



2050 MTP and FY 2024-2027 TIP Amendment 5

Joint Transportation and Air Quality Committee/ARC Board Meeting

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.

TIP Amendment Requirements

Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) & Transportation and Air Quality Committee (TAQC) are responsible for approving of the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Plan & Transportation Improvement Program amendments

ARC Committees are responsible for reviewing...

-  Potential air quality impacts
-  Financial impacts
-  Overall regional impacts

Projects in the amendment must be...

-  Aligned with regional goals
-  Fiscally Constrained
-  Ineligible for administrative modification

What Triggers an Amendment to the MTP and TIP?

- 1 Advancement of a federal funded phase from Long Range to TIP period (or vice versa)
- 2 Increasing the cost of existing project phases in excess of \$4 million or 40% more than current total phase cost
- 3 Adding a new federal-funded project to the TIP

Required Action



Why is Amendment 5 Required?

1

Advancement of a federal funded phase from Long Range to TIP period (or vice versa)

2

Increasing the cost of existing project phases in excess of \$4 million or 40% more than current total phase cost

3

Adding a new federal-funded project to the TIP

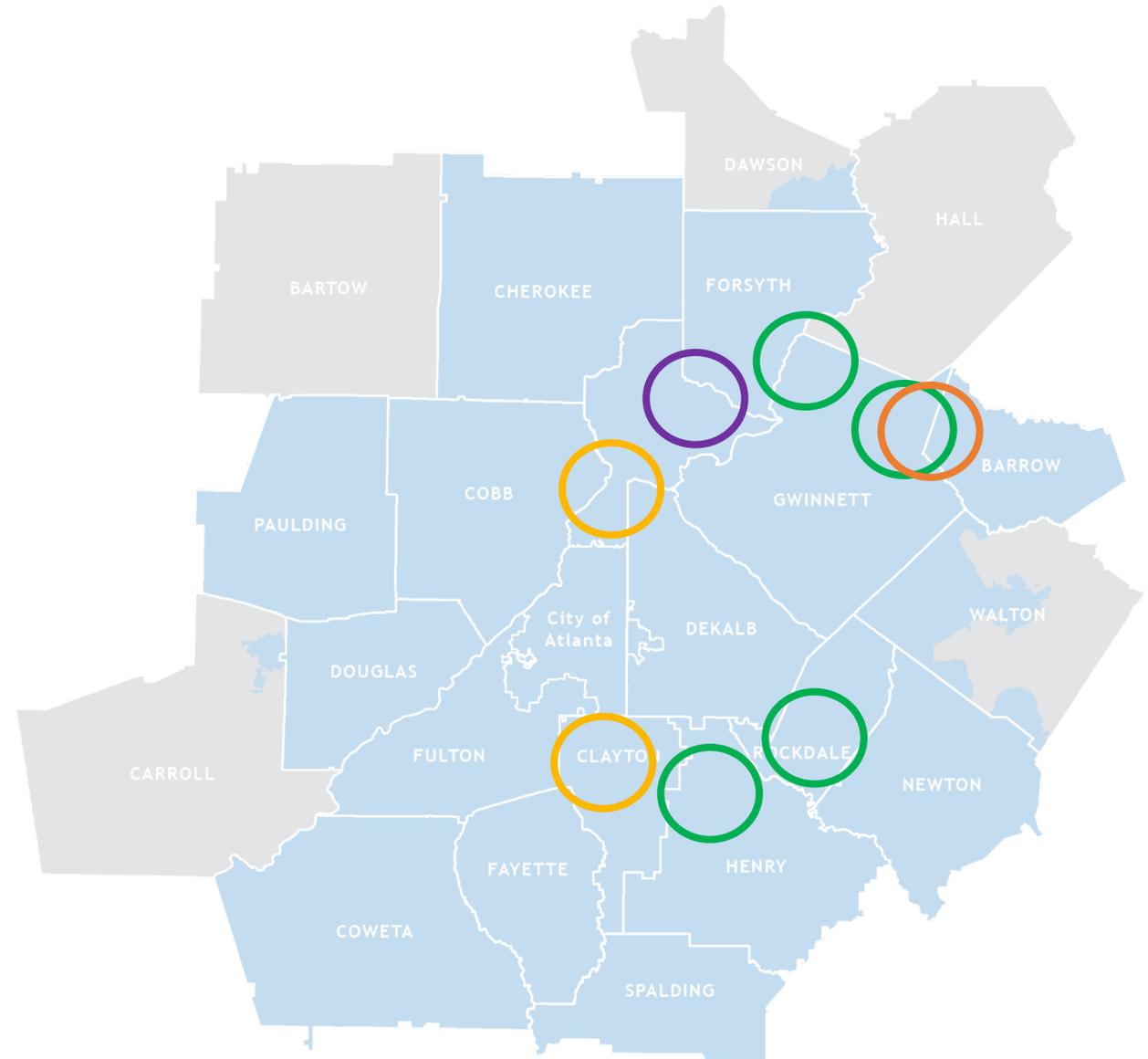
- Advancing project phases from federal recognized Long Range years to TIP years (between FY 2024-2027)
- Project phase change from a local or state fund source to a federal fund source
- Addition of new projects that are either considered exempt or non-exempt from air quality conformity analysis
- Deletion of federal funded projects exempt from air quality analysis
- Adjustments to the travel demand model which includes changes to project network model years or termini points of conformity projects
- Project cost estimate and programmatic changes that are of a time sensitive nature or cannot be handled administratively.



