

# Update on Georgia's Welcome Center & Rest Areas

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## Updates on...

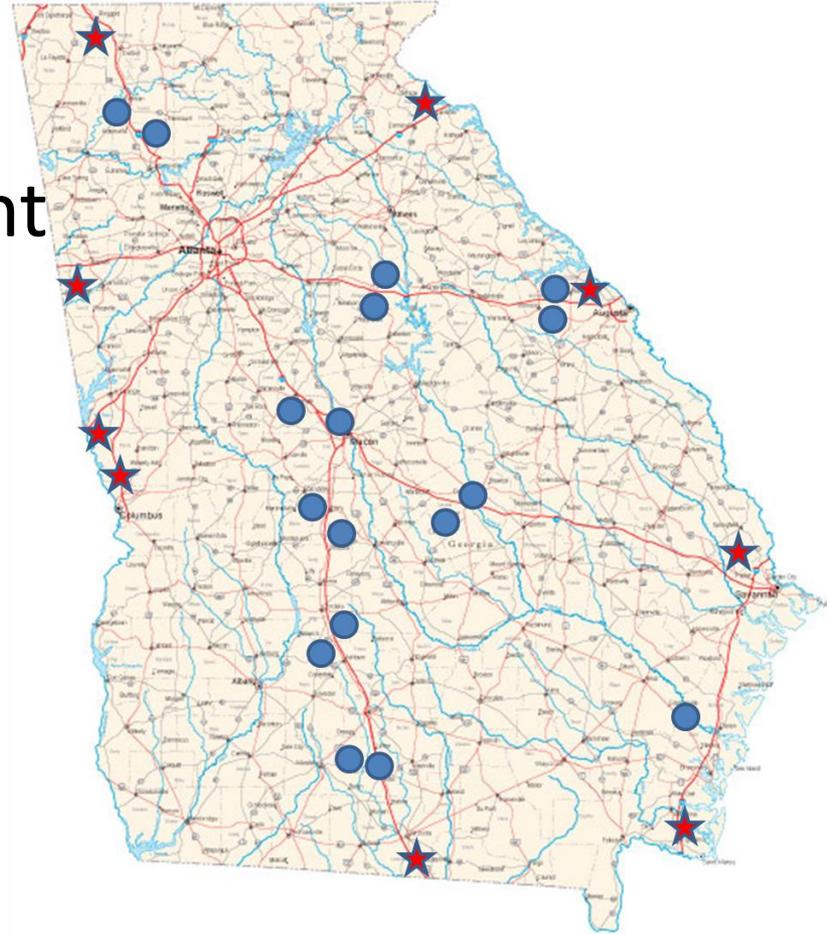
- Welcome Center Construction
- Rest Area Upgrades





# Welcome Center Updates

- 9 Existing Welcome Centers
- 8 Renovations, 1 Replacement
- Upgrade Projects are managed by GSFIC
- 3 Construction Contracts for Renovation



 Welcome Centers (9)

 Rest Areas (17)

# Lavonia Welcome Center

Open to Public: January 2016

Scope of Work:

