



February 7, 2017

Thank you for attending the Public Information Open House for the proposed State Route (SR) 5 at County Road 174/Dorsett Shoals Road and County Road 198/Banks Mill Road/Pool Road Roundabout in Douglas County, Georgia, PI Number 0009836. Our goal is two-fold: 1) to provide you with information on the proposed project and 2) to provide an opportunity for you to give us your comments on the proposed project. In this handout package, you will find a description of the project, a location map, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, please take a look at the project display. Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) representatives, wearing nametags, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. There will be no formal presentation.

We hope you will take the opportunity to tell Georgia DOT what you think. Listed below are several ways to comment on the project. Your comments are important to us and, should you provide comments by one of the methods noted below, we will respond to you in writing usually within 30 days of the close of the comment period. All comments will become part of the project's official record.

While you are attending the open house, you can **provide your comments today** by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it in the comment box, or you may choose to provide your verbal comments to the court reporter who will transcribe your comments.

You can also **provide your comments by Friday, February 17, 2017** by using any of the following methods:

- Online at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach.
 - From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click *Go*;
 - Then select SR 5 at Dorsett Shoals Road/Pool Road/Banks Mill Road Roundabout;
 - Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Mr. Eric Duff, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

The project displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the Georgia DOT District 7 Office located at 5025 New Peachtree Road, Chamblee, GA 30341 and at the Douglas County Department of Transportation located at the Douglas County Courthouse, 8700 Hospital Drive, 1st Floor, Douglasville, Georgia 30134. Following the ten-day public comment period, a copy of all comments received will be available by request at the Atlanta address listed above.

Again, thank you for attending this open house. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager, Kimberly Harden, at 678-518-3942 or the environmental analyst, Amber Barlow, at 404-631-1167 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Duff" followed by a stylized monogram.

Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here:

The proposed project is intended to improve the operations and safety where multiple side roads intersect with State Route (SR) 5 in close proximity to one another. Dorsett Shoals Road, Banks Mill Road, and Pool Road all intersect with SR 5 within a tenth of a mile from each other.

In the project area, SR 5 is a two lane urban principal arterial with a posted speed limit of 45 mph and an average daily traffic (ADT) of 13,220 vehicles per day. Dorset Shoals Rd is a two lane urban local road with a posted speed limit of 45 mph and an ADT of 1,740 vehicles per day. Banks Mill Rd (posted at 40 mph) and Pool Rd (posted at 45 mph) are two lane urban collector roads with ADTs of 1,870 and 1,140 vehicles per day. Currently, Dorset Shoals Rd, Banks Mill Rd, and Pool Rd intersect with SR 5 at stop controlled intersections with no turn lanes on any approach.

