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COME SEE PLANS – Georgia DOT’s Three Bridge Replacement Project on State Route 158 in Ware County Requires Detour

Waycross, Ga. – Georgia DOT announces a Public Detour Open House meeting to discuss the proposed detour necessary to replace the bridges over the Satilla River, the Satilla River Overflow, and Fullwood Creek on State Route (SR) 158/Douglas Highway in Ware County. The public is encouraged to come out to view the detour details and discuss the project with Georgia DOT staff and give comments. The public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 25 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Southern Georgia Regional Commission room located at 1725 South Georgia Parkway/SR 520 West in Waycross. There will be no formal presentation, so stop by at any point during the meeting.

“The purpose of the public meeting is to present the detour route of the project to the community. We want you to know the status of the project and the detour details that will occur during construction. Please come by and get the latest information on the 3 bridge replacement project on SR 158,” said DOT District Preconstruction Engineer Will Murphy.

This project proposes to replace the current bridges built in 1950 with newly constructed bridges designed to current safety standard with 12 foot travel lanes and 8 foot emergency shoulders. The detour allows the work to be completed twice as fast and saves on construction cost by not changing the alignment of the bridges.

Residents can record their comments at the open house. Written statements can be submitted until **Tuesday, July 9** to:

Ms. Hiral Patel, P.E.
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street, NW – 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

After the open house, you can view the display of the project from June 26 through July 9 at the GDOT Waycross Area Office located 104 North Nichols Street in Waycross. Project information will also available on July 26 on the Georgia DOT website <http://www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach>.

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