

## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

# Press Release

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## **GA DOT AUTHORIZES \$39 MILLION IN NEW CONSTRUCTION**

**ATLANTA** – A major Interstate Highway 75 interchange makeover in Henry County; two important Chatham County improvements, four new bridges in Morgan County and some 200 miles of local street and road resurfacings are among \$39 million in statewide transportation infrastructure projects announced today by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

**Georgia DOT now has begun 209 new construction projects valued at more than \$681 million in Fiscal Year 2012.**

The largest single project of the 37 announced today is for the reconstruction of the I-75 interchange at Jodeco Road in Henry. It will consist of bridge construction above the Interstate, widening ramps and relocating two surface roads. The work will be done by E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., of Snellville, for \$15.7 million and is scheduled to be completed by the summer of 2015.

Other projects include:

- \$1.9 million in intersection improvements at State Route 21 and Crossgate and Gulfstream roads; and \$1 million in Interstate Highway 95 shoulder improvements – both jobs in Chatham and both contracts to Plant Improvement Co., Inc., of Brunswick;
- Nearly \$3 million to build four new bridges on county roads in Morgan;
- \$1.4 million to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., of Marietta, to make intersection improvements at US Highway 41&76/State Route 3 at State Route 71 and at Glenwood Ave., in Whitfield County; and
- Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) funding to resurface approximately 200 miles of county roads and city streets throughout Georgia.

Information on construction and lane closure schedules will be forthcoming before work begins.

Further details on the I-75/Jodeco Rd. project can be found at:

<http://tomcat2.dot.state.ga.us/ContractsAdministration/uploads/A120120S041.pdf>

Additional information on other projects awarded today in the Department's March letting is available via:

<http://tomcat2.dot.state.ga.us/ContractsAdministration/uploads/A120316.pdf>

On Tuesday, July 31, voters will decide if 12 designated districts across Georgia will be authorized to collect a one-cent sales tax for the next 10 years to be devoted exclusively to local and regional transportation projects. Funds collected in a district could only be spent in that same district and only to move forward projects chosen by local elected officials. More than 1,600 such local projects throughout the state have been selected by city and county leaders. For further information on the important Transportation Referendum, please visit: [www.dot.ga.gov/transportationreferendum](http://www.dot.ga.gov/transportationreferendum).