Project Changes – Air Quality Modeling Required

Model Coding Changes

- Two model coding and **limits changes** to Interstate Express Lane projects
- One widening project **split** into two
- Updated the air quality **model network year** for four projects
- Added one **brand-new** interchange project





Project Changes – Schedule and Financial

Amendment 5 Financial Impact

53 Projects Total

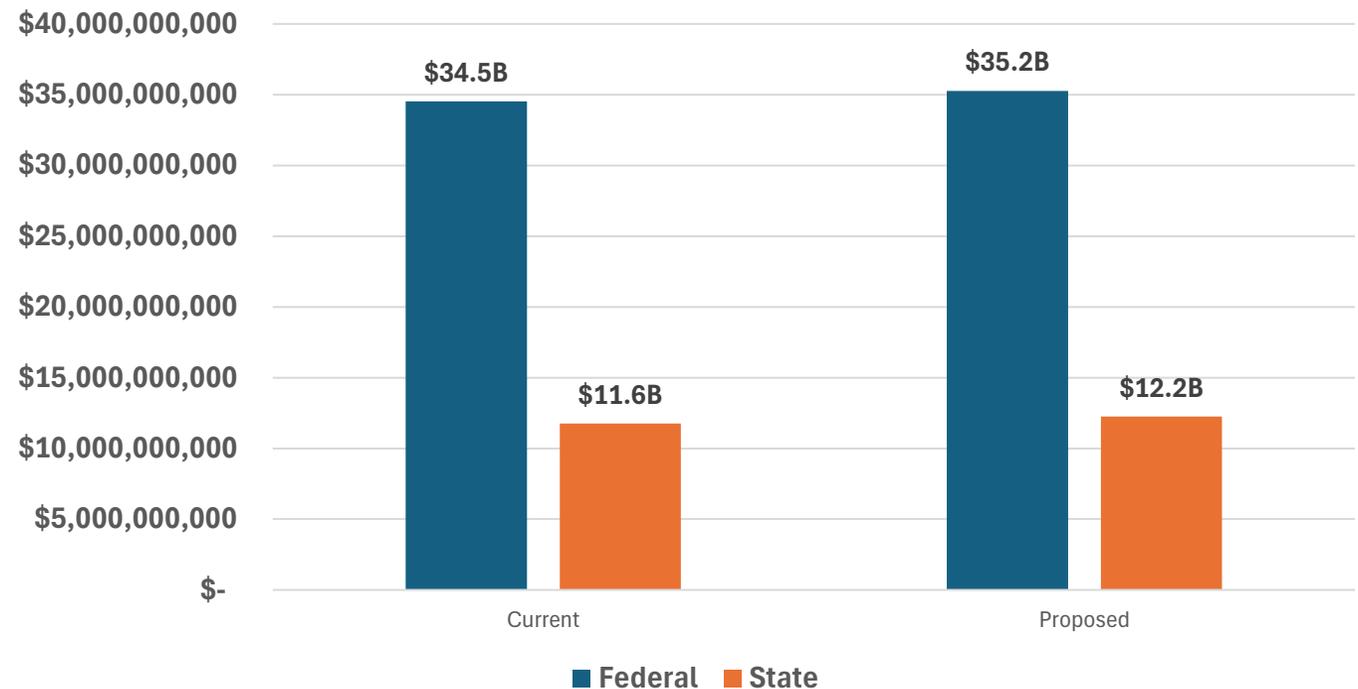
\$802.5M of new federal funds programmed on projects through 2050

