

Five-Party Memorandum of Agreement



Atlanta Regional Commission
Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority
Georgia Department of Transportation
Georgia Regional Transportation Authority
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority



Overview presentation for:

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Legal Reference

CFR Title 23

§ 450.314 Metropolitan planning agreements

(a) The MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation shall cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process. These responsibilities shall be clearly identified in written agreements among the MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation serving the MPA. To the extent possible, a single agreement between all responsible parties should be developed. The written agreement(s) shall include specific provisions for the development of financial plans that support the metropolitan transportation plan (see § 450.324) and the metropolitan TIP (see § 450.326), and development of the annual listing of obligated projects (see § 450.334).

(b) The MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation should periodically review and update the agreement, as appropriate, to reflect effective changes.

MPO Process Agreement History

1971

MPOs have been mandated by federal law since 1962

First planning MOA developed following establishment of ARC as the Metropolitan Area Planning and Development Commission under state law (same responsibilities as a Regional Commission)

Signatory agencies were ARC, MARTA and the State Highway Department

MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

The federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) strengthened the roles and responsibilities of MPOs

Signatory agencies were ARC, MARTA and GDOT



MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

2008

GRTA was established in 1999, with responsibilities that included state approval of the Atlanta region's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on behalf of the Governor

Signatory agencies were ARC, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA



MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

2008

2009

ARC established the Regional Transit Committee, following sunset of the Transit Planning Board and Transit Implementation Board

Signatory agencies were ARC, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA



MPO Process Agreement History



ATL established in 2018 by HB 930

Designated recipient role for certain FTA formula funds shifted from MARTA to ATL

Continuous evolution of planning partner working relationships over the past decade

Signatory agencies will be ARC, ATL, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA

Core MPO Planning Products



20+ year multimodal transportation vision

Fiscally constrained

Meets air quality conformity requirements

Updated every four years (min)



First six years of the RTP

Near term implementation priorities

More rigorous fiscal constraint requirements

Updated every four years (min)



Annual requirement

Current and upcoming planning activities of all agencies using federal funds

Other major transportation planning initiatives as appropriate

Organization of the Five Party Agreement



PURPOSE



DEFINITIONS



REQUIREMENTS



**ORGANIZATIONAL ROLES
AND RESPONSIBILITIES**



**POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND
COORDINATION**



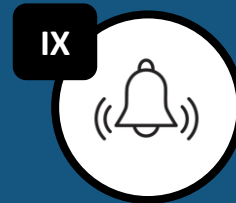
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT



**COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE
LAWS AND REGULATIONS**



**AMENDMENTS AND
MODIFICATIONS**



NOTIFICATION



SIGNATURES

Organizational Roles and Responsibilities Section





-  Legislative background of the agency
-  Regional Transportation Plan
-  Transportation Improvement Program
-  Unified Planning Work Program
-  Air Quality
-  Public Involvement
-  Transportation Planning (General)









Key GDOT Roles and Responsibilities in the MPO Process

- ✔ Participate on ARC committees and other working groups
- ✔ Assist in preparing project cost and revenue estimates for the TIP and RTP
- ✔ Conduct planning studies (UPWP) and share data and findings
- ✔ Coordinate the statewide transportation with the RTP
- ✔ Incorporate the TIP into the STIP
- ✔ Provide a list of obligated funds each fiscal year
- ✔ Cooperate in development of regional performance targets

Approval Milestones

AUGUST 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
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SEPTEMBER 2019						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 	7
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	ARC	ATL	GDOT	GRTA	MARTA
Committees / First Reads					
Final Action / Signature					

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