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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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July 7, 2009

Thank you for attending the public information open house for Project BHFST-0001-05(024), P.I. No.720125, US41/ SR3 widening from Mount Paran Road to Paces Mill Road. This project includes replacing the bridge over the Chattahoochee River located in Cobb and Fulton Counties, Georgia. In this handout package you will find a project description, location map and comment card.

This project has been split into two phases to accelerate construction of the new bridge. Phase 1 will replace the existing bridge over the river and improve the existing roadway between Northgate Drive and Paces Mill Road. Phase 2 will widen the existing roadway from 4-lanes to 6-lanes between Mount Paran Road and Northgate Drive.

As you enter the room, you will notice displays of the proposed project. The 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 July 17, 2009. Written comments should be sent to Mr. Glenn Bowman, P.E., State Environmental/ Location Engineer, Georgia Department of Transportation, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, Georgia 30336-1593. 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. Next click on "7/09 US 41 Widening from Paces Mill Road to Mount Paran" in the Select a project dropdown box in the center 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 the Department know your view of the proposal.

The displays and preliminary plans will be available for review for ten days after the public information open house at the Cobb County DOT, 1890 County Services Parkway, Marietta, Georgia 30008. A copy of all comments received will be available for public review at this same location and at the Office of Environment/ Location, 3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, GA 30336-1593, 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 Albert Welch at (404) 631-1690 or Larry Bowman at (404) 699-4441 of the Office of Environment/ Location.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James B. Buchan". The signature is fluid and cursive.

James B. Buchan, P.E.
State Urban Design Engineer

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Attachments

Project Description
Georgia Department of Transportation
Project BHFST-0001-05(024)
P.I. Number: 720125

The proposed project will widen US41/ SR3, an urban principal arterial, from Mount Paran Road in Fulton County to Paces Mill Road in Cobb County, including reconstruction of the bridge over the Chattahoochee River. The length of the project is approximately 1.19 miles. It should be noted that the local street name changes at the county line from Northside Parkway in Fulton County to Cobb Parkway in Cobb County. The Chattahoochee River serves as the division between the two counties.

