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Georgia DOT invests \$2.9 million in Lake Lanier Bridge Repairs

Atlanta, Ga. – The Georgia Department of Transportation announces a project to repair the Highway 53 West Bridge over the Chattahoochee River portion of Lake Lanier was awarded to GGH Contracting of Marietta. The project will remove the damaged driving surface and replace it. It will also reseal the bridge joints, paint the trusses, replace bearings and repair substructure spalling.

“The project will improve your drive by replacing the polymer coating, providing a smooth driving surface for you. We do not have a start date yet. As construction work nears and timing is finalized, Georgia DOT will share construction plans with you,” explained Brent Cook, District Engineer serving Hall County.

Only one lane can be closed at a time. Lane closures will only occur on weekends from 8 p.m. Fridays around the clock to 5 a.m. Mondays for a maximum of 10 weekends. This project is only on the westbound bridge at Gainesville Marina.

The bridge was built in 1956. The contract was awarded for a construction cost of \$2,942,722.50 and a completion date of June 30, 2016.

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Damaged driving surface SR53west bridge



Truss system that will be repaired