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MORE WIDENING AHEAD ON BUFORD DRIVE/SR 20

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Oct. 16, 2013) – Gwinnett County will widen another section of Buford Drive/State Route 20 from four to six lanes with all of the work being completed within existing right-of-way. Commissioners on Tuesday approved the half-mile project from I-985 north to South Lee Street in the Buford area.

The work will extend an earlier widening project from the Mall of Georgia to I-985 and will include turn lanes and some curb, gutter and sidewalks. The intersections at South Lee Street and Satellite Boulevard will also get upgrades, including pedestrian facilities. Work is expected to be complete in the spring of 2014.

G.P.'s Enterprises was the lowest of six bidders for the \$960,427 contract. Funding for the project comes from the 2009 SPLOST program (74 percent) and the Georgia Department of Transportation (26 percent).

“Buford Drive is a state highway, so we are once again partnering with the state DOT to get this much-needed widening accomplished,” said District 4 Commissioner John Heard. That section of road now carries more than 58,000 vehicles each day.

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