- National Highway Performance Program: \$247,298,123
- General Federal Aid (2028-2050): \$553,824,966
- Surface Transportation Block Grant (Statewide): \$900,000
- Transportation Alternative Program (TAP): \$560,000

Offset by losses in other fund sources for an overall total federal increase of \$728M

\$215M federal increase in current TIP (FY 2024-2027)

CURRENT VS PROPOSED FUNDING LEVELS
2050 MTP AND FY 2024-2027 TIP



Major Mobility Investment Program (MMIP) Updates

📊 GDOT has provided cost estimate updates for eight MMIP (Express Lane) projects that already exist in the TIP and have federal funds allocated to them. Below is a summary of the federal funds **added** in both the TIP and MTP program years:

Project Title	Project Limits	Federal Funds Added (2025-2027)	Federal Funds Added (2028-2050)
Top End 285 – I-285 North Express Lanes and Collector/Distributor Lane Improvements Along I-285	Paces Ferry Road to Henderson Mill Road		\$57,098,950
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 1 – Westbound Only	Henderson Road to Northside Drive	\$202,951,138	
I-285 Express Lanes – Phase 2 – Eastbound Only	Northside Drive to Henderson Road		\$235,475,444
I-285 West Express Lanes – Phase 2	I-20 to Atlanta Road	\$4,800,000	\$147,712,886
I-285 East Express Lanes	I-20 East to Henderson Road	\$20,400,000	\$300,874,977
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 4	SR 410 / US 78 to I-20 East		\$239,833,620

Major Mobility Investment Program (MMIP) Updates


 GDOT has provided cost estimate updates for eight MMIP (Express Lane) projects that already exist in the TIP and have federal funds allocated to them. Below is a summary of the federal funds **removed** in both the TIP and MTP program years:

Project Title	Project Limits	Federal Funds Removed (2025-2027)	Federal Funds Removed (2028-2050)
Top End 285 – I-285 North Express Lanes and Collector/Distributor Lane Improvements Along I-285	Paces Ferry Road to Henderson Mill Road	-\$43,200,000	
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 1 – Westbound Only	Henderson Road to Northside Drive		-\$214,827,052
I-285 West Express Lanes – Phase I	Northside Drive to Atlanta Road		-\$133,752,580
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 3	Henderson Road to SR 410 / US 78		-\$26,648,310