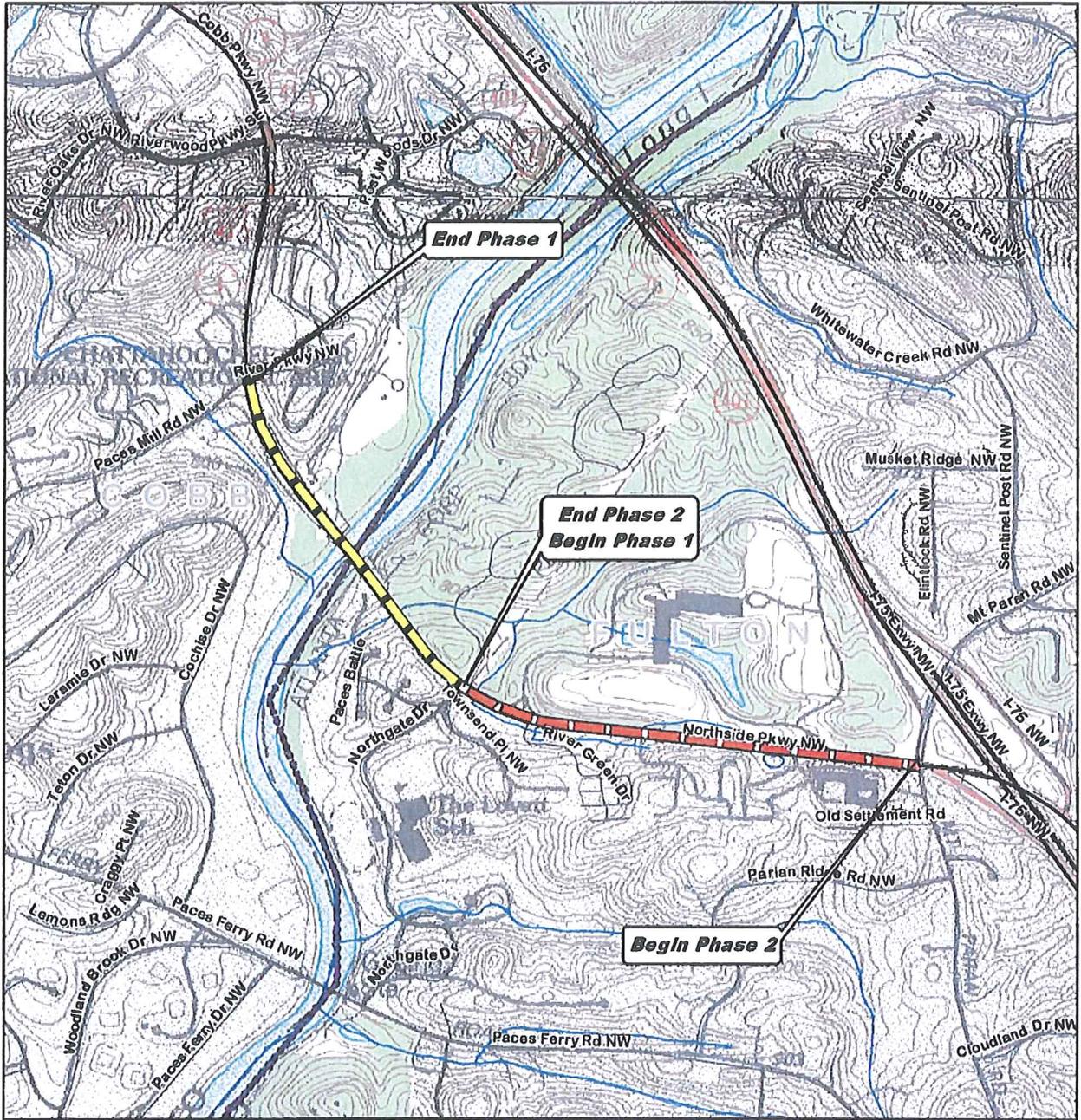
The existing roadway currently consists of 4-lanes with a variable width, two-way left turn lane and right turn lanes at most major intersections. The proposed project would widen US41/ SR3, to a 6-lane urban facility with a 20-foot raised median, a 12-foot multi-use path on the east side of US41/ SR3 and a 5-foot sidewalk on the west side of US41/ SR3. The project would also replace the existing bridge over the Chattahoochee River. The existing bridge is in need of replacement due to a low sufficiency rating of 47, age of the bridge (originally constructed in 1935), and insufficient width to carry projected traffic volumes. Construction would be staged to allow all 4-lanes of the existing bridge to remain in service while approximately one half of the new bridge is constructed.

This project has been split into two phases to accelerate construction of the new bridge:

- Phase 1: From Northgate Drive to Paces Mill Road. This phase will include reconstruction and widening of the bridge over the Chattahoochee River. The length of this proposed phase is 0.53 miles.
- Phase 2: From Mount Paran Road to Northgate Drive. This phase will include the widening of US41/ SR3 as proposed above. The length of this proposed phase is 0.66 miles.

In addition, there is a programmed project: STP00-0001-05(047), P.I. No. 721152 which is the widening of US41/ SR3 (Cobb Parkway) from Paces Mill Road to Akers Mill Road in Cobb County.

Project Location Map



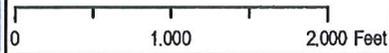
SOURCE: ARC & USGS TOPOS - SANDY SPRINGS AND NORTHWEST ATLANTA

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Project Location Map

-  Phase 1: Northgate Drive to Paces Mill Road
-  Phase 2: Mount Paran Road to Northgate Drive



**SR 3 (US 41) (Northside Parkway)
from Mt. Paran Road to
Paces Mill Road
including the
Chattahoochee River**

**BHFST-0001-05(024)
P.I. Number 720125**

Cobb and Fulton Counties



Georgia Department of Transportation

Public Information Open House Comment Card

Project BHFST-0001-05(025), Cobb and Fulton Counties, P.I. No. 720125

July 7, 2009

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 the DOT personnel? Yes No

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

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

Mail To:

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