Landscaping

Restroom Upgrades

Parking Lot Updates

Roofing/Exterior Updates

Main Water Line Replacement



# Lavonia Welcome Center



Before



After

Entrance Landing Replacement



# Lavonia Welcome Center



Before

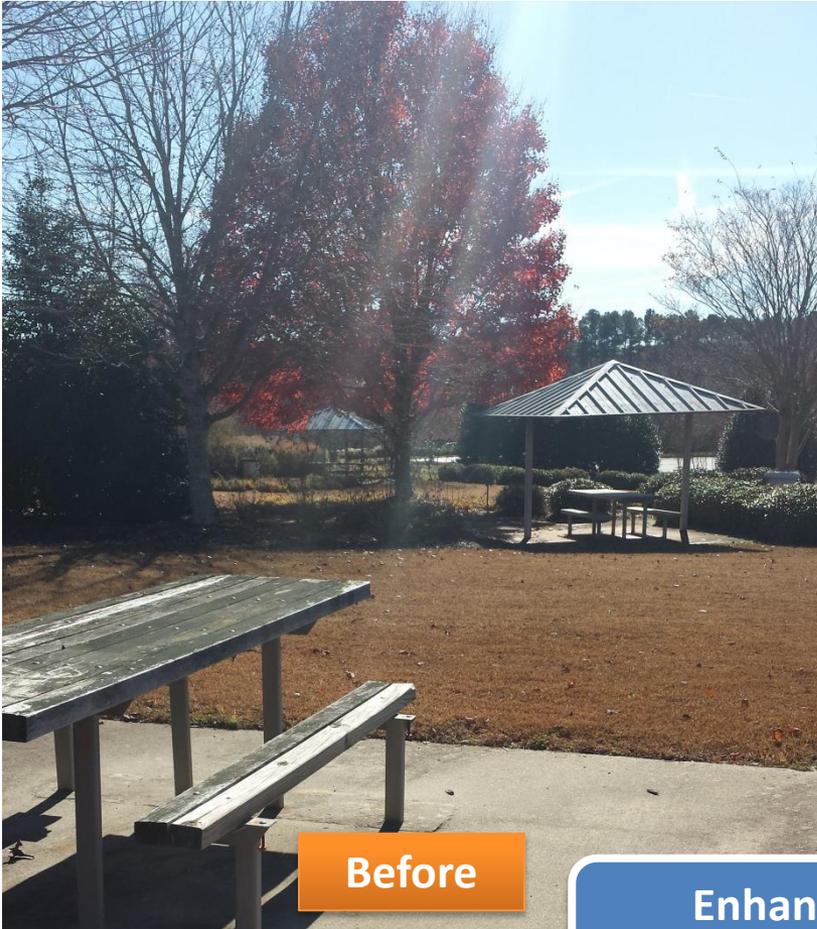


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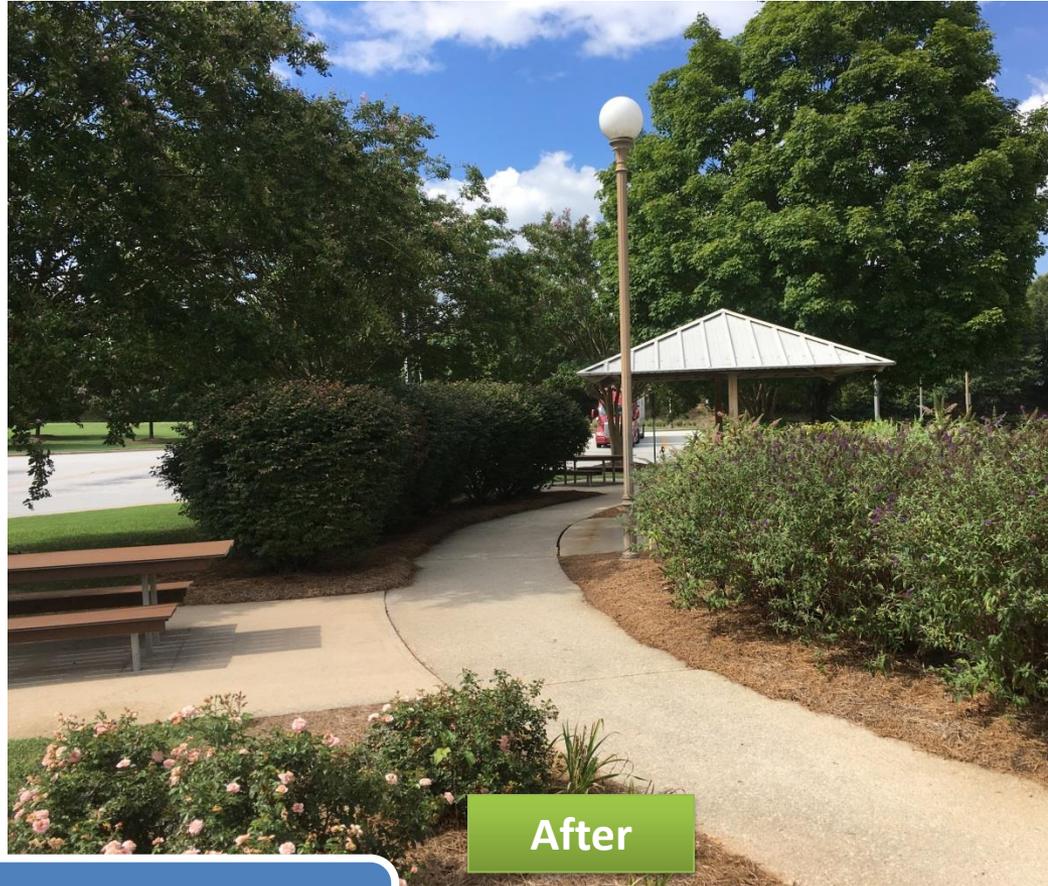
Improved Lighting, Painting,  
Interior Repairs



# Lavonia Welcome Center



**Before**



**After**

**Enhanced Landscaping  
(Lighting, Tables, Vegetation)**

# Ringgold Welcome Center

Open to Public: June 2016

Scope of Work:

