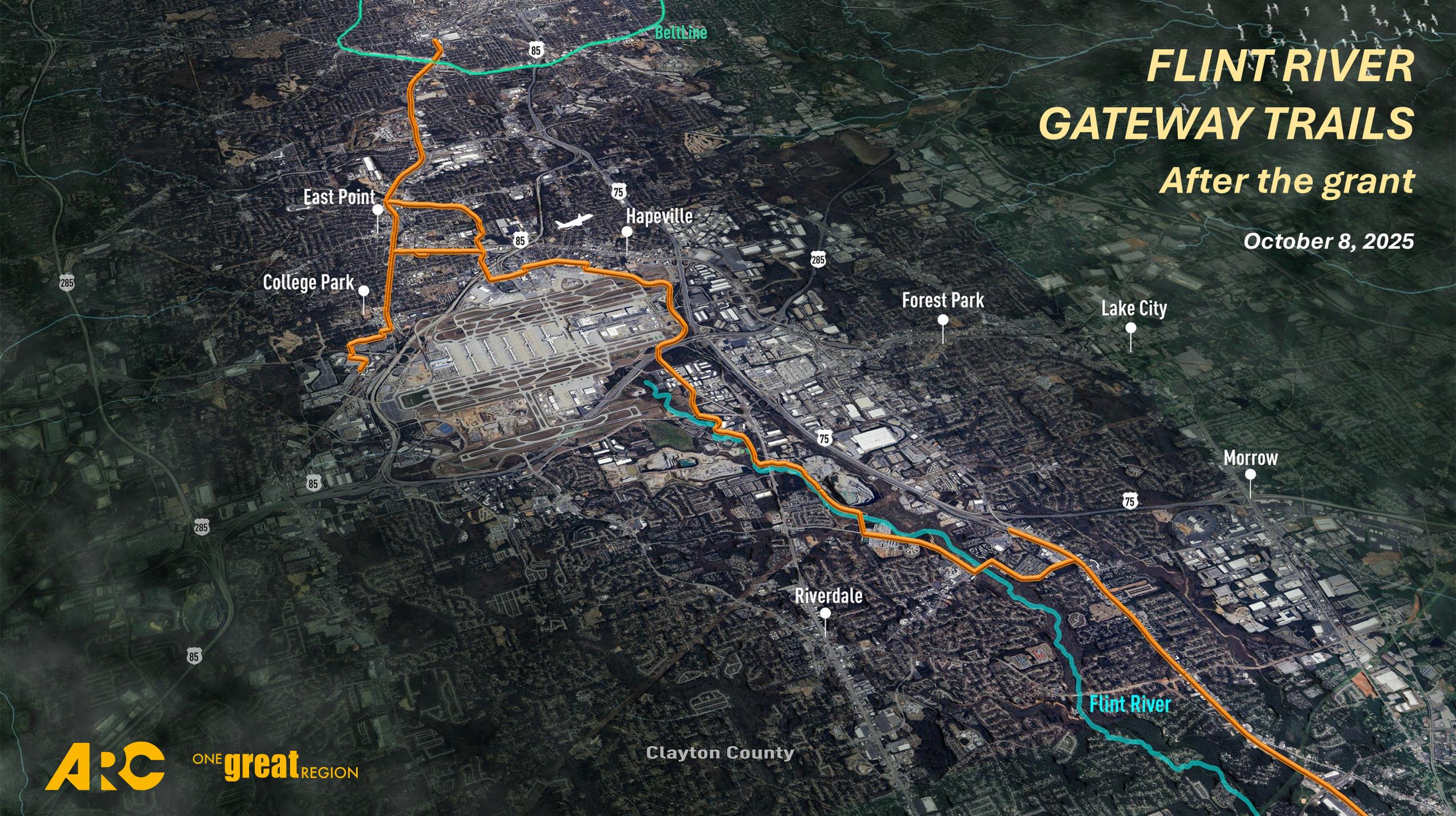


# FLINT RIVER GATEWAY TRAILS

*After the grant*

October 8, 2025



## Vision

ONE **great** REGION

## Mission

*Foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.*

## Values

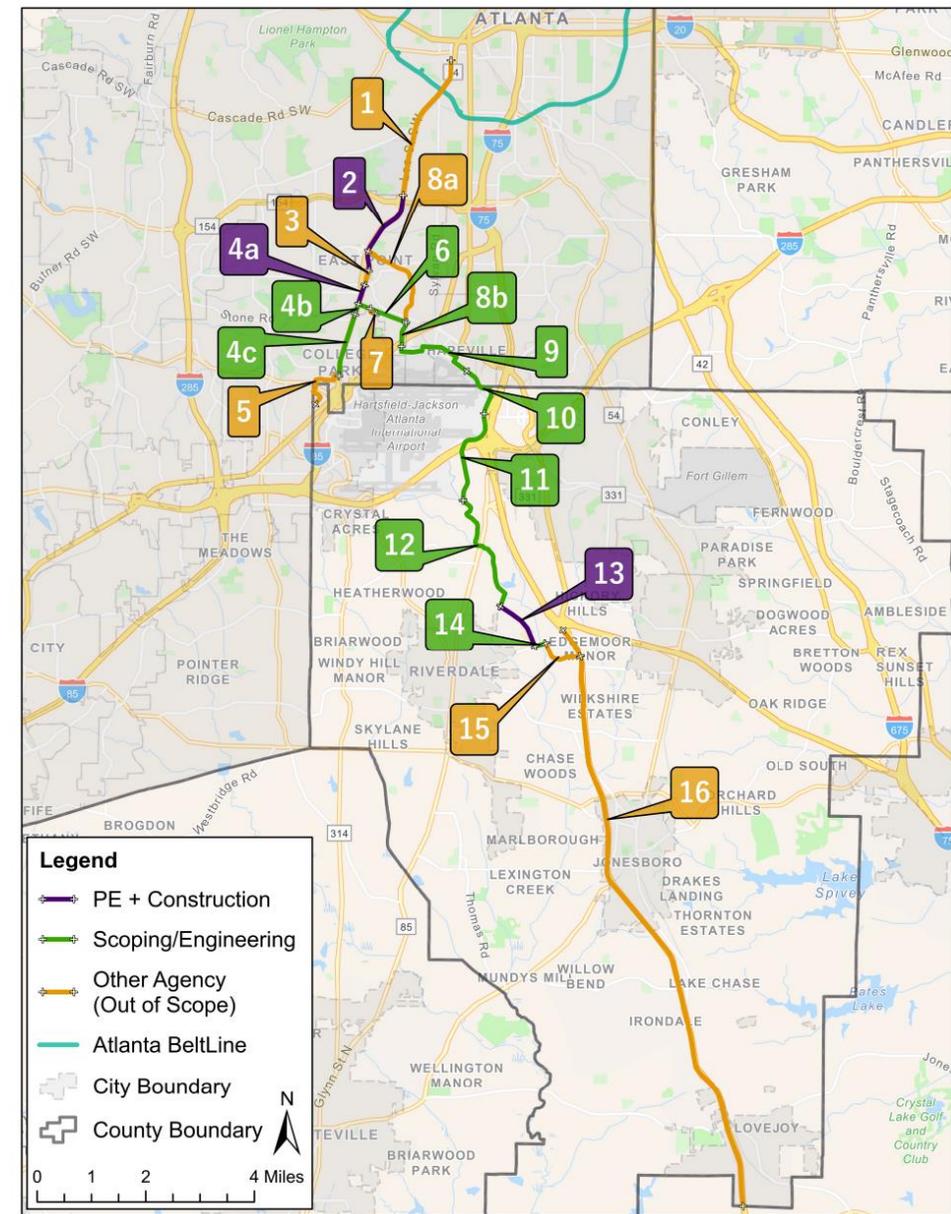
**Excellence** | **Integrity** | **Equity**

## Goals

-  **Healthy, safe, livable communities** in the Atlanta Metro area.
-  **Strategic investments** in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.
-  Regional services delivered with **operational excellence** and **efficiency**.
-  **Diverse stakeholders engage** and take a regional approach to solve local issues.
-  **A competitive economy** that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.

