

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE OF GEORGIA**

INTERDEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE

FILE: EDS-441(45) **OFFICE:** Environment/Location
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SUBJECT: Notification of Concept Change – Widening & Reconstruction of US 441/SR 24
Project Description Changes

The following is an updated project description reflecting changes throughout the project:

Project EDS-441(45) proposes to widen the existing US 441/SR 24 roadway from 2 and 3 lanes to 4 lanes with a 44 foot grassed median. It begins by tying to the northern termini of the Eatonton Bypass, widening to the east of the existing US 441/SR 24 roadway. This concept continues to approximately 900 feet north of CR 177/Glenwood Drive, where the concept shifts to hold the existing right-of-way in order to avoid impacting an historic site to the west of US 441/SR 24. North of the historic site, approximately 1.2 miles north of CR 177/Glenwood Drive, the alignment shifts back to holding the existing pavement and widening to the east. At CR 148/Bethel Circle Road, the proposed alignment shifts to flatten the reverse curves north of CR 148/Bethel Circle Road, switches to west side widening, and avoids impacting a cemetery located to the east of US 441/SR 24. Approximately 1.4 miles north of CR 147/Bethel Church Road, the alignment shifts to hold the western existing right-of-way, and the eastern required right of way is temporarily reduced in order to avoid another cemetery to the east of US 441/SR 24. This concept continues to CR 2/Rock Eagle Road avoiding impacting the entrance to Rock Eagle State Park. Just north of CR2/Rock Eagle Road, the concept shifts to widen to the west, minimizing property impacts and avoiding the historic Thompkins Inn. This concept continues until approximately 0.3 miles north of CR 117/Harmony Drive, where the project holds the western existing right of way to avoid a historic boundary at CR 296/Union Chapel Road. At CR 97/Griffith Road, the project shifts to improve the horizontal alignment just north of CR 97/Griffith Road. Approximately 0.5 miles north of CR 97/Griffith Road, the alignment begins holding the western existing right of way in order to avoid a cemetery approximately 0.9 miles north of CR 97/Griffith Road. North of the cemetery, the alignment shifts to the west, avoiding a historic house east of the existing roadway. This concept continues to the Putnam-Morgan County line, where the project ends by tying to the southern terminus of project EDS-441(44). The total project length is approximately 9.2 miles. Proposed right-of-way varies from approximately 250 to 360 feet.

If there are any questions or input to the changes, please contact Dave Peters at 404-699-4465 or Ken Thompson at 404-699-4455.

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Attachments

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