Landscaping

Parking Lot Restriping

Restroom Renovation

HVAC Repair





# Ringgold Welcome Center



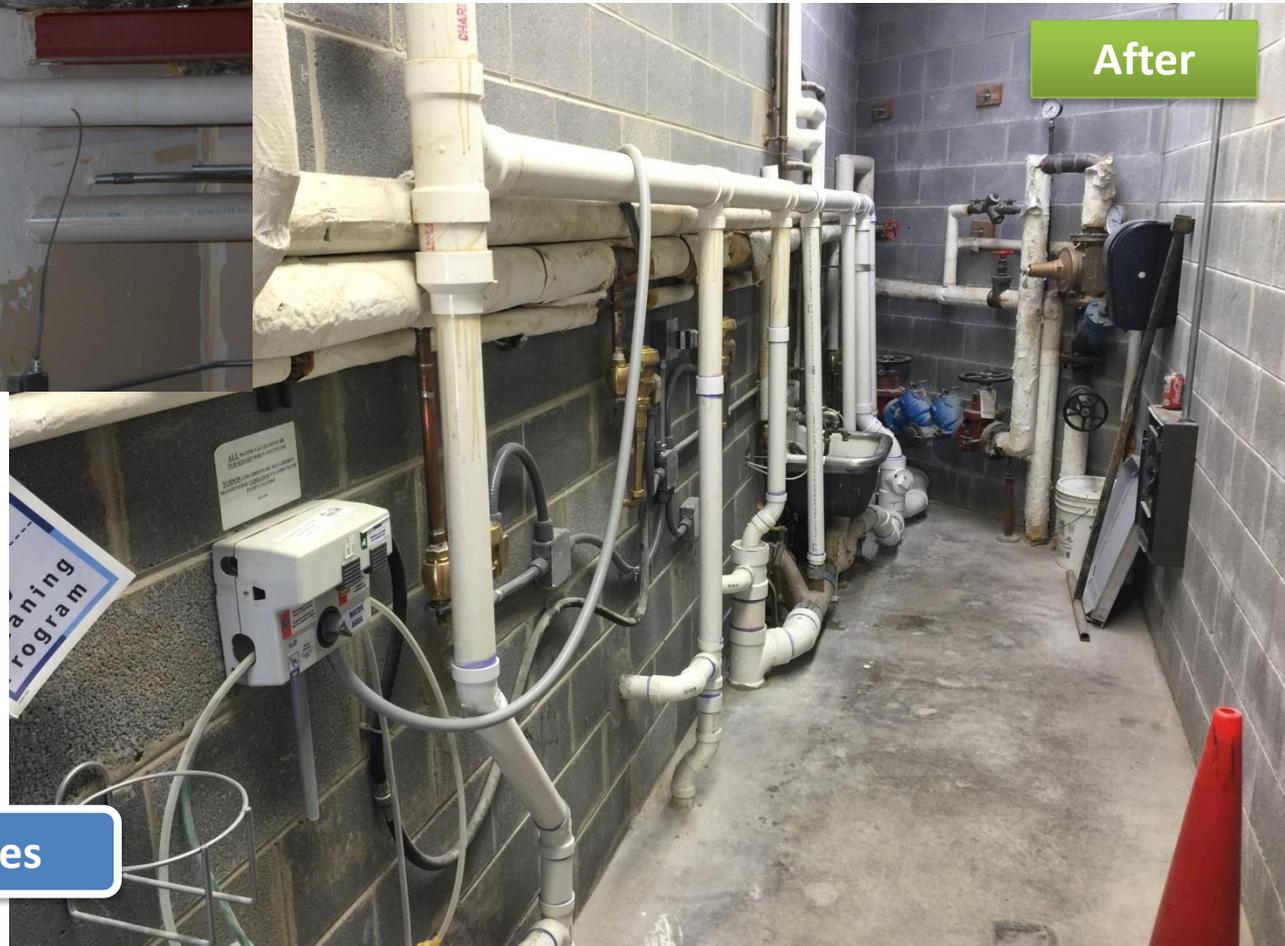
**Before**



**Upgraded Restroom Fixtures**

**After**

# Ringgold Welcome Center



New Plumbing and HVAC Fixes



# Ringgold Welcome Center



**Before**



**After**



**Landscaping Upgrades  
to outdoor fixtures**

# Augusta Welcome Center

Open to Public: March 2016

Scope of Work:

- Parking Lot Restriping
- Extensive Landscaping
- Interior Painting
- Upgrade Lighting  
& Light Control System





