



STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

State and Federal Legislative Update



December 13, 2017



Presentation Outline

- **Presentation for approval of the 2018 Legislative Agenda Policy Recommendations**
- **December 5th Special Election Run-off Results**
- **2017 Legislative Study Committees**
- **Federal Funding Summary & Update**

2018 Legislative Session



Proposed Legislative Agenda Policy

- ~~• Policy recommendations presented to the Legislative Committee on November 15th.~~
- Policy recommendations considered for approval by the Legislative Committee on December 13th and the full State Transportation Board on December 14th.
- Recommendations aim to further streamline and improve the process for **surplus right-of-way disposal/leasing**; and to update the **pre-bid construction worksite inspection requirements** and the construction bid process to ensure **consistency on electronic submission** and **clarify deadlines** to ensure the best bids possible; and **Title 40 operations and access** update.

2018 Legislative Session



Proposed Legislative Agenda Policy

- **Surplus right-of-way disposal/leasing**
 - Ensure consistency and flexibility across the various methods of disposal: prior owner/successor-in-title sales, sealed bid sales, real estate broker sales, and public auctions. Ensure similar thresholds for leasing.
- **Pre-bid construction worksite inspection requirements**
 - Ensure this requirements apply to state-funded projects.
- **Construction bid submission process**
 - Ensure consistency with respect to electronic submission and clarify critical path deadlines to ensure the best bids possible;
- **Title 40 Operations and Access Updates**

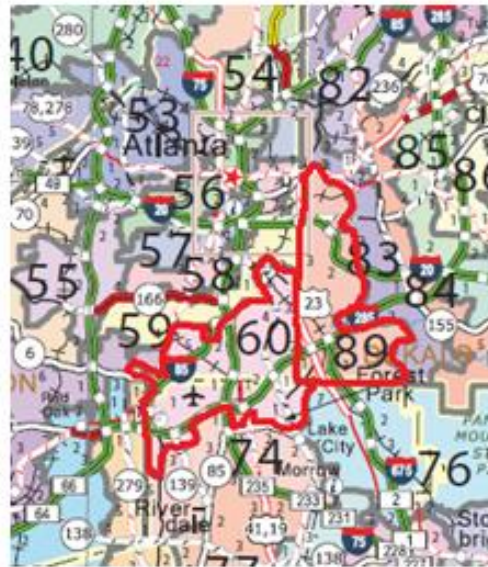


Dec. 5th Special Election Run-off Results

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Congressional District 5



Kim Schofield



House District 89
Congressional District 5

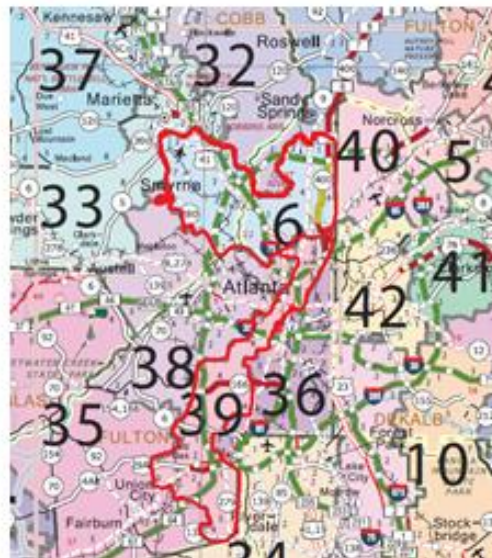


Bee Nguyen

Senate District 6
Congressional Districts 5, 6, 11, 13



Jen Jordan



Senate District 39
Congressional Districts 5 & 13



Nikema Williams



2017 Study Committees

- House Commission on Transit Governance & Funding
 - Focus on mass transportation planning & funding.
 - 5 Meetings—Capitol (6/29); MARTA HQ (8/2); ARC HQ (10/10); Columbus (11/13); and Savannah (12/6).
 - Abolishes on 12/31/18; may be extended to 12/31/19
- House Study Committee on Distracted Driving
 - Focus on need for legislative changes to address distracted driving.
 - 4 Meetings—Capitol (8/28); Warner Robbins (9/25); Savannah (10/10); and Alpharetta (10/30).
 - Abolished on 12/01/17.
- Joint Study Committee on Stream Buffers in Georgia
 - Focus on balancing private property rights and water protection.
 - 3 Meetings—Capitol: Oct. 13th; Nov. 9th; & Dec. 13th.
 - Abolishes on 12/31/17.



