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FILE P. I. No. 0005531, Madison County **OFFICE** Preconstruction
BR-0005-00(531)
Bridge Replacement – SR 191 at
Scull Shoal Creek **DATE** May 23, 2006

FROM *Genetha Rice-Singleton*
Genetha Rice-Singleton, Assistant Director of Preconstruction

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SUBJECT APPROVED DETOUR REPORT

Attached for your files is the approved Detour Report on the above subject project.

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Attachment

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FILE: BR-0005-00(531) Madison County
P.I. Number 0005531
SR 191 @Scull Shoal Creek

OFFICE: Office of Consultant Design

DATE: 5/7/2007

M. Babs Abubakari

FROM: Babs Abubakari, P.E., State Consultant Design and Program Delivery Engineer

TO: Genetha Rice-Singleton, Assistant Director of Preconstruction

SUBJECT: Detour Approval

Description and Project Proposal: The proposed bridge replacement on SR 191 over Scull Shoal Creek will have a total length of 2350 linear feet with the existing bridge located near the center of the project. SR191 is currently signed at 55 mph and will be designed at that speed. The existing bridge has a length of 100'. The replacement bridge will have a length of 210'. The horizontal alignment will be skewed slightly in order to avoid the historic property to the north of the bridge and to the west of the road. An off-site detour is proposed for this project. The existing roadway consists of two, twelve-foot travel lanes with two-foot wide unpaved shoulders. The proposed roadway will have two, twelve-foot wide travel lanes with two-foot wide paved shoulder and an eight-foot wide unpaved shoulder.

Concept Approval Date: February 13, 2007

Reason a detour is required:

A detour is required for SR191 due to the height of the proposed roadway when compared with the existing roadway. The proposed bridge will be fifteen feet higher than the existing bridge. This change in elevation precludes locating an onsite bypass in close proximity to the existing roadway.

Alternates Considered:

1. No Build. The No Build option is not a viable one since it does not address the structural deficiencies in the bridge and therefore does not meet the need and purpose of the project.
2. Utilize an on-site detour. An on-site detour on this project is prohibitively expensive. The construction of the temporary roadway and temporary bridge would cost as much as the project that is being presented. Utilizing only state routes for the off-site detour a trip from one end of the bridge along the detour to the opposite end of the bridge is less than 12 miles.

	Off-Site Detour	Alternate 1	Alternate 2
Cost	\$1,825,000	\$0	\$2,985,000

Environmental Assessment of the proposed detour route: A CE was approved under the Programmatic Agreement on 3-28-2007

Public Information Meeting for Proposed Detour (Detour Meeting) Results:

SUBJECT PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE SYNOPSIS

PROJECT No. & COUNTY: BR-0005-00(531), Madison County

DATE of Detour PIOH: 3/01/2007

NUMBER IN ATTENDANCE: 8

FOR: 1

CONDITIONAL: 0

UNCOMMITTED: 1

AGAINST: 0

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE: 0

Comments Received:

Concerned about correctly showing names on plans as the parcel owners

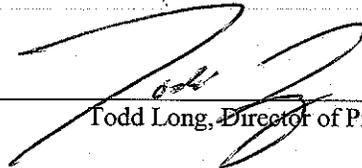
Concerned about meeting notices not being mailed to each resident that lives on the road affected by this project

Concerned about increase in right of way even though the road will use the existing alignment

Changes to the Plans Due to Comments Received: No significant changes were made to the plans due to the meeting. Property owner name research was repeated to insure that the correct names were on the plans.

Recommendations: The Project Manager recommends that the detour be approved.

RECOMMEND:



Todd Long, Director of Preconstruction

APPROVE:



David Studstill, Chief Engineer

5/22/07
Date of Approval

Attachments:

**Proposed Notice,
Location sketch of each detour route studied and,
Public Information Meeting for Proposed Detour comment cards**

NOTICE OF DETOUR APPROVAL

BR-0005-00(531) Madison County
P.I. Number 0005531

Notice is hereby given that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the use of and the routing of a detour for this project.

The date of detour approval is: *May 23, 2007*

SR 191 will be closed during the construction of project BR-0005-00(531), Madison County. Construction will take approximately 12 months.

