

## Dennis Corporation builds Fairfield County

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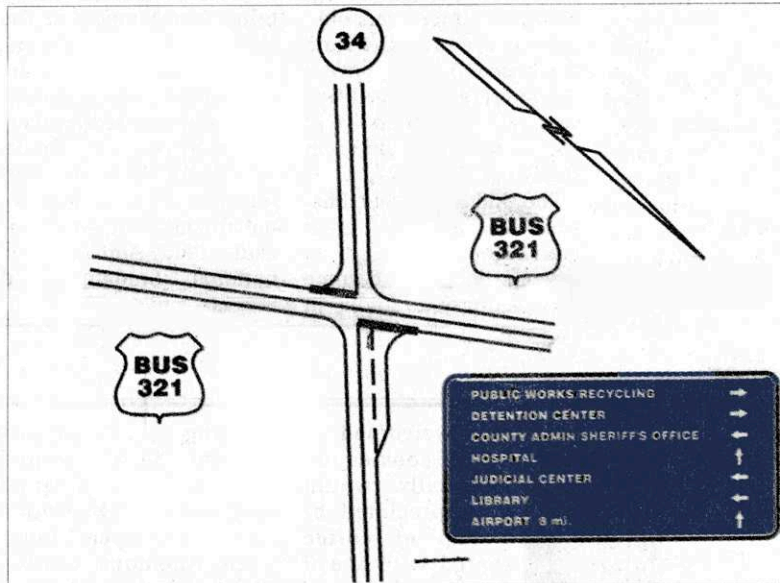
(This is the second part of a two - part series on projects by Fairfield County's on - call civil engineering firm - the Dennis Corporation. Part one appeared in Tuesday's paper and contained information on the Dutchman's Creek Pedestrian Walkway and Bridge, 2008 Road Improvements and Camp Welfare and Wateree roads improvements.)

During the upcoming months, County residents will see projects at various stages of construction including the Fairfield

County Animal Shelter, Fairfield County Transfer Stations, street signs and the Fairfield County Courthouse.

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This proposed informational signage by the Dennis Corporation has not yet been approved by the county.

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Corporation President) Dan (Dennis) has been very helpful, making us aware of some grants out there," County Council Chairman David Ferguson said. "He has helped (County Administrator) Mr. (Phil) Hinely has asked him to do."

Ferguson went on to say that he is glad that Dennis and his company are working in Fairfield County, adding that he believes the relationship will be both long - term and beneficial for the county and the school district.

"He's quite busy with us," the Chairman stated. "If he stays in Fairfield County, I will look forward to a long - lasting relationship."

### • Savings on road improvement

In an effort to help the Fairfield County Transportation Committee upgrade road conditions in the most cost efficient manner, the Dennis Corporation proposed the use of full - depth reclamation with cement. The FDR process would make use of the existing gravel by blending it with cement and subgrade materials to a depth of six inches. This cement stabilized material makes an excellent base for a thin asphalt surface.

This procedure, it is estimated, saved Fairfield County \$70,400 per mile.

### • Fairfield County Animal Shelter

The Corporation is also working with the County to construct the Fairfield County Animal Shelter which will replace the old facility located on US 321 in Winnsboro.

Conceptual drawings of the facility have been submitted to the County for review.

The bid package should be completed by the end of October.

The Fairfield County Council voted Monday night to locate the shelter on the former Hon property.

### • Fairfield County Transfer Stations

Dennis Corporation has also begun conceptual drawings for updates to 10 transfer stations across the County. The new designs will make it easier for the public to unload heavier items and will also help keep the drop box area cleaner. The design phase should be completed by the end of November.

### • Street Signs

Later this year, new signs will be placed at all major intersections in Winnsboro to help tourists traveling through the town to arrive at their destination. Dennis Corporation has submitted the sign designs to the County and the South Carolina Department of Transportation for approval.

According to County Administrator Phil Hinely,

county government staff members will choose which design to use.

The actual location of the signs on roadways in and around Winnsboro must be approved by the Department of Transportation, Deputy County Administrator Davis Anderson added.

### • Fairfield Courthouse

In May, Dennis Corporation managed a project which removed and replaced the concrete and flagpole at the Fairfield County Courthouse in Winnsboro.

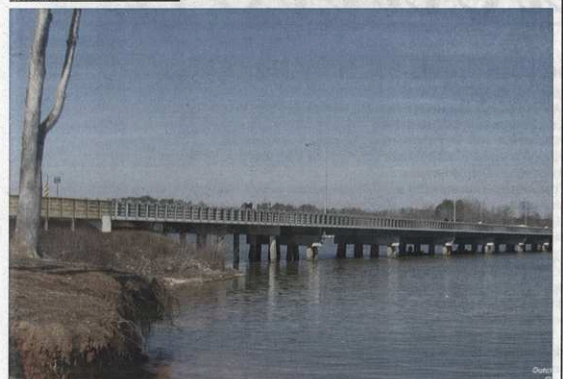
### • Assistance with Various Economic Development Projects

"It is really great in this business to have a civil engineer to act as a consultant," Fairfield County Economic Development Director Tiffany Harrison said.

Dennis Corporation is assisting Fairfield County's Economic Development office with various services for the Walter Brown II and McMaster Industrial Parks. These services include preliminary layouts for prospective industries, infrastructure assessments, attendance of meetings with site selection consultants, and other engineering consulting tasks.

"If we have a prospect in town someone from the Dennis Corporation meets with us and provides building renderings and acts as a consultant," Harrison said.

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The pedestrian walkway and bridge across Dutchman Creek at Lake Wateree is a Dennis Corp. project that is being eagerly awaited by Fairfield County residents.