Major Mobility Investment Program (MMIP) Updates

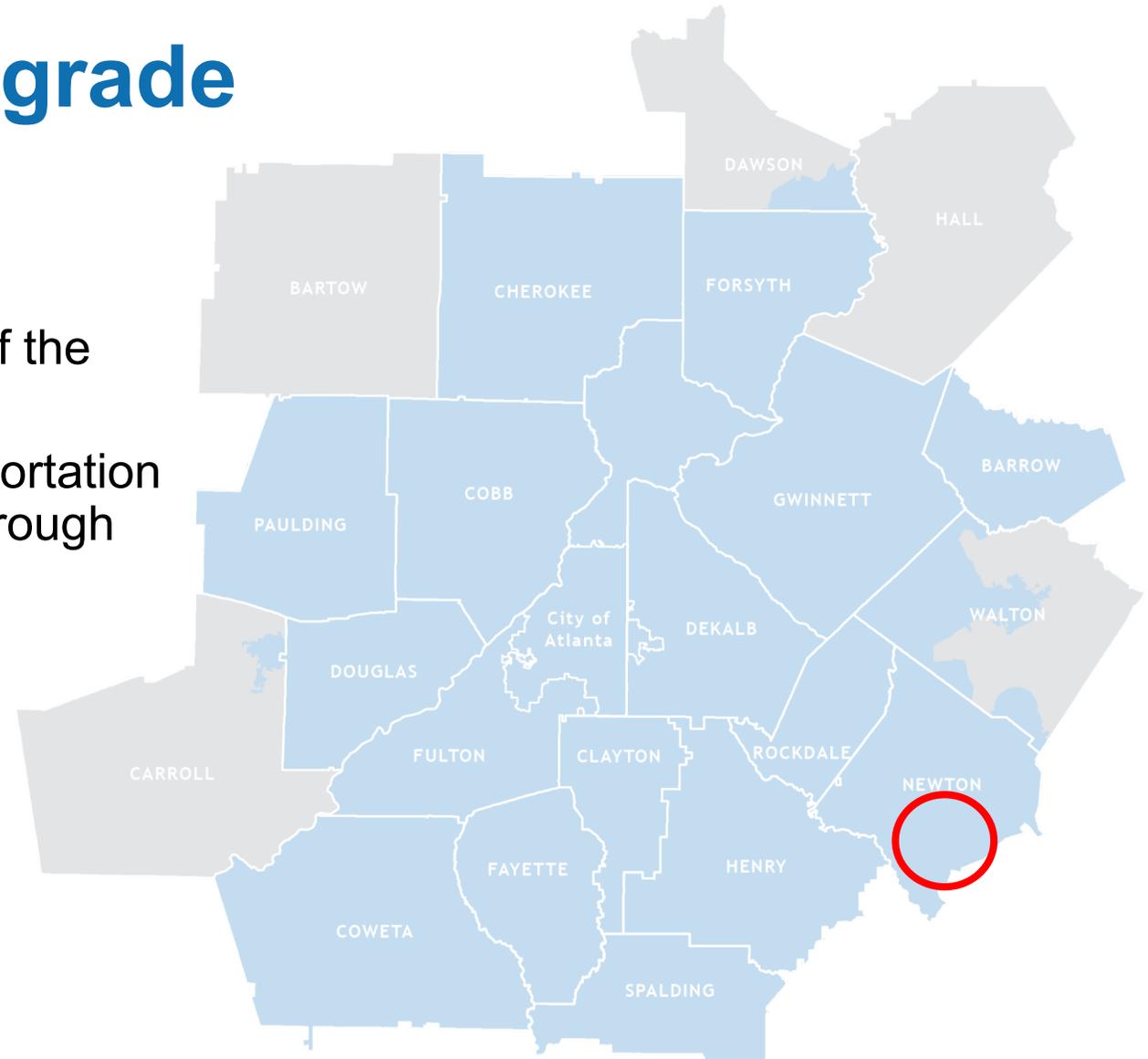
 GDOT has provided cost estimate updates for eight MMIP (Express Lane) projects that already exist in the TIP and have federal funds allocated to them. Below is a summary of the **overall change** in the amount of federal funding on all eight projects:

Project Title	Project Limits	Change in Federal Funds Through 2050
Top End 285 – I-285 North Express Lanes and Collector/Distributor Lane Improvements Along I-285	Paces Ferry Road to Henderson Mill Road	\$13,898,950
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 1 – Westbound Only	Henderson Road to Northside Drive	-\$11,875,914
I-285 Express Lanes – Phase 2 – Eastbound Only	Northside Drive to Henderson Road	\$235,475,444
I-285 West Express Lanes – Phase 1	Northside Drive to Atlanta Road	-\$133,752,580
I-285 West Express Lanes – Phase 2	I-20 to Atlanta Road	\$150,122,886
I-285 East Express Lanes	I-20 East to Henderson Road	\$321,274,977
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 3	Henderson Road to SR 410 / US 78	-\$26,648,310
I-285 East Express Lanes – Phase 4	SR 410 / US 78 to I-20 East	\$239,833,620

