

Diverging diamond interchange coming to Gwinnett

Gwinnett's first diverging diamond intersection won commission approval for construction to begin this summer on Pleasant Hill Road at I-85.

The design uses the existing bridge more efficiently by switching traffic to the left to allow smooth left turns onto the interstate. Pedestrians will use a new walkway in the median.



E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., of Snellville was the lowest of three bidders at just under \$4.3 million, which will come from SPLOST funds. The work involves widening a half-mile of roadway plus new retaining walls, curb and gutter, sidewalks, and traffic signals. The timing of other signals approaching the intersection will also get adjustments to ensure smooth traffic flow.

Gwinnett Transportation Director **Kim Conroy** said, "The Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District has worked closely with our traffic engineers on the new design, which is similar to the diverging diamond that opened recently on Ashford-Dunwoody Road at I-285 near Perimeter Mall. We estimate this will extend the useful life of the existing bridge by about 10 years with no widening needed." The project is expected to be complete within a year.

AROUND GWINNETT

Don't tamper with water meters!

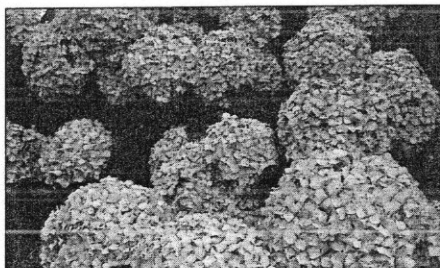
Taking unauthorized water from a fire hydrant or tampering with a water system meter is stealing!

Removing a Gwinnett County Water Resources water meter and piping water from a fire hydrant is illegal. Hoses that are connected to a fire hydrant that do not belong to the department of Water Resources or Fire and Emergency Services should be reported to the Water Resources Department. Please be sure not to cut off a lock after the meter has been locked for non-payment; this is also stealing water and is illegal.

To report any of these illegal activities, visit www.gwinnetth2o.com/WaterRestrictionViolation.

Helpful gardening tips from the Gwinnett Cooperative Extension

Prune summer-flowering shrubs, such as gardenias and some hydrangeas, after they finish flowering. Lightly prune overgrown hedges and deciduous shrubs as needed. If you would like more information on pruning, please call the Gwinnett Extension office at 678.377.4010 or e-mail extensionservice@gwinnettcountry.com.



TAX COMMISSIONER

Property tax bills to be mailed August 15

The Tax Commissioner plans to mail the 2012 property tax bills on August 15 with a single due date of October 15. For more information about ways to pay and to pay online, please visit www.GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com.

Visit the customer self-service

portal at www.gwinnetth2o.com

Customers can now schedule to start or stop water service, start, change, or stop automatic monthly payments, and update account information online. The website also has information about Water Resources, including water conservation tips and information about rates and billing.

EVENTS

Sign up for these and other great activities through the Community Services Department at www.gwinnettcountry.com.

Parks & Recreation – 770.822.8840

July is National Park and Recreation Month so be sure to visit your local award winning Gwinnett County parks!

Brown Bag Concert Series

August 3 • 11:00am – 1:00pm
Gwinnett Historic Courthouse
185 Crogan Street, Lawrenceville

Family Campout

August 17 at 7:00pm to August 18 at 8:00am
Tribble Mill Park
2125 Tribble Mill Parkway, Lawrenceville

Back to the Future Movie Night

August 24 • 6:30pm – 9:00pm
Rhodes Jordan Park Community Recreation Center
100 East Crogan Street, Lawrenceville

Health & Human Services – 770.822.8842

Shohei-Ryu Karate

August 7 – August 30 • 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Centerville Community Center
3025 Bethany Church Road, Snellville

Fitness Express • Free!

Thursdays • 11:00am
Norcross Human Services Center
5030 Georgia Belle Court, Norcross

Cooperative Extension Service – 678.377.4010

All About Rain Barrels

August 9 • Noon – 1:00pm
Cooperative Extension Conference Room
750 South Perry Street, Suite 400, Lawrenceville

Cooking for Cancer Prevention Class

August 21 • 10:00am – 2:00pm
Gwinnett Village
5855 Jimmy Carter Boulevard, Suite 122, Norcross

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