# Augusta Welcome Center



**Parking Lot Restriping**

**Before**



# Augusta Welcome Center



**Parking Lot Restriping**

**After**



# Augusta Welcome Center



**Indoor Renovation  
(Light fixtures only)**

**After**

# Tallapoosa Welcome Center

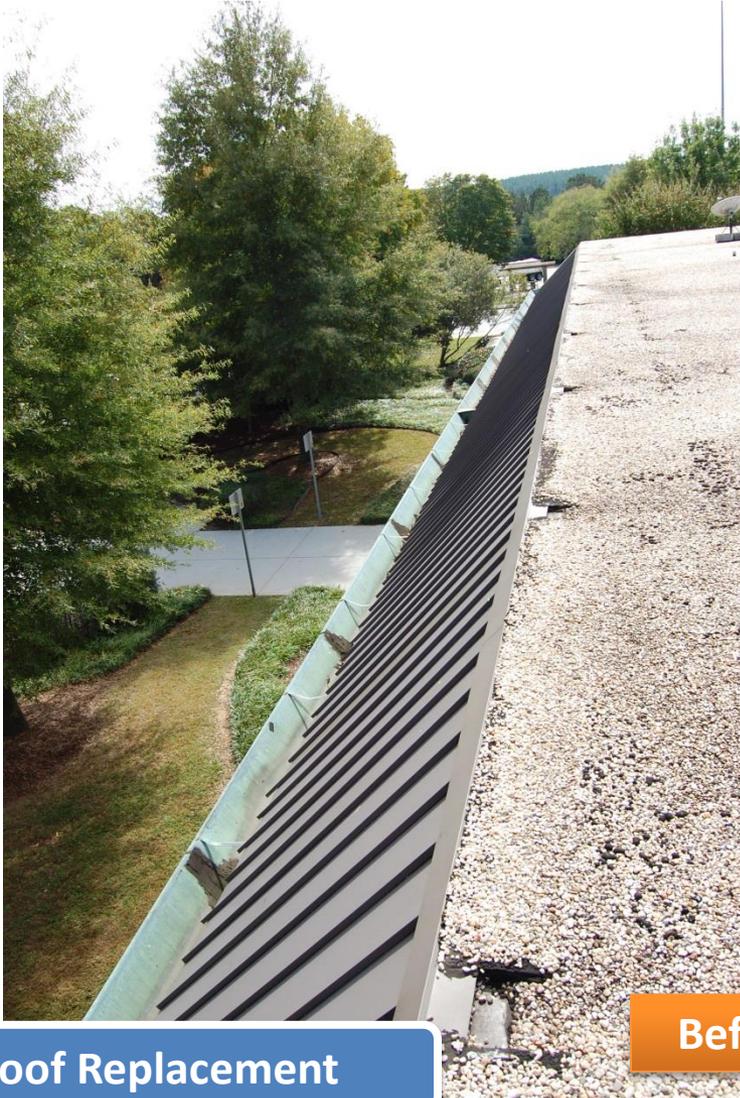
Open to Public: November 2015

Scope of Work:

- Landscaping
- New Roof
- HVAC Update



# Tallapoosa Welcome Center



**Roof Replacement**

**Before**



# Tallapoosa Welcome Center



**Roof Reconstruction**

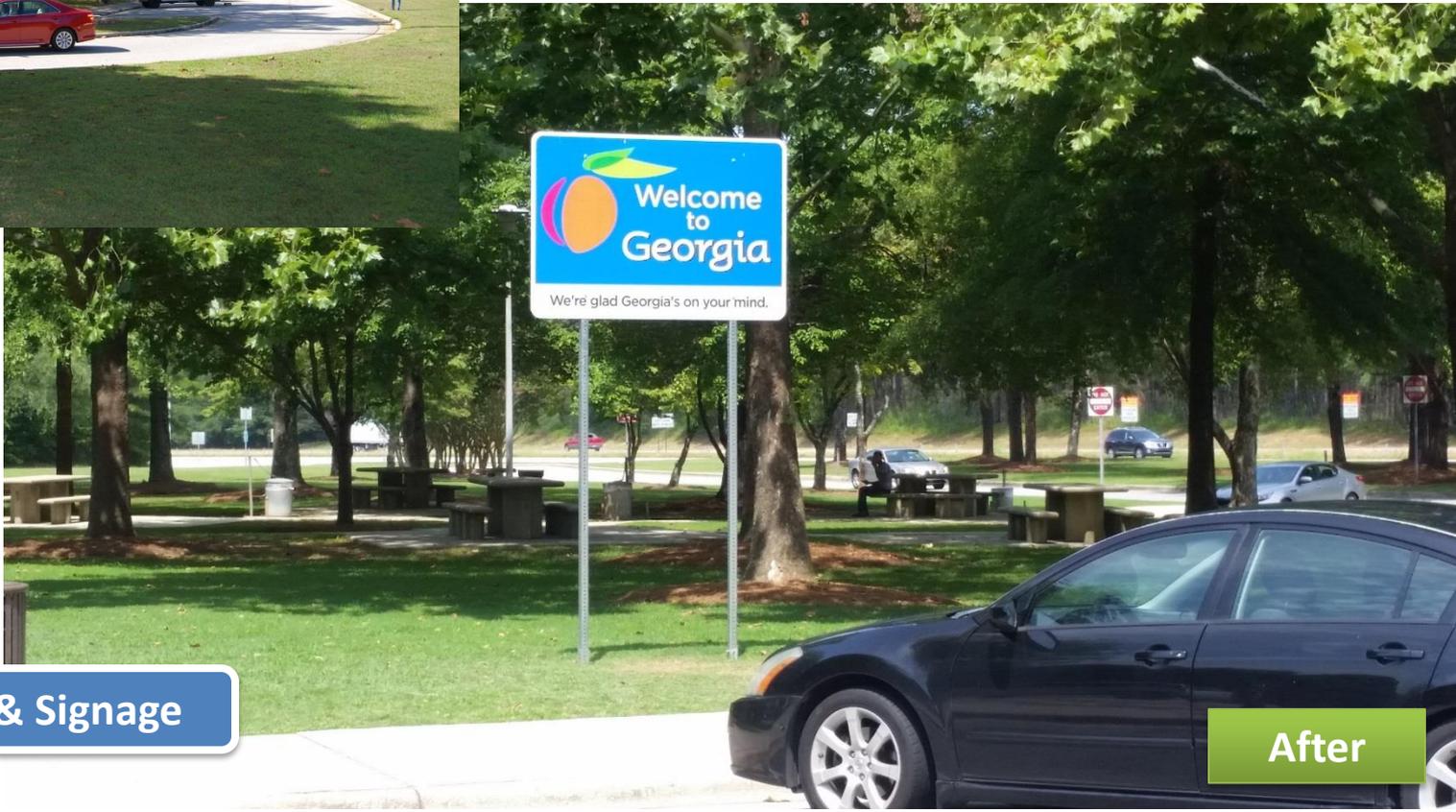
**After**



# Tallapoosa Welcome Center



Before



Landscaping & Signage

After

# Lake Park Welcome Center

Open to Public: July 2016

Scope of Work:

