

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

**OFFICE OF DESIGN POLICY & SUPPORT  
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**FILE** P.I. #0009887 **OFFICE** Design Policy & Support  
Cherokee County  
GDOT District 6 - Cartersville **DATE** 6/18/2015  
Roundabout - SR372 @ SR369  
**FROM**  for Brent Story, State Design Policy Engineer

**TO** SEE DISTRIBUTION

**SUBJECT** APPROVED LOCATION & DESIGN REPORT

Attached is the approved Location and Design Report with Notice of Location & Design Approval for the above subject project.

Attachment

**DISTRIBUTION:**

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FILE PI # 0009887, Cherokee County OFFICE Program Delivery  
Roundabout – State Route 372 @ State Route 369 DATE April 17, 2014

FROM Albert V. Shelby III, State Program Delivery Engineer *Albert Shelby*

TO Brent A. Story, PE, State Design Policy Engineer  
Attn: Dave Peters, State Conceptual Design Group Manager

SUBJECT **REQUEST FOR LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL**

**Description and Project Proposal:** The proposed project will construct a Roundabout at the intersection of State Route 369 (Hightower Road) and State Route 372 (Ball Ground Road) in Cherokee County, Georgia, which is expected to reduce crash frequency and severity, as well as provide improved operational efficiency. State Route 369 is a two lane rural major collector with a posted speed limit of 55 mph and an AADT of 10,310 vehicles per day. State Route 372 is a two lane rural major collector with a posted speed limit of 55 mph and an AADT of 6,050 vehicles per day. Currently, the intersection is all way stop controlled with no turn lanes on any of the approaches.

**Concept Approval Date:** 7/25/2013

**Concept Update:** None

**Environmental Document:** *June 16, 2015 (CE) (AP)*

**Public Involvement:**

- A Public Information Open House was held on November 12, 2013. Of the 66 attendees, 3 expressed support of the project, 5 expressed conditional support, and 8 were in opposition.

**Consistency with Approved Planning:** The design description as presented herein and submitted for approval is consistent with the approved Concept Report.

This office recommends that the location and design for the project be approved and that attached Notice be approved for advertising.

RECOMMEND: *John Bonner*  
Director of Engineering

APPROVE: *William M. M...*  
Chief Engineer

*5/13/14*  
Date

DATE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL: *June 18, 2015*

Attachments:

- Notice of Location and Design Approval
- Location Map
- ~~Cost Estimate~~ *DKP*

**PROJECT LOCATION**



**State Route 369 (Hightower Road) at State Route 372 (Ball Ground Road) Cherokee County, Georgia**

**GDOT Office of Environmental Services | Certification for ROW Authorization**

PI#(s): 0009887, County: Cherokee

Baseline Finish Date for ROW Authorization: 5/15/2015

*HP/mm*

**From:** Hiral Patel, P.E. State Environmental Administrator  
**To:** Lisa Myers, State Project Review Engineer (via email)  
**Date:** June 16, 2015  
**Subject:** Certification for advancement to ROW authorization

<i>Certification for ROW Authorization Checklist</i>		
Is an approved environmental document, environmental clearance, or reevaluation on file? If the latest document will be older than 6 months (but less than 12 months) on <u>the date of ROW authorization</u> AND there have been <u>no changes</u> to the project, use the <i>No Change Reevaluation Certification for Advancement to ROW Authorization</i> option. Please Note: If you use this option, the "Current Approval Date" becomes the date of this <i>No Change Reeval Cert</i> .		<b>Yes</b>
Document Type: <b>CE</b>	Original Approval Date: <b>6/16/2015</b>	Current Approval Date: <b>6/16/2015</b> <small>(today's date for No Change Reeval Certs)</small>
The NEPA analyst has verified that no changes occurred since the last approval that would require a reevaluation prior to ROW authorization.		<b>Yes</b>
The NEPA analyst has verified that the design shown in the plans submitted for ROW authorization (dated: 2/2/2015) match what was evaluated in the last NEPA approval		<b>Yes</b>
The NEPA analyst (along with the project specialists) has verified that all pre-construction commitments that need to be completed prior to ROW authorization are complete (i.e. photo recordation for historic resources, landscape plans developed, cemetery permit or other?) <i>(If no, please see below.)</i>		<b>Yes</b>
If the question above cannot be marked as yes, is it still appropriate to advance to ROW Authorization? Please explain why it is still appropriate to advance to ROW authorization:  NA		<b>NA</b>

*Compliance with applicable environmental requirements has been completed for the subject project to advance to ROW Authorization.*

**CERTIFIED BY:** *P. Paul Alimia*  
 P. Paul Alimia

**REVIEWED BY:** *Michael Murdoch*  
 Reviewing Manager

cc: Via email: Ryan Fernandez, GDOT Project Manager;  
 Hardcopy: General Files  
 Add a PDF to the NEPA folder of the project's Project Documents file  
 Add a PDF to the ROW Certifications folder by year

*Please ensure the following items (as applicable) are included in this certification:*

1. *Environmental Commitments Table (include available special provisions)* Yes

**NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL**  
**CHEROKEE COUNTY**  
**P. I. 0009887**

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Georgia Code 22-2-109 and 32-3-5 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

The date of location and design approval is: **June 18, 2015**

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The project is located in Land District 3 in Cherokee County.

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:

Sam Wheeler, Area Engineer  
874 Peoples Valley Road  
Cartersville, GA 30120  
*swheeler@dot.ga.gov*  
770-387-3680

Any interested party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portions thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

Andy Casey, State Roadway Design Engineer  
Office of Roadway Design  
Attn: Sam Woods  
One Georgia Center  
600 West Peachtree Street  
Atlanta, GA 30308  
*swoods@dot.ga.gov*  
404-631-1977

Any written request or communication in reference to this project or notice SHOULD include the Project and P. I. Numbers as noted at the top of this notice.