



## **Inverness Master Homeowners Association**



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Mr. James F. Horsley, Division Engineer  
Attn. Sandra F. P. Bonner  
Alabama Department of Transportation  
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Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2745

Dear Mr. Horsley:

I am writing on the behalf of the Inverness Masters Homeowners Association in support of Project Number STPBH-9802(133), improvements on Valleydale Road from Caldwell Mill Road to Inverness Center. The Association represents 1300 homeowners of the Inverness Community. The proposal meets the transportation needs of this heavily used road in a safe and efficient manner.

I request that you consider and support three concerns:

- 1) The existing culverts near the entrance to the Spain Park Recreation Ball Park and the Inverness Elementary School are too small and the roadbed frequently floods. You are most likely aware of these situations and I assume you have made appropriate design changes for the new road.
- 2) Even though the road is a primary arterial road for the area, it primarily traverses through residential neighborhoods, church settings, the Jefferson State Community College Campus, the Spain Park High School and Middle School Campus and Spain Park. There are no provisions for landscape enhancement. We request that landscaping, similar to but not as extensive as that along Green Spring Highway through Homewood, be included in the project.
- 3) We are working with Hoover and Shelby County to develop a greenway along Inverness Parkway. The greenway will be a paved asphalt trail 10 feet wide. We request that the 6 foot concrete walk between Inverness Parkway and Spain Park School entrance be replaced with a similar paved asphalt trail 10 feet wide. It would be ideal for the trail to extend to Caldwell Mill Road. This will provide a safe corridor for jogging, walking and bicycling along a heavily traveled road as well as provide an alternative for driving to stores, schools and parks.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Noel W. Chambless,  
President, Inverness Masters Homeowners Association