# RCN Grant (\$64.9 million)

- 100% Funding: No local match required
- 9 Segments: Scoping/engineering (10.7 miles)
- 3 Segments: Construction (3.1 miles)
- Funding for:
  - Continuous community engagement throughout project
  - Stormwater/flooding analysis + engineering practices to address flooding
  - Technical assistance to government partners
  - Partner organization support
  - Flint Trails Master Plan
  - South Metro Trails Connection Plan
- Rescinded: July 2025 Reconciliation Bill

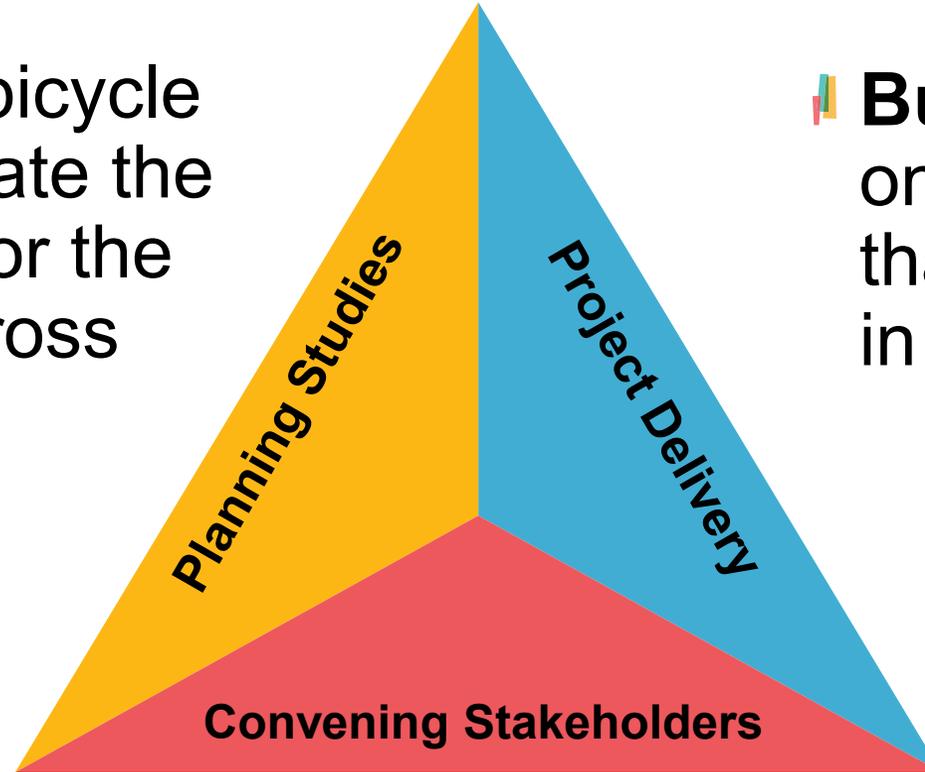


[Proposed Trail Alignment Map](#)

# Flint River Trail – Connecting the South Metro

**Plan:** Three trail/bicycle plans that will create the long-term vision for the Flint and trails across South Metro

**Build:** Trail segments on the Flint River Trail that can be accelerated in the near term



**Convene:** Bringing together leadership in support of the Flint and trails across the South Metro

# Build: Existing Projects

ARC staff identified three projects from Flint River Gateway Trails with a potential to move ahead in the near term with local or TIP support only. All three of these were in some level of development previously.

