AYNOR January 2009 RPASS PROJECT

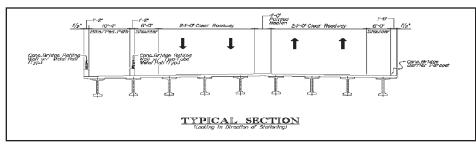








Penny Sales Tax for Roads



Typical section of the overpass over US 501

The Aynor Overpass was identified as a priority project in Horry County's RIDE II sales tax program. The new overpass will serve as the only uninterrupted thoroughfare that connects the two halves of Aynor that are separated by U.S. 501. In the past three years there have been 37 accidents alone along U.S. 501 in the 1.5 mile segment between Bluewater Road and Jordanville Road.

The proposed project will consist of approximately 2.5 miles of roadway, nearly 1.5 miles is on new alignment. The main line of the proposed project will include a landscaped median that will separate traffic, and a 10 foot multi-use path that will also span U.S. 501 to be used by the citizens of Aynor. The Aynor Overpass project also includes improvements at 6 major intersections throughout the town and access improvements to U.S. 501 to increase safety, enhance traffic flow and ease of commute between the two halves of Aynor.

Berry's Corner

I would like to begin by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. Since our last newsletter, a lot of progress has been made on the Avnor Overpass Project. An Access Study is being compiled to address any potential access issues that might arise with the construction of the overpass. The project has been reviewed by our Value Engineering Team and several cost savings measures were identified. Our Designers are currently working on implementing these measures. We have submitted our Environmental Document for Federal Review. Once this review is complete, we will schedule the Aynor Overpass Public Hearing to present the document's findings to the public. We anticipate scheduling the meeting in the upcoming months. We will keep you posted on the time and place for that important meeting.

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JANUARY MILESTONES

- Aynor Environmental Assessment is currently being reviewed
- * Project status report was presented to the **Aynor Town Council**
- * The Aynor Access Study is being compiled
- * A Value Engineering committee reviewed the project for any potential cost savings
- * The Army Corp of Engineers Wetland Permit 404 is being compiled

FEBRUARY MILESTONES

- Value Engineering committee will submit their comments for potential cost savings
 - Right of Way plans design is on-going
 - 65% Bridge plans will be reviewed
- Begin making arrangements for the Public Hearing