New Project – Bridge Upgrade

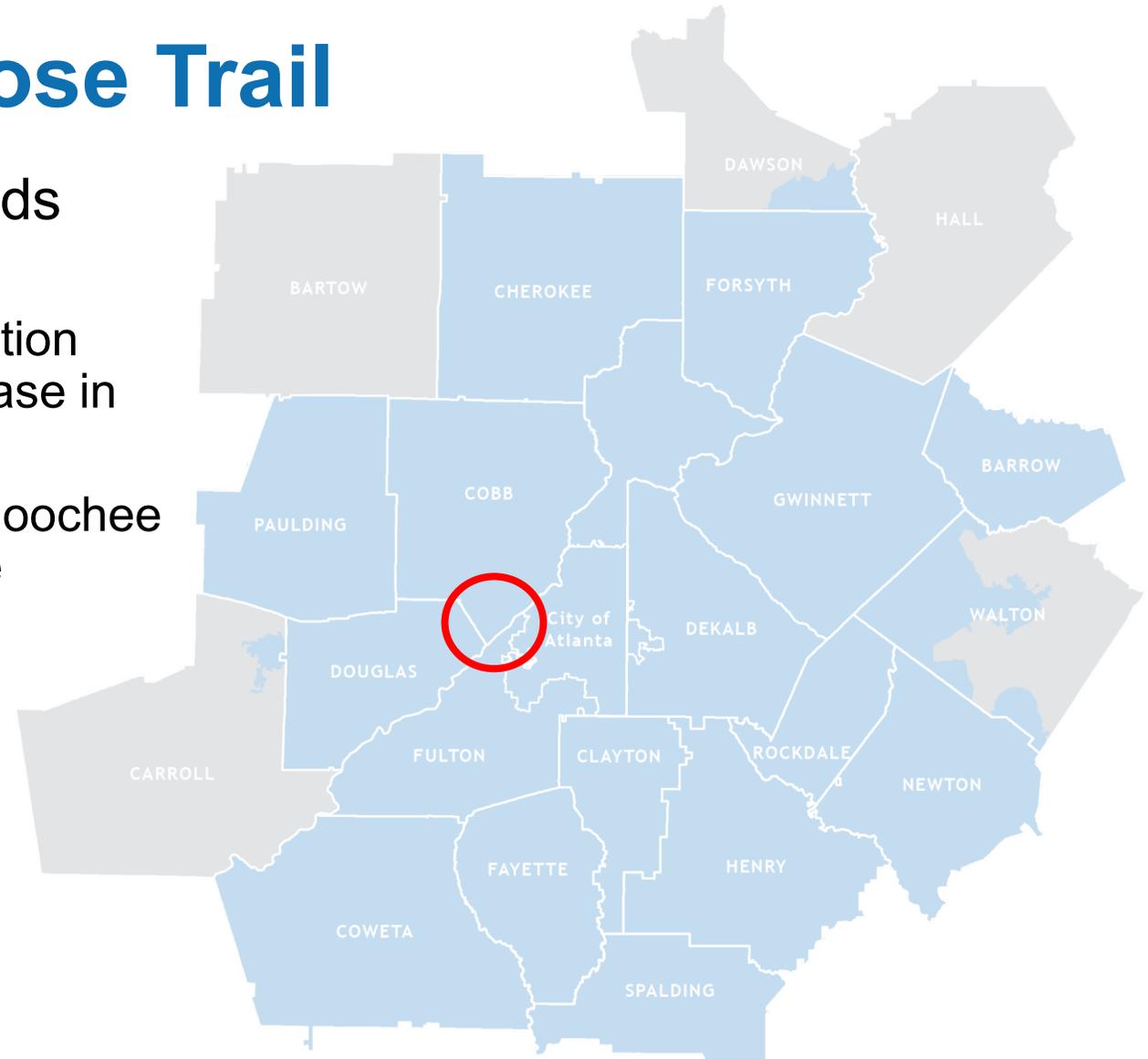
Henderson Mill Road at Bear Creek

- Existing Project in the Statewide TIP
- Added the ARC's TIP with the expansion of the planning boundary into Newton County.
- Funded with **\$6,050,000** in Surface Transportation Block Grant (Statewide) and local funds through 2030.



