



January 16, 2014

Thank you for attending the public information open house for EDS00-0027-00(127), P.I. No. 662420-, the proposed four-lane, median divided roadway from State Route (SR) 101 (South Rome Bypass) on a new location 4.6 miles to the SR 1 Loop (existing East Rome Bypass). We are here today to provide an opportunity for you to see the updated project design. The Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact document was approved in April 1999. 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 January 27, 2014. 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 District 6 Office located at 500 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, Georgia. 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 Cynthia Burney at (404) 631-1851 or Theresa Piazza at (404) 631-1872 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glenn Bowman, P.E." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Glenn Bowman, P.E.
State Environmental Administrator

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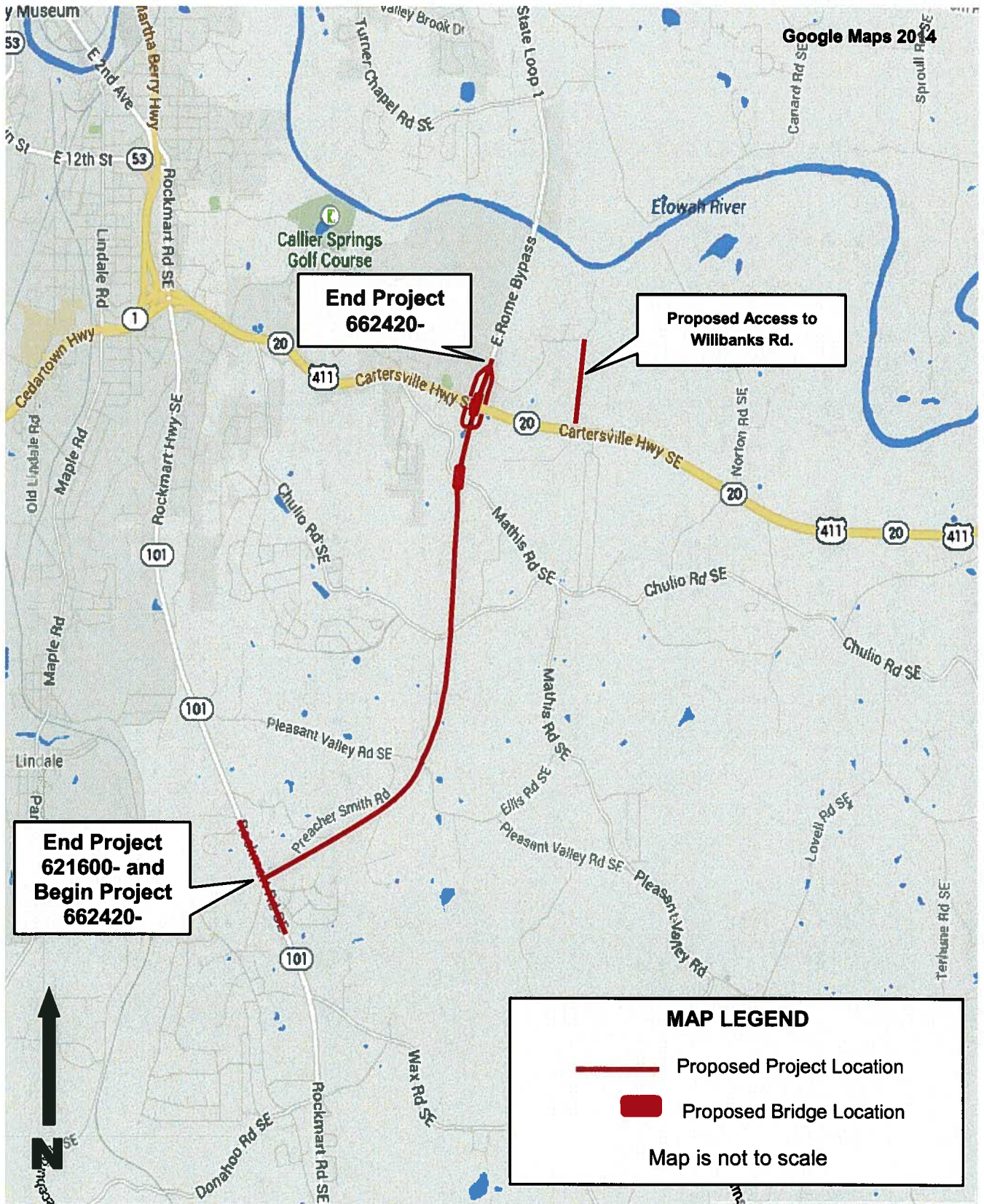
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EDS00-0027-00(127)
P.I. No. 662420-, Floyd County
Southeast Rome Bypass
Project Description from Environmental Document

