



HORRY COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA

Status Report

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Status Update on the Capital Projects Sales Tax

Conway, South Carolina – Since the voters of Horry County passed the Capital Projects Sales Tax Referendum in November 2006, many objectives and projects have been accomplished

Since Horry County will not receive its first quarterly payment from the South Carolina Department of Revenue until October 2007, Horry County Council passed a resolution authorizing the county administrator to loan cash from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Sales Tax Fund to begin paying for related costs associated with the road projects so work could begin immediately. The loan was not to exceed \$7.9 million. The South Carolina Budget and Control Board of Economic Advisors is estimating the tax will generate about \$425 million over the seven-year lifespan of the tax.

The Horry County Engineering Department is conducting the resurfacing work on the roads that were approved in the Capital Projects Sales Tax referendum. Work has been completed on the first 12-mile grouping of roads (see attached list) on August 2, 2007, at a cost of \$840,003.05, which was \$75,000 under budget. The next 12-mile grouping is expected to begin in 2008.

Horry County Council also passed a resolution on May 15, 2007, to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) to act as project/construction manager for those named state highway projects included on the road list. Those road projects include (1) a grade separated interchange at the intersection of US Highway 17 Bypass and SC Highway 707 at the backgate of the former Myrtle Beach air base; (2) widen SC Highway 707 from Enterprise Road to the county line including intersection improvements at SC Highway 544; (3) construction of the Aynor Overpass; and (4) widen Glens Bay Road to 3-lanes and construct a grade separated interchange at US Highway 17 Bypass.

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As project/construction manager, the SCDOT will prepare for each project listed above a detailed scope of work, budget and schedule based upon three phases for each project: (a) design, preliminary engineering and environmental work; (b) right-of-way acquisition; and (c) construction.

Proposals from consultants have been received for the Aynor Overpass project and the selection of a consultant is anticipated in October 2007. A signed contract and notice to proceed is expected to take place in November 2007.

A consultant was selected in July 2007 for the US Highway 17 Bypass/SC Highway 707 (Backgate) Grade Separated Interchange project, and the SCDOT is currently in contract negotiations and expect to have a contract signed and a notice to proceed in October 2007.

Field surveys and preliminary designs are currently in progress for the SC Highway 707 Widening project and information is being gathered for advertisement for design consultants for the Glenss Bay Widening project. Consultant selection is anticipated in December 2007.

Horry County has also negotiated and signed a contract with RPM Engineers to pave the first group of 20 miles of county dirt roads, which consists of 50 projects. RPM will act as construction manager and will prepare a detailed scope of work, budget and schedule for these 20 miles of county dirt roads. These roads are currently in the design phase and construction is slated to begin in the fall of 2007 with anticipated completion in April 2009.

For more information on the Capital Projects Sales Tax, please log onto www.horrycounty.org and click on the penny.

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Complete List of Road Projects

1. \$19,600,000: Pave 20 miles of County dirt roads
2. \$915,000: Resurface 12 miles of County roads
3. \$49,500,000: Construct grade separated interchange at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 17 Bypass and SC Hwy. 707 at the back gate of the Myrtle Beach Air Base
4. \$132,250,000: Widen SC Hwy . 707 from Enterprise Road to the County line including intersection improvements at SC Hwy 544
5. \$25,750,000: Pave 25 miles of County dirt roads
6. \$990,000: Resurface 12 miles of County roads
7. \$46,000,000: Construct Aynor overpass;
8. \$1,035,000: Resurface 12 miles of County roads
9. \$76,000,000: Widen Glenss Bay Road to 3 lanes and construct a grade separated interchange at US Hwy. 17 Bypass
10. \$1,080,000: Resurface 12 miles of County roads
11. \$27,750,000: Pave 25 miles of County dirt roads
12. \$1,125,000: Resurface 12 miles of County roads
13. \$6,500,000: Pave 2 lanes of International Drive from Carolina Forest to SC Hwy. 90
14. \$682,500: Resurface 7 miles of County roads
15. \$36,100,000: Pave 30 miles of County dirt roads

12 miles of Resurfacing (Group 1)