- New Building Addition for Restroom Upgrades
- New Flooring & Interior Upgrades
- Parking Lot Upgrades
- Landscaping



# Lake Park Welcome Center



**Before**

**Old Building for Restrooms**



# Lake Park Welcome Center



**New Building Addition for Indoor Restrooms  
(Incl. Outdoor Vending/Picnic Area)**



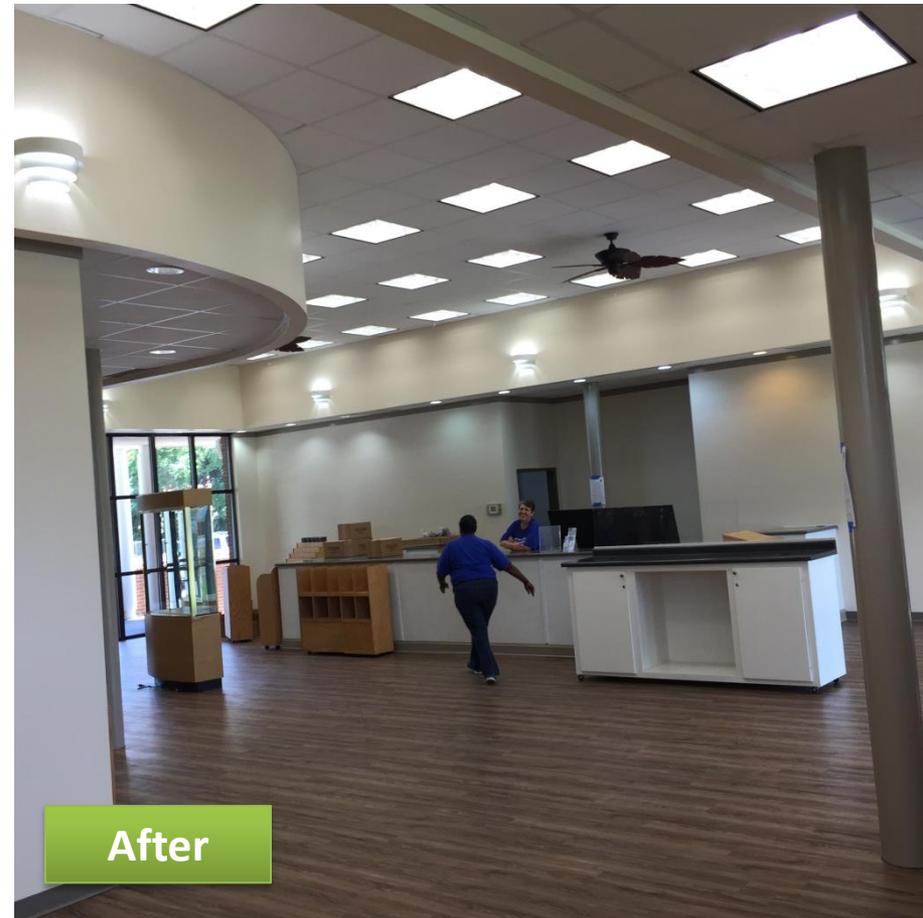
**After**



# Lake Park Welcome Center



Modernized Interior  
New Flooring, Painting



# Kingsland Welcome Center

Open to Public: Anticipated late August

Scope of Work:

