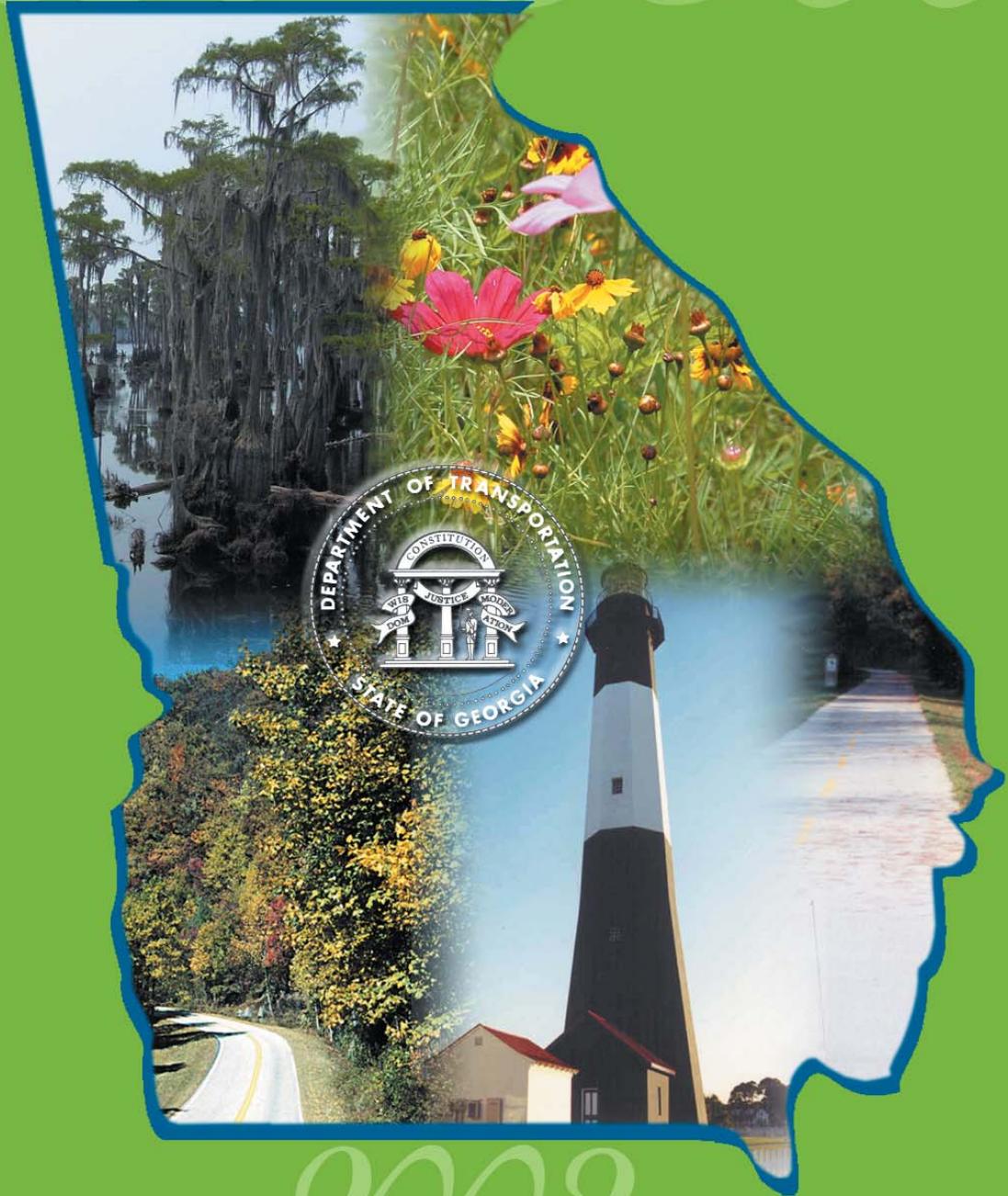


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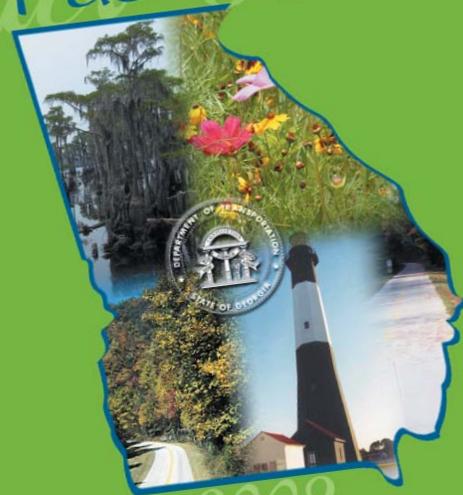


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Clockwise: One of many Georgia wildflower plots; The Silver Comet Trail; Tybee Island Lighthouse; The Russell-Brasstown Scenic Byway; and Banks Lake.

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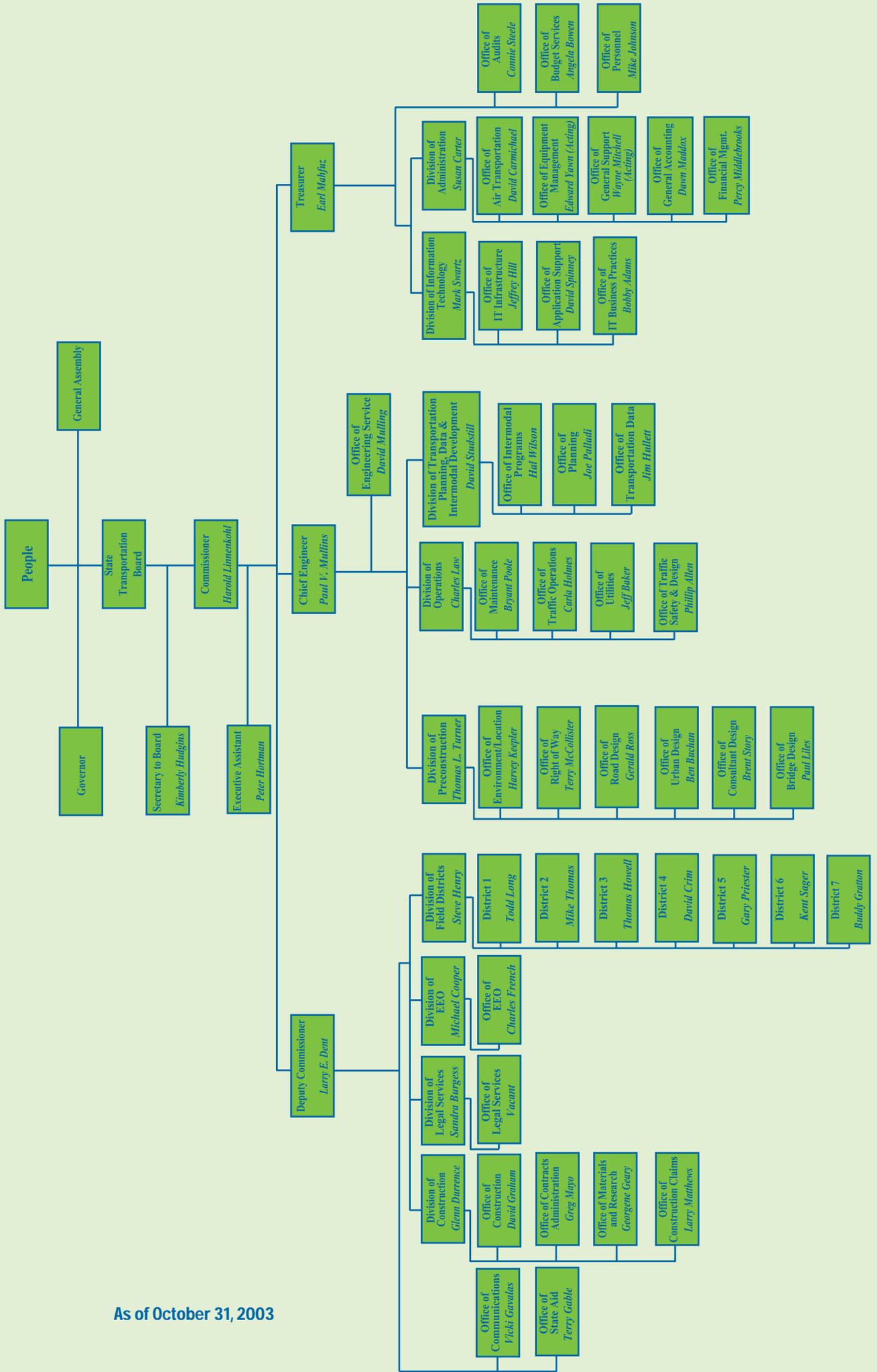
The State Transportation Board and the nearly 6,000 employees of the Georgia Department of Transportation are determined to provide the residents of Georgia with the most efficient transportation system in the nation. The Department has often been recognized for its outstanding highway system. In 1992, 1993, 1994, 1997 and 1998 the Department was acknowledged for some of the best maintained and most scenic roads in the country.

Today, Georgia's transportation system encompasses 113,995 miles of public roads, 4,849 miles of railroad, 103 publicly-owned airports and four shipping ports. The Department also serves the mobility needs of residents through 13 urban transit systems and 82 rural transit systems.

The Department is recognized nationally for its leadership in transportation management as demonstrated through NAVIGATOR, Georgia's high-tech Intelligent Transportation System. The NAVIGATOR'S website, www.georgia-navigator.com was named as one of the top three traveler information websites in the nation. This system monitors more than 300 miles of highway through the use of 1,500 state-of-the-art video cameras, 85 changeable message signs and data management technologies to relay real-time traffic conditions 24 hours a day to the Wayne Shackelford Transportation Management Center. Other measures used to control traffic congestion and air pollution include 90 miles of HOV lanes, 103 Park and Ride lots and 2,943 miles of bicycle and pedestrian routes.

With a total budget of nearly \$2 billion, the Georgia Department of Transportation is dedicated to providing the public with a transportation network for the 21st century.

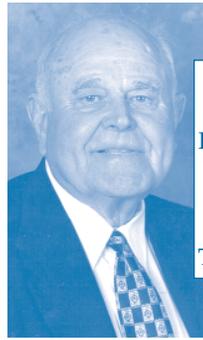
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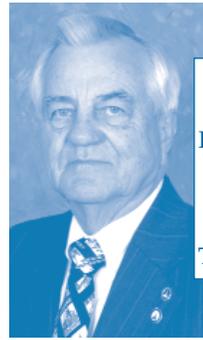
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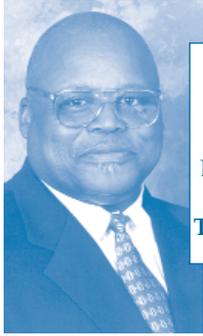
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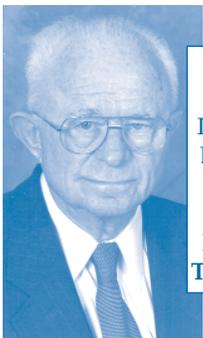
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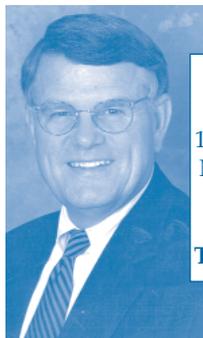
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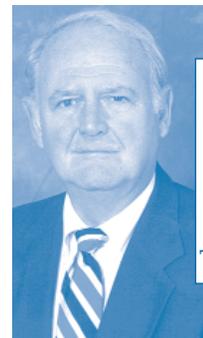
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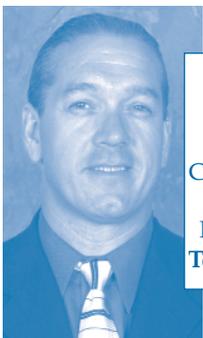
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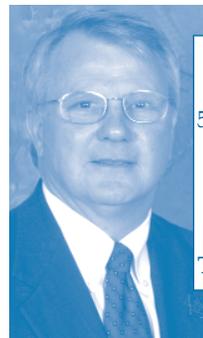
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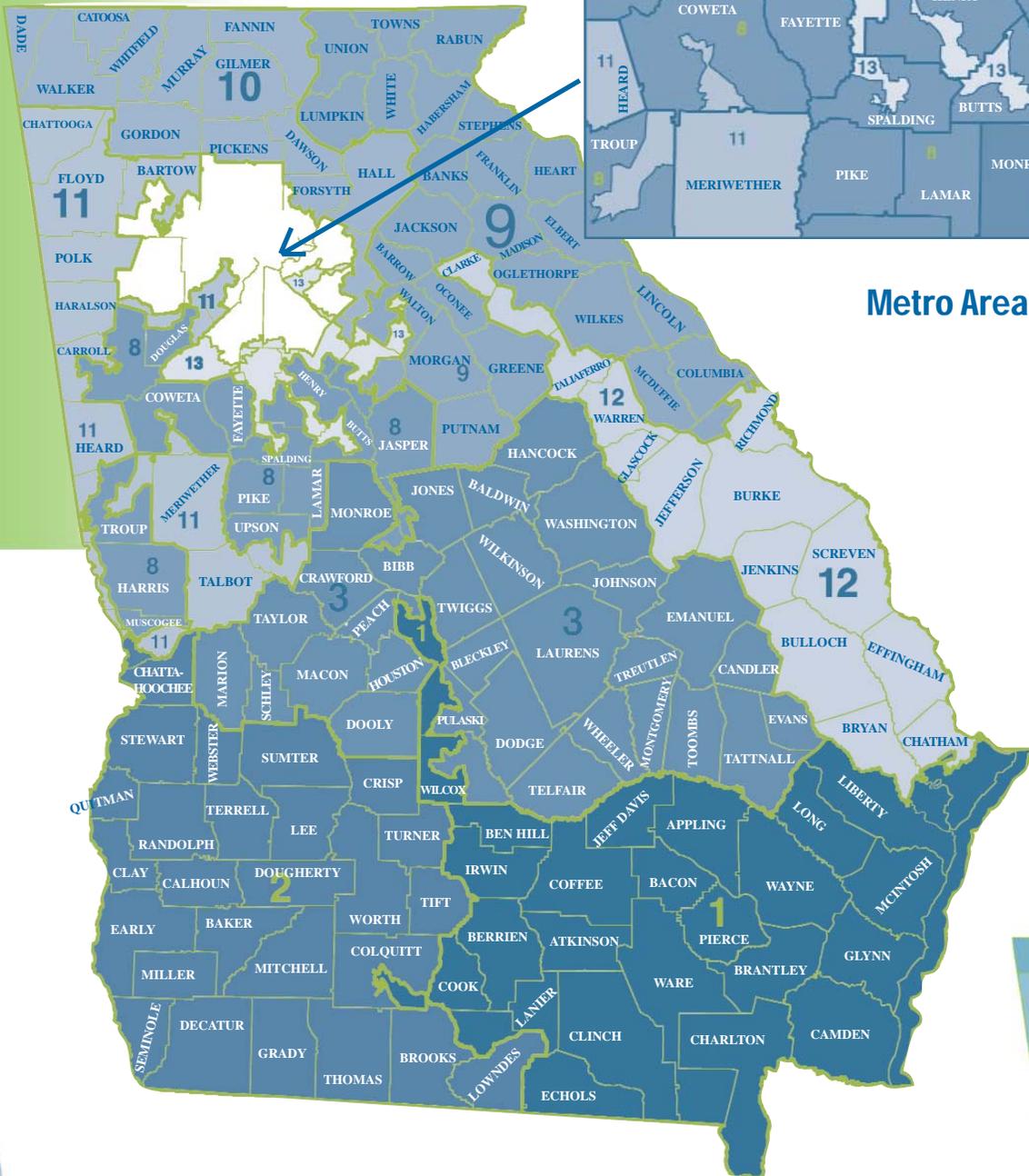


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The Georgia DOT is governed by a 13-member State Transportation Board, which exercises general control and supervision of the Department. Powers entrusted with the Board include naming the Commissioner, designating which public roads are encompassed within the State Highway System and approving long-range transportation plans and programs. The Board also oversees the administration of construction contracts and authority lease agreements.

