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## PROPOSED FLORENCE BYRAM PARKWAY (GUNTER RD. EXTENSION)

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Project No.: STP-7074-00(001)LPA  
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Overview:

Florence Byram Parkway is a proposed 3.1-mile new construction, 2-lane roadway in south Rankin County between the Florence Byram Rd./Cleary Rd. intersection and US-49/Gunter Rd. intersection. The existing route that currently connects Byram and the Florence area utilizes two different roadways, Florence Byram Rd. and Cleary Rd. Florence Byram Rd. runs west to east between Byram and Florence and Cleary Rd. intersects Florence Byram Rd. in Cleary, approximately 4 miles to the west of Florence, and provides an additional connection to US-49 between Florence and Richland.

This project will help provide a new, safe route from the Cleary area to US-Highway 49. It will accommodate both passenger vehicles and trucks, as well as, alleviate traffic congestion in the Florence and Cleary areas.



Additional Project Information

Florence Byram Parkway, also known as Gunter Rd. Extension was originally proposed as a project to mitigate traffic congestion in the local Florence and Cleary areas, and to provide a safer, more accessible route for all types of vehicles to travel from Florence to Byram. Preliminary alternative routes have been and are currently being analyzed, such as the alternate on the west end of the project shown below in light blue:

An aerial map showing two proposed routes. The 'PROPOSED ROUTE' is highlighted in red, starting from the bottom left and curving towards the top right. The 'ALTERNATE ROUTE' is highlighted in light blue, following a different path that is more direct but appears to cross through more wooded areas. A blue box at the top left of the map is labeled 'WEST END OF PROJECT'.

Public Involvement & Outreach

Transportation effects everyone around us and is a vital part of the world we live in. It is extremely important to include the public's thoughts and views through all phases of a proposed project such as this one, and from that, potential issues or challenges may be avoided to some degree. By receiving comments, from the public view, we should be able to reach our goal together, which is to provide a project that benefits the general public's needs and desires and leads to an efficient use of funds to provide the best possible end product.

A 3D perspective view of a proposed 2-lane roadway cross-section. The road is shown with two lanes, a center double yellow line, and shoulders. The cross-section shows the road surface, shoulders, and the surrounding terrain. Labels indicate dimensions: 16'-0" for the total width, 12'-0" for the lane width, and 8'-0" for the shoulder width. The road is labeled 'FLORENCE BYRAM PARKWAY (GUNTER RD. EXTENSION)'.

The picture above shows a representation of a typical section of the proposed 2-lane roadway which will have lanes that are 12 ft. wide, 8 ft. shoulders, and gradual slopes leading away from the roadway providing a safe comfortable route for the public to travel from Cleary to US-Highway 49.