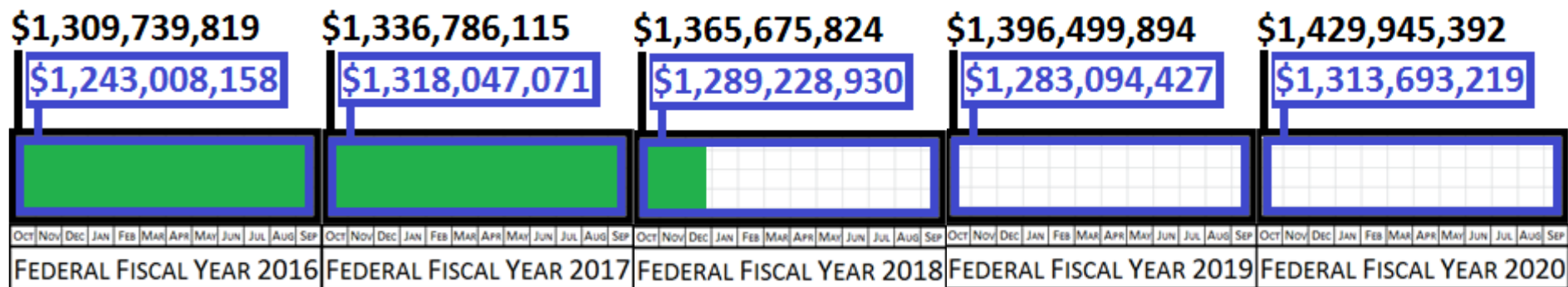
Federal Funding Overview

Authorization vs. Appropriation

FAST Act authorized **apportionment levels** for 5 years expiring September 30, 2020.

Limitation on **obligation authority** restricts the amount of obligation in a single fiscal year.

Annual appropriation liquidates the obligation to allow for the reimbursement to the state of authorized costs incurred.



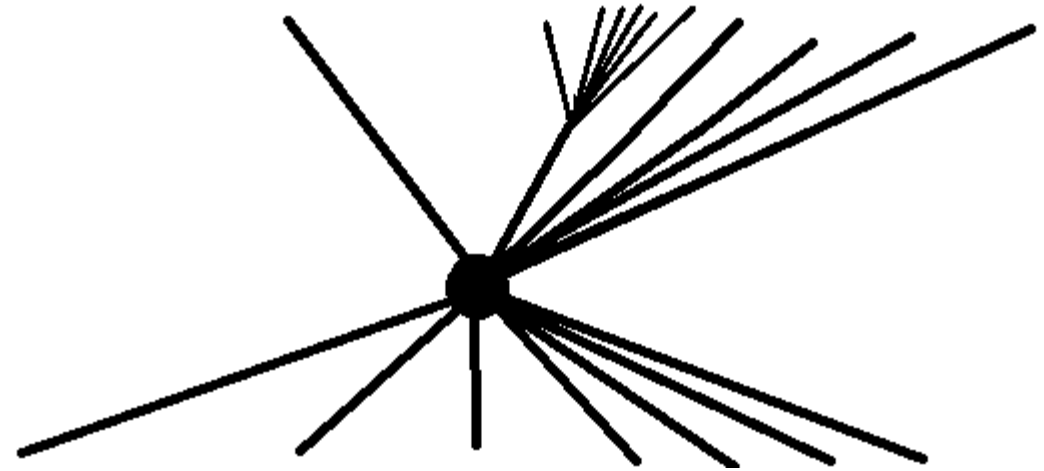
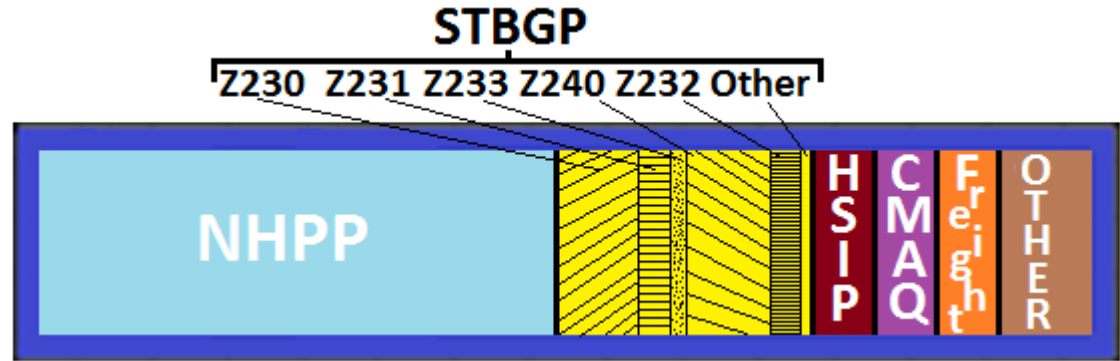
As a result of the current Continuing Resolution (expires December 22nd), **only \$225M in FHWA funds** were made available to Georgia.

Funding Overview



\$1,289,228,930

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2018



STATE FUNDS



Current Federal Funding Status

- Federal FY2018 Appropriations
 - Current Continuing Resolution expires on December 22nd.
 - \$225M in federal funds available to date.
- Advanced Construction (AC)
 - GDOT has advanced federal projects with \$549M in state funds since the start of GAFY18.
 - \$105M in AC conversions brings total to a \$444M balance just since the start of GAFY18.
- **Long-term FFY18 Appropriations required to avoid indefinite interruption of lettings as early as March 2018.**