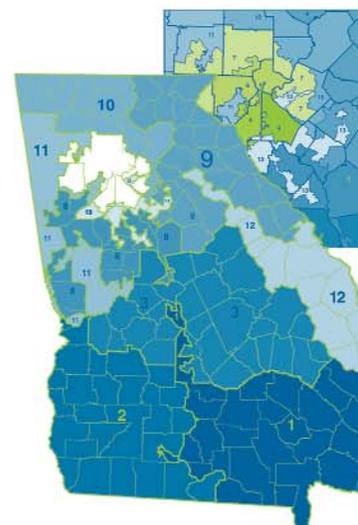
Board members are selected by a majority vote of state senators and representatives from districts embraced in part or whole within each U.S. Congressional District. Each board member serves an alternating five-year term to ensure two to three members are elected each year.

State Transportation Board Congressional Districts



Metro Area Detail

As of August 2002



State Transportation Board

Board Members are elected by a majority of a General Assembly caucus from each of Georgia's thirteen congressional districts. Each board member serves a five-year term. Terms alternate to ensure two members are elected each year.



Commissioner

Harold Linnenkohl

Room 102 (404) 656-5206

Provides principle-centered leadership to effectively operate the Georgia Department of Transportation. Leads employees to provide a high standard of service to the citizens of Georgia so that multimodal transportation needs are met. Strives to fully utilize the talents of all employees and all other resources available to the Department. Has the authority and the responsibility to staff and operate the Department effectively and efficiently.

Executive Assistant to the Commissioner

Peter Hortman

Room 102 (404) 656-5206

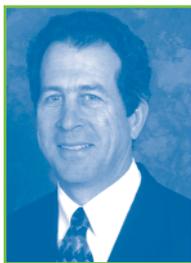
Coordinates and attends all of the Commissioner's meetings with state and local officials; coordinates with senior staff on behalf of the Commissioner; answers inquiries from State Transportation Board members, state and local officials and the public on various Department of Transportation matters; assists the Commissioner with administrative duties and serves as a point of contact for the Commissioner's office for meeting requests, project updates and other questions that may need addressing.

Georgia DOT Board Secretary

Kimberly Hudgins

Room 106 (404) 656-5211

Serves as the Board's liaison with legislators, local officials and the general public. Acts on behalf of the Board when requested, arranges and plans all Board meetings, workshops and conferences for the Board.



Deputy Commissioner

Larry Dent

Room 108 (404) 656-5212

Assists the Commissioner in maintaining and operating the activities of the Georgia DOT. Oversees the Special Staff offices and the Equal Employment Opportunity, Field Districts, Legal Services and Construction divisions.

SPECIAL STAFF

Communications

Vicki Gavalas, Communications Director

Room 315 (404) 463-6464

Serves as the Department's external communications liaison with the public and the media. Prepares presentations and speeches for Board members, the Commissioner, division directors and office heads. Assists upper management in public affairs and public outreach decisions for the Department. Serves as the internal communications liaison within the Georgia DOT. Develops the Department's Annual Report, Fact Book, personnel newsletter, quarterly construction status map, quarterly magazine and web page.

State Aid

Terry Gable, State Aid Administrator

Room 201 (404) 656-5185

Provides assistance to local governments through the County/City Contract Program (State Aid), the Local Assistance Road Program (LARP) and the off-system Bridge Program.

CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

Glenn Durrence, Director

Room 134 (404) 656-5207

Responsible for advertising, letting and awarding projects, oversight of construction projects, transportation research, testing of materials, contract payments and contract claims.

Construction

David Graham, State Construction Engineer

Room 237 (404) 656-5306

Investigates citizens' concerns on projects and assists in timely problem resolution. Reviews and approves contract modifications and communicates with construction industry.

Construction Claims

Larry Matthews, Transportation Engineer Administrator

Room 209 (404) 656-2106

Responsible for reviewing, analyzing, negotiating, mediating and directing the Department's defense against construction claims and lawsuits filed by contractors.

Contract Administration

Greg Mayo, State Transportation Office Engineer

Room 223 (404) 656-5325

Prepares and ensures proper execution of bid proposals, letting process and contracts. Audits contract payment process and ensures timely payments.

Materials and Research

Georgene Geary, State Materials & Research Administrator

(404) 363-7512

Tests materials used in construction and maintenance activities, maintains qualified products lists and provides expertise in construction materials. Also specifies material requirements, provides geotechnical services, and manages Department's research effort.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY DIVISION

Michael Cooper, Division Director

Room 142 (404) 656-5323

The Equal Opportunity Division is responsible for ensuring internal and external compliance with federal and state laws/guidelines as they relate to fair and equitable employment and business practices.

Office of Equal Employment Opportunity

Charles French, E.E.O Administrator

Room 142 (404) 656-5323

Adheres to state and federal regulations as they pertain to civil rights issues concerning Title VI and Title VII of the U.S. code of federal regulations. Monitors the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and the state's contractor review for compliance.

FIELD DISTRICTS DIVISION

Steve Henry, Director

Room 128 (404) 656-5214

Responsible for the operation and maintenance of the transportation system in each of Georgia DOT's seven districts to ensure proper utilization of resources and adherence to prevailing policies.

Georgia DOT Districts

Georgia DOT is made up of seven districts that manage and operate the transportation system at the local level.

District One-Gainesville	Todd Long, District Engineer	(770) 532-5526
District Two-Tennille	Mike Thomas, District Engineer	(478) 552-4601
District Three-Thomasville	Thomas B. Howell, District Engineer	(706) 646-6500
District Four-Tifton	David Crim, District Engineer	(229) 386-3280
District Five-Jesup	Gary Priester, District Engineer	(912) 427-5711
District Six-Cartersville	Kent Sager, District Engineer	(770) 387-3600
District Seven-Chamblee	Buddy Gratton, District Engineer	(770) 986-1001

LEGAL SERVICES DIVISION

Sandra Burgess, Director

Room 329 (404) 656-5275

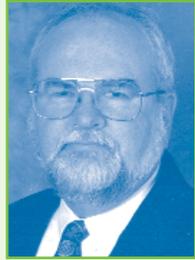
Responsible for advising the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner as well as senior staff on legal issues at the federal and state level that might impact the Department.

Legal Services Administrator

Vacant, Legal Services Administrator

Room 321 (404) 657-5807

Provides legal research and other general legal assistance services concerning recurring issues of interest to the Department. Provides analysis of federal and state legislation. Reviews consultant, local government and personal services contracts for legal accuracy.



Chief Engineer

Paul Mullins

Room 122 (404) 656-5277

Supervises and directs all engineering-related activities within the Department to ensure the effective and efficient planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of transportation systems statewide. The Preconstruction Division, Operations Division, Transportation Planning, Data and Intermodal Development Division as well as the Office of Engineering Services report directly to the Chief Engineer.

Engineering Services

David Mulling, Project Review Engineer

Room 266 (404) 656-6843

Provides oversight of federally funded projects. Directs project review process, manages standard specifications, and provides project cost estimates.

PRECONSTRUCTION DIVISION

Tom Turner, Director

Room 129 (404) 656-5187

Develops environmental studies, right-of-way plans, construction plans and bid documents through a cooperative effort that results in project design and implementation.

Assistant Director of Preconstruction

Meg Pirkle, Assistant Director

Room 368 (404) 651-7455

Assists the Director of Preconstruction in the management of the plan development process for highway projects. Manages and distributes information about project status and program status such as the GRIP and bond programs.

Bridge Design

Paul Liles, State Bridge and Structural Design Engineer

Room 258 (404) 656-5280

Responsible for structural design of highway bridges, culverts and retaining walls. Also controls the hydraulic design of bridge structures.

Environment/Location

Harvey Keepler, State Environmental/Location Engineer

3993 Aviation Circle, Atlanta, GA 30336

(404) 699-4401

Responsible for the environmental analysis and permitting of every project let to construction by the Department. This office is also responsible for location and feasibility studies for new projects, traffic projections, performing and processing aerial photography, and providing the surveys, mapping, and cross-sections needed for construction plans and earthwork payment of contractors.

Right-of-Way

Terry McCollister, Administrator

Room 409 (404) 656-5372

Responsible for the acquisition of properties necessary for transportation projects. This task includes plan design review and approval, appraisal, relocation assistance, condemnation, negotiation and property management. Both DOT acquisitions as well as local government acquisitions (if include state or federal funds) are monitored by this office.

Road Design

Gerald Ross, State Road and Airport Design Engineer

Room 444 (404) 656-5386

Responsible for the conceptual development and design of roadways, including the preparation of preliminary construction plans, right-of-way plans and final construction plans. Primarily develops and designs roadways outside of the urban area boundaries, including the Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP) and the rural interstate system.

Consultant Design

Brent Story, State Consultant Design Engineer

Room 432 (404) 463-6133

Enables the Department's compliance with federal and state guidelines as they relate to fair and equitable hiring and employee practices.

Urban Design

Ben Buchan, State Urban Design Engineer

Room 356 (404) 656-5436

Develops and coordinates conceptual layouts, preliminary and final construction plans and right-of-way plans for projects within major urban areas. Responsibilities include extensive public involvement with federal and state agencies, local governments, neighborhoods, businesses and the general public.

OPERATIONS DIVISION

Charles Law, Director

TMC (404) 635-8043

Ensures a safe and efficient transportation system by setting policies that control operational features, address maintenance needs and regulate the proper use of the state highway system.

Maintenance

Bryant Poole, State Maintenance Engineer

TMC (404) 635-8734

Coordinates all statewide maintenance activities such as bridge and sign maintenance, landscaping, the wildflower program, roadway striping, routine maintenance of state highway system, emergency response (both roadway and weather induced) and the Adopt-a-Highway Program. Develops contract documents for letting maintenance projects.

Maintenance Activities

Eric C. Pitts, Maintenance Activities Engineer

Maintenance Activities Unit

25 Kennedy Drive, Forest Park, GA 30297, (404) 363-7625

Oversees pavement marking operations, state sign shop activities and statewide crane and snooper operations.

Traffic Operations

Carla Holmes, State Traffic Operations Engineer

TMC (404) 635-8038

This office is responsible for traffic signal repair, timing and emergency installation program of the Department, including warehousing of approximately \$2 million in electrical/signal materials, the timing of signal systems and the centralized repair support for approximately 1,650 signals statewide.

Also manages the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) including operation of the Transportation Management Center (TMC) and the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs) with approximately 90 employees providing 24-hour, 365 days-a-year service to the traveling public. This program is one of the nation's largest and most advanced freeway management systems.

Traffic Safety and Design Administrator

Phillip Allen, State Traffic Safety and Design Engineer

TMC (404) 635-8115

The Office of Traffic Safety and Design is responsible for traffic engineering and the traffic safety program statewide. The program includes vehicle crash analysis, traffic studies and projects for safety improvements to the state highway system. This Office designs the signs, pavement markings and traffic signals for Georgia DOT projects. It is also responsible for the Department's programs for railroad crossing safety, access and commercial driveways and freeway signing.

Utilities

Jeff Baker, State Utilities Engineer

TMC (404) 635-8045

The State Utilities Office ensures the public's interest is served through our commitment to develop and administer reasonable utility and railroad policies, procedures, standards and regulations for the safe and efficient use of highway right of way. We provide expert technical assistance and functional guidance on utility and railroad encroachments, adjustments, relocations, agreements and billings to meet diverse needs of our stakeholders.

PLANNING, DATA & INTERMODAL DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

David Studstill, Director

Room 127 (404) 656-0610

This division manages the statewide transportation planning process and the collection and sharing of transportation data, including vehicle volumes and the state route network. In addition, we research, develop and implement transit, port, freight and passenger rail opportunities across the state.

Intermodal Programs

Hal Wilson, Intermodal Programs Administrator

West Annex 2nd Floor (404) 651-9201

Manages Georgia's planning and operations programs in support of the transit, rail, ports, waterways and aviation systems.

Planning

Joe Palladi, State Transportation Planning Administrator

Room 372 (404) 656-5411

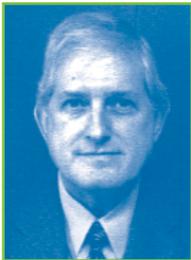
Manages Georgia's transportation planning program, in addition to developing the Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP) and the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Also manages the Department's Transportation Enhancement Program, designed to improve the quality of the transportation experience. Has responsibility for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Program, the Congestion and Mitigation/ Air Quality (CMAQ) coordination and the Scenic Byways Program.

Transportation Data

Jim Hullett, Transportation Data Administrator

5025 New Peachtree Road, Chamblee, GA 30341 (770) 986-1360

The Office of Transportation Data is responsible for collecting, processing and disseminating necessary transportation data to support transportation planners, designers and key decision makers. The types of data we provide includes: official state road mileage; average annual daily traffic; traffic speed, volume and classification; truck weight information (weigh-in-motion); road characteristics data; and visual road imagery (video log). We provide monthly, quarterly and annual reports to the Federal Highway Administration, such as the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) Report, Truck Weight Reports, Traffic Data Reports, and Vehicle Classification Reports. In addition, we oversee the administration of highway system revisions and roadway classifications changes. Finally, we update and distribute the Official State of Georgia Roadway Map, County and City Maps and the Traffic Flow Map.



Treasurer

Earl Mahfuz

Room 148 (404) 656-5224

Manages all financial matters for the Georgia DOT. Responsible for acquiring and accounting all funds the Department is entitled to receive. Develops policies for administering funds for the Department. Oversees the the Division of Administration, Division of Information Technology, office of Audits, Budget Services, and Office of Personnel.

Audits

Connie Steele, Transportation Accounts Administrator

Room 301 (404) 656-5598

Audits division offices, as well as contractors and consultants who do work for the Department.

Budget Services

Angela Bowen, Budget Administrator

Room 150 (404) 656-5237

Develops and manages the nearly \$2 billion budget of the Department. Serves as an advisor to the Treasurer and upper management in funding matters. Also serves as liaison to the Office of Planning & Budget and the Legislative Budget Office.

Personnel

Mike Johnson, Personnel Director

Room 270 (404) 656-5260

Responsible for developing, implementing and administering all personnel-related functions and programs for the Department. These include benefits, recruiting, training, job evaluation and compensation, employee relations, employee assistance, performance management and personnel transaction processing and drug/alcohol testing program for commercial driver's license holders.

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Susan Carter, Director

Room 143 (404) 656-5239

Manages and oversees statewide administrative activities for the Georgia DOT. These activities include financial management, payroll, cash receipts and disbursements, procurement, safety, and facility management. Also oversees the operation of Georgia DOT's aircraft.

Air Transportation

Dave Carmichael, Air Transportation Administrator

4175 South Airport Road, Atlanta, GA 30336

(404) 699-4483

Operates and maintains a fleet of six aircraft, based at Fulton County Airport. Also provides air transportation for state officials and conducts aerial photography flights to acquire precision mapping for the complete design and construction of highways.

Equipment Management

Edward Yawn (Acting), State Equipment Management Administrator

7565 Honey Creek Court, Lithonia, GA 30038 (770) 785-6947

This office is responsible for the administration and management of the Department's fleet, comprised of approximately 8,600 units. Directs and administers the program for statewide purchasing of vehicles and equipment. Determines vehicle and equipment replacement requirements considering both budget and needs. Establishes and coordinates contracts required for fleet operation. Provides preventative maintenance inspections and conducts preventative maintenance training courses statewide.

General Accounting

Dawn Maddox, Transportation Accounts Administrator

Room 169 (404) 656-5193

Manages the payout and receipt of the Department's funds, which includes issuing checks to vendors, contractors, cities/counties, consultants, and commodity/service vendors. Also handles payroll and travel reimbursement for nearly 6,000 employees. Other tasks include keeping the Department's books of accounts and assuring all accounting records are accurate and are prepared in a timely manner. The units housed within the General Accounting Office include Administration, Payroll, Cash Disbursement, Accounts Payable, Contracts Payable, Central Cashier and Revenue.

General Support Services

Wayne Mitchell (Acting), Transportation Accounts Administrator

Room 170 (404) 656-5239

Provides all offices with office equipment and supplies. The office is comprised of Asset Management/Telecommunication, Cost Accounting and Inventory Control, Procurement, Facility Management, Fuel and Purchasing Card Program Administration, Records Management, General Office Motor Pool and Warehouse and Safety/Risk Management.

Financial Management

Percy Middlebrooks, Financial Management Administrator

Room 170 (404) 463-2799

Prepares and manages the Department's six-year Construction Work Program (CWP) and the project information system (Tpro). Requests and prepares documents for authorization and billing for federal aid, bond and state funds. Develops, submits and tracks project expenditures in the Department's project accounting system (PeopleSoft).

