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TRAFFIC TO SHIFT ON SR 20 AS DOT ACHIEVES MAJOR MILESTONE ON WIDENING PROJECT

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Dec. 15, 2015) – Drivers on SR 20 near Sugar Hill will encounter some delays this evening as the Gwinnett County Department of Transportation shifts traffic to work on widening the last two-lane section of SR 20 in the county.

The lane change, which is scheduled to occur between 8 p.m. and midnight tonight, will impact about 1.5 miles of roadway. The shift will occur between Peachtree Industrial Boulevard and Arbor View, and will allow crews to build the other two new lanes of the project in that stretch. Flaggers will be in the area to help guide traffic as needed.

“We are excited to reach another milestone in this construction,” said Jace Brooks, District 1 Commissioner. “The cooperation between Gwinnett County, Sugar Hill, the Georgia DOT and Forsyth County will make a real difference for drivers along this roadway.”

The Gwinnett County construction stretches about four miles from Peachtree Industrial Boulevard to Burnette Trail. Access to the Chattahoochee River bridge will be maintained at all times as Georgia DOT contractors work on a separate project to widen across the river into Forsyth County. Gwinnett County worked with GDOT to complete the engineering on both projects.

Federal, state and local dollars were used to fund these projects. Just across the river, Forsyth County is partnering with the state to widen from James Burgess Road to Samples Road.

“We see it as good business and smart planning for an area where traffic is expected to increase to 50,000 vehicles per day over the next 20 years,” said Brooks. He also credited Gwinnett County voters for approving the SPLOST programs that got the project rolling.

Construction is expected to be complete in late 2016, according to Gwinnett Department of Transportation Director Alan Chapman.

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