

RESOLUTION OF THE
TUSCALOOSA COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 18-003

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO ACT ON THE
COMMISSION'S BEHALF TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT WITH
TUSCALOOSA COUNTY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS
TO BEAR CREEK CUTOFF ROAD**

WHEREAS, the Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission (TCRIC) was presented with various project options for intersection improvements and work to the railroad crossing involving Bear Creek Cutoff Road and Bear Creek Road at its November 27, 2017 meeting; and

WHEREAS, TCRIC authorized the relevant entity representatives at that time to continue planning as to one of the proposals for final consideration for funding at a subsequent meeting; and

WHEREAS, such work has been identified as a necessary improvement for traffic management prior to the letting of work at the intersection of SR 69 South and Skyland Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, work on Bear Creek Cutoff Road was designated as a priority roadway under the TCRIC's enabling legislation and is identified as Project #6 of the TCRIC-ALDOT Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Tuscaloosa County (County) has presented the TCRIC with a proposed design and proposed to manage the project itself with a part of the project

to be permitted by the Alabama Department of Transportation (proposed design and description attached hereto as Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the project is estimated to cost \$2.9 million based on the cost estimates and scope of work proposed to the County and further clarified by the map marked as Exhibit A to this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County agrees to provide documentation of warrants, expenditures and other evidence of costs sought to be reimbursed by the County from TCRIC each and every time a reimbursement for this project is submitted; and

WHEREAS, the County further agrees as consideration for this reimbursement agreement to notify TCRIC, in writing, within five (5) business days if its cost and/or expenses for this particular project will exceed the amount requested herein by more than \$50,000.00 in the aggregate. The parties agree that an addition to the existing agreement by and between the parties will be needed to further authorize additional reimbursement amounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission, that the Chair be authorized to enter into an agreement with Tuscaloosa County to adopt an agreement to let said project pursuant to the details described above and consistent with plans and estimates provided by Neel-Schaffer, with an understanding that the Commission will

reimburse the County up to the amount of \$2.9 million upon submission of the documentation and information outlined above.

RESOLVED AND DONE this 30th day of April, 2018

Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission

BY: 
Hardy McCollum, Chair

EXHIBIT A

April 23, 2018

Mr. Scott Anders, P.E.
Tuscaloosa County Public Works
2810 35th Street
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Re: Bear Creek Cutoff Road Improvements
Tuscaloosa County

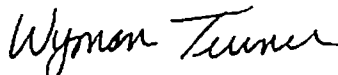
Dear Mr. Anders:

This letter serves to provide a summary of the intersection improvement project involving Bear Creek Cutoff Road and Bear Creek Road. The intersection will be modified to allow traffic on Bear Creek Cutoff Road to continue moving east and west while traffic on Bear Creek Road south of the intersection will be required to stop. The existing Bear Creek Road will be realigned to intersect Bear Creek Cutoff Road at a right angle. The proposed intersection will provide a right turn lane onto Bear Creek Cutoff Road from the realigned Bear Creek Road and a left turn lane from Bear Creek Cutoff Road onto Bear Creek Road. The existing southbound curve along Bear Creek Road at the existing intersection will be integrated into the new intersection as a right turn lane onto Bear Creek Road from the realigned Bear Creek Cutoff Road. A preliminary plan view of the proposed intersection has been attached for your reference.

These improvements are being made to increase the efficiency of the intersection. Currently, Bear Creek Cutoff Road carries significantly more traffic than Bear Creek Road. Allowing the heavier traffic to travel through the intersection rather than stopping will reduce the delay time at the intersection, which will reduce traffic congestion. Further, it is expected that Bear Creek Cutoff Road will take on additional traffic once the Highway 69 South project commences due to drivers attempting to avoid the roadwork. The proposed intersection improvement project will allow the roadway to better handle the current traffic volumes as well as the anticipated growth in traffic.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need additional information.