## Lee Street – Atlanta

- Already funded, but stalled
- ARC leadership working with City of Atlanta Leadership

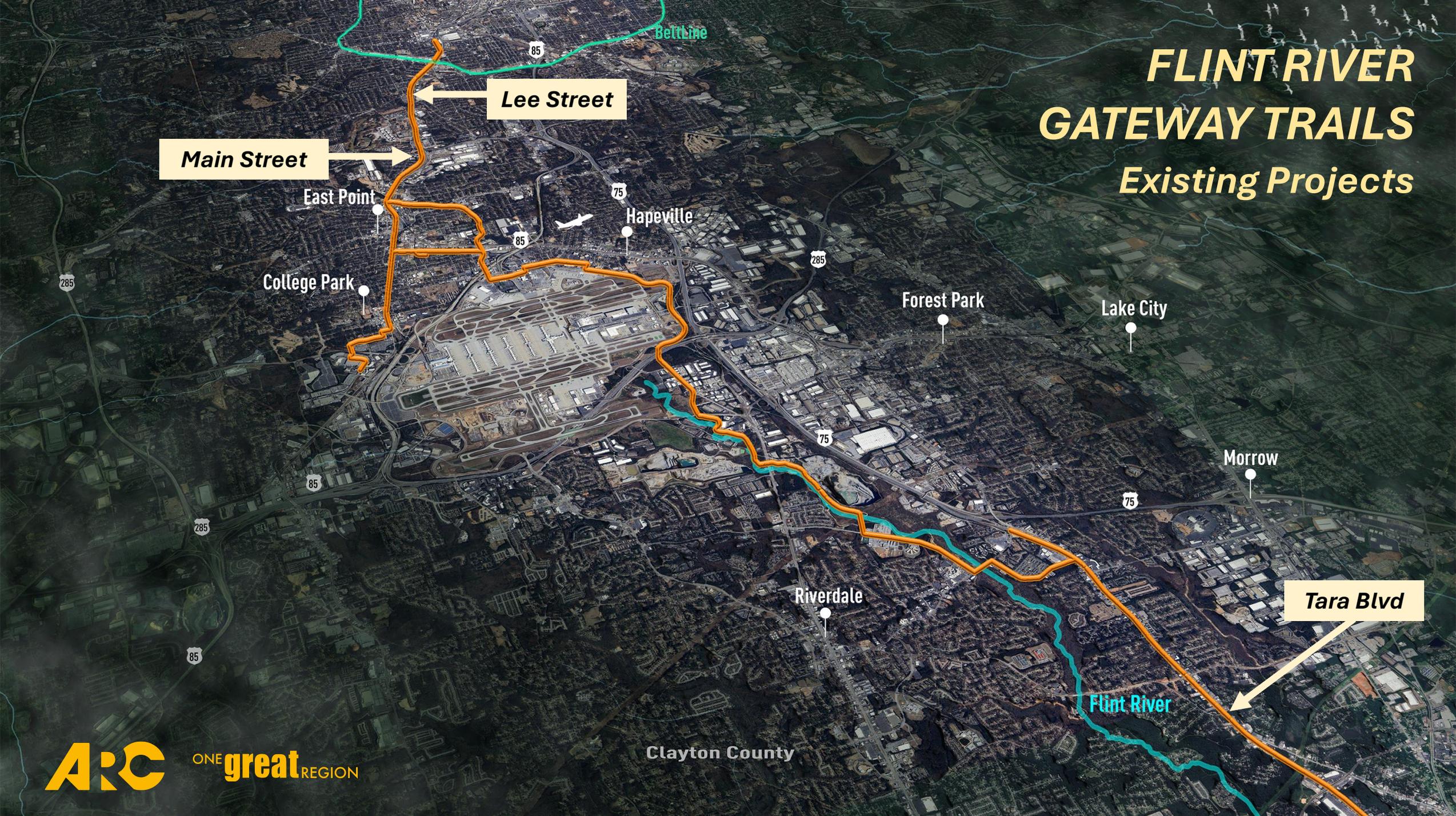
## Main Street – East Point

- ARC staff working with East Point to return project to TIP

## Tara Blvd – Clayton

- Currently designed for “pedestrian improvements” on 11.5 miles of Tara
- County has verbally committed to expanding to multi-use trail width (10-12’)
- Additional TIP funds to be added to accommodate scope change

