

Georgia Department of Transportation



Research Program

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Who We Are

The Office of Research is part of Georgia DOT (GDOT)'s Division of Organizational Performance Management and consists of the Research and Development (R&D) Branch and the Mechanistic-Empirical Design Guide Implementation (MEPDGI) Branch.

How We Are Funded

The program is primarily funded with SP&R, Part II (Research) funding. Research projects are typically funded by an 80/20 match of federal/state funds. Additional funding sources include construction project preliminary engineering funds and safety funds.

What We Do

The R&D Branch (1) administers GDOT's R&D program and library functions; (2) manages contract research in cooperation with its primary partner, the Georgia Transportation Institute-University Transportation Center and, as needed, with other government, academic, and private partners; (3) conducts in-house research and special studies; and (4) manages GDOT's national research activities such as the Transportation Research Board (TRB), National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP), and Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Program. The MEPDGI Branch administers GDOT research supporting accelerated implementation of the MEPDG at GDOT.

Staff

The R&D Branch consists of a Branch Chief, four Research Engineers, and a Librarian. The MEPDGI Branch consists of an MEPDG Implementation Engineer.

Facilities

Our office and the Roy A. Flynt Memorial Library are located on the same site as the Office of Materials and Testing in Forest Park, Georgia, just south of downtown Atlanta.

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