

Tumbling Circle Railroad Crossing To Close

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Hall County officials want to make residents aware that the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is permanently closing the Tumbling Circle railroad crossing in Gainesville next Friday, Oct. 17. GDOT decided to close the crossing near Old Oakwood Road last year, identifying multiple collisions at that site involving automobiles and trains.

Norfolk Southern Railway will be placing temporary barricades at the crossing next Friday and will install permanent guardrails with reflectors at the crossing the following week. In addition, engineers with Hall County's Public Works Department will post road closure signage in the area to warn motorists of the upcoming closure as well as signage indicating a dead end or no outlet once the closure is complete.

Later this month, Hall County officials are planning to present the Hall County Board of Commissioners with a plan to consider abandoning a portion of right of way on Tumbling Circle and turn the road into a cul-de-sac in order to increase safety and discourage illegal dumping in the area.