# FLINT RIVER GATEWAY TRAILS Existing Projects



Lee Street

Main Street

East Point

College Park

Hapeville

Forest Park

Lake City

Morrow

Riverdale

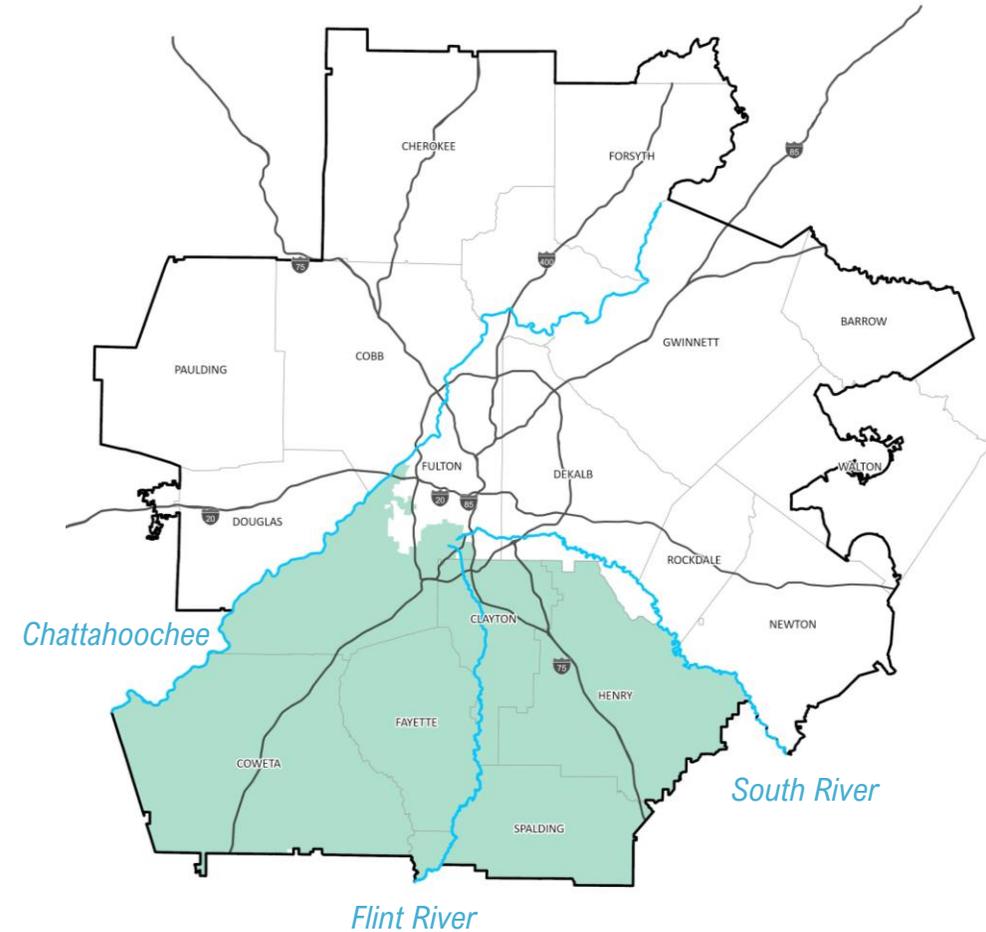
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Flint River