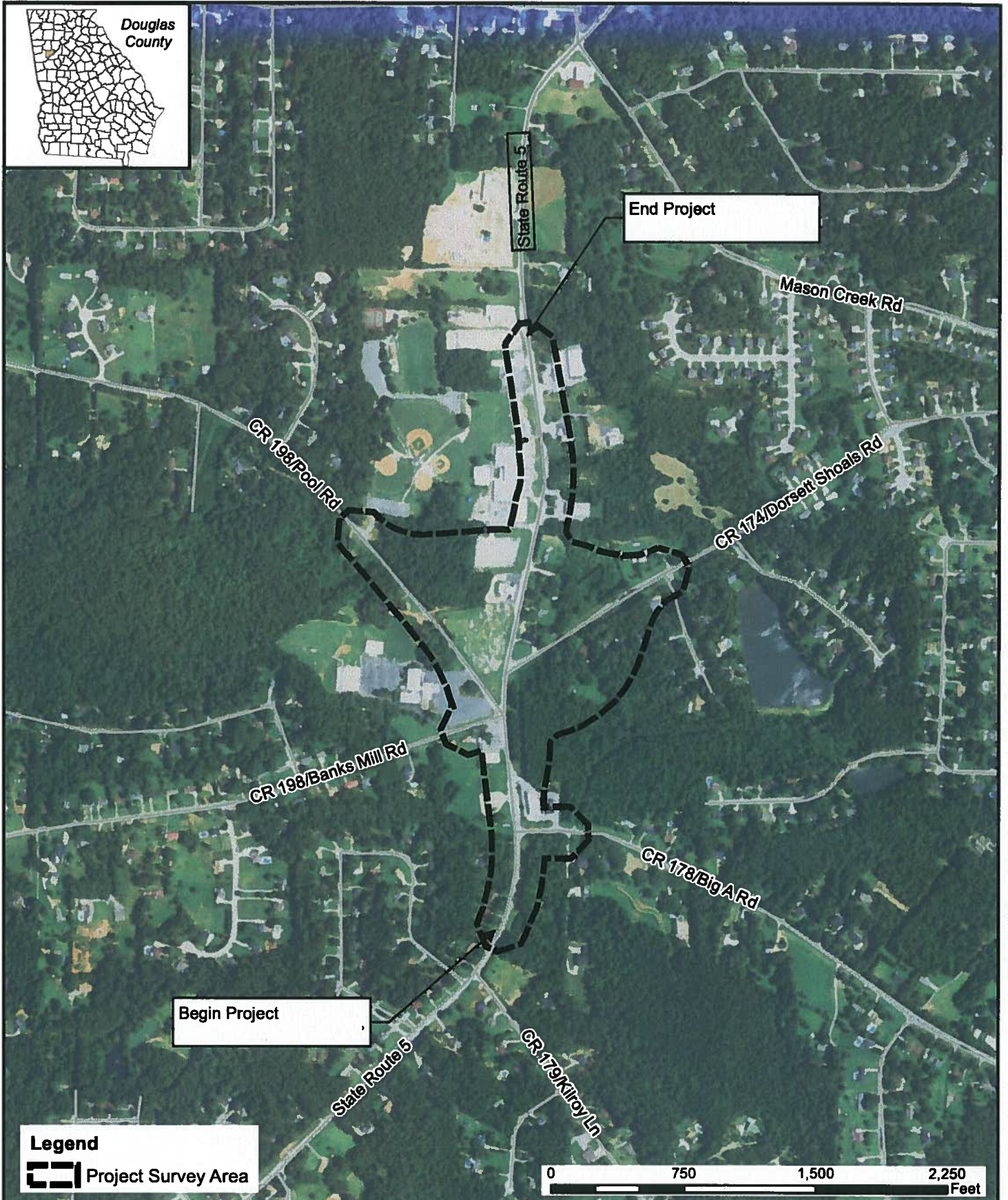
Crash data from 2004-2008 indicated that 50 crashes occurred at these intersections resulting in 36 total injuries. Of those crashes 41% were angle collisions accounting for 53% of injuries. Studies have shown that the installation of roundabout results in nearly an 80% reduction in fatal and serious injury crashes and nearly a 40% reduction in property damage crashes.

Project Description:

The proposed project would construct a five-legged, multi-lane roundabout and include SR 5 (north and south), Banks Mill Road, Pool Road, and Dorsett Shoals Road. This alternative would construct a southbound left-turn lane from SR 5 onto Big A Road. Dorsett Shoals Rd. would shift 250 feet south to align with the intersections of SR 5, Banks Mill Rd and Pool Rd at the proposed roundabout. Rights of way and easement are anticipated for the construction of the project. Please see attached figure for the proposed design.

Proposed Project Aerial View





State Route 5 at County Road 174/Dorsett Shoals Road
 and County Road 198/Banks Mill Road/Pool Road Roundabout
 GDOT P.I. No. 0009836
 Douglas County, Georgia
 Project Location Map - Aerial

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 Date: Jan. 2017
 Scale: 1" = 750'
 Figure 1

Source: ESRI World Imagery

Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project? (check your response)

- For
- Against
- Conditional
- Uncommitted

General Comments _____

How did you hear about this Open House? (check) Newspaper Signs GDOT Website Radio

Word of Mouth Social Media Other _____

Was the location of the Open House convenient for you to attend? Yes No

If no, please suggest a general location that is more convenient to your community.

Was the time of the meeting convenient for you to attend? Yes No

If no, please suggest a time frame that is more convenient for you. _____

Were your questions answered by GDOT personnel? Yes No

Do you understand the project after attending this meeting? Yes No

Please share your suggestions on improving the ways GDOT conducts Open Houses:

Mail to:
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