



October 29, 2015

SR 9/US 19/PEACHTREE RD. FROM CS 164/DEERING ROAD TO CS 3377/PHARR ROAD

Fulton County, P.I. 0012870

Thank you for attending the Public Information Open House for the proposed operational improvements to State Route (SR) 9/US 19, PI Number 0012870. 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 Monday, November 09, 2015** by using either of the following methods:

- Online at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach.
 1. From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click *Go*;
 2. Then select *SR 9/US 19 Safety and Operational Improvements*;
 3. Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Ms. Hiral Patel, P.E., 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 One Georgia Center located at 600 West Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30308. 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, Carleton Fisher, at 404-631-1981 or the environmental analyst, Aaron Burgess, at 404-631-1159 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hiral Patel" followed by a stylized initial "H".

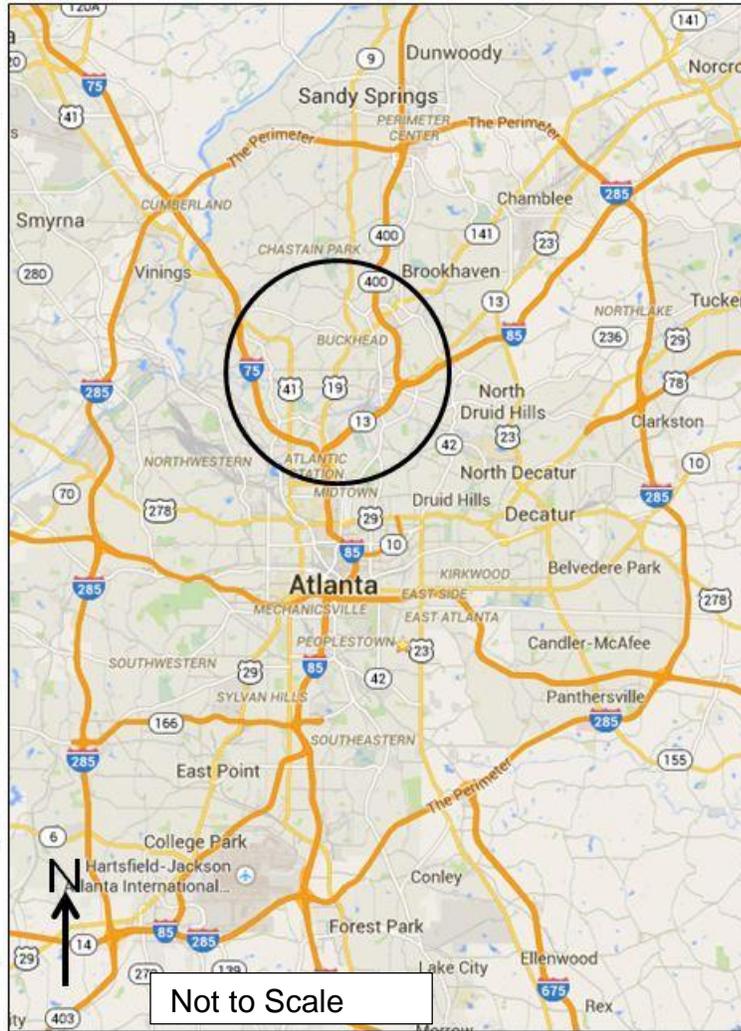
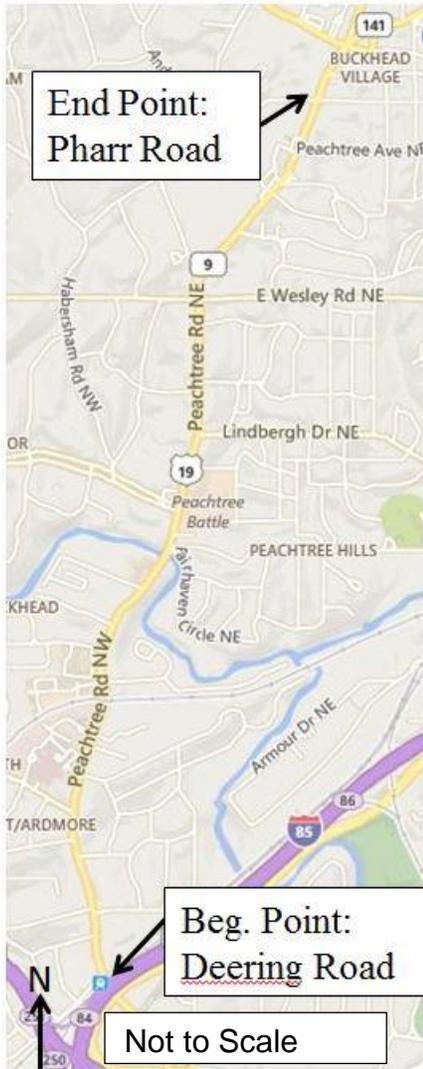
Hiral Patel, P.E.
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here: From 2009 to 2013 there were over reported 800 collisions on the project corridor. The overall crash rate on the corridor is higher than the statewide average for all principal arterial, non-freeway, urban roads, and roads of this classification experience some of the highest crash rates in the state. During the 2009-2013 time period there were also 11 crashes involving bicyclists and 42 crashes involving pedestrians. There is a need to implement a project on this corridor that addresses safety for all road users. The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is making a concerted effort to develop and strategically implement systematic safety improvements. These improvements vary in size and scope but the objectives remain the same, to reduce fatalities and serious injury collisions.

Furthermore, GDOT's District 7 office has identified that making left turns is challenging along the corridor and the two inside travel lanes have a very low utilization rate of about 15 percent as a result. The Peachtree Road project corridor has also been identified as a priority corridor for repaving by the District.

Project Description: This project proposes to improve safety on State Route (SR) 9/US 19/Peachtree Road. Along this corridor, the existing typical section of Peachtree Road is six 10-foot wide travel lanes: three lanes northbound and three lanes southbound. The proposed project would convert one northbound general purpose travel lane into a two-way continuous left turn lane between the intersection of Pharr Road and the intersection of Peachtree Battle Avenue. The resulting proposed typical section on SR 9/US 19/ Peachtree Road would include three 10-foot southbound lanes, a 10-foot two-way continuous left turn lane, and two 10-foot northbound lanes. Between Peachtree Battle Avenue and Deering Road the proposed project would convert the one northbound general purpose travel lane into a two-way continuous left turn lane. The resulting typical section on SR 9/US 19/Peachtree Road would include two 10-foot southbound lanes, a 12-foot two-way continuous left turn lane, two 10-foot north bound lanes, and 4-foot wide north and southbound bicycle lanes. Along the entire project corridor, left turn bays would be developed at each signalized intersection where they do not already exist. The proposed safety improvements would be done in conjunction with resurfacing and restriping of the roadway.

Project Location Map:



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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