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That's a wrap! Ben Sawyer Causeway Multi-use Path Improvement Project is Complete

Project adds approximately a mile and a half of wider pathway for bicyclist and walkers

<u>Charleston County Government</u> will mark the completion of the Ben Sawyer Causeway Multi-use Path Improvement Project at a ribbon cutting ceremony on August 7 at 10:00 a.m. on <u>Gold Bug Island at 1560</u> Ben Sawyer Blvd.

Ceremony speakers include:

- Charleston County Chairman Teddie E. Pryor
- South Carolina State Senator Larry Grooms
- Charleston County Councilmember and Battery to Beach Chairperson Colleen Condon
- Town of Mt. Pleasant Mayor Linda Page
- Representatives from Isle of Palms and Sullivan's Island
- Executive Director of Charleston Moves Kurt Cavanaugh

The Ben Sawyer Causeway Multi-use Path Improvement widened the existing path to eight feet to accommodate more bicycle and pedestrian users. The new path begins at <u>Simmons Pointe Road</u> in Mount Pleasant and ends at the existing concrete sidewalk on Sullivan's Island.

Up to 80% of project expenditures will be reimbursed by <u>Charleston Area Transportation Study (CHATS)</u> Federal Enhancement Grant funds. The Enhancement Grant funds were accumulated over multiple years by the <u>Town of Mt. Pleasant</u>, <u>Town of Sullivan's Island</u>, and Charleston County Government. The 20% local match came from the <u>Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax</u>.

The project is managed by <u>Charleston County Government</u>, in close coordination with the Town of Mount Pleasant, Town of Sullivan's Island, and the <u>South Carolina Department of Transportation</u>.

Visit the official website at http://roads.charlestoncounty.org for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects.

Anyone with questions about the project can call Charleston County's Transportation Development Department at (843) 202-6140.

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