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Upson County...

Public Assistance Needed: Information Sought for Missing Eradicator

On Monday morning, November 16, around 10:30 a.m., a Georgia Department of Transportation truck was towing a trailer carrying a small piece of equipment. The equipment, called an *Eradicator*, is used to remove pavement markings from roadways. The strap securing the eradicator broke near the intersection of SR 3/US 19 and Goodrich Avenue in Thomaston. According to a witness, it fell into the intersection and rolled back to the left turn lane. The employees turned around and traveled back to the location.

Upon arriving back to the area less than 10 minutes after the equipment fell, the GDOT crew could not locate the eradicator. The eradicator weighs several hundred pounds, so it would have taken several people to lift it from the road and place it in a vehicle.

GDOT appreciates the public's assistance in recovering this piece of equipment. It was identified with the number **107-0048** and is the size of a large push mower. If you were traveling in the area Monday morning or have any other knowledge of the location of this piece of equipment, please contact Teresa Booker at 706-646-7517.

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