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EXPECT A TRAFFIC SHIFT ON STATE ROUTE 61 IN PAULDING

DALLAS, Ga. – The Georgia Department of Transportation is advising motorists in Paulding County of a traffic shift on State Route (SR) 61 at Mayfield Road and Nebo Road, scheduled for the weekend of August 26-28, 2016.

Construction crews will shift southbound traffic at the intersection of SR 61 and Mayfield Road, starting Friday night, to the newly constructed lanes of the intersection, allowing it only to turn right on Highway 61. Northbound traffic on the highway will be redirected onto Cole Creek Road, to Jack Weldon Road, and back to Nebo Road and SR 61. This traffic shift is necessary for work on grading and staging for realignment at the intersection. Variable message boards and detour signs will help drivers navigate their way around this construction operation. The traffic shift will stay in place Friday night through Monday morning. This construction operation and the traffic shift it necessitates are weather permitting and subject to change.

“We certainly hope that all motorists watch out for this traffic shift and be extra cautious, while approaching this work zone,” said DeWayne Comer, district engineer at the DOT office in Cartersville. “This project may be causing the public some inconvenience, but upon completion, it will improve the flow of traffic in the area, make it safer, and help the public get where they need to go in Paulding County,” Comer explained.

This weekend construction operation is part of an intersection improvement project on SR 61 at Nebo Road/Mayfield Road in Paulding County. This project has been under construction since October 2015, and is expected to be completed by the Mid-January 2017, at a construction cost of \$2,747,765.

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