

**Significant Project Update
US 17 Widening Project
Jasper County
August 1st, 2025**

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 to include a traffic signal and the addition of a twin bridge over the Back River. The construction of the Back River Bridge will be constructed separately from the widening and is considered as Phase 2.

Status

The Back River bridge agreement has been revised and Georgia is working on developing the project.

The project was let for construction on August 11th and was awarded to R.B. Baker Construction with a completion date of September 30th, 2025. The low bid amount was \$41,889,381.92.

Construction Update

- The project is in Phase III. Traffic has been shifted to the new Southbound alignment allowing Northbound lanes construction. Drainage installation is nearing completion. Culvert 2 and 3 are complete.
- Northbound fine grading and paving is in progress as surcharge is removed. Two-thirds of the surcharge has been removed. SC 315 intersection has been paved up to intermediate course and the turn lane has been re-implemented ahead of schedule to improve traffic flow.
- Upcoming activities include, fine grading and paving on Northbound lane and culvert 1 extension.