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

Mark Swartz, Director

Room 180 (404) 656-6034

Manages Department's new and existing computer applications and computer network. Oversees Department's electronic processing budget, configuration and asset management. Also develops information technology policy, standards and strategic planning functions.

Information Technology Applications

David Spinney, Administrator

West Annex (404) 463-2860 Ext. 103

This office is composed of an Applications Development Section and an Applications Support Section. The Development Section manages the development of new applications for the Department. It is also home of the Geographic Information System (GIS) coordination for the Department. The Support Section supports and maintains the Department's computer applications including Computer-Aided Design (CAD), web, COTS (off-the-shelf) and enterprise-wide shared resources.

Information Technology Infrastructure

Jeffrey Hill, Administrator

Room 179 (404) 656-6034

Responsible for the operation and management of the Department's computer hardware and software and consists of Database Support, Server Support, Network Support, Client Support and the Solutions Center.

Information Technology Business Practices

Bobby Adams, Administrator

Room 183 (404) 656-6034

This office handles much of the administrative needs of the newly formed I.T. Division. It is composed of three working groups: the Operations Group, the Configuration Management Group, and the Policy and Standards Group. The Operations Group handles the day-to-day administrative duties including personnel issues, payroll, leave records, budget and purchasing needs. We also oversee the Department's EDP Budget and manage the entire Department's EDP purchases. The Configuration Management Group maintains records of all IT resources and also play major role in maintaining the Department's Asset Management for I.T. equipment. The Policy and Standards Group maintains and updates I.T. related policies and standards in the Department.

Information	Contact	Phone Number
Accident Location Sites	Traffic Safety & Design	(404) 635-8131
Auto Tags & Title	Georgia DMVS	(404) 362-6500
Bicycle Paths	State Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator	(404) 657-6692
Driver's License Information	Georgia DMVS	(678) 413-8400
Driveway Permits	Traffic Safety & Design	(404) 635-8042
GA 400 Cruise Cards/Violations	State Road & Tollway Authority	(404) 365-7790
Handicap Parking Permits	Georgia DMVS	(404) 657-9300
Motor Vehicle Reports	Georgia DMVS	(404) 624-7885
Natural Disasters	1. Contact local law enforcement agency 2. Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA)	(404) 635-7000 24 Hour # (404) 635-7200
Outdoor Advertising	Office of Right of Way	(404) 651-6217
Overweight Truck Permits	Oversize Permit Unit Single Trip Permit 1-800-570-5428	(404) 635-8529 Customer Service 1-888-262-8306
Rest Areas	Office of Maintenance or your local District Engineer	(404) 656-5314 See pages 20-21 for District Engineer info
Road Work	Office of Construction	(404) 656-3606
State Maps	Map Sales Unit	(404) 656-5336
Traffic Counts	Traffic Count Customer Service	(404) 656-5336
Traffic Signals	Office of Traffic Operations	(404) 635-8038
Truck Leasing & Permits	Georgia DMVS- IRP Section	(404) 657-4186
Up-to-date Traffic Information	Transportation Management Center	(404) 635-6800 Cingular, Verizon and Sprint Customers- *DOT (*368) AT&T Customers- #DOT (#368) Toll Free- 1-888-635-8287
Wildflower Program	Office of Maintenance	(404) 656-5314

For further information:

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Duties of the Districts

- Roadway Maintenance and Operations
- Roadway Location and Design
- Construction Contract Administration
- Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Utility Conflicts (permits & relocation)
- Environmental Review
- Highway Beautification
- Traffic Signals and Signs
- Permits
- Coordination of Transit Systems
- Public Outreach and Communication
- Park & Ride Lots

Duties of the Area Offices

- Highway Construction Supervision
- Right-of-Way Mowing
- Litter Removal
- Rest Areas
- Utility & Driveway Permits
- Sign Maintenance
- Drainage Maintenance
- Storm Damage Repair
- Roadway Maintenance



Districts

- District One- Gainesville
- District Two- Tennille
- District Three- Thomaston
- District Four- Tifton

- District Five- Jesup
- District Six- Cartersville
- District Seven- Chamblee

District One

District Engineer: Todd Long (770) 532-5526

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P.O. Box 1057

Gainesville, GA 30503

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Area Engineer Offices

Gainesville

Clarkesville

Carnesville

Cleveland

Lawrenceville

Athens

Counties Served

Dawson, Forsyth, Hall

Banks, Habersham, Rabun, Stephens

Elbert, Franklin, Hart, Madison

Lumpkin, Union, Towns, White

Barrow, Gwinnett

Clarke, Jackson, Oconee, Walton

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(706) 754-9559

(706) 384-7269

(706) 348-4848

(770) 339-2308

(706) 369-5627

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Area Engineer Offices

Sandersville

Swainsboro

Louisville

Augusta

Madison

Milledgeville

Dublin

Counties Served

Glascock, Hancock, Washington, Johnson

Emanuel, Jenkins, Screven

Burke, Jefferson, McDuffe, Warren

Columbia, Lincoln, Richmond, Wilkes

Greene, Morgan, Newton, Oglethorpe, Taliaferro

Baldwin, Jasper, Putnam, Wilkinson

Bleckley, Dodge, Laurens, Treutlen

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(706) 855-3466

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(478) 445-5130

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715 Andrews Drive

Thomaston, GA 30286-4524

Communications Officer: Dorothy Daniel (706) 646-6257

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Area Engineer Offices

Thomaston

Americus

Perry

Macon

Griffin

LaGrange

Columbus

Counties Served

Crawford, Upson, Taylor, Pike, Lamar

Marion, Schley, Stewart, Sumter, Webster

Dooley, Houston, Macon, Peach, Pulaski

Bibb, Jones, Monroe, Twiggs

Butts, Fayette, Henry, Spalding

Coweta, Heard, Meriwether, Troup

Chattahoochee, Harris, Muscogee, Talbot

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(478) 988-7151

(478) 757-2601

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Tifton, GA 31793-7510

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Area Engineer Offices

Valdosta
 Douglas
 Fitzgerald
 Moultrie
 Albany
 Cuthbert
 Donalsonville
 Interstate 75 Reconstruction

Counties Served

Clinch, Echols, Lanier, Lowndes
 Atkinson, Coffee, Berrien, Irwin
 Ben Hill, Crisp, Turner, Wilcox, Worth
 Brooks, Colquitt, Tift, Thomas, Cook
 Baker, Dougherty, Lee, Mitchell
 Calhoun, Clay, Early, Quitman, Randolph, Terrell
 Decatur, Grady, Miller, Seminole
 Crisp, Turner, Tift, Cook, Lowndes

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Area Engineer Offices

Baxley
 Waycross
 Brunswick
 Glennville
 Savannah
 Statesboro

Counties Served

Appling, Jeff Davis, Telfair, Wheeler, Montgomery
 Charlton, Brantley, Pierce, Ware, Bacon
 Camden, Glynn, McIntosh
 Long, Tattnall, Toombs, Wayne, Liberty
 Chatham, Bryan
 Bulloch, Candler, Effingham, Evans

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Communications Officer: Mohamed Arafa (770) 387-4081

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Area Engineer Offices

Cartersville
 Ellijay
 Dalton
 Rome
 Buchanan

Counties Served

Bartow, Cherokee, Gordon
 Fannin, Gilmer, Pickens
 Catoosa, Dade, Murray, Walker, Whitfield
 Chattooga, Floyd, Polk
 Haralson, Paulding, Carroll

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Communications Officer: Mark McKinnon (770) 986-2801

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Area Engineer Offices

Decatur
 Marietta
 Hapeville
 Atlanta

Counties Served

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 Cobb, North Fulton
 Clayton, South Fulton, Douglas
 City of Atlanta

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The **Georgia Department of Transportation** is authorized by Georgia Code to organize, administer and operate an efficient, modern system of public roads and other modes of transportation including public transit, rail, aviation, ports and bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Transportation 2000

Former Commissioner Wayne Shackelford and the State Transportation Board initiated the Georgia Transportation 2000 Commission in June 1993, to create a "vision mission." The Transportation 2000 Vision was adopted by the Georgia State Transportation Board in May 1994. The primary objective of this vision is to guide the state's transportation program into the 21st century.

"Georgia's transportation system will always be a vital component of the State's future success and ability to compete in a global economy. Our team of motivated professionals and quality driven management will maintain and improve mobility by providing a safe, seamless, intermodal, environmentally sensitive transportation system. Through transportation leadership and wise use of human and financial resources, innovative technology, public/private partnerships and citizen input, we will ensure a balance of transportation options so that people and goods arrive at their destination in a timely and efficient manner."

Transportation Programs

To meet its responsibilities in the most responsive and cost-efficient manner, the Georgia DOT has taken part in the following transportation-related programs and initiatives:

- Air Quality Improvement
- Strategic Planning
- Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP)
- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21)

Air Quality Improvement

The Department maintains a strong commitment to improve air quality in the state of Georgia through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program. In the 13-county metro Atlanta region, presently the only region in the state designated as a non-attainment area, CMAQ funds are used to implement a variety of projects aimed at reducing emissions by relieving traffic congestion. One such initiative is a region-wide transportation demand management (TDM) program.

Since the development of the program in 1999, outreach to individuals and employers is bringing about changes in transportation behavior. This has been accomplished in the Atlanta region through programs to educate, encourage and facilitate such changes. An advertising campaign has brought about higher levels of public awareness of the region's air quality and congestion problems. Support services such as a ride-share database and a guaranteed ride home program make joining a carpool much easier. As individuals who drive alone change to other less-polluting transportation modes, congestion is reduced and the quality of the air improves.

Plans are being put into place to assist areas across the state that are or will soon be confronting air quality problems. The Department facilitates a collaborative approach at the state level to address air quality in partnership with the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources and the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority. A goal of these state partners is to use available resources to implement the most effective projects and programs to improve air quality through congestion management.

Our Vision

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Strategic Planning

The Georgia DOT's first cycle of a formal strategic planning process began in 1994 and resulted in the development of the mission statement, vision statement, identification of strategic directions and implementation projects. Since that time, strategic planning has been increasingly institutionalized within the Department. As a management tool, it is used to set the Department's direction, identify specific initiatives and facilitate employee teamwork to implement the projects necessary to achieve continuous organizational improvements. The Department's strategic planning process is guided by senior management: the Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner, Chief Engineer, Treasurer and the Division Directors.

Georgia DOT Strategic Planning Goals

- Provide and maintain a high-quality, statewide multi-modal transportation system.
- Provide superior customer service for users of the transportation system.
- Optimize financial resources.
- Maintain a high-quality, motivated workforce.
- Provide leadership that instills professionalism, innovation and creativity.
- Promote effective relationships with suppliers, business partners and stakeholders that enable Georgia DOT to achieve transportation goals.

Vision of Strategic Planning within Georgia DOT

A renewed focus is being placed on strategic management as a tool for conducting and managing the business of the Department. Strategic Management is the practice of establishing the strategic direction of an organization, translating the direction to operational terms and then measuring performance against this direction. Performance results are used to determine if mid-course corrections are necessary or if further focus is required in specific areas to improve performance. The results are also used to highlight the success of the organization and benchmark for further improvements. Employees understand how their actions align and contribute to the strategic direction. Strategy becomes a part of everyone's job every day .

Statewide Transportation Plan

Federal and state laws require that the State's transportation program align with a long-range strategy in the Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP). This plan is updated every five years and maintains a minimum 20-year horizon. The current update of the Plan was initiated in 1999 and developed a Plan for transportation improvements extending to the 2025 horizon year. The Plan was adopted and approved by the State Transportation Board in January of 2002.

The Department worked with nationally recognized experts in the development of the Statewide Transportation Plan. This allowed us to incorporate planning experience and state-of-the-art information management and analytical tools in developing alternative program scenarios, evaluating impacts and producing the Plan update.

The update of the plan studied the existing transportation systems, analyzed future economic conditions and projected travel demand for each transportation mode. Measures were used to quantify the sufficiency of system performance. The Plan considered anticipated growth patterns for the State and the impact of growth on transportation needs. This analysis was used to forecast travel demand and to identify the kinds of improvements necessary to maintain a high level of service for the State's transportation network over the next 25 years.

State Transportation Improvement Program

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a three-year multimodal program that contains federally funded projects identified through the planning process.

Projects include:

Roads and Bridges	To operate, maintain, and improve the safety of the existing 18,055-mile state highway system.
Intermodal Programs	To meet transportation needs of citizens and businesses in Georgia by providing various modes of travel, including public transportation, rail, airports, deep water ports.
Transportation Enhancements	To enrich the traveling experience of the highway user through enhancements to the transportation system.

Federal Funding Support for Surface Transportation

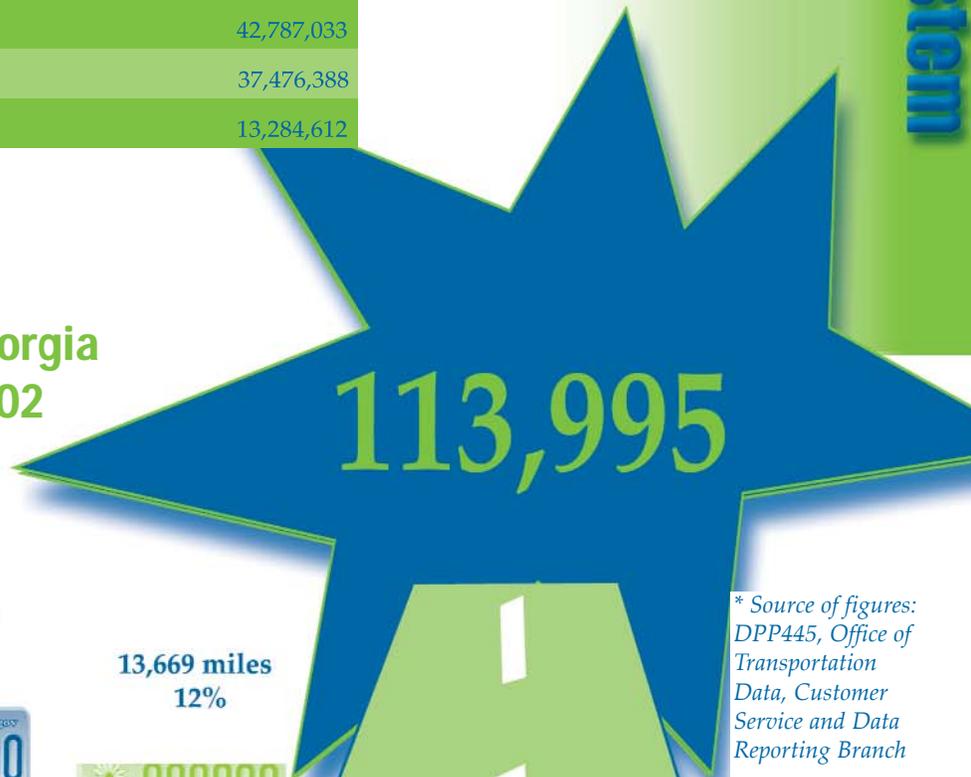
Federal funding is a key component in financing state and local transportation improvement programs. The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, referred to as TEA-21, was enacted by Congress in 1998 and provided guaranteed funding of \$198 billion for highways, highway safety and transit programs for federal fiscal years 1998-2003. Congress did not enact a needed multi-year reauthorization of those surface transportation programs by the end of FY 2003 but it did enact a short-term extension providing funding through February 2004 to give additional time to enact a long-term bill. Georgia highway users contribute a much larger share of federal fuel tax revenue to finance the federal highway program than the share of funding the state receives from the federal highway programs – thus, it is referred to as a “donor” state. Georgia is working with other donor states to increase the minimum rate of return on a state's share of contributions, which would substantially increase federal highway funding to the state.

Georgia Funding from Selected Federal-Aid Categories

Major Programs	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Interstate Maintenance	\$188 Million	\$227 Million	\$194 Million
National Highway System	\$180 Million	\$221 Million	\$189 Million
Surface Transportation Program	\$249 Million	\$303 Million	\$258 Million
Bridge	\$80 Million	\$88 Million	\$ 69 Million
Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$37 Million	\$42 Million	\$37 Million

Rural Areas	Mileage	Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled
Statewide Highway System	14,228	57,764,013
Interstates	809	30,653,760
County Roads	67,214	42,394,539
City Streets	4,018	2,989,689
Small Urban Areas		
Statewide Highway System	1,029	12,684,733
Interstates	81	4,082,350
County Roads	2,718	4,742,373
City Streets	4,011	5,445,292
Urban Areas		
Statewide Highway System	1,554	38,257,598
Interstates	354	42,787,033
County Roads	12,339	37,476,388
City Streets	5,640	13,284,612

The Georgia Department of Transportation provides a safe and efficient highway system designed to network Georgia's interstates, county roads, city streets and state highway system together to provide mobility and efficiently connect travelers to their destinations.