NAME	LENGTH	COUNCIL DISTRICT
LONGWOOD DRIVE	1.73	4
LOGGERS RUN RD	0.12	6
RICE MILL DR	0.50	6
SCOTTS MILL CT	0.10	6
SPLIT OAK CT	0.04	6
BRANDY MILL BLVD	0.70	6
BRIDLEFORD DR	0.20	6
HIGHLAND RIDGE RD	0.20	6
INDIGO CT	0.05	6
OLD CARRIAGE CT	0.08	6
PLEASANT RIDGE DR	0.06	6
STONE MILL DR	0.12	6
HALLIE MARTIN RD	1.10	11
*** NOT KNOWN ***	0.20	8
BUCCANEERS COVE	0.20	8
COVERY RD	0.10	8
BUCKS TRAIL	0.75	9
CANVAS BACK CT (EAST)	0.06	9
CANVAS BACK CT (WEST)	0.06	9
DEERWATCH CIRCLE	0.30	9
FAWN CT	0.02	9
LINKSVIEW DRIVE	0.17	9
MEADOW VIEW CT	0.08	9
STAGHORN LANE	0.05	9
WOODUCK LANE	0.06	9
EVERGREEN CIR	0.60	5
LIBERTY OAKS LN	0.30	5
LONE OAK	0.12	5
PIERCE PL	0.10	5
PINE VALLEY LN	0.20	5
SHADY OAK	0.20	5
SURFPINE DR	0.30	5
APACHE TR	0.40	6
BLACK HAWK TL	0.30	6
CATAWBA TL	0.10	6
CHEYENNE RD	0.40	6
CIMERRON DR	0.20	6
CIMERRON DR-2	0.20	6
PLANTATION RD	1.00	6
SHAWNEE TR	0.20	6
SIOUX TR	0.20	6
CHACTAW RD	0.16	6
Total Miles Section 1	12.03	

TWENTY MILES OF ROADS

DISTRICT ONE

0.20	SHELLEYS ROAD
0.30	GATER LAKE LANE
0.10	COLLIER LANE*
0.20	CHURCHVIEW LANE*
0.20	FAVOR ROAD
0.10	TOWER ROAD
0.10	FORD CIRCLE
0.10	LOIS LANE
0.10	GRISSETT LANE

1.40

DISTRICT 2

0.90	OLD REAVES FERRY RD
0.50	OLD COQUINA DRIVE

1.40

DISTRICT 4

0.20	OLD RAILROAD BED
0.20	GASQUE LN
0.50	STAR BUCK LAKE RD
0.20	VACATION ALLEY
0.10	HYATT LANE
0.10	BETTS ROAD*
0.10	TULIP LANE*

1.40

DISTRICT 6

0.60	LEONARD LOOP
0.50	MILL CREEK RD
0.20	CLARDY ROAD

1.30

DISTRICT 7

0.25	ERICS LANE
0.20	TIMROD LANE
0.15	SHAWN LANE
0.45	WACCAMAW BEND
0.35	DAYTON DRIVE

1.40

DISTRICT 8

0.40	SAVANNAH BLUFF RD*
0.50	WACCAMAW LAKE DR
0.37	THOMPSONS ROAD
0.20	ROUNDTREE LANE
0.10	SUSIE LANE

1.57

20.00

DISTRICT 9

0.87	SAMUEL ROAD
0.40	OLD SAWMILL CIR
0.19	BLUE RIDGE CIRCLE
0.20	HEMINGWAY LANDING
0.36	ASHMUN ROAD
0.10	WILLIAM ST

2.12

DISTRICT 10

0.96	GOOSE BAY ROAD
0.20	PINK DOGWOOD DRIVE
0.50	ASHLAWN DRIVE
0.39	JOLLY ROAD
0.20	OLE HOLLY DRIVE
0.81	NATHAN DRIVE
0.20	ROSEHILL DRIVE
0.20	CREPE MYRTLE DRIVE
0.70	WOODLAWN RD (PART)
1.00	STERRITT SWAMP RD pt

5.16

DISTRICT 11

0.50	ROSE MOSS ROAD
1.65	HUGHES GASQUE ROAD
2.10	HAMPTON ROAD

4.25