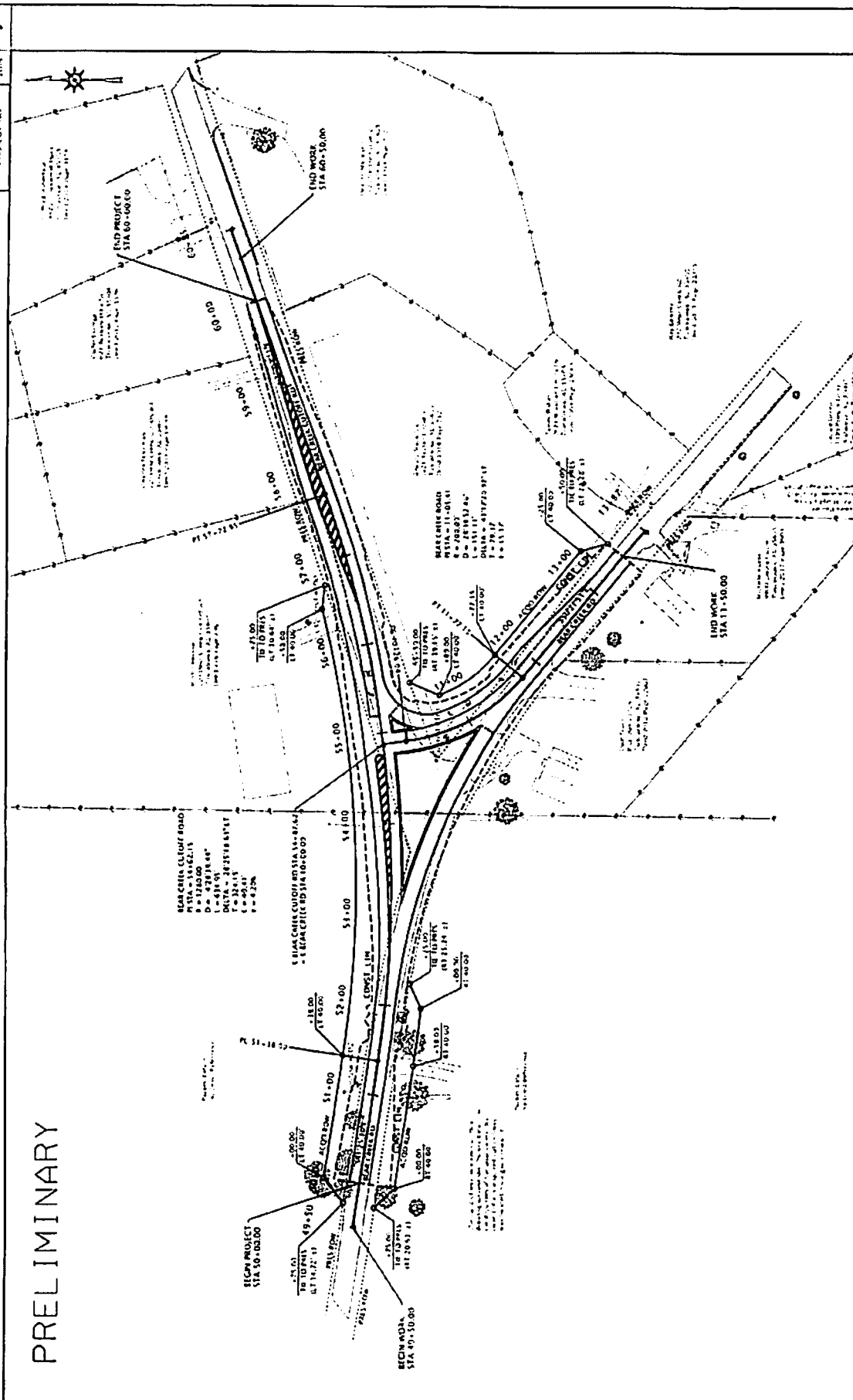
Sincerely,
Neel-Schaffer, Inc.



Wyman D. Turner, P.E.

PLAN SHEET

PRELIMINARY



<p>PROJECT NO. 2114</p> <p>DATE 11/11/17</p>	<p>SHEET TITLE</p> <p>PLAN SHEET</p>	<p>ROUTE</p> <p>BEAR CREEK CUTOFF RD</p>
<p>SCALE (FEET)</p> <p>1" = 40'</p>		<p>DESIGNED BY</p> <p>NEEL-SCHAFFER</p>