* Source of figures: DPP445, Office of Transportation Data, Customer Service and Data Reporting Branch

Total Miles of Public Roads in Georgia

25



The Georgia DOT must comply with state and federal environmental legislation to receive clearances, permits, and funding for all transportation projects. As part of the transportation planning process, the Department has adopted environmental stewardship as a standard way to do business, moving from a reactive and regulatory-driven role to a proactive and innovative role that demonstrates our environmental commitment. Environmental stewardship empowers agencies and stakeholders to take advantage of opportunities to incorporate environmental features into the transportation development process. The Department is committed to the development of high-quality transportation projects that fit into their physical and human environment, while preserving aesthetic, historic, community and natural environmental values.

Some examples of Environmental Stewardship conducted by Georgia DOT are:

- **The Department's treatment of the robust redhorse in areas where DNR has made releases [ongoing]**

The Robust Redhorse is a fish species that was thought to be extirpated within Georgia. In the mid 1990's a population was rediscovered in the Oconee River. The Department has several projects that cross the Oconee River, and the Department has made commitments to minimize effects to the species and the potential habitat. These measures include redesigning the bridge so that no drains occur over the water; limiting construction time to non-spawning times; working in coffer dams to construct the bridge piles and increasing erosion control measures.

- **The relocation of a historic one-room school house in Baker County [underway]**

The Georgia Department of Transportation has proposed a project to replace a 1941 structurally deficient bridge (Ichauwaynochaway Bridge) on SR 91 over the Ichauwaynochaway Creek in Baker County. To complete the Section 106 procedures in compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966 and subsequent amendments, the area surrounding the bridge was surveyed by a Department historian to determine whether any historic properties were located within the Area of Potential Effects (APE) resulting in the identification of a historic one-room school house. Section 106 regulations require the Department to find a feasible alternative to avoid and or minimize harm to any National Register eligible or listed property identified within the project's APE. The determination was made that the project cannot be built and also avoid the schoolhouse. It was agreed upon by all in 2003 that the Ichauway Schoolhouse would be moved from its current location just west of the Ichauwaynochaway Bridge back onto the property (where it originated) of the Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center at Ichauway.

- **The development of a historic context for agricultural resources [complete]**

The Department must comply with state and federal environmental legislation to receive clearances, permits and funds for all transportation projects. As part of this mandate, the Department must identify and evaluate the significance of historic properties and consider the effects of its transportation projects on them prior to project implementation. Increasingly, historic agricultural resources caused serious problems and delays in the environmental planning and review process of Department projects.

In 1998 the Office of Environment and Location worked with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to receive a research grant from the Department's Office of Materials and Research. This grant allowed the Department to proactively develop a concise framework to aid in the identification and evaluation of extant historic farms and farm related buildings and structures, agricultural landscapes, and rural historic districts. Completed in 2001, the result of these efforts include the contextual report entitled, "Tilling the Earth, Georgia's Historic Agricultural Heritage, A Context." The study, which overviews Georgia's agricultural history, documents the development of agricultural landscapes, defines Georgia's farm types and assesses the archaeological potential of agricultural activities. The context also provides a methodology for determining the significance of extant historic farms and agricultural resources. The study has proven to be an invaluable tool for Department staff and historic preservation practitioners who utilize the context to evaluate Georgia's agricultural resources. Overall, the study has benefited the Department by providing the necessary framework to identify and evaluate historic rural properties at an earlier planning stage. This minimizes potential conflicts between transportation projects and these types of resources, while expediting the environmental review process. This context has been adopted by the GDNR and FHWA and is used as a guide by anyone conducting historic research on this type of resource in Georgia. It also has been received favorably by historic preservation practitioners in other parts of the country.

Banks Lake is a large wetland system. Georgia DOT purchased 1,500 acres of the site to provide mitigation for impacts on other projects.



Georgia's transportation system consists of the following major highway programs, which contribute to maintaining and improving mobility to travelers:

National Highway System (NHS)

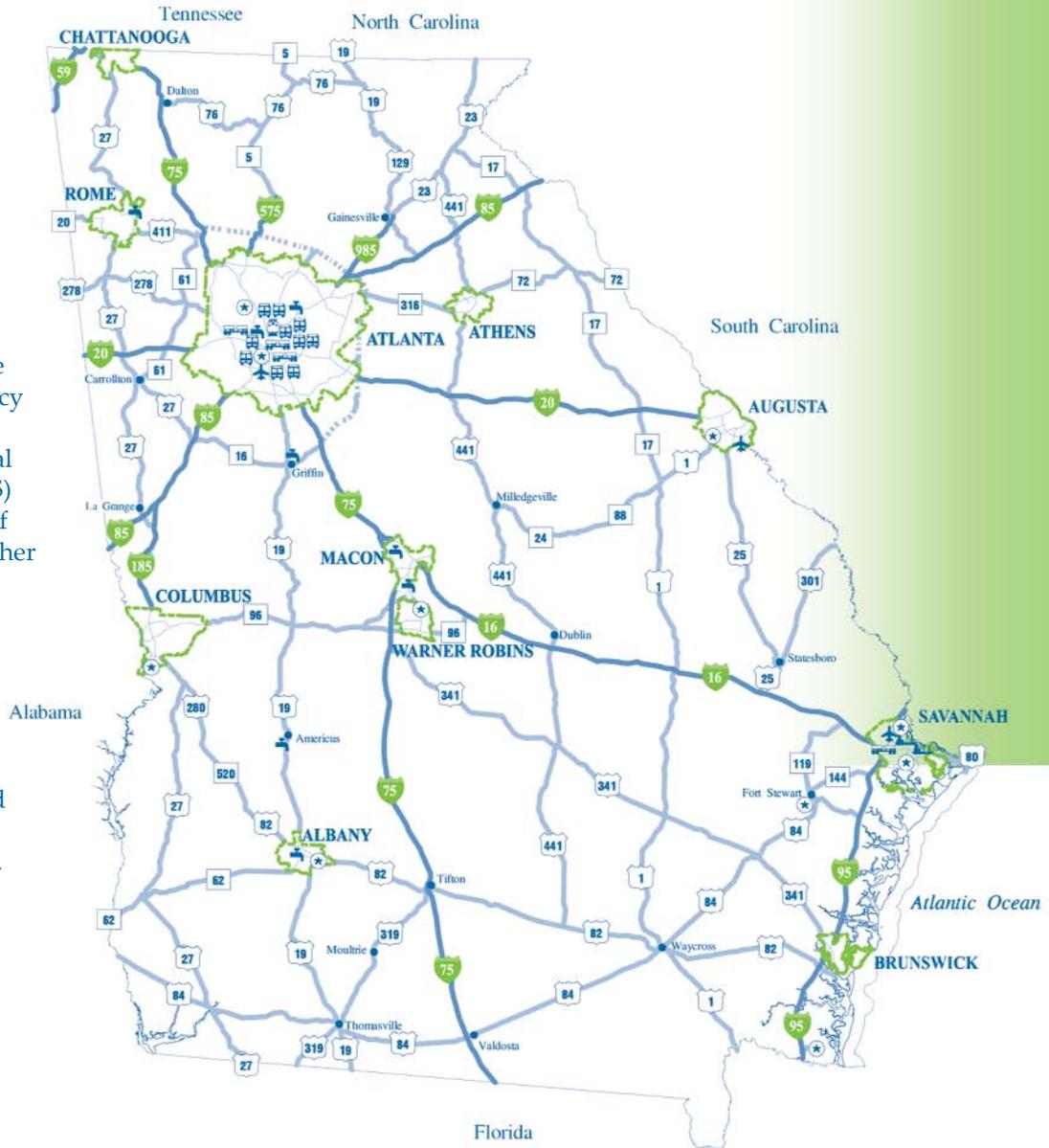
Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP)

Local Assistance Road Program (LARP)

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

National Highway System

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991 established the National Highway System (NHS) to serve as a network of highways linking together different modes of transportation such as: public transportation, airports, intermodal facilities and major shipping ports. Economic vitality nationwide is increased by the linking of these transportation systems.



LEGEND

- Eisenhower Interstate System
 - Other NHS Route
 - Waterway
 - Military Base
 - Airport
 - Amtrak Station
 - Bus/Rail Transit Service
 - Port Terminal
 - Highway/Rail Transfer Facility
 - Pipeline Terminal
 - Urbanized Area
- ** Dashed lines indicate proposed routes. **

National Highway System (NHS) Facts

Total NHS Mileage.....	163,734
Total Georgia NHS Mileage.....	4,670
Total Georgia Interstate Mileage.....	1,237
NHS Major Intermodal Connector Routes.....	57
Other NHS Routes.....	3,376

Initiated in 1989 by a resolution of the state legislature and the Governor, the **Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP)** connects 95% of the cities in Georgia with a population of 2,500 or more to the interstate system. The GRIP system will also ensure that 98% of all areas of Georgia will be within 20 miles of a four-lane road.

GRIP is currently made up of seventeen corridors (economic development highways), three truck access routes and 3,184 miles of roadway. Project development activities are underway for 2,562 miles of GRIP.

GRIP Facts

- 69% or 1,759 miles of GRIP Corridors with project development activities underway are open or under construction.
- 55% of the total GRIP system is open or under construction.
- 15 projects were opened to traffic in calendar year 2002.
- The projects opened to traffic added 79 miles of multi-lane roadway to the GRIP system.
- The projects opened to traffic were constructed at a cost of \$161 million.
- The estimated cost to complete the GRIP Corridors with project development activities underway is \$2.6 billion.
- The estimated cost to complete the total GRIP system is \$3.7 billion.

GRIP Corridors

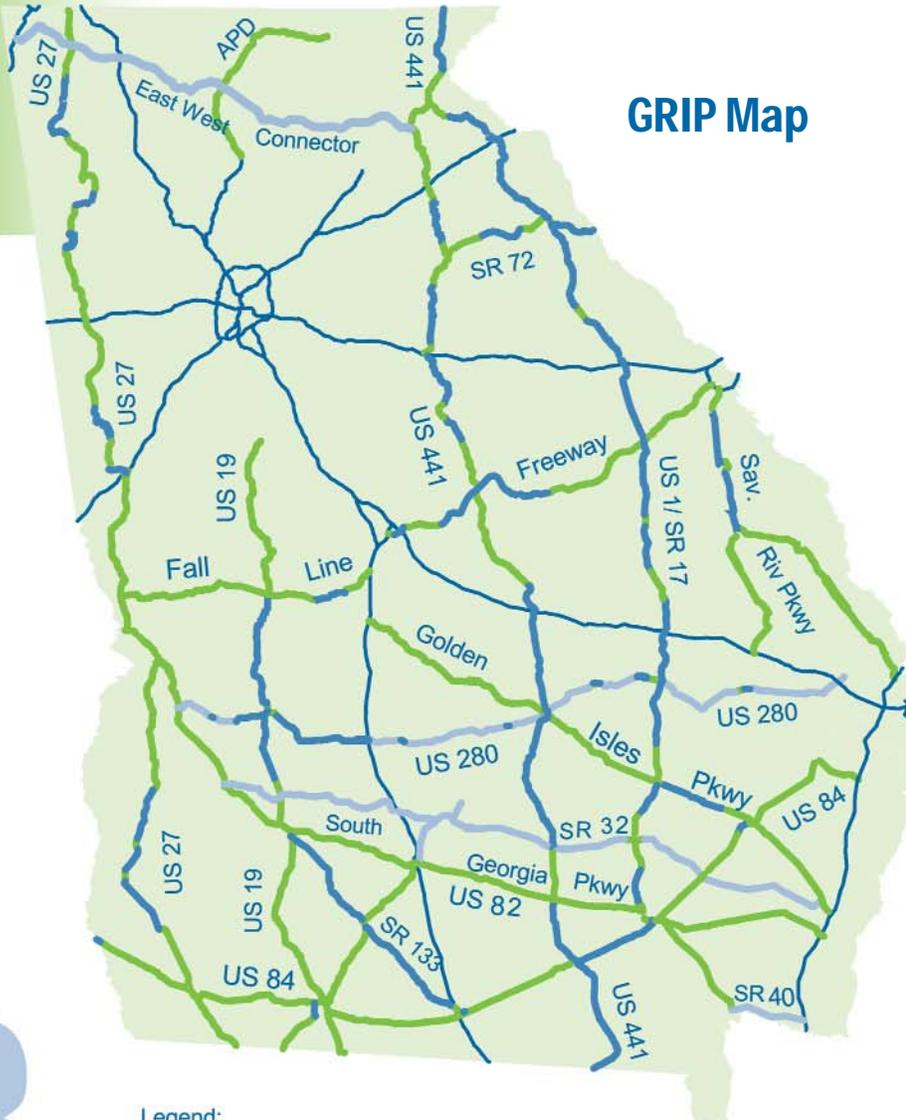
Appalachian Development Highway
 South Georgia Parkway
 East-West Connector
 Fall Line Freeway
 Golden Isles Parkway
 Savannah River Parkway

SR 72
 SR 32
 SR 125
 US1/SR17
 US 19
 US 27
 US 319
 US 441
 US 84
 US 82
 US 280

Truck Access Routes

1. SR 133
2. SR 40
3. SR 125

GRIP Map



Legend:
 OPEN OR UNDER CONSTRUCTION
 PRECONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY
 NO ACTIVITIES UNDERWAY



The **Local Assistance Road Program (LARP)** is a resurfacing program initiated in 1978 to help local governments preserve the integrity of their paved road systems.

How it works

Each year during late summer or early fall every city and county in the State of Georgia is allowed to submit a LARP priority list to the Georgia DOT. The LARP priority list identifies roads or streets in each city or county jurisdiction which need to be resurfaced. Georgia DOT reviews each road and street submitted and develops a needs assessment and cost estimate.

LARP Funding

Funding for LARP projects comes from the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax. Each year Georgia DOT reviews the lists of projects received from each local government and makes selections based on need and availability of funds, once the level of funding is established.

LARP Facts

- There are currently 65,666 miles on the county and city paved road systems.
- Based on the LARP priority list the paving needs for fiscal year 2002 exceeded \$100 million.
- The Department resurfaced 858 miles of roads under LARP contracts in fiscal year 2002.



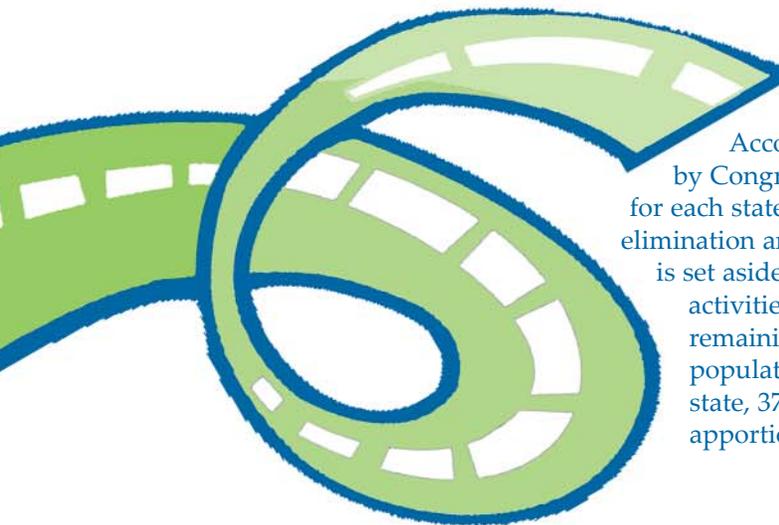
Resurfacing under LAR32-36-1 (275) on Pope Road in Thomas County.

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

The Surface Transportation Program (STP) is a FHWA formula-apportioned program that may be used for any roads including the National Highway System (NHS) that are not functionally classified as local or rural minor collector roads. The STP formula for each state is based on 25 percent lane miles, 40 percent vehicle miles traveled and 25 percent estimated tax payments attributable to highway users. Transit capital projects, carpool projects, safety, enhancement and wetland mitigation efforts are some of the many activities eligible under the program.

