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RR crossing at Ward Pineview Rd CLOSED for upgrades

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The railroad crossing at Ward Pineview Road is temporarily closed for upgrades. Road closure and detour signs went up on schedule Monday morning (Feb. 22) for Ward Pineview Road. Railroad crews brought in heavy equipment and began preplacing stacks of new railroad ties by lunch. The forecast of severe weather Tuesday and Wednesday could slow construction crews this week.

RR crossing at Ward Pineview Road closing for upgrades on Mon, Feb. 22

Release Date: Feb. 15, 2016

The County and Mississippi Export Railroad will be upgrading the railroad crossing and approaches on Ward Pineview Road starting on Monday, February 22. The improvement project will take seven days to complete and require a temporary traffic closure at the railroad crossing.

Both east and west bound traffic on Ward Pineview Rd. will be detoured to Grady Brown Road and Weeks Road. Mississippi Export Railroad (MSE) will coordinate train schedules as the work is being completed.



The upgrades include replacing the current worn asphalt crossing with high density concrete panels between the railroad tracks. MSE construction crews will also remove and replace several railroad ties and sections of track.

The railroad crossing at Ward Pineview Road is one of the widest crossings in the county with four separate tracks and switches. The crossing is a vital part of railcar storage and switching for MSE and the County's Industrial Park.

“Frequent drivers and residents on Ward Pineview Rd will certainly notice a much safer and smoother ride following the project,” Supervisor Fred Croom, District 1, explains. “This project

is a good example of teamwork. The County worked closely with Mississippi Export and the State to coordinate and schedule this project.”

Supervisor Croom and Supervisor Kelly Wright, District 2, jointly applied for and received Mississippi Department of Transportation funds to pay for the entire improvement project.

Heavy construction equipment will begin moving into place next week. All drivers are asked to use caution around the construction site and pay attention to the detour signs.

This is one of several current road projects in George County. Visit the County’s website for updates and details at www.georgecountymiss.com.