The Georgia Department of Transportation proposes to build a new divided roadway from State Route (SR) 101/Rockmart Highway (South Rome Bypass) on a new location to the SR 1 Loop (existing East Rome Bypass) in Rome, Georgia. The Southeast Rome Bypass project will provide an alternate route around the city and relieve traffic congestion in the downtown Rome area. The new roadway would consist of a rural, four-lane divided roadway with a 44-foot grassed median and 10-foot wide shoulder. The project is approximately 4.26 miles in length.

The Southeast Rome Bypass begins at the intersection of SR 101/Rockmart Highway and Preacher Smith Rd. and extends northeastward, generally following along the south side of Preacher Smith Rd. The proposed corridor crosses Pleasant Valley Rd. just east of that road's intersection with Boyd Valley Rd., swings to the north and crosses Ladell Rd. The project then crosses Chulio Rd. east of the Chulio Rd. and Boyd Valley Rd. intersection and continues north to join Mathis Rd. via a bridge over Collier Springs Rd. SE. From that point, the planned corridor will shift slightly to the northeast and a bridge over SR 20/US 411/Cartersville Highway will be constructed to tie the new roadway into the existing East Rome Bypass (SR 1 Loop). A proposed diamond interchange would be built to provide access to and from SR 20/US 411/Cartersville Highway. Access to Wilibanks Rd. would then be provided by a new two lane roadway running from SR 20/US 411/Cartersville Highway north to the existing intersection of Woodsong Trail and Pioneer Way.

Also, as part of this project, a mile long stretch of existing SR 101/Rockmart Highway at its intersection with Preacher Smith Rd. will be made into a four-lane, median divided roadway with curbs, gutters, sidewalks and bike lanes.



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Southeast Rome Bypass
Project Location



Georgia Department of Transportation

Public Information Open House Comment Card

Project EDS00-0027-00(127), Floyd County, P.I. No. 662420-

January 16, 2014

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project? *For* *Against* *Conditional* *Uncommitted*

Comments _____

How did you hear about this meeting? *Radio* *Newspaper* *Signs* *Word of Mouth*
 Other _____