STP Funding

According to the multi-year transportation bill passed by Congress, FHWA sets aside ten percent of the STP funds for each state for safety construction activities such as hazard elimination and rail-highway crossings, and another ten percent is set aside by FHWA for transportation enhancement activities. FHWA provides 62.5 percent of the remaining 80 percent to urbanized areas with populations over 200,000. For other areas of the state, 37.5 percent of the remaining 80 percent is apportioned by FHWA.



NAVIGATOR originated in 1990, when the Georgia Department of Transportation seized the unique opportunity presented by Atlanta's winning Olympic bid to create a statewide transportation management network. Thirteen years later, NAVIGATOR is one of the leading Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) deployments in the world.

NAVIGATOR is a joint venture between the Georgia Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) and Atlanta Regional Commission.

The system is designed to reduce congestion on the freeway and arterial infrastructure and improve traveler safety. It uses the latest communications, video monitoring and detection system, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and data management technologies to provide the public with up-to-date information about transportation conditions.

NAVIGATOR is housed in the state-of-the-art Transportation Management Center (TMC) located in the Wayne Shackelford Building. It is a regional transportation management system that combines the efforts of the Georgia DOT with the counties of Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton and Gwinnett, the cities of Athens, Atlanta, Dalton and Savannah, and MARTA. The Transportation Control Centers (TCCs) in these areas link directly to the TMC, creating an inter-jurisdictional transportation management network extending more than 300 freeway miles and 200 arterial miles.

Video Monitoring and Detection

The **Video Monitoring and Detection System** uses real-time video to detect and verify surface and arterial street congestion, road incidents and road conditions.

The metro Atlanta system uses:

- 310 pan, zoom and tilt full-color TV cameras on the freeways,
- 1,200 black and white video detection cameras which gather information on average vehicle speed, traffic volume and vehicle classification,
- Almost 200 cameras operated by area TCCs looking at the arterial streets, and
- 85 changeable message signs.

The Macon area system uses:

- 41 closed-circuit television cameras,
- 82 video detection system cameras,
- 4 electronic message signs, and
- Over 17 miles of fiber optic cable.

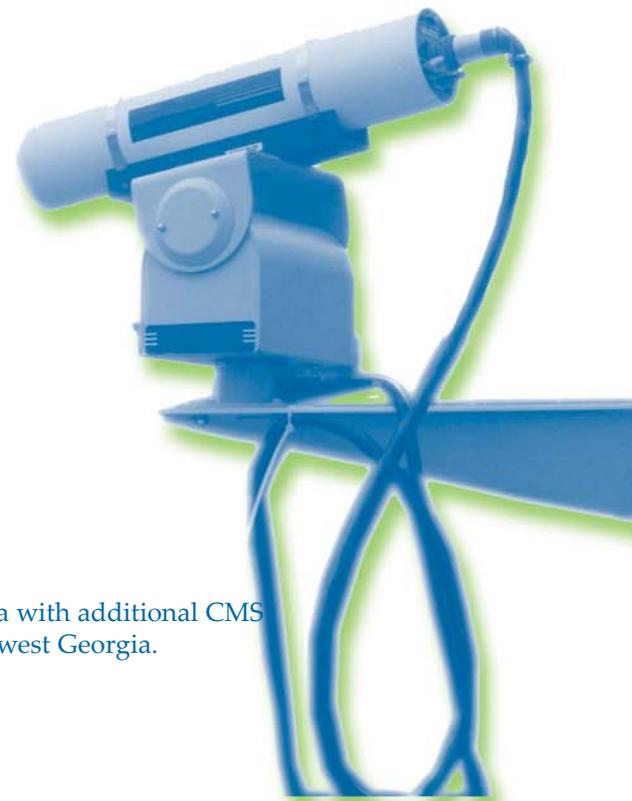
Expansion contracts currently underway will add NaviGAtor devices to these areas:

- Gainesville
- SR 166
- SR 141

Changeable Message Signs (CMS)

Changeable Message Signs (CMS) are mounted above the roadway to display the following types of messages to motorists:

- **Travel time messages** relay the speed of traffic over a section of highway.
- **Incident messages** apply to accidents, stalls and construction.
- **Hurricane Evacuation messages** which advise motorists of appropriate Hurricane Evacuation routes and **Public Safety** messages such as the **Child Abduction Alerts (Levi's Call)**.
- There are 80 CMS located in the Metro Atlanta area with additional CMS in Dalton and along coastal evacuation routes in southwest Georgia.



Incident Management Program

The **Incident Management Program** is a part of Georgia's NAVIGATOR System. Its primary goal is to quickly remove stalls and crashes from travel lanes and restore traffic to a smooth and normal flow. The Georgia DOT works with area police and wrecker companies to develop the best methods for safely managing incidents.

The Incident Management Program is primarily composed of 45 Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs) that patrol 13 routes around Atlanta. They provide coverage to some 220 miles of metro Atlanta freeways seven days a week.

*DOT (368) & #DOT (368)

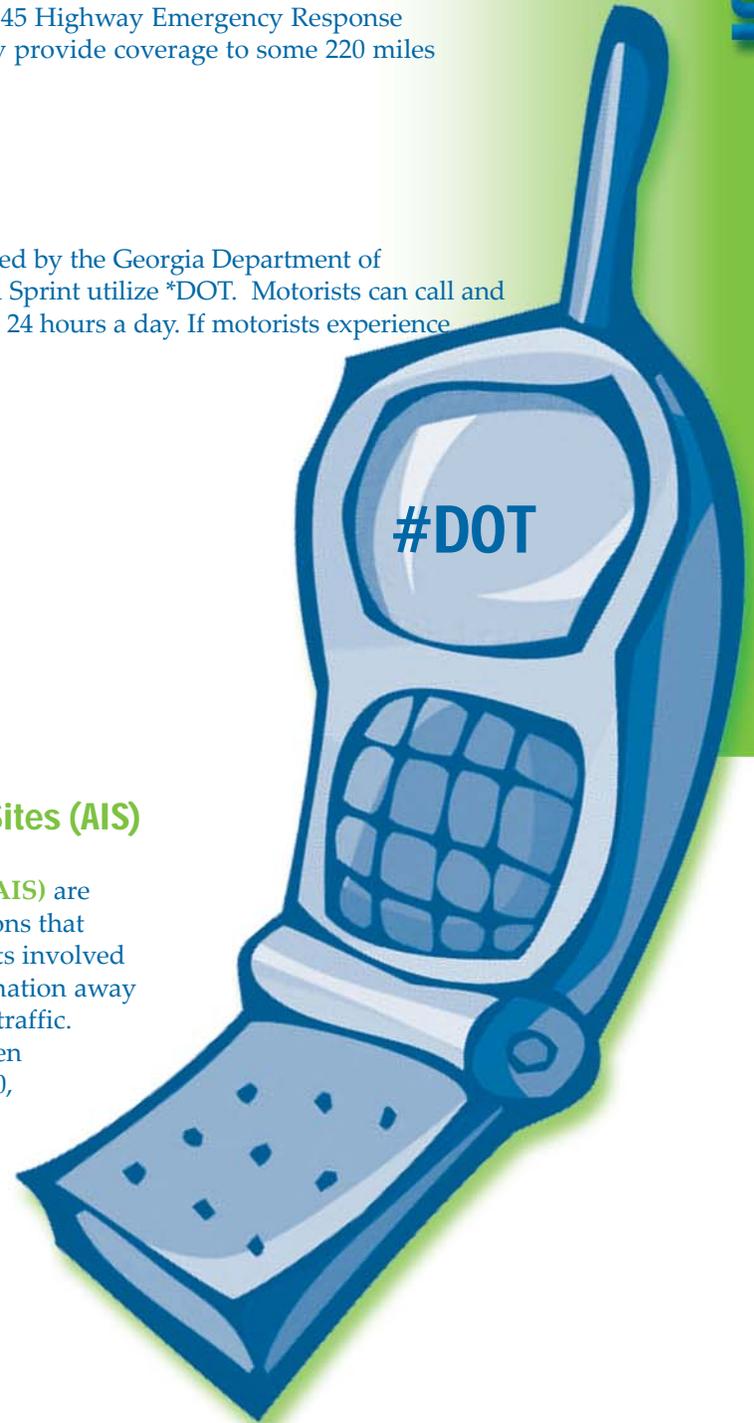
*DOT and #DOT (368) are free cellular phone services sponsored by the Georgia Department of Transportation, AT&T utilizes #DOT and Cingular, Verizon and Sprint utilize *DOT. Motorists can call and report incidents or get traffic information from a cellular phone 24 hours a day. If motorists experience difficulty with *DOT or #DOT they can call 404-635-6800.

The service allows travelers to:

- Report accidents they see or are involved in,
- Report traffic congestion,
- Report hazardous debris in the roadway,
- Request HERO or emergency assistance,
- Get information on current driving conditions, and
- Get information on construction projects.

Accident Investigation Sites (AIS)

Accident Investigation Sites (AIS) are 100-foot-long shoulder extensions that provide a safe area for motorists involved in accidents to exchange information away from the danger of on-coming traffic. Approximately 50 AIS have been constructed along Interstates 20, 75, 85 and 285.



For more information log on to
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Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs)

The main objectives for **Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs)** are to minimize major disruption of freeway traffic flow at incident locations, eliminate factors that can cause traffic tie-ups and reduce response time to incidents on the road. HERO Unit duties include:

- Patrolling 13 routes on metro Atlanta interstates, Monday through Friday, from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- Three HEROs are on-call from TMC and HERO headquarters, Monday through Friday from 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.
- Four HEROs patrol routes Saturday and Sunday, from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- Initiating measures to reduce traffic congestion and delays.
- Providing support to law enforcement, first-response and other emergency agencies.

When HEROs are not attending to traffic incidents, they are able to assist stranded motorists with minor mechanical problems including:

- Changing flat tires.
- Jump starting weak batteries.
- Providing fuel or coolant.
- Providing road and travel information and use of a cellular phone.
- Transporting motorists to safe areas away from traffic.

Motorists who become stranded due to mechanical difficulties on metro Atlanta interstates may call operators at the TMC for assistance. TMC operators will advise the next available HERO of the situation and, when possible, that HERO will go to the scene. If for some reason a HERO is not available, TMC operators can arrange for other assistance to be summoned to the location.

Motorists experiencing problems with their vehicles are advised to exit the interstate if possible. If that is not possible, they are advised to drive the vehicle to the right shoulder, moving as far away from the roadway as is safe, and remain in the vehicle until assistance arrives.

Current HERO Unit Facts

Total HERO Unit Personnel:	41
Total Vehicles in Fleet:	44
One-Ton Vehicles	36
Crew Cabs	6
Blazer (SUVs)	2
Total Assists/Accidents Worked	34,932
Average Response Time:	Under 10 Minutes

Please send your comments to HEROcomment@dot.state.ga.us.

More Information

Tours of the TMC are available and should be scheduled through our Media Relations Office. Please contact us at tours@georgia-navigator.com or 404-635-8017.

Also visit NAVIGATOR's website at www.georgia-navigator.com to find out real-time traffic information.



High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes are an integral part of the NAVIGATOR system, designed to help reduce air pollution, improve traffic congestion and ensure a substantial time savings for commuters who rideshare (two or more occupants per vehicle). They were introduced to the metro Atlanta area on December 14, 1994, along an 18-mile section of Interstate 20 east of Interstates 75/85. Additional lanes opened in 1996 along I-75 and I-85 inside of I-285.

Solid Double Lines mean traffic cannot change lanes.

Dashed Lines allow traffic to move between lanes.

The solid lines will limit vehicular movement between the HOV lane and general purpose lanes. This is primarily a safety measure to limit accidents caused from continuous merging into and out of the HOV lanes. Motorists may only enter and exit the HOV lane when the lines are dashed. The Georgia DOT hopes that this will encourage the legal use of HOV lanes and discourage use of the HOV lane as a passing lane for single occupancy vehicles.

Is this law?

Yes, entering or exiting the HOV lane over a solid double line is illegal and violators will be ticketed.

What about old HOV lanes, will they be changed to utilize solid double lines?

Yes, this will happen soon, other HOV lanes will be restriped with the double lines. This will allow the lanes to flow smoothly and ensure safety and less congestion when motorists exit and enter the lanes.

HOV Occupancy Requirements

- Two or more occupants per vehicle
- Motorcycles
- Emergency vehicles
- Certified Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFV), such as electric-powered cars and compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicles,
- Hybrid vehicles not currently allowed.

Hours of Operation

HOV lanes on Interstates 75, 85 & 20 are all operated 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

HOV Lane Map



Legend:

- Existing HOV Lanes
- Full interchange Ramp
- ▤ Northbound On-Ramp/Southbound Off-Ramp
- ▤ Northbound Off-Ramp/Southbound On-Ramp

For more information on HOV lanes, visit the Georgia DOT website at www.dot.state.ga.us/specialsubjects/hov/index.shtml.

Public transportation may be the only available means of mobility for nearly four million urban and rural residents in Georgia. Public transportation is broken down into two sections: Urban Transit Service and Rural Transit Service.

Urban Transit Service

This is a fixed route/fixed schedule service that uses standard public transportation equipment to provide a means of transportation for residents living in urban areas across the state.

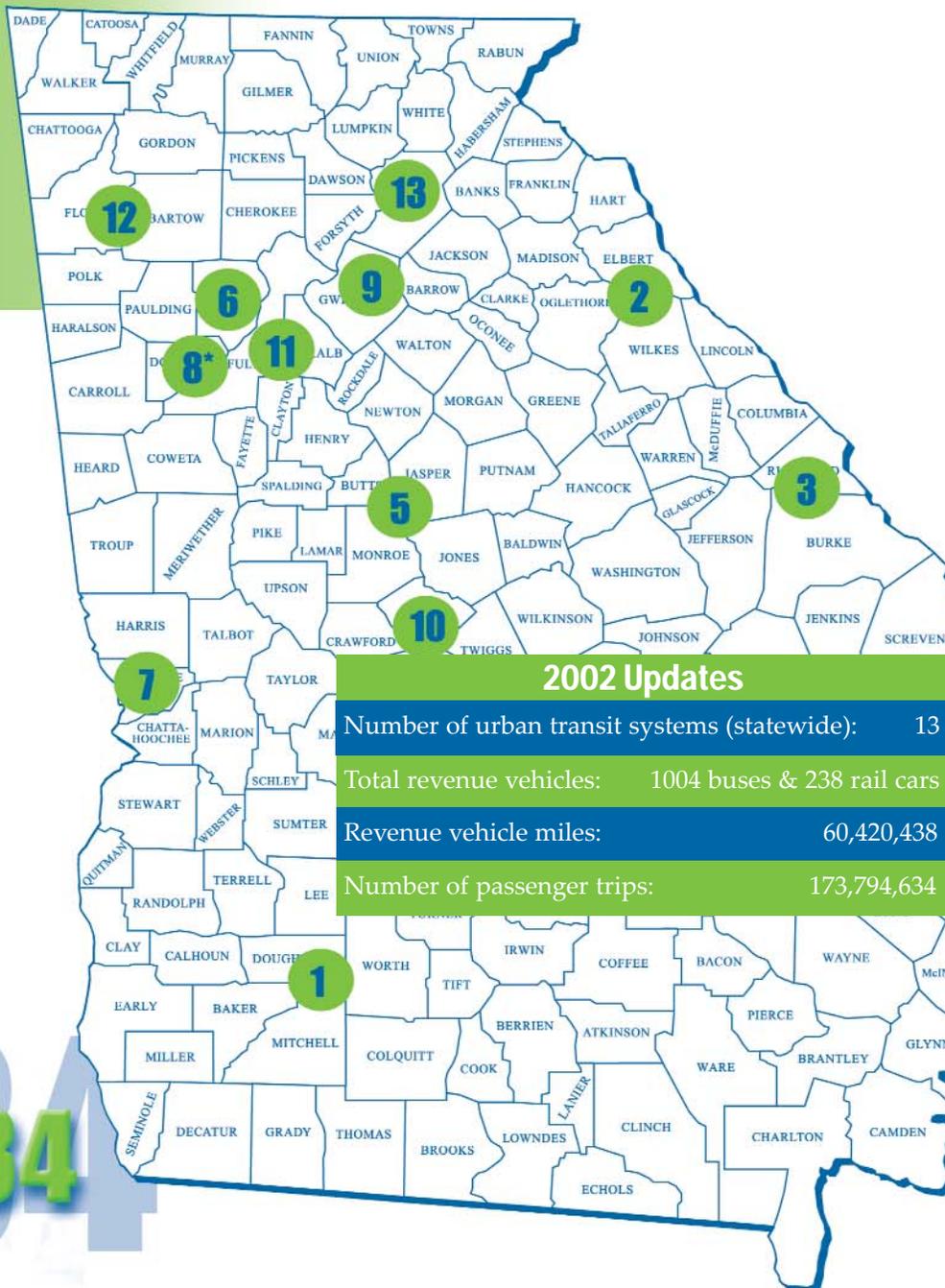
Advantages:

- Eases traffic congestion.
- Improves air quality.
- Provides access to commercial, medical and business locations.

