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Ebenezer Church Road Bridge Replacement – Project Update and Notice of Upcoming Road Closure

Fayette County, Georgia – March 2, 2022 - Ebenezer Church Road is scheduled to close to all thru traffic between Lester Road and Redwine Road beginning on March 10, 2022 for a 2017 Transportation SPLOST project. Access will be maintained to all properties along the road throughout the project.

Fayette County, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), and the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) are working together to replace the bridge on Ebenezer Church Road over Whitewater Creek. The current bridge, built in 1965, is 160-ft long, has a weight restriction of 10 tons, and does not meet today's design standards. The new bridge will be approximately 300-ft long, have two 12-ft lanes with 8-ft shoulders on each side, and will accommodate modern vehicle weights. The project is being designed and managed by GDOT. Fayette County was responsible for land acquisition. The project is made possible through a combination of local 2017 SPLOST, state, and federal funding sources, with Fayette County's local share being less than 15% of the project's \$5.3M total.

Project status as of February 2022: all design and land acquisition work are complete; the construction contract has been awarded to the C.W. Matthews Contracting Company; field work began in November 2021 with the clearing of the project work area and the relocation of gas and electric utilities; and **Ebenezer Church Road is scheduled to be closed to all thru traffic for approximately six months for the demolition of the existing bridge and the construction of the new bridge; the road is scheduled to reopen in September of 2022.**

Project information, including road closure and detour updates, is available at the Fayette County 2017 SPLOST webpage: <http://www.fayettecountyga.gov/splost-2017/>. Alternatively, please contact Fayette County at 770-320-6011 or SPLOST@fayettecountyga.gov for additional information.

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