



January 23, 2018

Thank you for attending the Public Information and Detour Open House for the proposed bridge replacement located at State Route (SR) 165 at Sugar Creek, PI Number 0013823. 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 proposed 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 proposed detour map. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) 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 GDOT 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 30 days of the close of the comment period. 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 Tuesday, February 06, 2018** by using any of the following methods:

- Online at [www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach](http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach).
  - From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click *Go*;
  - Then select *1/23/18 PI 0013823 Sugar Creek Bridge Detour*;
  - Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Mr. Eric Duff, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

The project displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the Georgia DOT District 2 Area 2 Office located at 2003 US Hwy 441 S, Dublin, GA, 31021. 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, Kim Chapman, at 770-499-1161 or the environmental analyst, Elizabeth Wygand, at 404-631-1255 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

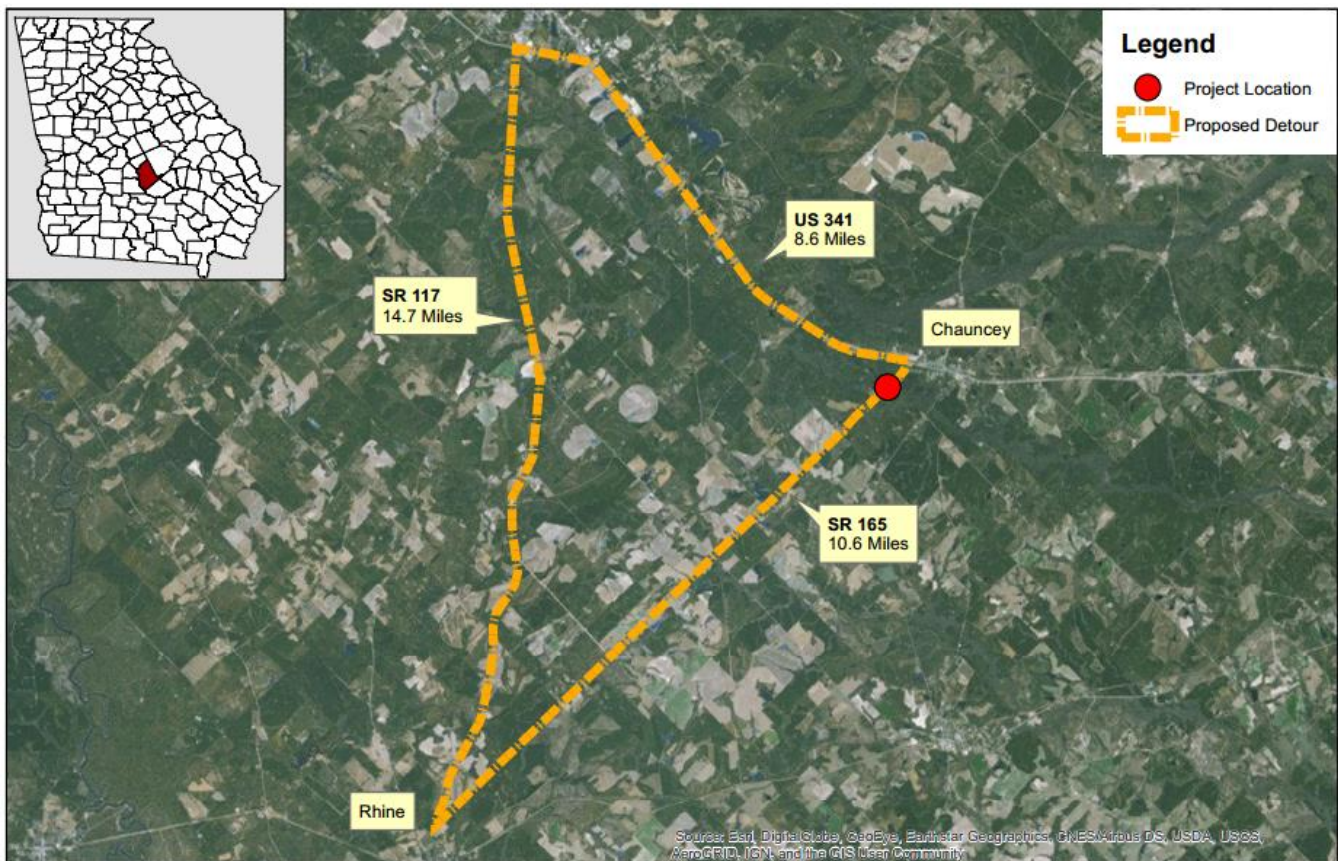
A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Duff" followed by a circled "B" or similar mark.

Eric Duff  
State Environmental Administrator  
Georgia Department of Transportation

**Why We Are Here:** The bridge on SR 165/Chauncey-Rhine Highway at Sugar Creek was built in 1963. The bridge was designed for a design load below the current design standards and is posted for weight restrictions. The overall condition of the bridge would be classified as good. However, the bridge has an unknown foundation and therefore could be at risk for scour. Due to the posting of the bridge structure, the structural integrity of the bridge pertaining to the design vehicle, and the unknown foundation of the substructure, replacement of the bridge is recommended.

**Project Description:** The proposed project would replace the existing bridge on SR 165/Chauncey-Rhine Highway at Sugar Creek in Dodge County, Georgia, located one mile southwest of Chauncey, Georgia. The existing bridge structure is 114 feet long and 32.5 feet wide, with a roadway width of 25 feet. The existing bridge has two 11-foot travel lanes with 1.5-foot shoulders on both sides of the bridge. The proposed bridge structure would be 135 feet long and 36 feet wide. The proposed bridge would have two 12-foot travel lanes with 6-foot shoulders on both sides of the bridge. The proposed project length is approximately 0.3 mile. The acquisition of right-of-way would be necessary for project implementation. The bridge would be replaced on existing alignment and an off-site detour is proposed during construction using nearby state routes. The proposed detour would be approximately 32 miles.

**Project Location Map and Proposed Detour Map:**



### Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

- For**
- Against**
- Conditional**
- Uncommitted**

General Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about this Open House? (check)  **Newspaper**  **Signs**  **GDOT Website**  **Radio**

**Word of Mouth**  **Social Media**  **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.  
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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:  
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Mail to:  
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