Urban Transit Systems:

- 1 Albany Transit System
- 2 Athens Transit System
- 3 Augusta Public Transit
- 4 Chatham Area Transit Authority
- 5 Clayton County Transit
- 6 Cobb Community Transit
- 7 Columbus Transit System
- 8 Douglas County Rideshare*
- 9 Gwinnett County Transit
- 10 Macon-Bibb County Transit Authority
- 11 MARTA
- 12 Rome Transit Department
- 13 Hall Area Transit

Urban Transit System Map



* Douglas County provides vanpool services to county residents in both the urbanized and non-urbanized portions of the region. No fixed route service is provided.

2002 Updates	
Number of urban transit systems (statewide):	13
Total revenue vehicles:	1004 buses & 238 rail cars
Revenue vehicle miles:	60,420,438
Number of passenger trips:	173,794,634



Rural Transit Service

This is a demand/responsive service that uses small buses or vans to provide public transportation to Georgia residents living in rural areas. Furthermore, a long-range goal of the Georgia Statewide Transportation Plan is to expand rural public transit programs across the state.

2002 Updates

Number of rural transit systems.....	82
Total revenue vehicles.....	336
Revenue vehicle miles.....	8,700,858
Number of passenger trips.....	1,642,455

Advantages:

- Addresses the needs of rural, low-density development.
- Provides access to commercial, medical and business locations.
- Offers a combination of services to meet local needs.

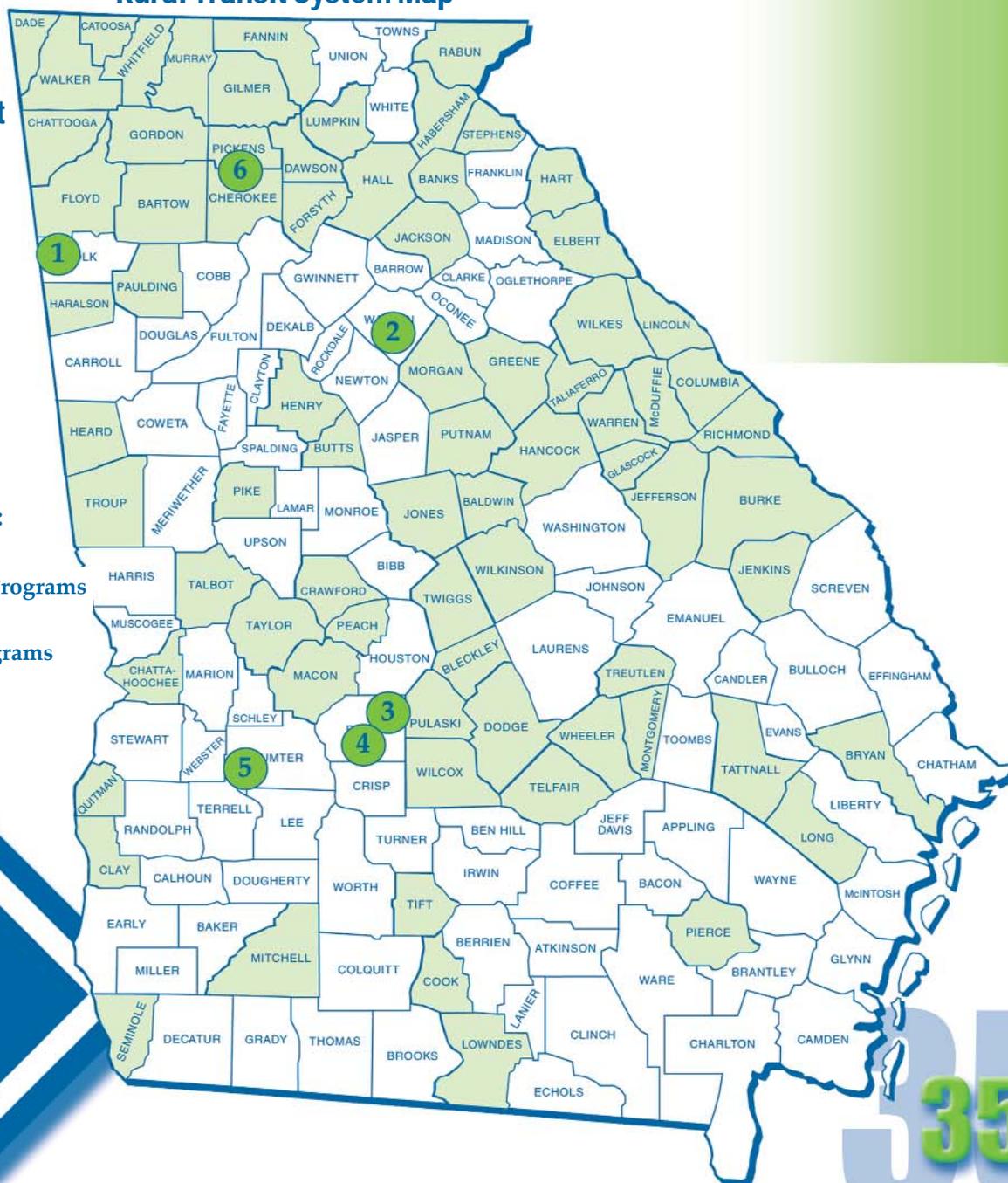
Rural Transit System Map

Rural Transit Systems:

- 1 Cedartown
- 2 Social Circle
- 3 Unadilla
- 4 Vienna
- 5 Americus
- 6 Canton

Legend:

-  County Programs
-  City Programs

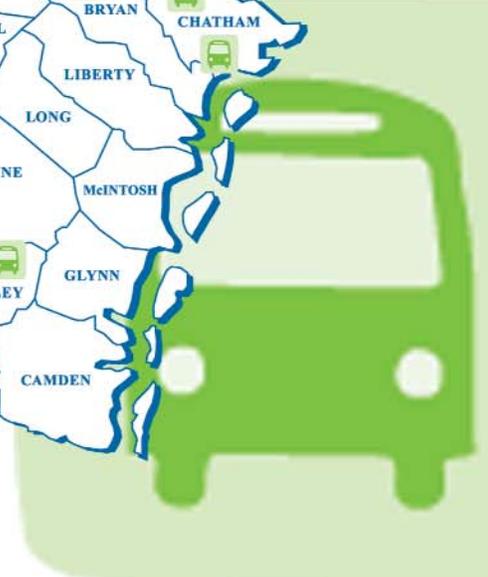


With 103 Park & Ride lots currently in use, the Georgia Rideshare Program offers Georgia residents a safe and convenient way to commute through the operation of carpools, vanpools and Park & Ride lots.

2002 Georgia Rideshare Facts

Number of Park & Ride lots.....	103
Number of available spaces.....	9,624
Total number of used (average) spaces.....	2,205
Percent usage (statewide).....	23.8%

Georgia Park & Ride Lots



The Georgia Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan was adopted by the State Transportation Board in August 1997 and updated in July 1998. The plan provides system and planning overviews, implementation strategies, typical sign installations, plus bicycle route descriptions and maps.

The Planned Statewide Route Network

- A state bicycle map became available in 2002.
- Consists of 14 bicycle routes across Georgia.
- Routes range in length from 39 miles to more than 427 miles.
- Total length of the system is 2,943 miles.
- 70 percent of the network is located on the state highway system.
- Signing began in 2001.
- Routes 10 & 95 are complete.
- Routes 85 & 50 are let to contract.

Each route has been given a unique name and route number. Maps will be developed showing routes and providing relevant information to bicyclists and pedestrians. A comprehensive update to the plan will begin in Fiscal Year 2004 as two separate plans: the State Pedestrian Plan and the State Bicycle Plan.

For more information, see the Bicycle/Pedestrian Program website: www.dot.state.ga.us/dot/plan-prog/planning/projects/bicycle



East-West Routes	North-South Routes
10 Southern Crossing	5 Chattahoochee Trace
20 Wiregrass	15 Central
40 TransGeorgia	35 March to the Sea
50 Augusta Link	45 Little White House
60 Athens Link	55 Appalachian Gateway
70 Northern Crescent	85 Savannah River Run
90 Mountain Crossing	95 Coastal

What is a Geographic Information System?

The Georgia Department of Transportation's Geographic Information System (GIS) is an organized collection of data, identified according to their spatial location. Whether talking about roads, construction, land use, emergency management, economic development, the environment, and much, much more, decision-makers at all levels field one question more than any other... How does that affect me?

Geographic Information Systems, a computer mapping and analysis system of tools, have made that question easy to answer and the answers easy to understand.

Maps produced by a GIS can depict many data sets or "layers" of information, one on top of the other, to visualize and analyze relationships.

GIS technology works by linking information stored in databases to a place or location. Users can question the data and present the answers in maps, graphs and tables.

Since 80% of all information has a geographic component, the power of GIS can be widely used to support decision-making and problem-solving.

How is GIS used at the Georgia DOT?

GIS is rapidly becoming a necessary technology tool for planning, analyzing, modeling and managing information. GIS at the Georgia Department of Transportation is being used to:

- Manage, analyze and provide a safe and efficient transportation system
- Manage construction projects
- Provide a linking and integrated system for the various Departmental databases
- Plan efficient routes for maintenance crews
- Route oversized truck loads
- Analyze traffic volume information
- Provide models for roadway and construction planning
- Produce Georgia DOT's official state map
- Produce city and county road maps
- Produce Traffic Flow map
- Produce Georgia Rail map

Access to Georgia DOT GIS Data

The Department has developed several on-line GIS applications that are available to the public. These applications can be accessed on the Georgia DOT's web site: http://www.dot/plan-prog/transportation_data/mapsales/index.shtml#onlinemaps

Additional GIS data is available to the public at the Georgia Spatial Data Clearinghouse web site: <http://gis.state.ga.us>



The Transportation Enhancement Program was established by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and continued with the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) in 1998. The primary goal of this program is to enrich the traveling experience of motorists, cyclists and pedestrians through enhancements to Georgia's transportation system.

Transportation Enhancements

Transportation Enhancements (TE) are projects that use funding from TEA-21 to enhance the public's transportation experience with a focus on historical, natural and scenic areas.

Georgia's most popular TE projects are:

- Streetscapes
- Bicycle/pedestrian facilities
- Historic preservation of transportation-related facilities



A historic gas station on the downtown square in McDonough that was restored and made into a local welcome center. Construction was started in Nov. 2002 and was completed early 2003.

How it works

Potential projects are submitted by state agencies and local governments that seek funding for the projects, design and construction. All projects submitted are ranked by the Transportation Enhancement Advisory Panel, a volunteer group with interests in transportation and environmental enhancements. The TEA Panel's recommendations assist the State Transportation Board in selecting projects for funding.

TE Funding

- Funding is provided by FHWA through the Surface Transportation Program (STP).
- Projects may be funded with up to 80% of STP funds and 20% of local match funds.
- Funding is divided equally among the Congressional Districts.

General Information

- There are approximately 500 TE projects that have been selected by the Transportation Board since the inception of the program.
- Over 200 TE projects have been completed statewide.
- Information can be found on the Department's website at www.dot.state.ga.us/dot/plan-prog/planning/projects/te.
- Additional information can be obtained by contacting the TE Program Coordinator at 404-657-6914.



Georgia Rail System

The Georgia Railroad System consists of nearly 5,000 route miles. The leading rail freight commodities and terminating in Georgia are the following:

- Coal
- Wood Products
- Non-metallic minerals

Two major freight railroad companies, CSX Transportation and the Norfolk Southern Company, own and operate 73% of the total state system.

- CSX operates 1,781 miles of railroad in Georgia.
- Norfolk Southern operates 1,777 miles of railroad in Georgia.

Railroad Facts

Light Density lines

- 27% (1,287 miles) of the state's railroad system is operated by 19 independent or short line operators.
- Norfolk Southern has approximately 377 miles of light density lines and CSX has another 81 miles.
- Georgia's light density lines carry less than three million gross tons of freight per year and function as local service operators, primarily in rural agricultural areas.

Corridor Preservation

- Georgia DOT seeks to preserve and enhance rail freight access for the state's shippers through the strategic acquisition and rehabilitation of shortline trackage in danger of abandonment.
- Currently, Georgia DOT owns over 400 miles of light density line. This track, in turn, is leased to shortline operators.

Mainlines

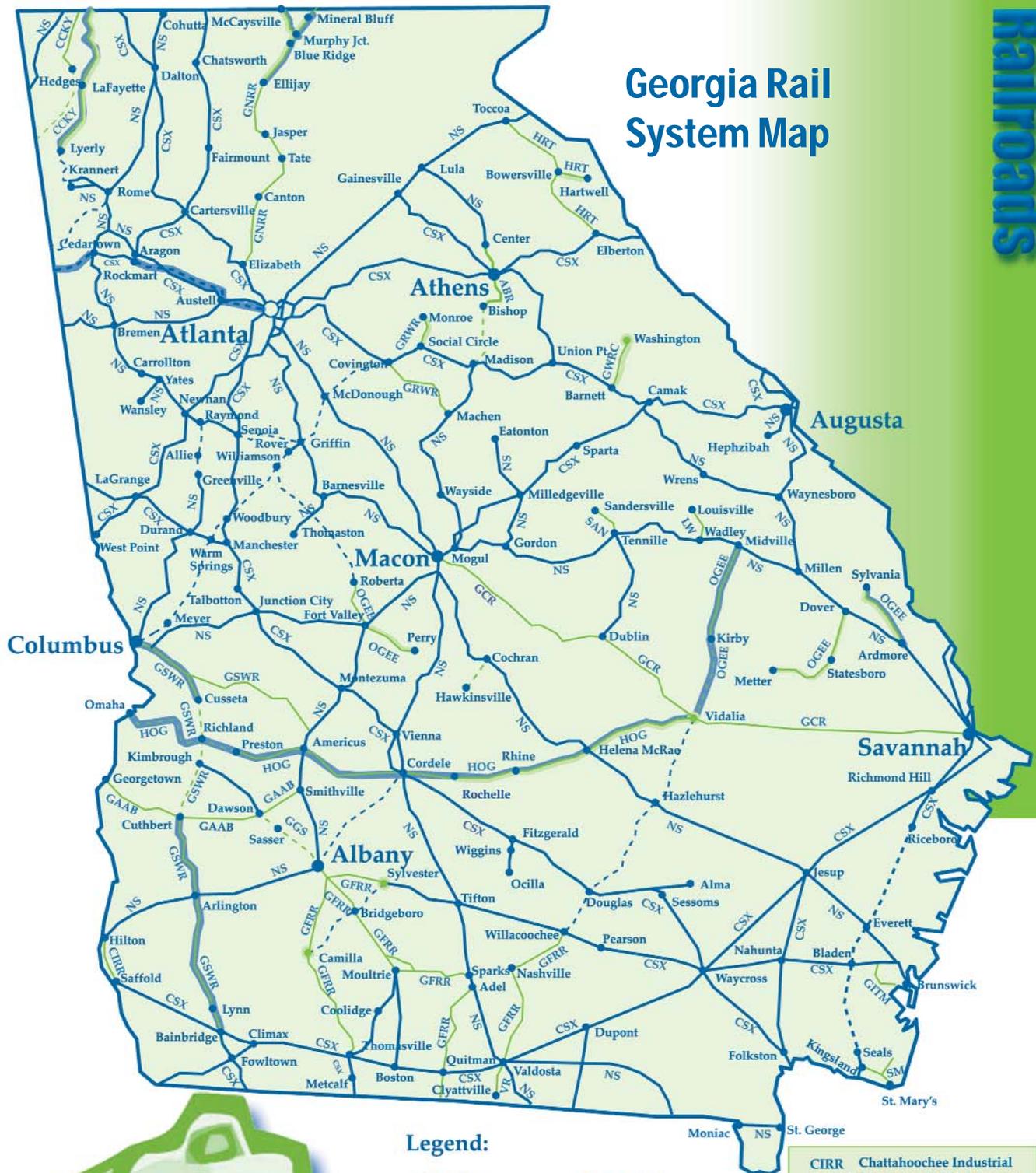
- 3,100 miles of the rail system are classified as "mainline track."
- Some Georgia mainlines transport more than 80 million gross tons per year, ranking them among the most heavily used in the country.