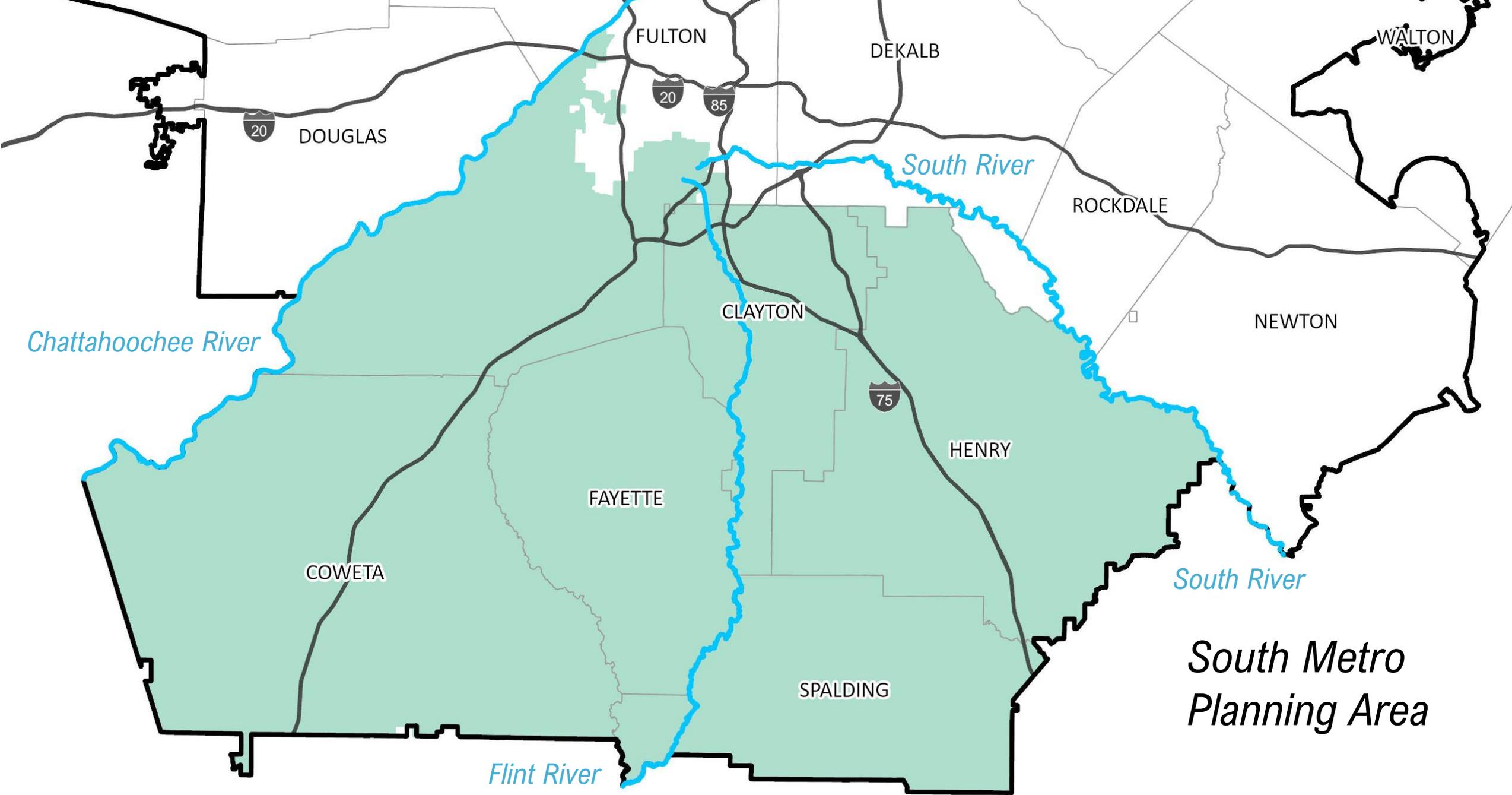
Clayton County

# Three Planning Studies

- ▮ **Regional Trail + Bicycle Facility Network Plan**  
Covers the full 19-county MPO
- ▮ **South Metro Trail + Bicycle Facility Plan**  
Deeper study of sub-regional, 6-county area of Regional Trail Plan; identifies specific alignment options
- ▮ **Flint River Trail Plan**  
Master plan for trail for quarter-mile-wide corridor centered on Flint River from headwaters in East Point to the southern edge of MPO
- ▮ **Budget:** \$3,500,000 total for all three plans
- ▮ **Timeline:** Kickoff in March, work will take 18-24 months



*South Metro Planning Area*



# Convene: Leadership Structure

