

Moreland Altobelli (MA) recently participated in the grand opening of the new interchange at I-95 and Horse Stamp Church Road in Camden County, GA. This successful project is the result of collaboration between Camden County, Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Early on, the Camden Joint Development Authority (JDA) conceived the first new interchange along I-95 in decades. MA was there from the beginning. We originally worked with the JDA to complete the planning work necessary to get the Interchange Justification Report approved. With concept agreed upon, MA took its cues from the Board of Commissioners and Director of Public Works, Scott Brazell.



This locally sponsored project will aid in the economic development of the northern end of Camden County. MA's role in this project included:

- MA planners developed the Interchange Justification Report and subsequent concept.
- MA facilitated public involvement and revised the design based on input received.
- MA participated in a formal value engineering study that realized cost savings in terms of construction dollars.
- MA's Savannah-based land acquisition group completed 13 parcel acquisitions in a matter of months after receiving the NTP. Services included:
 - Appraisals
 - Negotiations
 - Closing packages; and
 - Comprehensive right-of-way project management
- The environmental staff at MA effectively provided all necessary environmental tasks and documentation:
 - Prepared the Categorical Exclusion (CE) document
 - Acquired the Nationwide 404 permit from USACE
 - Acquired necessary permitting from EPD

- MA performed all preconstruction utility coordination.
- MA completed all survey, roadway, and structural design.

The project was a cooperative effort between local governments and GDOT. Camden County contributed all preconstruction costs toward engineering, environmental, and land acquisition, while GDOT was responsible for construction costs. As a result of the teamwork of Camden County, GDOT, FHWA, and MA, this much-anticipated project was let to construction on schedule to Seaboard Construction, Inc., for \$10.9 million. Construction began in November 2010 and the new interchange was opened to traffic this May (2012); a few months ahead of schedule.



Speaking – Tom Moreland, Chairman/CEO of MA

Dustin Schnedeker, Seaboard's Project Manager for the Horse Stamp expressed, *"Without the tremendous efforts of MA, GDOT, and the County, there is no way we could have delivered this key project under budget and ahead of schedule."*

MA wishes to congratulate the leadership of Camden County for the opportunity to work on this worthwhile enhancement to their community.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To add a new interstate interchange is a tremendous achievement and requires leadership and perseverance. Camden County provided both during this project. I am proud that MA was the consultant for this project from the beginning and was there to provide our in-depth expertise. As we do on all of our design projects, we worked closely with the County, GDOT, FHWA, and others to ensure the project's success. This project was opened to traffic ahead of schedule and below the estimated construction budget. It was a privilege to witness this great project named in honor of Sergeant Dan Jenkins, a Camden County police officer killed in the line of duty.

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