

## **Bob Anthony Parkway Relocation**

## What Is The Bob Anthony Relocation Project?

Pearl River Valley Water Supply District is proposing plans to improve Bob Anthony Parkway (Spillway Road) between Lake Harbour Drive and Old Fannin Road/N Shore Parkway in Hinds, Madison, and Rankin counties. The purpose and need of the project is to remove vehicular traffic from the dam to allow for safer and more efficient dam maintenance, enhance economic development, and open the existing roadway for recreational activities such as biking, walking, running, and fishing.

## What Are The Proposed Plans?

After additional environmental and engineering studies, Alternative B has been designated as the Preferred Alternative for the proposed project. Alternative B would construct four 12-foot-wide lanes divided by a raised median with 8-foot inside shoulders and 10-foot outside shoulders. The eastbound lanes would include an offramp on both sides of the spillway to provide access to recreational areas. The alignment, staying parallel to the existing roadway just south of the toe ditch, crosses the Pearl River approximately 350 feet downstream of the spillway gates. This choice is based on its optimal alignment, which involves removing vehicular traffic from the Dam's structure. The selection of Alternative B aims to create additional space, re-grade the downstream slope, and significantly improve safety and access for routine and emergency maintenance work on the Dam.

Furthermore, it seeks to expand opportunities for pedestrian and bicycle activities while enhancing the Dam's resilience to extreme weather events. Additionally, Alternative B only crosses the toe ditch of the Dam once and the alignment does not prohibit potential widening to six lanes if needed in the future.

## What Is The Purpose Of The Public Hearing?

The draft Environmental Assessment (EA) has been completed and is now accessible. The purpose of this public hearing is to allow the public the opportunity to review and comment on the draft EA that has been prepared for the proposed project. The public will be given the opportunity to review all project materials and discuss any concerns with staff. Interested individuals can view project materials and provide comments at <a href="mailto:bobanthonypkwy.transportationplanroom.com">bobanthonypkwy.transportationplanroom.com</a>.