



## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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### **GEORGIA DOT UNVEILS PLANS FOR STATE ROUTE 136 IN PICKENS COUNTY AT A PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE**

CARTERSVILLE, Ga. - A public information open house to discuss the Georgia DOT's proposed safety improvement project on State Route (SR) 136 in Pickens County is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9, 2010, from 5 until 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Pickens County Chamber of Commerce, located at 500 Stegall Drive, in the city of Jasper.

Pickens County's residents interested in learning more about the proposed project are encouraged to attend the meeting and express their thoughts and preferences.

"We would like to hear the viewpoints and concerns of all area residents," says Kent Sager, district engineer at the Georgia DOT office in Cartersville.

The proposed plans call for safety improvements to SR 136 from SR 136 Connector to SR 515 in Pickens County. The purpose of the project is to redesign the horizontal and vertical geometry of the road way to reduce accidents and to provide bicycle accessibility along the roadway shoulder to correspond with the 2005 North Georgia Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

"The Georgia DOT strongly believes that since this project is intended to serve the people of Pickens County, the ideas and preferences of these people are important," Sager explains. "This meeting will provide the public with an opportunity to review the proposed project, ask questions, and express their preferences as well as their concerns."

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. Additional transportation revenues are imperative to grow and sustain Georgia's economic vitality and quality of life through the 21st Century. Georgia is the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest-growing state in the nation, yet 49<sup>th</sup> in per capita spending on transportation. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit our Web site ([www.dot.ga.gov](http://www.dot.ga.gov)).

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