



Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP) Update

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Governor's Road Improvement Program

- GRIP was established by Georgia Legislature in 1989 (State Code: 32-4-22) to create Economical Developmental Highways across Georgia
- Purpose:
 - Enhance Connectivity (goal to get 98% of population within 20 miles of a 4-lane facility)
 - Provide opportunities for growth
 - Provide effective and efficient transportation
 - Provide safer travel in rural area



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GRIP Corridors:

- Original Legislation specified 12 corridors (2,130 miles).
- Currently today, 19 corridors exist (3,323 miles)

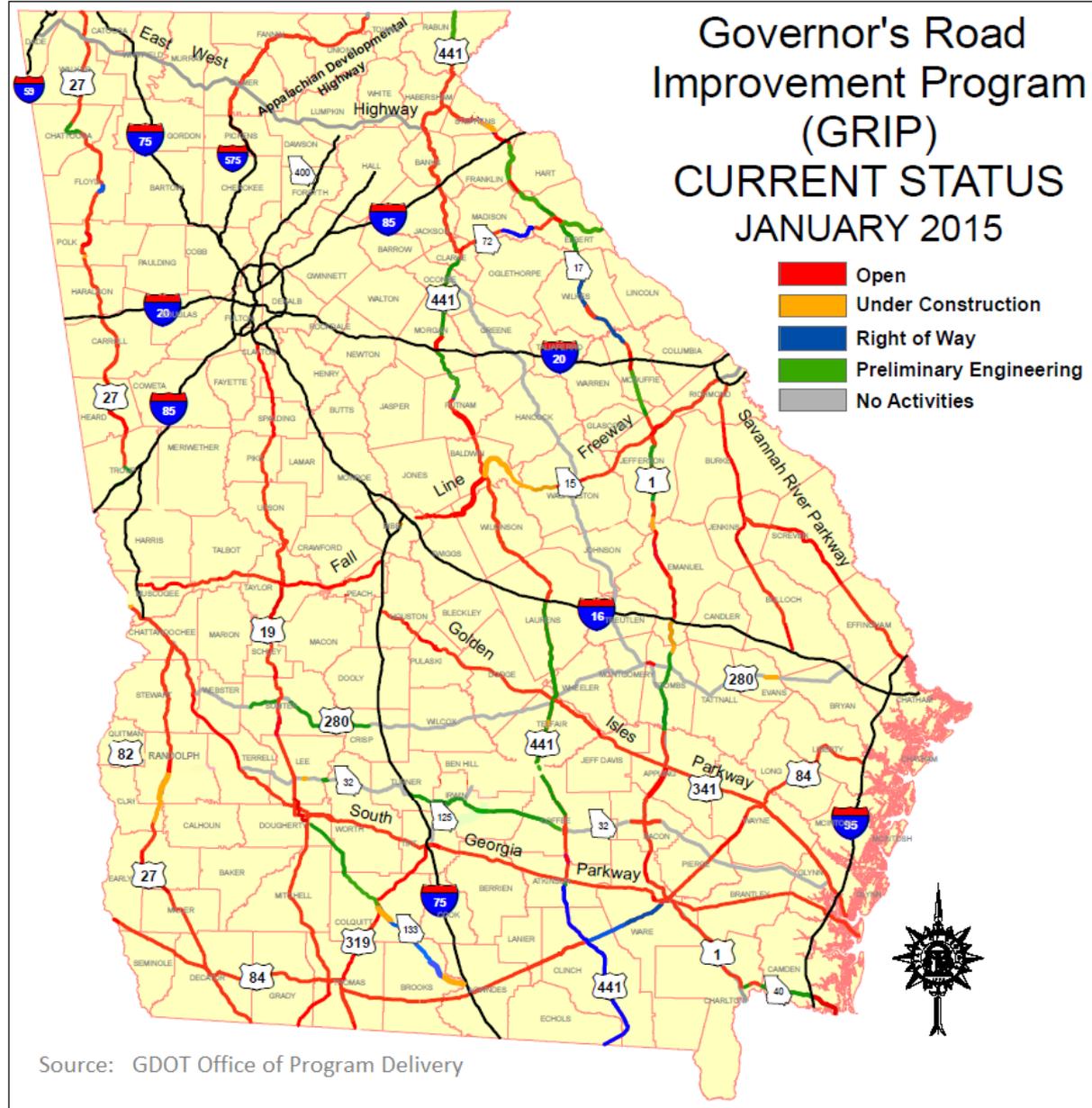
Statistics To date*:

- 2,130 miles (85%) of the original 1989 corridors are open
- 2717 miles (65%) of the total GRIP system (including 7 new corridors) has been completed
- Miles remaining to be built: 1,152 miles (35%)
- Cost to complete remaining GRIP routes: **\$6.9 Billion**



GRIP Status Map

Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP) CURRENT STATUS JANUARY 2015



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- **GRIP Recent Achievements:**

- Fall Line Freeway Under CST

- New Alignment near Milledgeville (opening Fall 2016)
- Widenings near Sandersville (opening Spring 2017)

- US 27

- Final SW Georgia segments under CST (opening Spring 2016)
- South Rome Bypass (CST 2017)
- Summerville Bypasses (CST 2018)

- US 84 Completion

- Final portions near Waycross (CST Authorized Fall 2015)

- SR 133

- Portion near Valdosta now under CST
- Segments near Albany have ROW in STIP



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- **GRIP Focus Looking Ahead:**
 - 1. US 441**
 - Complete US-441 in Rabun County (to NC State Line)
 - Complete portions between Eatonton and Athens
 - Accelerate portions between US-84 and I-16
 - 2. US 1 Segments**
 - Complete portions near Louisville and Lyons in Eastern Georgia
 - 3. SR 17 Segments**
 - Accelerate projects between I-20 and I-85 in NE Georgia
- Cost to complete 3 Corridors above: \$1.5 Billion

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GRIP Project Prioritization Focus:

- Governor's Strategic Goals:
 - Supporting Georgia's economic growth and competitiveness;
 - Ensuring safety and security;
 - Maximizing the value of Georgia's assets; and
 - Minimizing impact on the environment.
- Review of Traffic, Freight, and Crash data
- Focus on completion of corridors



Questions

GDOT GRIP website:

<http://www.dot.ga.gov/BS/Programs/GRIP>

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