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GWINNETT APPROVES SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

(Lawrenceville, Ga., March 5, 2013) – Commissioners on Tuesday approved two construction contracts for four road safety projects. All four improvements are funded by SPLOST sales tax dollars.

Hurricane Shoals Road between State Route 120/Duluth Highway and Collins Hill Road in Lawrenceville will get a new center turn lane, sidewalks on both sides of the road, plus curb and gutter designed to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety in the residential and retail area.

Sweetwater Middle School will get an improved drive from Cruse Road with room for bus queues and safer student drop-offs. Hopkins Elementary School on Dickens Road will get new right turn lanes at two entrances to improve school safety and access.

Baldwin Paving Company Inc. was the lowest of seven bidders at \$1.23 million for those three projects. Construction of the two school projects is expected to be complete before the new school year begins but the Hurricane Shoals work won't be finished until early 2014.

A fourth project will make intersection improvements at Old Peachtree Road and Cedar Drive. The work includes a new traffic signal, pedestrian crossings, turn lanes, sidewalk and curb and gutter. Commissioners awarded the construction contract to low bidder ISC Inc. at \$499,294.25 for the project that will be finished in early 2014.

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