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Georgia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (GAMPO) Board Members

Subject: September 2022 PL Funds Review Committee Meeting

Dear GAMPO Members:

The Department would like to thank you for conducting the PL Funds Review Committee Meeting that was held on September 26, 2022. This letter will serve as official correspondence from the Department acknowledging and highlighting the results of the September 26, 2022 meeting.

Listed below is the approved applications summary with the assigned Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) project identification number (P.I. No.) and cost summary.

- **Cartersville-Bartow MPO - 2050 LRTP Update and 2024-2027 TIP:**
Requested \$200,000 (\$160,000 Federal, \$40,000 Local) to update 2050 LRTP and 2024-2027 TIP. The PL Funds Review Committee voted yes for approval of this application request. The GDOT project ID for this study is **P.I. No. 0019627**
- **Columbus-Phenix City Transportation Study (C-PCTS MPO) - 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan with a Freight Component and the 2023 Congestion Management Process:**
Requested \$400,000 (\$320,000 Federal, \$80,000 Local) to update 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan with a Freight Component and the 2023 Congestion Management Process. The PL Funds Review Committee voted yes for approval of this application request. The GDOT project ID for this study is **P.I. No. 0019628**
- **Valdosta-Lowndes MPO - VLMPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan:**
Requested \$300,000 (\$240,000 Federal, \$60,000 Local) to update 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The PL Funds Review Committee voted yes for approval of this application request. The GDOT project ID for this study is **P.I. No. 0019629**

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The projects selected totaled \$900,000 (\$720,000 Federal; \$180,000 Local) based upon the submitted applications. As a reminder, any MPO that receives supplemental PL funding for planning studies utilizing consultant services must follow all standard applicable Federal, State and Local procurement procedures. Additionally, any MPO that receives supplemental PL funding will need to work with their respective GDOT transportation planner to execute the new separate PL planning study contract. An amendment is required to the respective MPO's Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) placing the associated funds in the funded portion of the UPWP. This specific amendment can be completed administratively or through the respective MPO's standard UPWP amendment process.

The Cartersville-Bartow, Columbus and Valdosta-Lowndes MPOs will need to provide progress status updates at the next GAMPO meeting in March 2023 and in writings to the Department prior to the upcoming meeting. This will enable the PL Funds Review Committee to thoroughly track progress, dollar amounts expended, and provide an effective oversight measure.

The Department looks forward to continue working with the GAMPO members and the MPOs in this process. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Kaniz Sathi at 404-631-1745 or at ksathi@dot.ga.gov.

Sincerely,

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