Landscaping

HVAC Work

Sewer Repair



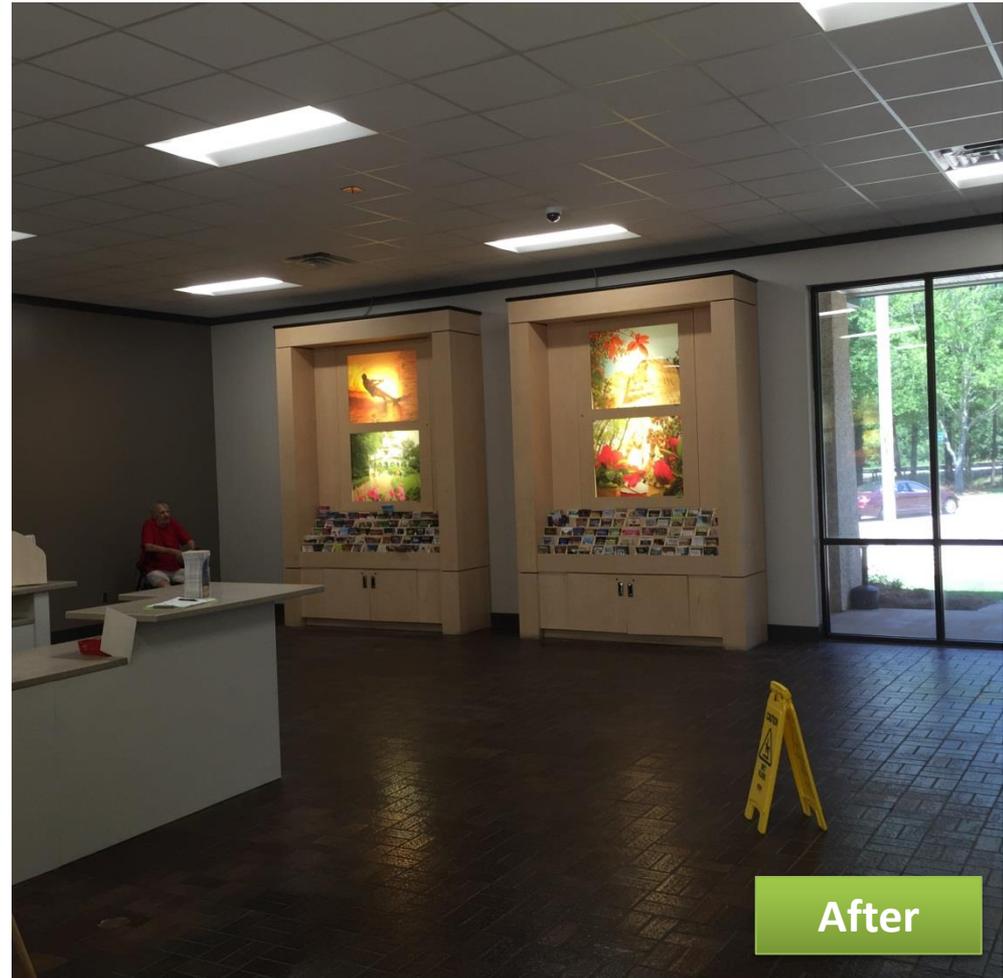


# Kingsland Welcome Center



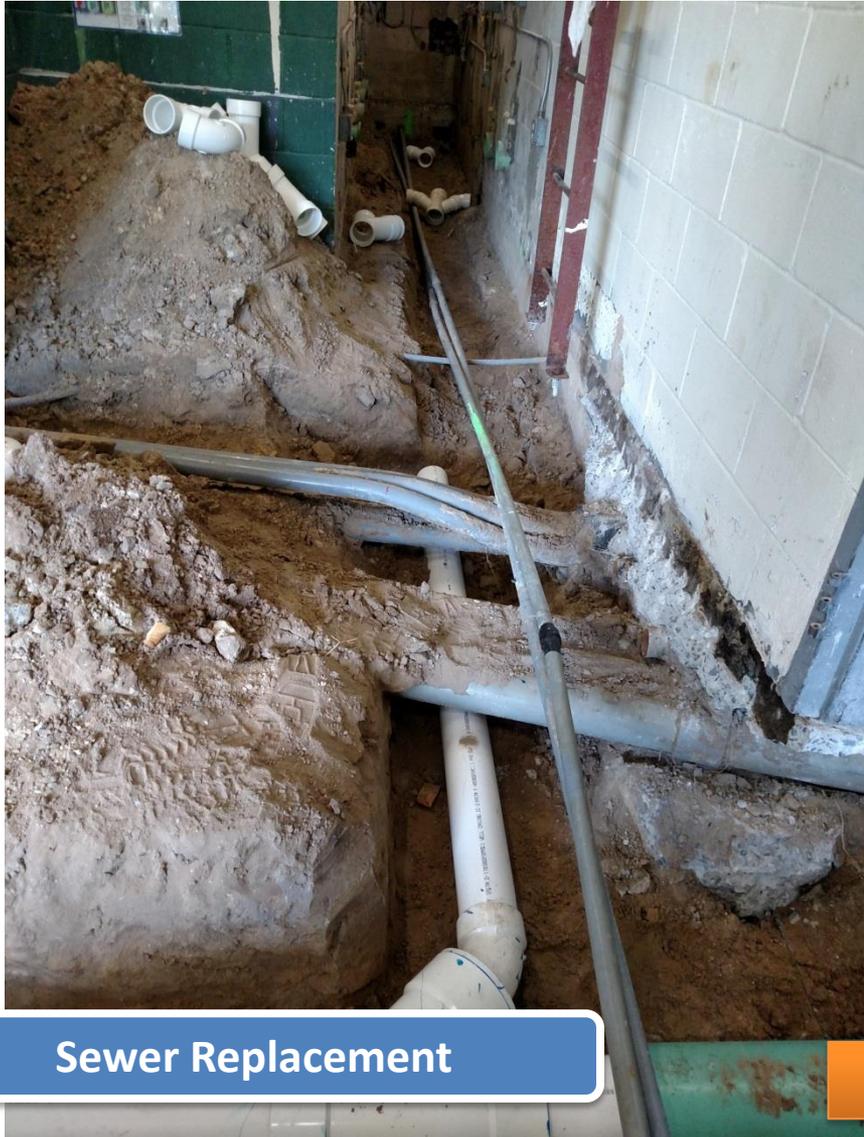
Before

Modernized Interior  
Refurbish Flooring, LED Lighting



After