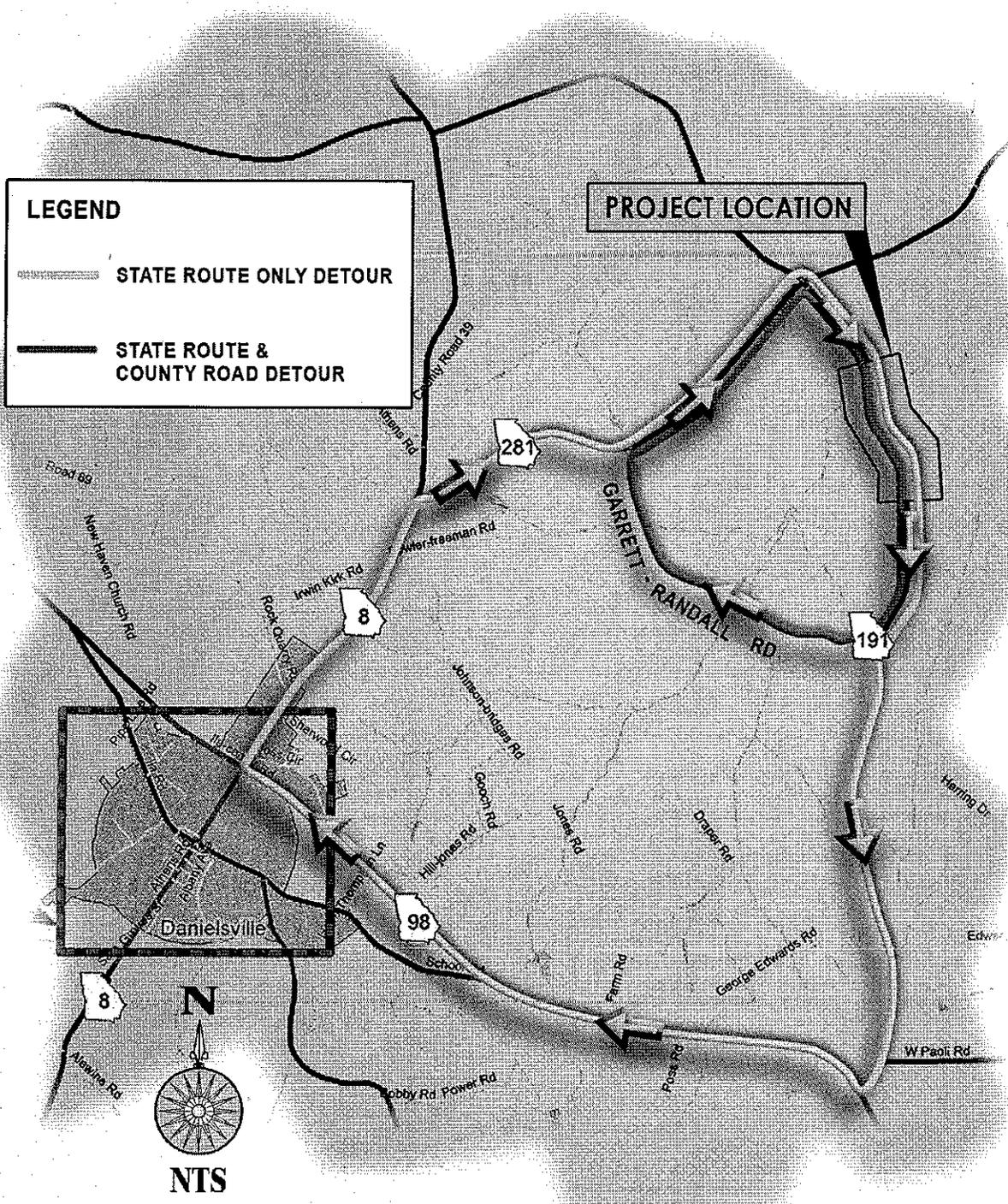
Project Description: The proposed bridge replacement on SR 191 over Scull Shoal Creek will have a total length of 2350 linear feet with the existing bridge located near the center of the project. SR191 is currently signed at 55 mph and will be designed at that speed. The existing bridge has a length of 100'. The replacement bridge will have a length of 210'. The horizontal alignment will be skewed slightly in order to avoid the historic property to the north of the bridge and to the west of the road. An off-site detour is proposed for this project. The existing roadway consists of two, twelve foot travel lanes with two foot wide unpaved shoulders. The proposed roadway will have two, twelve foot wide travel lanes with two foot wide paved shoulder and an eight foot wide unpaved shoulder.

