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*Northwest Georgia claims nearly \$12 million...*

## **GEORGIA DOT AWARDS \$82.7 MILLION IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

CARTERSVILLE, Ga. – Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) has recently awarded 37 contracts for statewide construction projects totaling over \$82.7 million. The 17 counties of northwest Georgia claimed nearly \$12 million in construction project awards. These projects were advertised for bids in May and awarded on June 3.

Taking care of conditions on existing infrastructure across the state is Georgia DOT's first obligation. Over 58 percent of the total awards – about \$48.4 million – are for road resurfacing and maintenance projects.

The project to resurface 9 miles on State Route (SR) 71 between Roland Hills Road and Wolfe Street in Whitfield County is this month's top dollar investment in northwest Georgia. This section of SR 71 needs resurfacing because the existing pavement is deteriorating. The entire project is expected to be completed by the end of April 2017, at a construction cost of \$3,432,332.

Other projects in northwest Georgia include:

- Rehabilitating the two bridges on I-75 over Lake Allatoona in Bartow County
- Bridge rehabilitation at various locations in Bartow and Gordon counties
- Resurfacing 6.764 miles on SR 2 in Murray County beginning at US411 and extending to Drewberry Church Road
- Bridge rehabilitation at various locations in Cherokee County

Details on awarded projects from the Department's April letting can be found through the Award Announcement Downloads link at <https://www.bidx.com/ga/letting?lettingid=16052001> Click on Award Announcement on the right.

Information on schedules, lane closures and detours will be made available in advance of construction activities. For general information about the Transportation Funding Act of 2015, visit [www.GAroads.org](http://www.GAroads.org).

*In their 2015 legislative session, Georgia lawmakers addressed the state's critical transportation infrastructure needs with passage of House Bill 170, Georgia's transportation funding bill. The Transportation Funding Act (TFA) of 2015 is expected to generate an estimated \$870 million in the first fiscal year. This sustained annual revenue will be used to fund much-needed routine maintenance and capital improvements.*

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