# Kingsland Welcome Center

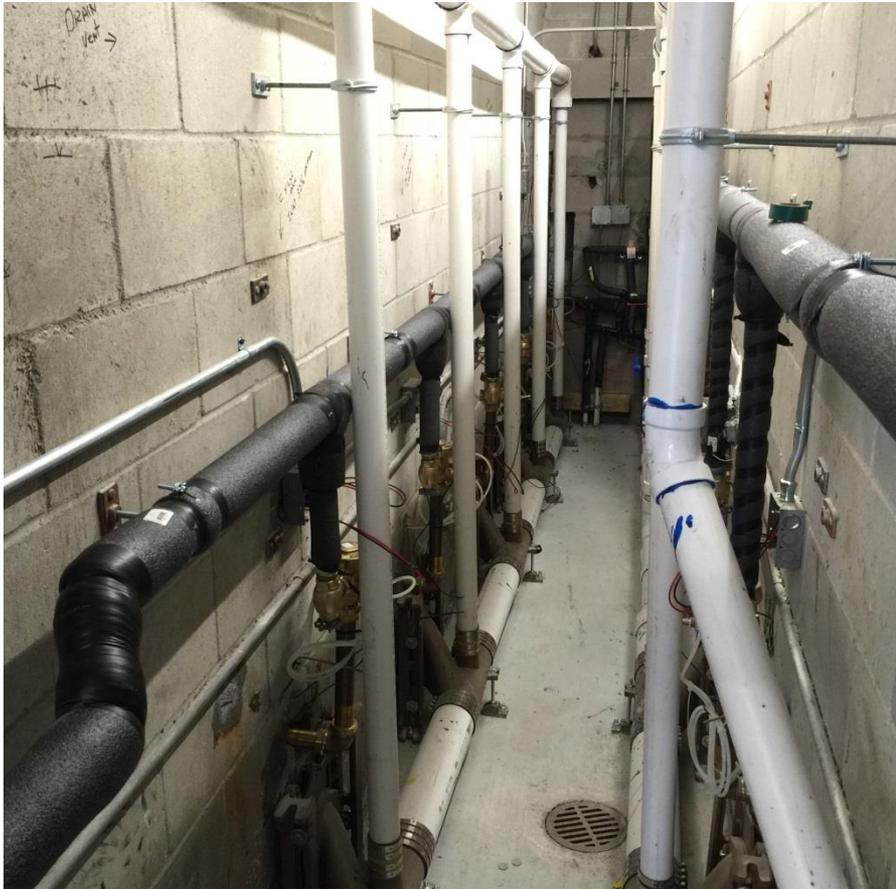


**Sewer Replacement**

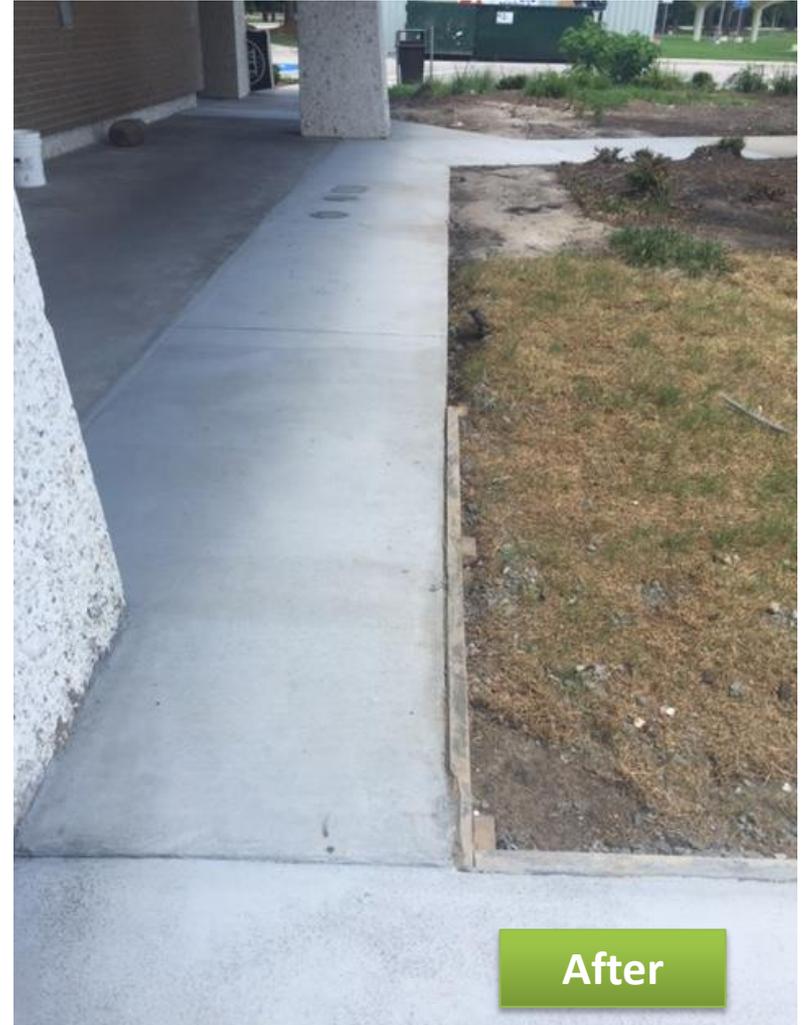


**Before**

# Kingsland Welcome Center



**Sewer Replacement**



**After**

# West Point Welcome Center

Open to Public: July 2016

Scope of Work:

