

US Highway 11 Widening

Forrest and Lamar counties, Mississippi

Purpose and Need Statement

Project Location

A large industrial business development named Eagle One Mega Site (EOMS) is being developed and marketed by both the Forest Lamar Area Development Partnership (FLADP) and by the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA).

This site will provide infrastructure for large industrial complexes and substantial facilities with over 2,200 acres available for development. The EOMS sits approximately one mile southwest of the I-59/US 98 interchange.

Funding

4.5 million dollars in federally earmarked funds has been legislatively committed and appropriated for EOMS roadway improvements. In addition to the funding noted above, the Mississippi legislature set aside 1.125 million dollars to assist with the preconstruction costs of widening US 11.

Purpose and Justification

The purpose of the proposed project is to comply with State and Federal legislation and add capacity to US 11 to improve vehicular access as well as railroad overpass to allow for intermodal connectivity.

The development of the EOMS is expected to increase both traffic volumes and the need for improved access along US 98, I-59, and US 11. The purpose of the proposed project is to comply with State and Federal legislation and add capacity to US 11 to improve access to EOMS and accommodate future traffic demand in a safe and efficient manner.

Project Overview



Additional Lanes



Improved Capacity



Enhanced Safety



\$4.5 Million*

*Received from Federal earmark funds