

AGENDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Wednesday, June 22, 2016 4:00 p.m. Executive Conference Room, Administration Building Beaufort County Government Robert Smalls Complex 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort, SC 29902

Committee Members: Kraig Gordon, Chairman Bob Arundell Joe DeVito J. Craig Forrest Mark McCain Steve Miller James Morrall Paul Runko Joseph Stroman Stephen Wilson

- 1. CALL TO ORDER 4:00 P.M.
- 2. INTRODUCTIONS
- 3. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING COMMENTS Chairman Kraig Gordon
- 4. U.S. HIGHWAY 17 MPO PROJECT UPDATE (backup) Mr. Robert McFee, PE, Division Director-Facilities and Construction Engineering
- 5. FUTURE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PLANS State Senator Tom Davis
- 6. JASPER OCEAN TERMINAL STATUS State Senator Tom Davis
- 7. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING COMMENTS Chairman Kraig Gordon
- 8. ADJOURNMENT

### Next Meeting

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 4:00 p.m. Executive Conference Room, Administration Building Beaufort County Government Robert Smalls Complex 100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort





# Significant Project Update US 17 Widening Project Jasper County April 27, 2016

### Scope

The US 17 Widening Project entails widening US 17 for approximately 4 miles, 2 lanes to 4 lanes divided by a grassed median, from SC 315 to the Georgia State Line. This project also includes intersection improvements at SC 315 and US 17 that will improve safety and operations at this location. The purpose and need for this project is to improve capacity and reduce congestion.

### Approvals:

Following is a summary of necessary approvals, permits, and documents:

- FHWA Environmental Assessment (EA) Anticipated FONSI December 2016
- US Army Corp of Engineers Individual Permit Anticipated Approval September 2017

# Cost Estimate and Funding:

The total project cost is currently estimated at \$54M. The project is currently funded using Lowcountry COG guideshare funding and LATS MPO funding.

Fiscal Year	LATS MPO Funding Commitments	Lowcountry COG Funding Commitments
FY2015	-	\$1,000,000
FY2018	\$19,000,000	\$34,000,000
TOTAL:	\$19,000,000	\$35,000,000
FY2021	\$8,000,000 (Bridge-Ph 2)	-

# Status:

The project is being managed by SCDOT. Preliminary roadway plans have been developed and all changes from the Value Engineering study have been incorporated. Extensive Geotechnical ground modifications will be necessary on this project and Deep Soil Mixing has been selected as the most cost effective approach. The environmental studies, environmental assessment document and alternative analysis is currently being updated and prepared for review. Bike lanes have been added to the typical section upon the request of the project sponsor. Drainage design was completed this week and is being incorporated into the roadway plans. We are currently working on the Preliminary Right of Way Plans. Utility coordination is being initiated on this project and a significant amount of utility relocations are anticipated due to the required ground modifications on the project. The environmental impacts for the project have been estimated and a local mitigation bank has been contacted to secure an estimate for the mitigation costs. Advance Utility coordination has also begun with the utility companies with facilities located on this corridor. Maintenance is planning some minor maintenance repairs on the existing roadway this year in order to shore up the existing roadway until the widening construction.

# Anticipated Schedule

- Public Hearing November 2016
- ROW Acquisition January 2017
- Construction Spring 2018

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