

## **PRESS** RELEASE

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## Brooks County: Devane Road and newly replaced, improved bridge to reopen to traffic Wednesday, July 31



**QUITMAN, Georgia** — Contractors have completed all major construction tasks on the TIA-funded bridge replacement project on Devane Road and plan to reopen the roadway to traffic on **Wednesday**, **July 31**, **2024**.

The Scruggs Company closed Devane Road for construction from its intersection with US 221/US 84/SR 38/Thomasville Road to SR 76 on Jan. 3, 2024. The project replaced the old two-lane 64-feet long bridge at

Okapilco Creek Tributary, originally built in 1922, with a two-lane 100-feet long structure and also resurfaced the 2.1 miles of Devane Road.

The project was budgeted at \$4 million with all costs paid by the one-cent TIA sales tax approved by Southern Georgia region voters in 2018.

For more information on this projects and others in the Southern Georgia region, check out: http://www.ga-tia.com/.

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