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 GDOT personnel? *Yes* *No*

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

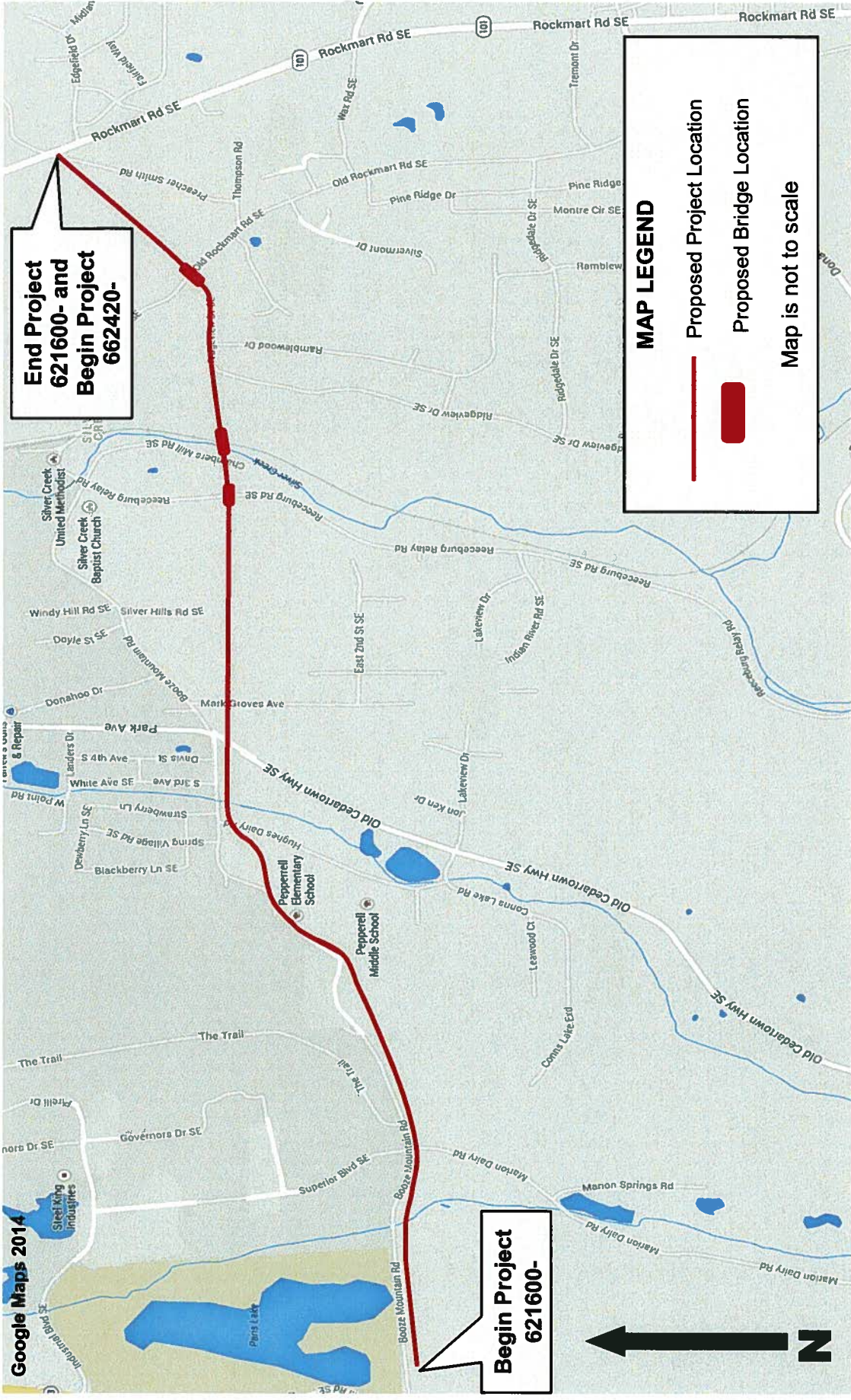
Please share your suggestions on improving the way GDOT conducts public meetings.

Mail To:

*Mr. Glenn Bowman, P.E., State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street, NW - 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308*

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Southeast Rome Bypass
Fact Sheet

- Project Length is 4.6 miles
- New four lane median divided roadway beginning at State Route 101 and Preacher Smith Rd. and ending at State Route Loop 1 (the existing East Rome Bypass)
- A bridge over Collier Springs Rd./Mathis Rd. and a bridge with a Urban Diamond Interchange over US 411/SR 20/Cartersville Hwy
- Will tie into the proposed South Rome Bypass, EDS00-0027-00(154) – see Reference Sheet
- Project concept begun in January 1989, approved in February 2003
- Original environmental EA/FONSI document approved in April 1999 with reevaluations of the proposed alignment changes completed in:
 - May 2005 – alignment shift to avoid crossing an ecologically important stream in two different locations
 - January and February 2006 -- alignment shifts to avoid a landfill between Chulio and Collier Spring Rds. and to provide adequate spacing for access ramps to US 411/SR 20/Cartersville Hwy
 - June 2008 -- alignment shift to avoid cross county gas line stations near Hine Rd.
 - June of 2010 -- alignment shift to avoid Georgia Power transmission lines in the vicinity of Preacher Smith Rd.
 - Upcoming reevaluation of alignment shift to provide access to Wilibank Rd. and avoid two National Register of Historic Places eligible properties
- Projects, when complete, would reroute US 27 traffic around Rome and serve to divert the traffic currently using SR 101 and SR 20 through downtown to access US 27



