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SLOWER IS SAFER - CHANGE IS IN THE AIR TODAY FOR SOUTH HALL ROAD

Braselton, GA – The Georgia Department of Transportation announces changes are in the air and on the road today on State Route 347 in Braselton. Approximately a half mile section of SR 347 from Williams Road to Dunbar Drive will be shifted today onto a temporary section of roadway. This shift in traffic will allow construction to continue on the new culvert protecting Sherwood Creek. If the weather cooperates, the contractor will finish shifting traffic by 2 p.m. today.

“The speed limit on SR 347 from I-985 to Spout Springs Road is now 35 miles per hour. The speed limit was lowered because of the construction and frequent traffic shifts along this section of SR 347. This speed limit change could also impact your budget as all fines are doubled in a work zone. Slower is safer in a work zone so please for your safety and ours slow down,” urged Georgia DOT District Engineer, Bayne Smith.

The contract for construction of this 7.97 mile long project is \$38.4 million and the contract was awarded to E.R. Snell Contracting Inc. of Snellville, Georgia. Work began October 10, 2012. Contract completion date for the entire project is January 12, 2016

If you would like to receive email updates on this project, email tpope@dot.ga.gov and request them.

Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-seven Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones; For Everyone. You also may follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/GDOTNE) (<https://www.facebook.com/GDOTNE>) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/GDOTNE) (<https://twitter.com/GDOTNE>).

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