Detour Description: Beginning at the northern side of the bridge travel 0.6 miles north on SR191 to the intersection of SR191 and SR281 and turn left. Travel 2.3 miles south west on SR281 to the intersection of SR281 and US29/SR8 and turn left. Travel 1.6 miles south on US29/SR8 to the intersection of US29/SR8 and SR98 and turn left. Travel 3.6 miles south east on SR98 to the intersection of SR98 and SR191 and turn left. Travel 3.6 miles north on SR191 to the south end of the bridge.

Drawings or maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation:

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No. 2 Capitol Square, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
(404)463-0290

Detour Route



NAME Willie Ray Cochran

ADDRESS 2909 Hwy 191

Danielsville, Ga 30633

DO YOU SUPPORT THE PROJECT? Yes

COMMENTS However, all the names of the property
owners are incorrect, except for
Weyman's Gloria Cochran's and Melody L. Christians.
Eula Lee Cochran's property should not have Ray
Weyman

Franklin Foltson should be Ray Cochran

Call or talk with us - Ray Cochran

(please print) 706 795-2314

I think notices of the meeting should be mailed to every one who lives on the road affected by a project.

Georgia Department of Transportation

Bridge Detour Public Information Open House Comment Card

Project BR-0005-00(531), Madison County, P.I. No. 0005531
Proposed Bridge Replacement on SR 191 over Skull Shoal Creek
March 1, 2007

Please print responses.

Name Willie Ray Cochran
Address 2909 Hwy 191
Danielsville Ga 30633

Do you support the project? For Against Conditional Uncommitted
Comments _____

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

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?

just confused about why names of property
owners are wrong. We've owned the land
shown as Franklin Fortson since 1967- 40 years.
Most other names are wrong. Some are deceased.

Mail To:
Mr. Harvey D. Keepler, State Environmental/Location Engineer
Georgia Department of Transportation
3993 Aviation Circle
Atlanta, GA 30336-1593

From: Jewel [mailto:jgramirez@alltel.net]
Sent: Friday, March 02, 2007 8:16 AM
To: STIPCoordinator
Subject: Project ID:0005531

Last night I attended a meeting concerning the replacement of the bridge on Skull Shoal Creek.

Those there, were able to show us maps and plans for this project. I am one of the owners who will be directly involved in the reconstruction of the road (Hwy 191), but according to the plans, most of the property that was involved did not have the correct names of the property owners. This I don't understand since the ones involved have lived on this property, one for 42 years, the others for over 30 years. Seems there must be more up to date records of property ownership at the court house, because I assure you that we receive tax notices in our names.

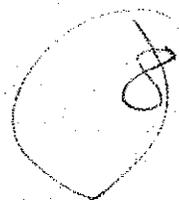
According to the advertisement the road would not be changed from the existing road bed, but when we got there it seems this is not the case. According to the plans, I along with my brother-in-law will loose some of our property to a new easement. I don't understand why they will be doubling the size of the right-a-way for something that already exists. No one was able to give me an answer to this questions other than that is the way it will be. I only own an area of land and the state will be taking around 45 feet of my property.

We were given hand outs of the detour route, but were not given copies of the plans that were on display. I would really like to have a copy of these. The ones that were on poster board showing the property, existing road, changes of the road, and easements. If possible I would like to have a copy mailed to me. Gilbert L. Ramirez, 2805 Hwy 101, Danielsville, GA 30633, since these changes directly involve my property.

Thanks for you help in receiving this information, and also in an explanation as to the reasoning behind this decision.

Gilbert L. Ramirez

Public Officials Sign in



Name

Position

Number