**End Project
621600- and
Begin Project
662420-**

**Begin Project
621600-**

MAP LEGEND
 — Proposed Project Location
 ■ Proposed Bridge Location
 Map is not to scale



**EDS00-0027-00(154)
 P.I. No. 621600, Floyd County
 South Rome Bypass
 Project Location**

Google Maps 2014

Reference Sheet for Companion Project

EDS00-0027-00(154)

PI 621600, Floyd County

Project Description

Project EDS00-0027-00(154), Floyd County is a proposal to construct the South Rome Bypass/US 27 from SR 1 along CR 633/Booze Mountain Road to SR 101 at CR 96 in Floyd County.

The project begins approximately 500 feet east of US 27/SR 1, where it connects to Project HPP-NH-012-1(86) LP, and generally follows along the south side of the existing CR 633/Booze Mountain Road eastward. The project crosses CR 631/Old Cedartown Road about 600 feet south of its intersection with CR 633/Booze Mountain Road, and continues east with a single bridge over Reeceburg Road, Silver Creek, and the Southern Railway south of the Silver Creek Community. Turning toward the northeast, the project bridges over CR 633/Old Rockmart Road and ends at the intersection of SR 101 and CR 96/Preacher Smith Road, where it connects to the Southeast Rome Bypass Project, EDS 27(127).

The proposed roadway is a rural four-lane divided by a 44-foot grassed median. The alignment is predominately on new location with a minimum right-of-way width of 250 feet. The proposed project includes provisions for bike lanes thru through the right-turn deceleration lanes. The total project length is 3.33 miles.