- Truck Parking Lot
- Landscaping
- Interior Renovations





# West Point Welcome Center



**Before**



**After**

**Parking Lot Upgrades  
Incl. Pavement Resurfacing**

# West Point Welcome Center



Before

Landscaping Upgrades



After



# West Point Welcome Center



**Lobby Renovations**  
*(Old Receptionist desk)*

**Before**



# West Point Welcome Center



**Lobby Renovations**  
*(New Receptionist desk)*

**After**

# Columbus Welcome Center

Open to Public: Early September 2016

Scope of Work:

- New Building addition
- New HVAC system
- Restroom

Upgrades



# Columbus Welcome Center



**Before**



**After**

**New Landscaping &  
Building Addition**

# Columbus Welcome Center



After

**Restroom Upgrades  
& New Storage Room**



# Savannah Welcome Center

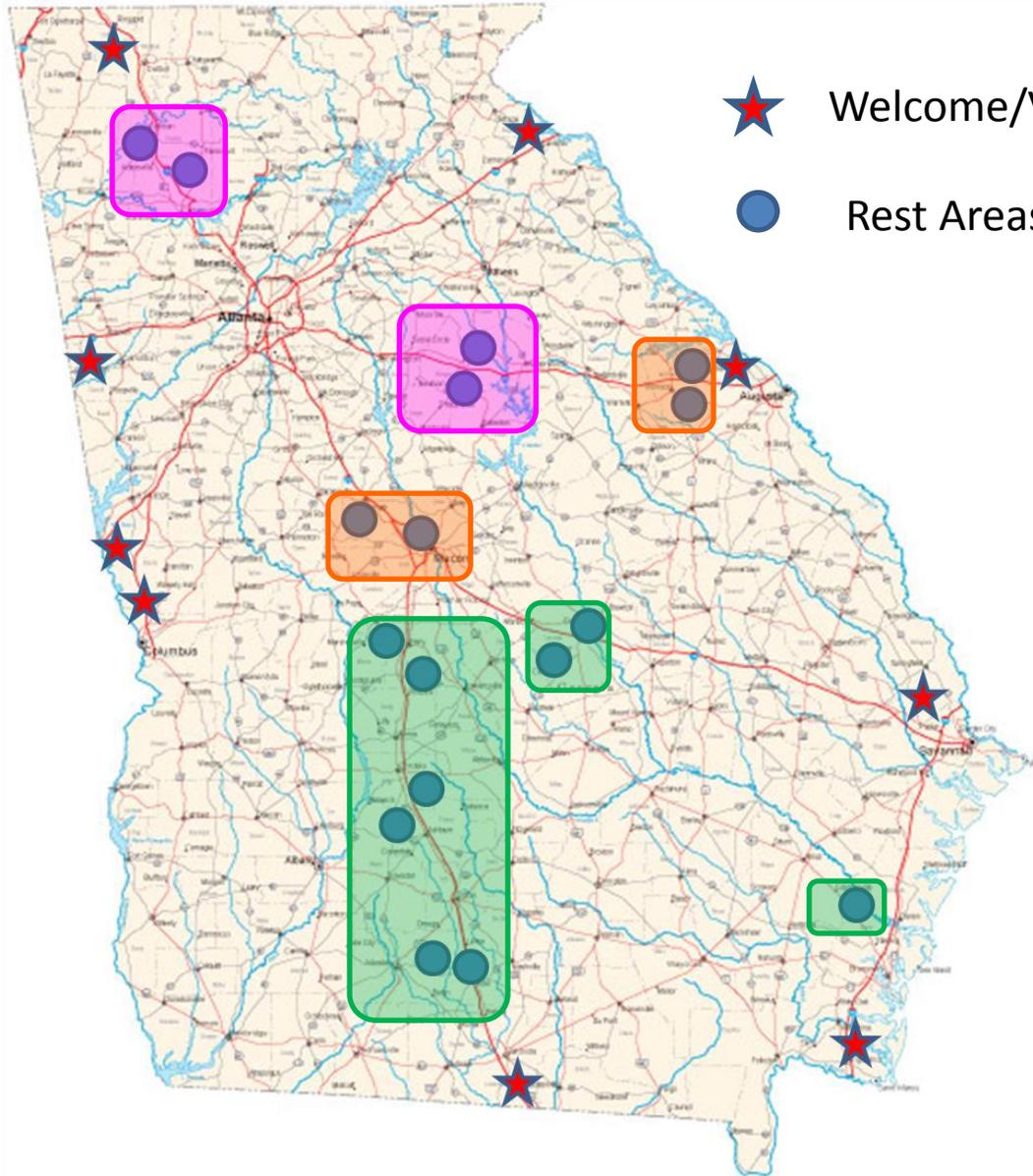


Ongoing Building Construction





# Rest Area Upgrades - Status



- ★ Welcome/Visitor Information Centers (9)
- Rest Areas (17)

## Rest Areas Proposed Phasing for Construction

Phase 1: \$11.1 M (FY 16)

Phase 2: \$5.2 M (FY 17)

Phase 3: \$3.7 M (FY 18)

# Rest Area Upgrades - Status

- Project consists of 2 Replacements, 15 Renovations
- Design Phase Complete
- Phase 1 Contracts have been signed
  - Dooly/Turner Counties
  - Laurens County
  - Glynn/Cook Counties
- Spring 2017 Completion



# Welcome Center/Rest Area Update

- **Questions???**

