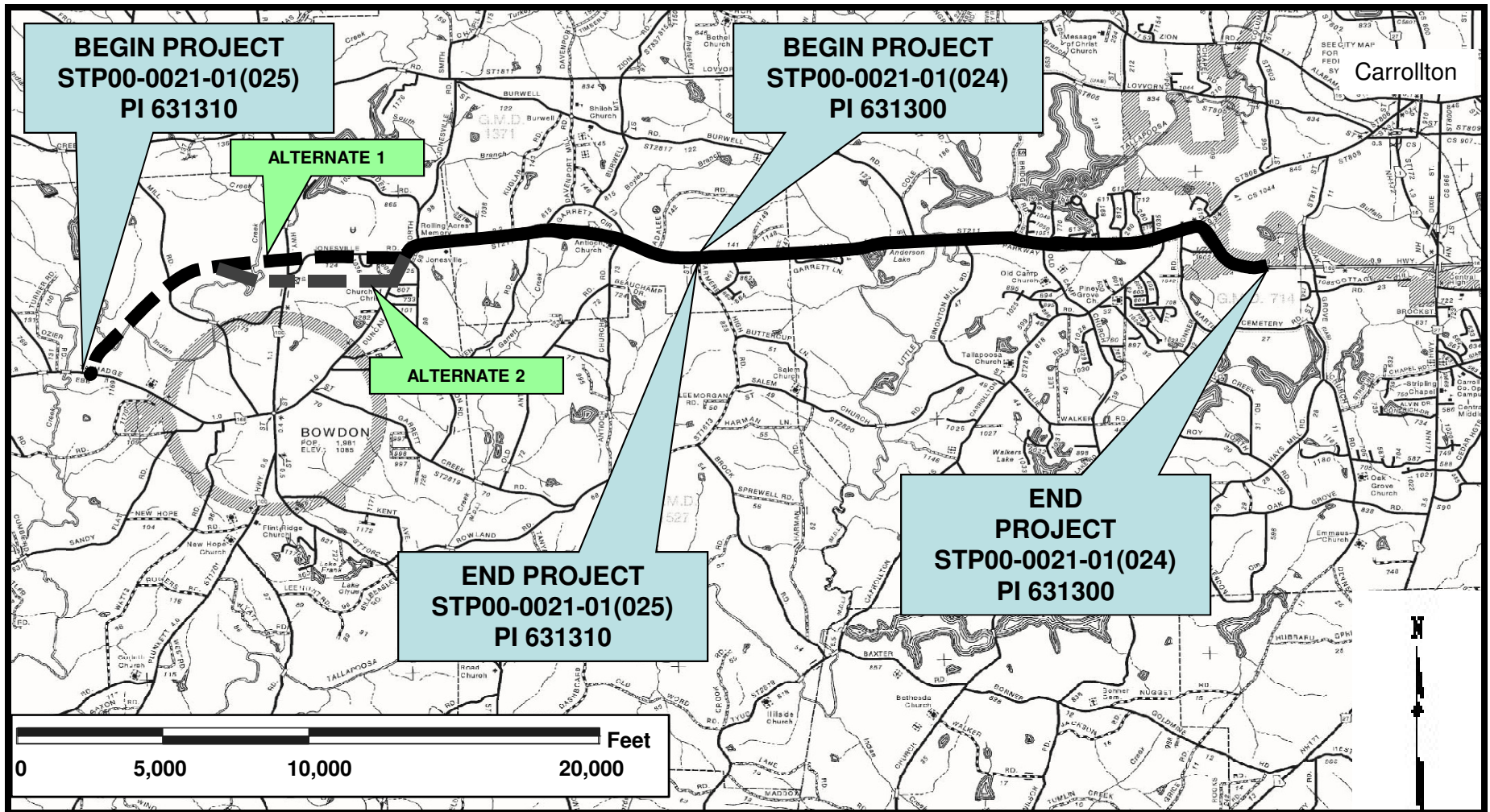
The proposed State Route (SR) 166 widening and reconstruction project would begin just east of Big Indian Creek, located west of Bowdon, and end at the 4-lane section along the SR 166 South Carrollton Bypass just west of County Road (CR) 11/Hays Mill Road (see Figure 1, Project Location Map). The project consists of 2 lanes for the new location bypass north of Bowdon extending until it reaches existing SR 166 and would continue widening as 4-lanes along existing SR 166 until reaching the eastern end of the project. Both PIs 631310 and 631300 would improve east/west connectivity along SR 166 between Bowdon and Carrollton.