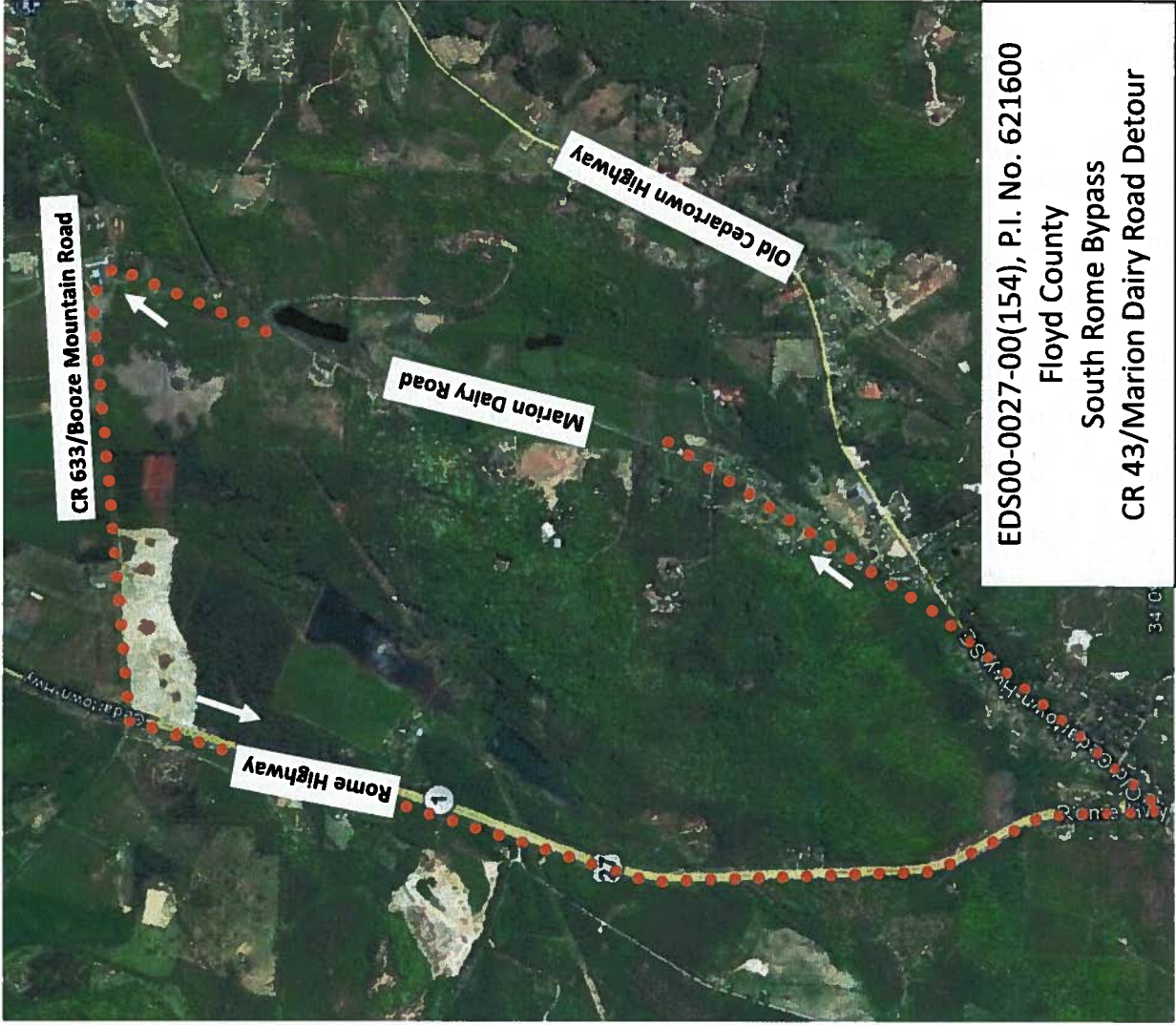
CR 43/Marion Dairy Road Detour

A temporary closure of the north end of CR 43/Marion Dairy Road in the area of the CR 633/Booze Mountain Road intersection should be expected during the construction of the South Rome Bypass. This construction will occur approximately 600 feet south of the intersection of CR633/Booze Mountain Road with CR 43/Marion Dairy Road. To detour the area from the intersection of CR 633/Booze Mountain Road and CR 43/Marion Dairy Road, precede westward along Booze Mountain Road approximately 1.0 mile to the intersection of US 27/SR 1. Then turn left (south) and proceed approximately 2.4 miles southward on US 27/SR 1 to the intersection of the CR 631/Lindale-Old Cedartown Road. Turn left (northeast) and proceed approximately 0.7 mile along the CR 631/Lindale-Old Cedartown Road to the intersection of CR 43/Marion Dairy Road. Then the detour turns left (north) and precedes approximately 1.8 miles to the project corridor.

