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Laurens County...

Roadway preservation coming to SR 31 in Dublin



On Monday, May 12, Georgia Department of Transportation crews will begin strip sealing State Route 31/US 319 in Laurens County. Application of emulsified liquid asphalt followed by layers of stone prevents water damage that often leads to visible cracking.

What: The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) District Wide Chip Sealing Crew will Monday begin road preservation activities on State Route (SR) 31/US 319/US 441 in Laurens County. GDOT will strip seal portions of the roadway from mile marker 5 on to Interstate 16 near Exit 51.

Crews will apply emulsified liquid asphalt followed by layers of stone. Rollers and brush broom vehicles will then pack down and remove loose gravel. This

maintenance work prevents water damage that often leads to visible cracking. These strip sealed areas provide great traction and help save money in future maintenance expenditures.

Lane closures will be installed in the work zones. Expect a flagger and a pilot vehicle to move traffic. The traveling public should pay close attention to personnel and heavy equipment in the roadway.

The Department is committed to providing the highest level of safety for both motorists and workers. Motorists should understand that four-out-of-five victims in work zone crashes are actually drivers and passengers. GDOT has lost 58 employees in the last four decades due to work zone incidents. The Department asks all drivers to pay attention, slow down and watch for workers.

When: Crews will be on the roadway Monday, May 9 through Thursday, May 12 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., as weather allows.

Where: GDOT will work on SR 31 in Laurens County from mile post 5 to I-16 Exit 51.

Photo attached: Monday Georgia Department of Transportation crews will begin strip sealing State Route 31/US 319 in Laurens County. Application of emulsified liquid asphalt followed by layers of stone prevents water damage that often leads to visible cracking.

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