The proposed PI 631310 project would begin just east of Big Indian Creek, go on a new location bypass north of Bowdon. Alternative 1 would extend along existing West Jonesville until reaching existing SR 166 at the West Jonesville Road intersection. Alternative 2 would begin just west of SR 100, where it would head in a southeasterly direction and reach existing SR 166 at Elaine Drive. At the point where the bypass reaches SR 166 under Alternative 1 or 2, SR 166 would begin to be widened from two to four lanes along the existing roadway, continue eastward and end at CR 828/Farmer's High Road. Currently, the SR 166/SR 100 intersection improvement is being considered as part of this project. Under consideration is the inclusion of a northbound right turn lane on SR 100.

The proposed PI 631300 project would widen the existing SR 166 roadway from two to four lanes beginning at CR 828/Farmer's High Road until reaching the SR 166 South Carrollton Bypass/Maple Street/Commons Drive intersection. The alignment would then continue widening along the SR 166 South Carrollton Bypass and end at the existing four-lane section just west of CR 11/Hays Mill Road.

The improvements of both these SR 166 projects between Bowdon and Carrollton would span the approximately 11.4-mile distance of PI 631310 (approximately 6.2 miles) and PI 631300 (5.2 miles), which together comprise the full project limits for purposes of the environmental documentation. The exact distance for PI# 631310, the new location bypass, would be determined when alternative selection is finalized. The approximate right-of-way required would be 200 feet along the existing 2-lane section of SR 166 and 140 feet on the 2-lane new location bypass section.

The purpose of these projects is to address the community's need to improve traffic flow, reduce crash frequency, and to provide a better solution for increased truck traffic along SR 166 between Bowdon and Carrollton. Overall, the proposed widening, reconstruction, and bypass construction would improve transportation conditions between Bowdon and Carrollton.



	<p>Legend</p> <p> New Location SR 166 Bowdon Bypass</p> <p> Widening along Existing SR 166</p>	<p>GDOT Projects STP00-0021-01(025) and STP00-0021-01(024) P.I. #s 631310 and 631300 Carroll County, GA</p>
	<p>Figure 1, Project Location Map</p>	

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Public Information Open House Comment Card

Project STP00-0021-01(24) & (25), Carroll County, P.I. No. 631300 & 631310

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Please print responses here and please note there is additional space for comments on back.

Name _____

Address _____

Project Related Questions:

1. **Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?** Yes No
2. **Do you support the overall project?** For Against Conditional Uncommitted
3. **Do you support Alt 1 or Alt 2 of the SR 166 Bowdon Bypass?** Alt 1 Alt 2
4. **What are your main concerns about the project? (check all that apply)**
 Community Impacts Environmental Impacts Bypass Widening Traffic Cultural Impacts General

Please Explain _____

5. **What do you support about the project?** _____
6. **If you have additional information that would be useful for this project, please comment below.**
7. **Comments** _____

Meeting Related Questions:

8. **After attending this meeting, did we clearly convey that...**
 - a. **this project addresses the locally identified need to reduce congestion and crash rates?**
 Yes No
 - b. **the overall project consists of a bypass portion, widening portion, and potential intersection improvement at SR 166/SR 100?** Yes No
 - c. **numerous alternatives have been evaluated to meet the project need and why they are no longer under consideration?** Yes No
 - d. **currently, there are 2 bypass alternatives under consideration?** Yes No
 - e. **the proposed bypass is 2 lanes?** Yes No
 - f. **you can place a dot on the Project Location Map indicating where in the vicinity you live.**
 Yes No

Meeting Related Questions Continued on Back:

Mail To:

*Mr. Glenn Bowman, P.E., State Environmental Administrator
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