Estimated Track Route Mileage

Railroad Company	Miles
CSX Transportation	1,781
Norfolk Southern	1,777
The Athens Branch (ABR)	19
Chattahoochee & Gulf (CGR)	2
Chattahoochee Industrial (CIRR)	15
Chattooga & Chickamauga (CCKY)	66
Georgia Central (GCR)	171
Georgia & Florida Railnet (GFRR)	232
Golden Isle Terminal (GITM)	13
Georgia Northeastern (GNRR)	96
Georgia Southwestern (GSWR)	222
Georgia Woodlands (GWRC)	17
Great Walton (GRWR)	37
Hartwell (HRT)	58
Heart of Georgia (HOG)	180
Louisville & Wadley (LW)	10
Ogeechee (OGEE)	110
Saint Mary's (SM)	14
Sandersville (SAN)	9
Savannah Port Terminal (SAPT)	10
Valdosta Railway (VR)	10
TOTAL	4,849



Georgia Rail System Map



Legend:

Operating Abandoned

Class I Railroads
NS & CSX

Shortlines

Georgia DOT Owned

Location of Georgia DOT Rehabilitation Projects

CIRR	Chattahoochee Industrial
CKKY	Chattooga & Chickamauga
GAAB	Georgia & Alabama
GCR	Georgia Central
GFRR	Georgia & Florida Railnet
GGG	Georgia Great Southern
GNRR	Georgia Northeastern
GSWR	Georgia Southwestern
GWRC	Georgia Woodlands
GRWR	Great Walton
GITM	Golden Isle Terminal
HOG	Heart of Georgia
HRT	Hartwell
LW	Louisville & Wadley
OGEE	Ogeechee Railway
SAN	Sandersville
SAPT	Savannah Port Terminal
SM	St. Mary's
VR	Valdosta Railway



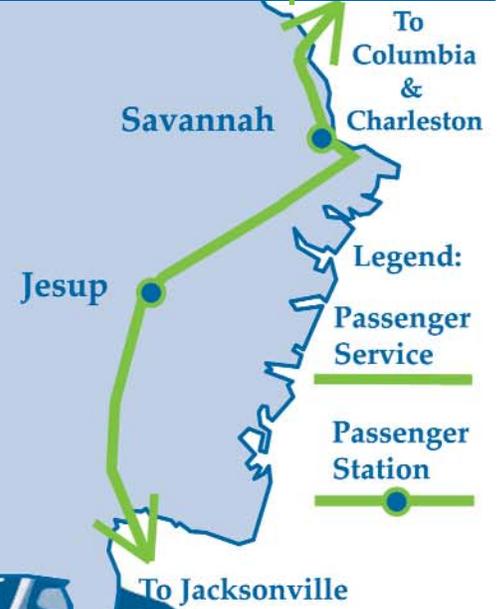
Railroad Passenger Service in Georgia

Rail Passenger service in Georgia is provided by AMTRAK (The National Railroad Passenger Corporation). AMTRAK operates the following routes:



- The **CRESCENT** operates between New York and New Orleans with stops in Atlanta, Gainesville and Toccoa.
- The **PALMETTO**, **SILVER METEOR** and **SILVER STAR** operate daily between New York and points in Florida with stops in Savannah and Jesup.

Georgia Rail Passenger Ridership	
Station	2002
Atlanta (Crescent)	85,480
Gainesville (Crescent)	4,662
Toccoa (Crescent)	2,934
Savannah (Silver Service)	42,910
Jesup (Silver Service)	5,904
Total	141,890



Legend:
 Passenger Service
 Passenger Station

Georgia DOT - Owned R.O.W.

Proposed Commuter Rail Service

- The Georgia Commuter Rail Plan's recommendations are as follows:
- Use existing rail lines for passenger service.
 - Provide service at 40 stations in 50 counties (staged over a 20-year period).
 - Implement Phase I with one line from Atlanta to Bremen, one line from Atlanta to Athens and one line from Atlanta to Senoia.
 - Include in Phase II lines from Atlanta to Canton, Gainesville and Madison.



Proposed Intercity Passenger Rail Service

A two-tiered intercity passenger rail network has also been proposed for the State of Georgia. Recommendations for implementation are as follows:

First Priority Corridors

- Atlanta to Macon via Griffin
- Savannah to Jacksonville via Jesup
- Macon to Savannah via either Vidalia or Eastman and Jesup
- Macon to Albany via Americus

Second Priority Corridors

- Atlanta to Augusta via Madison
- Atlanta to Columbus via Griffin
- Atlanta to Greenville via Gainesville and Toccoa

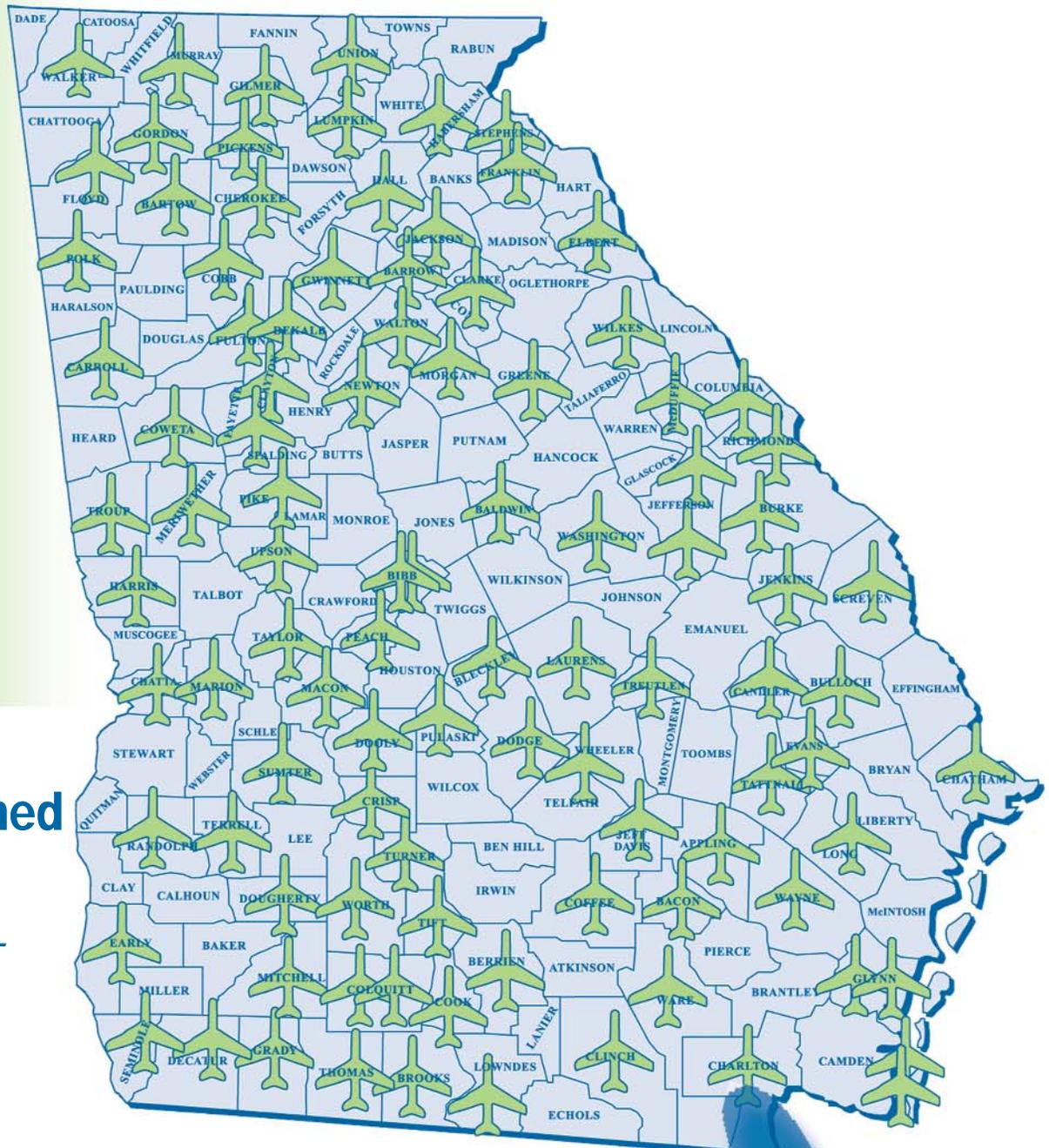
Recommended Intercity Rail Passenger Routes Map

Legend:

- First Priority
- Second Priority



Aviation Programs guides and directs the development of the state's system of airports in support of economic development and Georgia's participation in the global marketplace. Aviation Programs is tasked to assure a safe, adequate and well-maintained system of airports, to promote and encourage the use of aviation facilities and to foster safer operating conditions at these facilities.



Georgia Publicly-Owned Airports



Publicly-Owned Airports

Airports 2002	
Total number of airports (public or private use)	447
Public Use	
Airports/General Aviation & Air Carrier	107
Publicly owned and open to the public	103
Privately owned and open to the public	4
Private Use	
Airports/General Aviation	234
Heliports	106

Airports Providing Scheduled Air Carrier Service



Air Carrier Facts 2002

Number of Passengers	79.7 million
International Airports (Atlanta and Savannah)	2
Number of employees	63,000

Georgia's productive ports promote international trade and enrich the state's economy for the benefit of all Georgians. Beyond the sheer volume of international trade handled, the ports' positive impact on Georgia's economy is astonishing; generating the greatest economic benefit at the lowest imaginable cost.

For the first time ever, the Port of Savannah surpassed the 1.5 million TEU (Twenty-foot Equivalent Units) mark in a one-year period. More than 1.5 billion TEUs were shipped through Georgia Ports Authority fiscal year 2003. That is a 31.5 percent growth over last year, or an amazing 360,222 more TEUs than last year. The Port of Brunswick surpassed the 300,000 mark for the shipment of auto and machinery units in a single year, 314,625 auto and machinery units were shipped through the Port of Brunswick during fiscal year 2003. That is a 25.2 percent increase over last year, or an amazing 63,394 more auto and machinery units than last year.

The Authority is extremely proud of its work, its people and its facilities. The deepwater ports in Savannah and Brunswick, together with inland ports in Bainbridge and Columbus, serve as Georgia's gateway to the world.

Georgia Ports Authority (GPA) and Private Terminals

The continued growth of Georgia's ports plays an important role in ensuring Georgia's economic well-being.

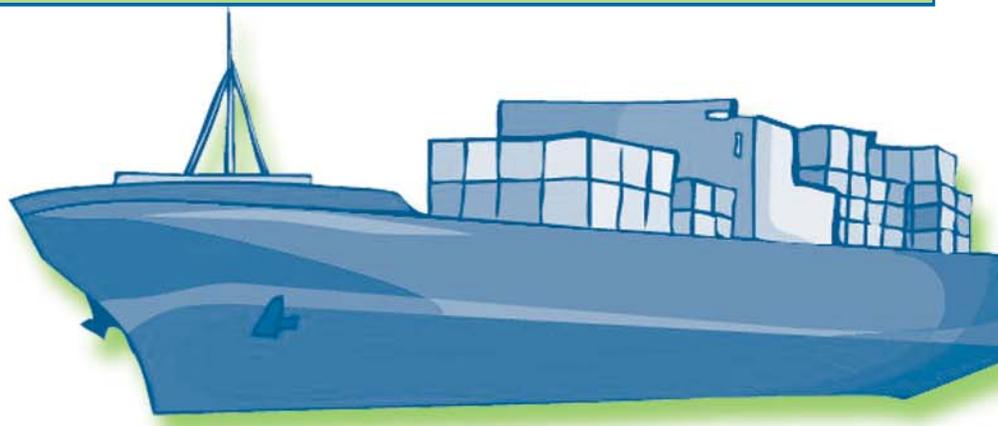
More than 80,100 Georgians work in jobs generated by port sector activity, which every year contributes \$1.8 billion in income, \$23 billion in revenue and some \$585 million in state and local tax receipts to benefit Georgia's bustling economy.



Major Exports and Imports

The following is a list of some of the major shipping cargo handled at Georgia's four main ports.

Exports	Major Imports
Kaolin and China Clay	Coal
Drilling Mud & Soil	Gypsum
Wood Pulp	Limestone
Paper & Paper Board	Fertilizer
Grains & Flour	Granite
Poultry	Furniture



Growth

- The Port of Savannah was the one of the fastest growing major containerport in the U.S. for calendar years 2001 and 2002.
- Bolstered by substantial gains in the container and automobile sectors, the Georgia Ports Authority facilities handled record levels of cargo for the 16th consecutive year during fiscal year 2003.
- The Port of Savannah is now recognized worldwide as a major regional cargo hub and is the fifth largest containerport in the country.
- At the distribution centers in and near Savannah alone, 3,500 new jobs have been created in just the last seven years.
- GPA's ability to quickly move intermodal freight has greatly improved with its new Mason Intermodal Container Transfer Facility (ICTF).
- The Port of Savannah serves as a major distribution point to and from a 26-state hinterland in the eastern United States.
- Today, the Port of Savannah services 12 major distribution centers, moving more than 300,000 containers annually through more than nine million square feet of warehousing.

Future Plans

Port of Brunswick

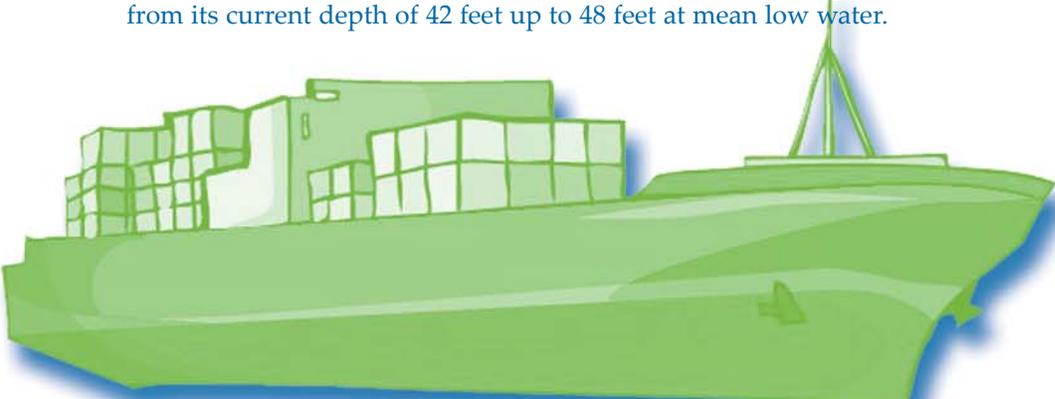
- Work is continuing on the deepening of the channel from 30 feet to 36 feet in the inner harbor west of the Sidney Lanier. The deepening of the outer harbor is scheduled to finish early in 2004. The channel between St. Simons and Jekyll Island maintains natural depths in excess of 70 feet and does not require dredging.
- Expansion of auto processing / storage capabilities and other infrastructure improvements.

