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SR 92 Relocation and Widening

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Frequently Asked Questions & Responses

Q: How much longer until the project is complete?

A: The estimated completion date is November 2020.

Q: Will the new road have wheel chair access ramps?

A: Yes.

Q: Am I paying for the cost of this project? Who's paying for it?

A: The project is funded with the Federal gas tax with a State gas tax match.

Q: What all does this project include? Sidewalks? Lights?

A: Three Bridges, Signals, Landscaping, Noise Barriers, a Multiuse path (including sidewalk), Lighting, Railroad Crossing Closures, and a Railroad Crossing Relocation.

Q: How will I know when construction is complete?

A: There are various stages of construction completeness. There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with media advertisement to open the new sections of roadway to the travelling public. Final construction is considered complete when the contract with C.W. Matthews is closed.

Q: What is the process of constructing the roadway under the railroad?

A: Blasting to remove rock / excavation to construct new roadway.

Q: How will this project benefit the traveling public and pedestrians along that corridor?

A: This project will provide a continuous multi-lane roadway that connects Douglasville from the eastside with the westside, no longer separated by the railroad tracks. Also, the project will provide better travel time and access to get to I-20, and most importantly, the project will improve the level of service and reduce crash frequency along the SR 92 corridor, and alleviate congestion in the downtown Douglasville area.

Q: How is this going to impact my property value?

A: The project's right-of-way acquisition period has ended. The only foreseeable impacts are construction inconveniences, which GDOT and its contractors are addressing periodically.

Q: What is the speed limit going to be for my area?

A: The City of Douglasville sets the speed limit for their City streets, and Douglas County sets the speed limit for their County Roads. GDOT sets the speed limit for SR 92 in Douglasville, which is 45 mph.

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Q: What is the delay? Why is Construction not complete?

A: There was a delay in the construction of the underpass at the Norfolk Southern Railroad, Bankhead Highway and East Strickland Street due to unforeseen site conditions. A redesign of the bridges and walls had to be completed.

Q: What is the purpose of this project?

A: To provide continuous multi-lane roadway that connects Douglasville eastside with the westside, to provide better travel time and access to I-20, and most importantly, to improve the level of service and reduce crash frequency and severity along the SR 92 corridor, and alleviate congestion in the downtown Douglasville area.

Q: Who made the decision to build this project?

A: The City of Douglasville and Douglas County in conjunction with the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Q: Any plans to extend the road?

A: SR 92 is proposed to be widened from Douglas County to Cherokee County. SR 92 Phase IV from Malone Road to Nebo Road is currently under construction.

Q: Is the project a short term fix? Is this a long term fix? Will the department have to come out in the next few years to widen the road?

A: This is a long term fix, estimated to meet at least 20 years of traffic demand.

Q: How is technology incorporated into the new design?

A: The design consist of Closed Caption Television (CCTV) cameras to monitor the traffic flow, traffic signal interconnect throughout to synchronize the green time, fire station traffic signal preemption for emergency services, and low cost LED lighting at the interchange and intersections.

Q: How long will this new road last for?

A: The road is designed to meet the anticipated traffic demands for at least 20 years.

Q: How many more years of Construction are left?

A: Two years, with an anticipated open to traffic date of November 2020.

Q: What Construction activities are left?

A: The SR 92 Underpass, Signal installations, Lighting, Landscaping, and Utility installation.

Q: How many railroad crossings have been permanently closed?

A: Just two (Brown Street & Mozley Street).

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Q: How many railroad crossings will be relocated?

A: Only the McCarley Street crossing, once the SR 92 Underpass is built. The crossing will be relocated 100 feet to the west of the existing crossing.

Q: Will there be additional railroad crossing closures within the project limit?

A: Yes, the Campbellton Street/Dallas Highway crossing; but not until after the SR 92 Underpass is built and open to traffic. Afterward, the crossing will be closed permanently.

Q: Which railroad crossings will remain open within the project limits?

A: Rose Avenue, McCarley Street, McIntosh Road, Municipal Parkway.

Q: Will there be any road closures within the project limit?

A: None anticipated at this time; any closure will be communicated with both the City and County Communications Offices, and the various media outlets within the City and County.

Q: Who will clean up excess soil runoff from the project site?

A: If within the project limits, GDOT via the Contractor (CW Matthews).

Q: What will the project look like after construction?

A: The following YouTube video is a visualization: <https://youtu.be/rP58laNtcg0>

Q: Who will maintain the signal operation on the State Route within the project limits?

A: The City of Douglasville and Douglas County through an intergovernmental agreement with GDOT after construction is complete.

Q: Who will maintain the lighting on the State Route within the project limits?

A: City of Douglasville through an intergovernmental agreement with GDOT after construction is complete.

Q: Who will mow and maintain the landscape on the State Route within the project limit?

A: City of Douglasville through an intergovernmental agreement with GDOT after construction is complete.

Q: What are the benefits of installing medians?

A: To reduce crash rates and points of conflict; to provide uniform traffic flow while concentrating and improving left turns and U-turns; to provide pedestrian refuge at mid-block and intersection crossings; and to provide better access management. More information on the benefits of median installation is available at the following GDOT website: <http://www.dot.ga.gov/DriveSmart/SafetyOperation/Pages/Medians.aspx>

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Q: What is the project website address and who maintains it?

A: GDOT: www.dot.ga.gov/BS/Projects/SpecialProjects/SR92

Douglasville: <https://www.douglasvillega.gov/730/Georgia-Highway-92-Relocation-Project>

Q: Who are the City and GDOT project contacts?

A: City contact: Marcia Hampton, City Manager, email address:

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