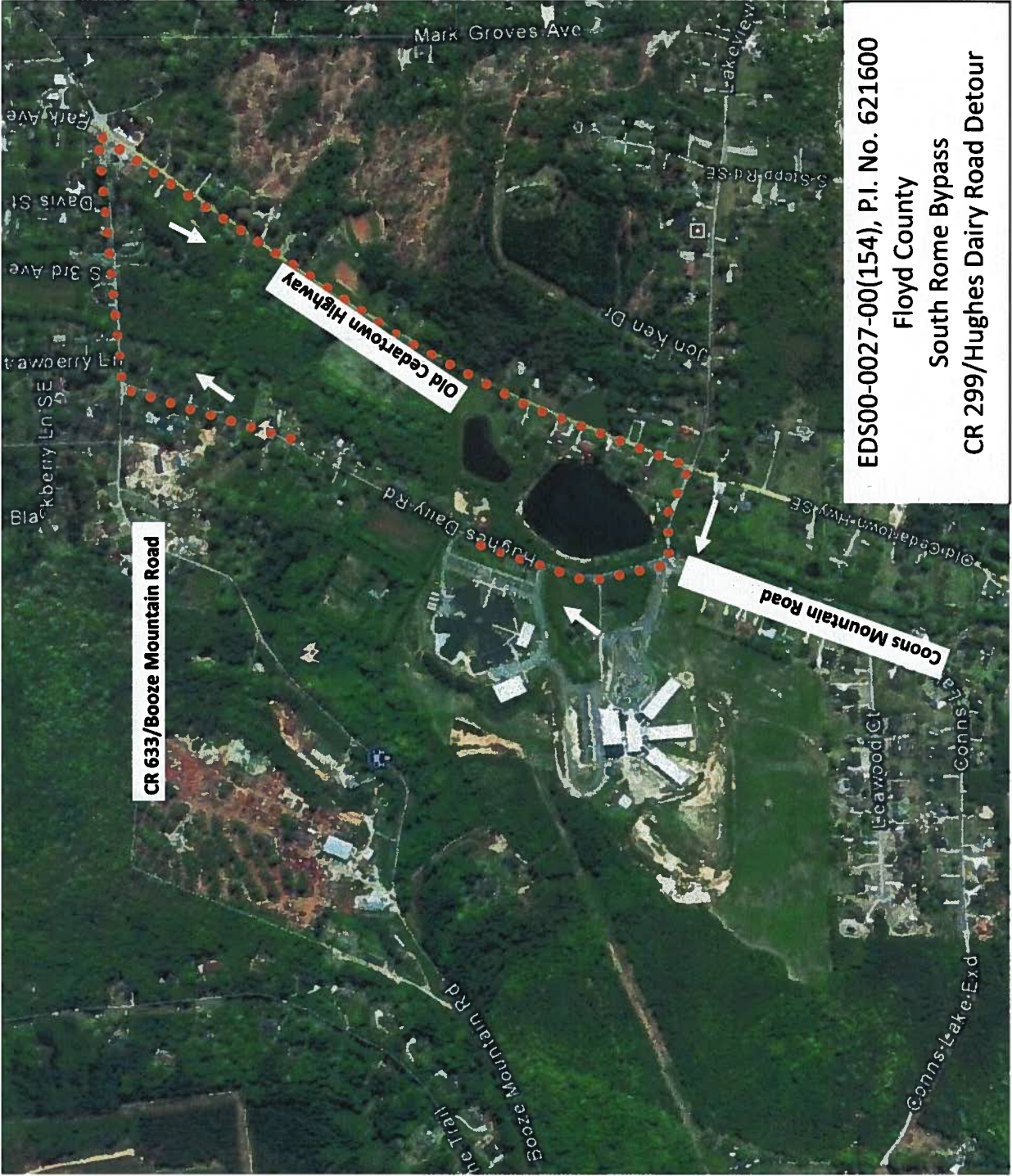
CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road Detour

The second detour will be for the temporary closure of the north end of CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road in the area of the CR 633/Booze Mountain Road intersection.

This construction will occur approximately 400 feet south of the intersection of CR 633/Booze Mountain Road with CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road. To detour the area from the intersection of CR 633/Booze Mountain Road and CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road, proceed eastward along CR 633/Booze Mountain Road approximately 0.2 mile to the intersection of CR 631/Old Cedartown Road. Then turn right, and proceed approximately 0.6 mile southward along CR 631/Old Cedartown Road to the intersection of Conns Lake Road. Then turn right and proceed approximately 0.1 mile along Conns Lake Road westward to the intersection of CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road. Then turn right and proceed northward approximately 0.4 mile along CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road to the project corridor.



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CR 43/Marion Dairy Road Detour



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Floyd County

South Rome Bypass

CR 299/Hughes Dairy Road Detour

CR 633/Booze Mountain Road

Old Cedar town Highway

Coons Mountain Road