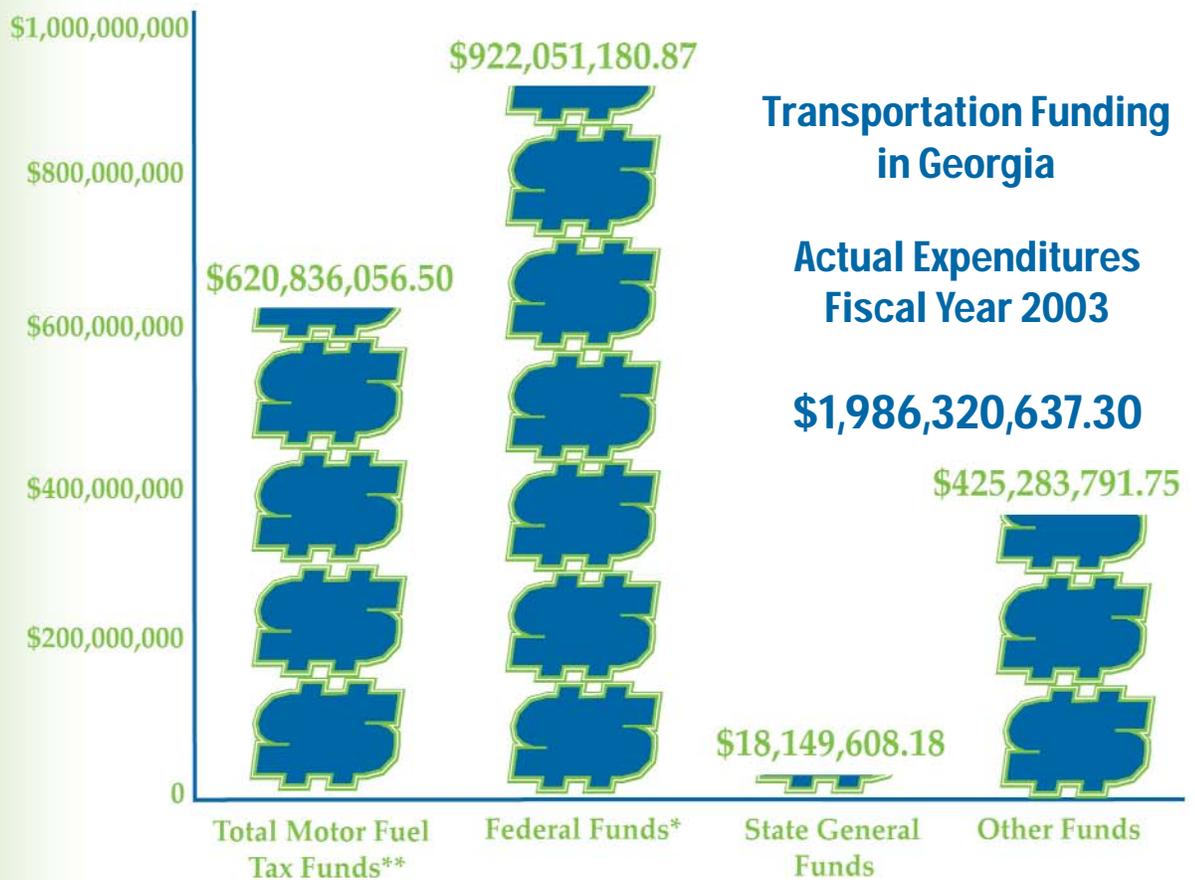
Port of Savannah

- Containerberth 8 (CB-8) will increase the capacity of the Port of Savannah by 20 percent. The new berth will include 2,100 feet in linear berthing space and 100 additional acres of container handling and storage area. When complete, the Port of Savannah will make up over 9,800 feet in linear berthing space, increasing what is already the largest single container facility on the entire east and Gulf coasts of this country.
- According to an economic impact model created by Georgia's University System, GPA anticipates 10,800 new direct and indirect jobs will be created as a result of this expansion. Currently, 80,100 direct and indirect jobs statewide result from port activity, with more than \$1.8 billion in income generated each year.
- Millions of dollars of new investments will be made in the Savannah area as a result of CB-8 in distribution, warehousing and other port related businesses.
- During FY03, the Port of Savannah welcomed eight new ocean carrier services to an already extensive list of liner services, giving shippers more choices, better frequency and assurance of competitive rates.
- In addition to landside improvements, plans call for the deepening of the Savannah Federal Navigation Channel from its current depth of 42 feet up to 48 feet at mean low water.

To learn more:

Visit www.gaports.com for updated information about Georgia's ports.





** 7.5 percent motor fuel tax, 3 percent sales tax, interest on motor fuel tax

* Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Coast Guard & Misc. Federal Funds

Georgia has several major sources for funding public sector transportation programs.

1. Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Georgia collects a motor fuel tax of 7.5 cents per gallon on gasoline, diesel fuel, gasohol, liquid propane and any other substance sold as motor fuel. It also levies a retail motor fuel sales tax for transportation at a rate of 3 percent.

2. Federal Funds

The **Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21)** authorizes funding for highway, highway safety, transit and other surface transportation programs for the next three years.

The **Federal Transit Authority** provides mass transit grants which are used for actions such as buying buses and covering operating expenses for urban and rural public transportation.

3. Georgia General Assembly

The **Georgia General Assembly** funds transportation programs from motor fuel tax and general funds or through the issuance of general obligation bonds. Projects funded by the Georgia General Assembly can include local roads, the Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP) and intermodal projects such as public transportation, rail, ports and aviation.

4. State Road and Tollway Authority

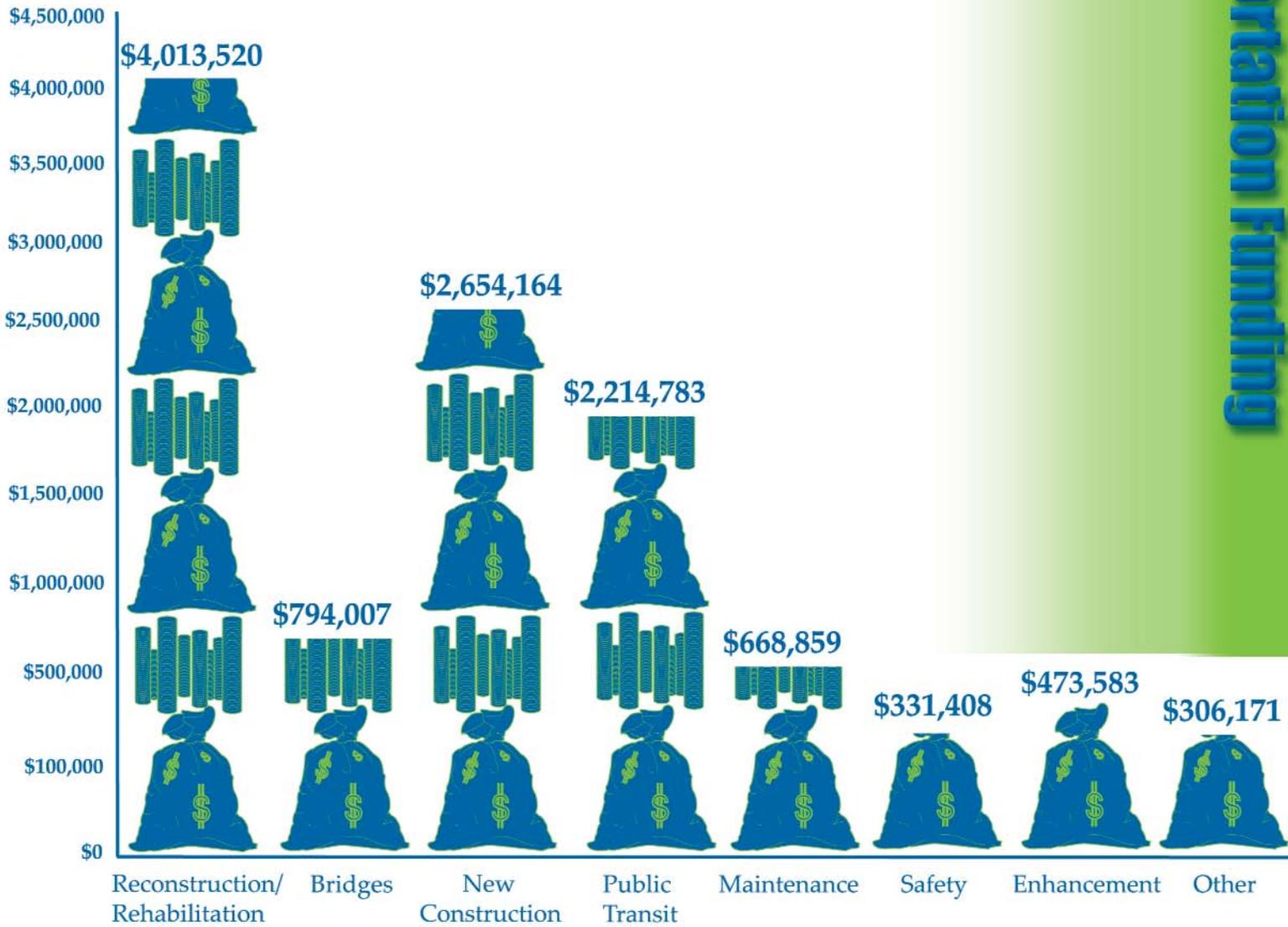
The **State Road & Tollway Authority** provides guarantee revenue bond funding. These funds will be used to accelerate transportation needs in Georgia.

Projected Budget for Fiscal Year 2004

Motor Fuel Tax	\$675,155,000
Federal Funds	\$960,489,137
State General Funds	\$12,953,938
Other Funds	\$9,457,265



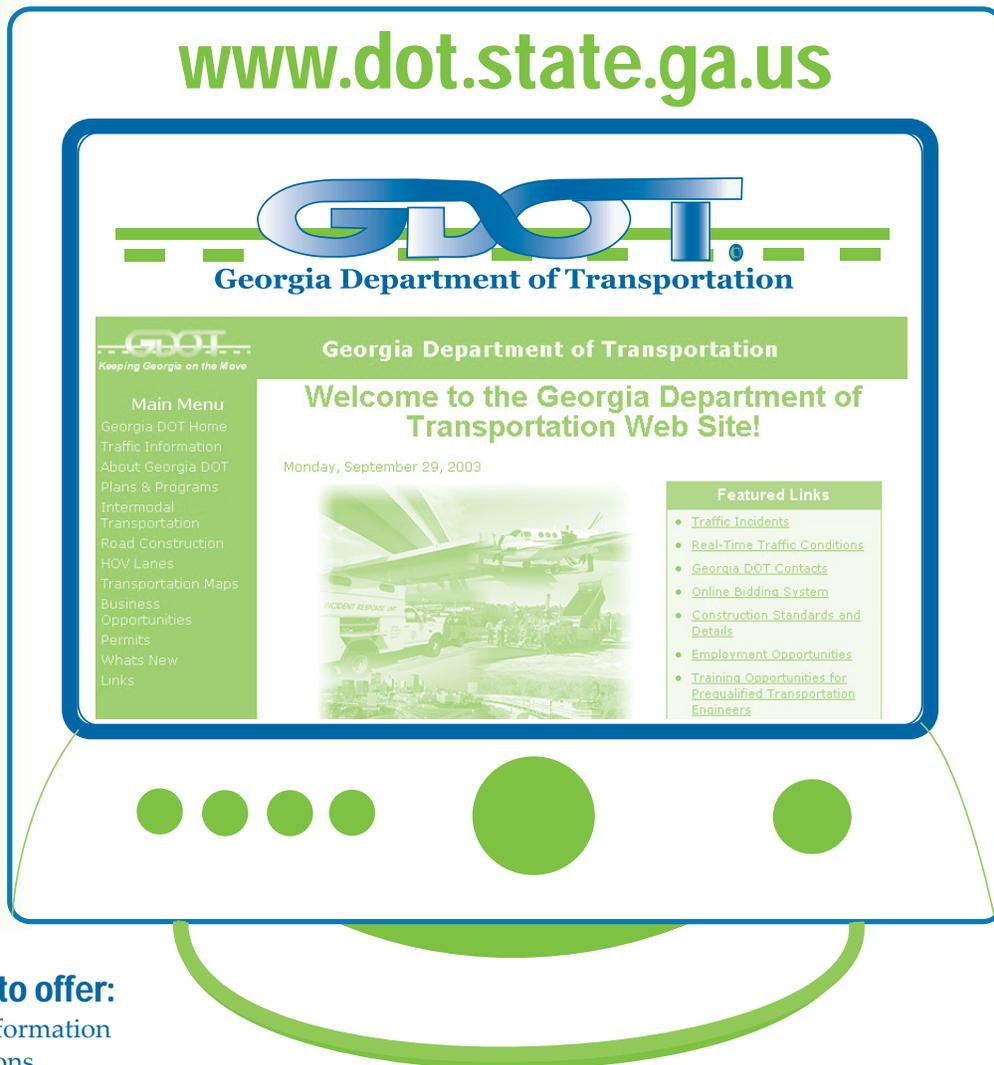
STIP * Funds by Category for 2003-2005



* Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
 * Costs are in the thousands

**Total STIP Program Estimate
 Fiscal Years 2003-2005:
 \$11.4 Billion**





What the website has to offer:

- Georgia DOT general information
- Frequently asked questions
- List of primary contacts
- Responsibilities and breakdown of Georgia DOT divisions and offices
- Directory of phone numbers for key Georgia DOT divisions and offices
- Traveler information maps
- Up-to-date traffic conditions
- Current construction projects

Links to other Important Websites

Georgia DOT Navigator
www.georgia-navigator.com

U.S. Department of Transportation
www.dot.gov

Bureau of Transportation Statistics
www.bts.gov

Federal Highway Administration
fhwa.gov



Accident Investigation Sites (AIS)

Interstate shoulder extensions that provide a safe area for motorists involved in accidents to exchange information.

Changeable Message Signs (CMS)

Electronic highway signs that display congestion and incident messages to travelers on I-20, I-75, I-85 and Georgia 400.

The Clean Air Campaign

The Clean Air Campaign is a not-for profit organization that works to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality through a variety of voluntary programs and services. It serves as a clearinghouse for a multitude of organizations that have programs in place to address traffic congestion and air pollution. Collectively they work with more than 600 employers in the region to mitigate traffic congestion and improve air quality.

Cobb County Transit System (CCT)

The public transportation system operated by Cobb County.

Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled (DVMT)

A daily average of the amount of miles a vehicle travels on Georgia's public roads.

***DOT (*368) & #DOT (#368)**

Free cellular phone service for motorists who see or are involved in an accident or traffic congestion.

Geographic Information System (GIS)

An organized collection of data that utilizes computer software and a hardware system to assemble, store, analyze and display geographically referenced information.

Georgia Rideshare Program

Transportation program that provides a safe and convenient way to commute to and from destinations through the operation of carpools, vanpools and Park & Ride lots.

Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP)

Georgia's effort to create a statewide system of four-lane highways to enhance economic development throughout the state.

Highway Emergency Response Operators (HEROs)

Department of Transportation employees who are skilled at offering assistance to motorists with vehicle problems or individuals involved in accidents on Atlanta interstates.

HOV Lane System

Travel lanes designated only for vehicles carrying two or more occupants, motorcycles, alternative fuel vehicles and emergency vehicles travelling on I-20, I-75 and I-85 within the metro Atlanta area.

Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA)

Surface transportation legislation created by Congress in 1991 to guide and fund the nation's transportation system through fiscal year 1997.

Interstate

A freeway that is part of the Dwight D. Eisenhower National System of Interstate and Defense Highways (the Interstate System); a divided highway which can be accessed only by on and off ramps.

Local Assistance Road Program (LARP)

The Georgia resurfacing program designed to assist local governments in preserving their paved road systems.

MARTA

Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority; the public transportation system serving the metro Atlanta area (Fulton and DeKalb counties).

National Highway System (NHS)

A network of interstates and other major routes that can link different modes of transportation together.

NAVIGATOR

Georgia's integrated Intelligent Transportation System designed to minimize congestion of freeways and improve traveler safety within the metro Atlanta area.

Public Transit

Passenger transportation service that is available to any person who pays a prescribed fare; operates on established schedules along designated routes with specific stops. Examples include bus, light rail and rapid transit.

Rural Transit Service

Public transportation located in rural areas that is available to the public on demand, by subscription or on a shared ride basis.

Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP)

A list of federally-funded, priority transportation projects proposed to be carried out in the first three years of adoption.

Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP)

An outline for meeting Transportation 2000 objectives over a 20-year period.

Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (STAA)

A highway program that designates national routes for oversized trucks to move freight throughout the state.

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

A block grant program that can be used for any roads that are not functionally classified as local or rural minor collector roads.

Transportation 2000

A vision adopted by the Georgia State Board of Transportation to guide the state's transportation program into the 21st century.

Transportation Control Centers (TCC)

Satellite transportation management facilities that are linked directly to the TMC, establishing a regional transportation management system.

Transportation Enhancements (TE)

A transportation enhancement project that uses funding from TEA-21 to enhance the public's transportation experience by concentrating on cultural, natural and scenic areas.

Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21)

Legislation that provides \$198 billion in federal funding for highways, highway safety, transit and other transportation programs (1998-2003).

Transportation Management Center (TMC)

The state-of-the-art facility which houses Georgia's NAVIGATOR system.

Urban Transit Service

Public transportation service located within an urban area that operates on a fixed schedule along designated routes. Service is available to anyone who pays a prescribed fare.



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