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Robert L. Brown, Jr.
Chair of the State Transportation Board robrown@dot.ga.gov

Re: Amended 2023 Biennial P3 Project Candidate List

Dear Chairman Brown:

Pursuant to Section 32-2-79 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the Georgia Department of Transportation ("Department") is required to identify and report to the State Transportation Board ("Board") a list of Public-Private Partnership (P3) projects that are expected to provide the greatest public benefit through enhanced public safety, enhanced mobility of goods, congestion mitigation, enhanced trade and economic development, improved air quality or land use, or reduction of public expenditures due to improved transportation efficiency or infrastructure preservation every other year. In creating this list, the Department has considered the investment policies identified in Section 32-2-41.1(a) of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

In a letter dated July 28, 2023, the Department presented the Board with the 2023 Biennial P3 Project Candidate. The list presented to the Board was not a commitment to procure these projects as a P3 but merely a list of projects that meet eligibility requirements for procurement under P3. If other projects are determined to be feasible before the next formal opportunity to present a biennial list (in July 2025), the Department may present to the Board additional candidate projects for P3 consideration.

Subsequent to the time that the 2023 Biennial P3 Project Candidate List was created, the Department has identified an additional candidate project for P3 implementation, the Georgia Hydrogen Refueling Station Deployment. This proposed project may aid economic development by working with the private sector on future fuel sources for freight movement using federal and private funding. The amended 2023 Biennial P3 Project Candidate List is attached.

Sincerely.

Russell R. McMurry, P.E.

Commissioner

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cc: State Transportation Board Members Meg Pirkle, P.E., Chief Engineer Jannine Miller, Director of Planning K. Joe Carpenter, P.E., Director of P3

2023 Candidate P3 Project List	
Project	Description
I-285 Westside Express Lanes	Project will add two new express lanes on I-285 in each direction from Atlanta Road to I-20.
I-285 Eastside Express Lanes	Project will add two new express lanes on I-285 in each direction from Henderson Road to I-20.
I-285 Top End (East and West) Express Lanes	Project will add two new express lanes on I-285 in each direction between South Atlanta Road and Henderson Road, as well on State Route (SR) 400 from south of Glenridge Connector to the vicinity of the North Springs Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) Station. Portions of the proposed project will connect to existing express lanes facilities on I-75 and I-85 and to the proposed express lanes along SR 400.
I-20 East Express Lanes	Project includes Express (managed) lanes between I-285 to SR 124.
I-20 West Express Lanes	Project includes Express (managed) lanes from I-285 to SR 92.
I-75 Commercial Vehicle Lanes from SR 155 (McDonough) to I-475	Project reflects the addition of two truck lanes in the northbound direction. (Procurement was initiated with a Notice of Intent to Advertise in August 2021, then deferred to a Q1 CY2025 re-start per the MMIP "reboot" in February 2022).
I-85 North Widening to the Georgia/South Carolina Border	Project reflects one general purpose lane in each direction along I-85 North from US 441.
Statewide Broadband and Wireless Antennas (I-16, I-20, I-75, I-475, I-516, I-520, I-575)	Project would include future usage and best practices for gaining efficiencies from GDOT's existing telecommunication network, as well as a statewide fiber optic network expansion through leasing or licensing of the network to third parties. The project will create the opportunity to expand and better maintain GDOT's fiber optic communications network as well as prepare the state's infrastructure for Connected Vehicle deployment along the interstates.
Georgia National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment	Program will provide for the design, installation, financing, operation, and maintenance of electric vehicle charging stations to fill gaps in the locations in designated alternative fuel corridors (AFCs) in alignment with the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program.
Hydrogen Refueling Station Deployment	Program will provide for the design, installation, financing, operation, and maintenance of temporary and permanent Hydrogen Refueling Station facilities for commercial vehicles in the state.