

Resolution

WHEREAS, traffic along LA Hwy 818 between US Hwy 80 and LA Hwy 150 between the cities of Ruston and Grambling has increased significantly in recent years due to the enrollment at Louisiana Tech and Grambling State University, the increased population in the City of Ruston and Grambling area, and the creation of the Tarbutton Road Interchange; and

WHEREAS, a number of accidents have occurred in recent years along this section of roadway; and

WHEREAS, the roadway surface and underlying base of LA Hwy 818 has deteriorated to the point where regular maintenance is required to repair potholes and road defects; and

WHEREAS, the roadway edges have deteriorated to the point where drivers must travel in the opposing traffic lane to avoid road defects; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development already has plans to realign and reconstruct this portion of LA Hwy 818; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Parish Police Jury recognizes the temporary repairs made by DOTD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lincoln Parish Police Jury convened in regular session this 12th of July, 2022, that it does hereby and herewith urge and request that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the Local Legislative Delegation do everything in their power to advance the scheduling of the LA Hwy 818 reconstruction with geometric improvements project (#831-12-0008) to be completed in the earliest possible time frame.

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