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Savannah...

Trucks Must Avoid Houlihan Bridge: Weight Limit Reduced to 5 Tons

Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) lowered the weight limit today on the Houlihan Bridge on State Route 25 over the Savannah River heading into South Carolina.

The new posted limit is five tons meaning it is no longer safe for truck traffic.

The lower weight restriction is due to damage caused by repeated impacts to the bridge structure by over- height trucks.

“It is imperative that truck traffic stay off the Houlihan Bridge until further notice,” said Andy Doyle, Georgia DOT State Bridge Maintenance Engineer. “Motorists should expect a full bridge closure in the near future for much needed repairs.”

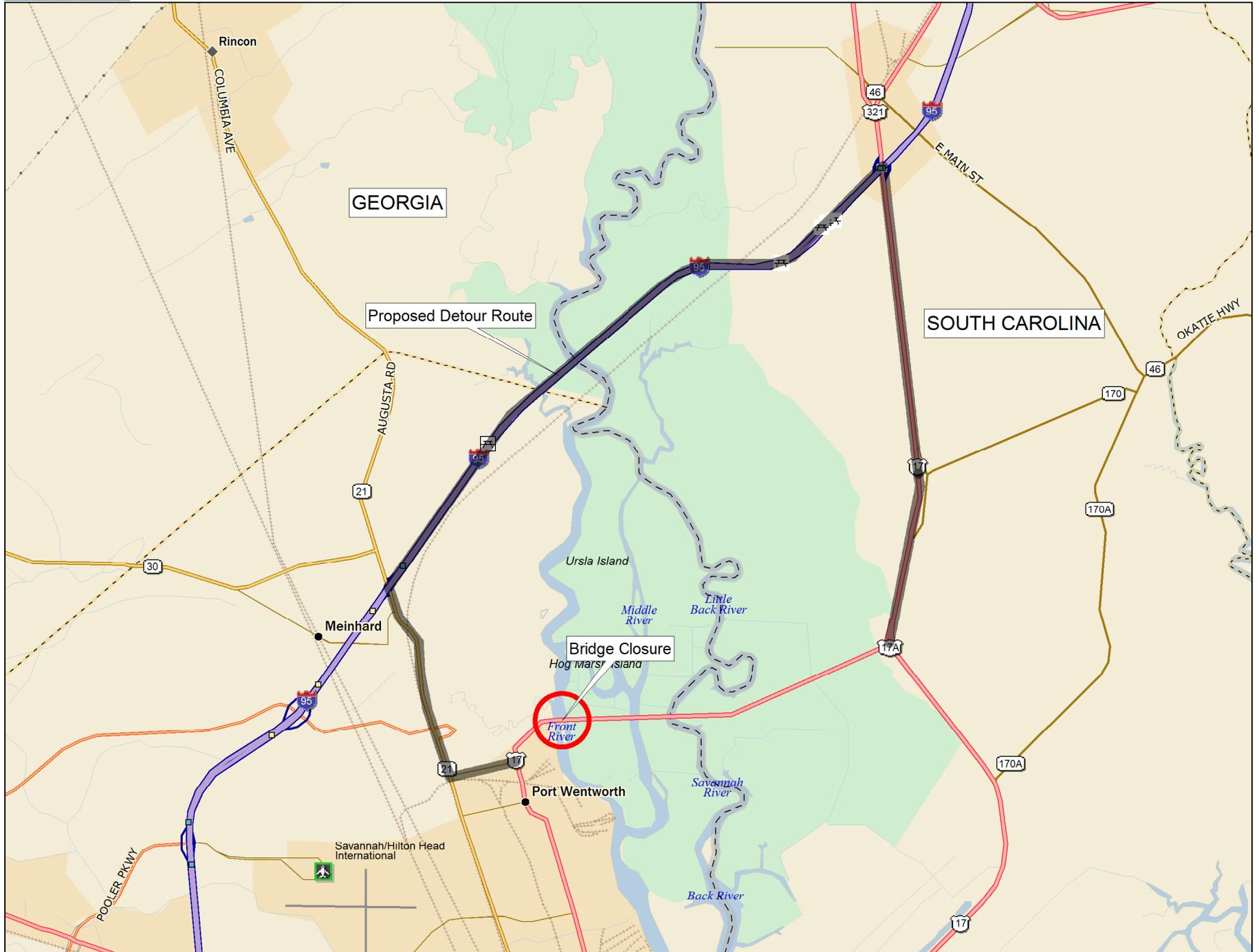
After repairs begin, the closure will remain in effect for an additional two to three weeks.

GDOT advises trucks to use the following alternative route: From Georgia - use SR 30 to SR 21/Augusta Road; then take I-95 into South Carolina. From South Carolina - take US 17 to I-95 to go into Georgia.

Further information on repair schedules, closures and detours will be made available in advance of construction activities.

Without long-term federal funding solutions for transportation, Georgia and other state DOTs must continue to deliver transportation programs based on a piece-meal approach. The latest patch by Congress to bolster the federal Highway Trust Fund - the 34th in six years - extends the federal government’s authority to process transportation funding to states through October 29. Temporary fixes do not provide the certainty state DOTs need to efficiently and effectively plan, program and deliver major transportation projects. Georgia DOT urges Congress to pass a long-term federal aid transportation bill.

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1" = 1.78 mi

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