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### **ROAD IMPROVEMENTS GET ALMOST \$13 MILLION**

(Lawrenceville, Ga., July 18, 2006) - The Gwinnett Board of Commissioners approved a package of road improvements Tuesday that will cost about \$13 million.

A road improvement and pedestrian safety project on a 1.5-mile segment of Rockbridge Road between Jimmy Carter Boulevard and Lawrenceville Highway will add a continuous two-way left turn lane and will include sidewalks on both sides of the road. The low bidder on the \$6.7 million SPLOST-funded project was Gary's Grading and Pipeline Company.

A school safety project along a one-mile stretch of Bethany Church Road near Shiloh High School will connect a sidewalk just south of the high school to the Centerville library. Baldwin Paving Company was the low bidder on the \$2.2-million project that is part of the 2001 SPLOST sales tax program.

Thirty other road resurfacing or rehabilitation projects in all parts of the county will cost about \$3.8 million, with state funds contributing about \$1.9 million to the total and SPLOST funds making up the difference.

In addition to this state aid work approved today, the County will fund approximately \$8 million on other resurfacing/rehabilitation projects throughout the county this year using SPLOST proceeds.

Board Chairman Charles Bannister said, "all of these road projects are possible because voters supported the County's SPLOST programs in recent years." The current one-cent sales tax is expected to raise about \$162 million for transportation projects over four years plus additional money designated for parks, libraries and public safety.

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