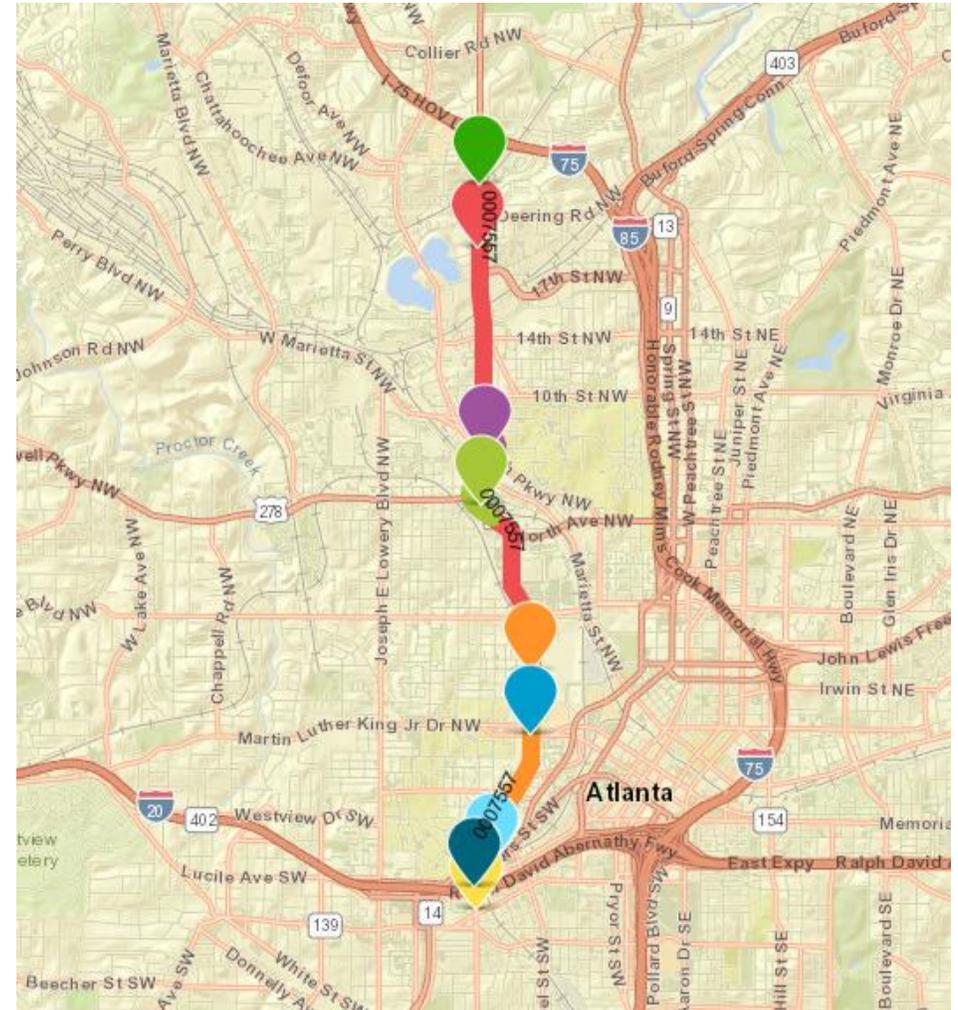
New Project – Multipurpose Trail

- South Fulton Chattahoochee Riverlands Greenway
 - ARC has allocated **\$560,000** in Transportation Alternative Program funds to a scoping phase in FY 2026 for this project.
 - Planned as 4.1 miles following the Chattahoochee River from Thornton Road to MLK Jr. Drive



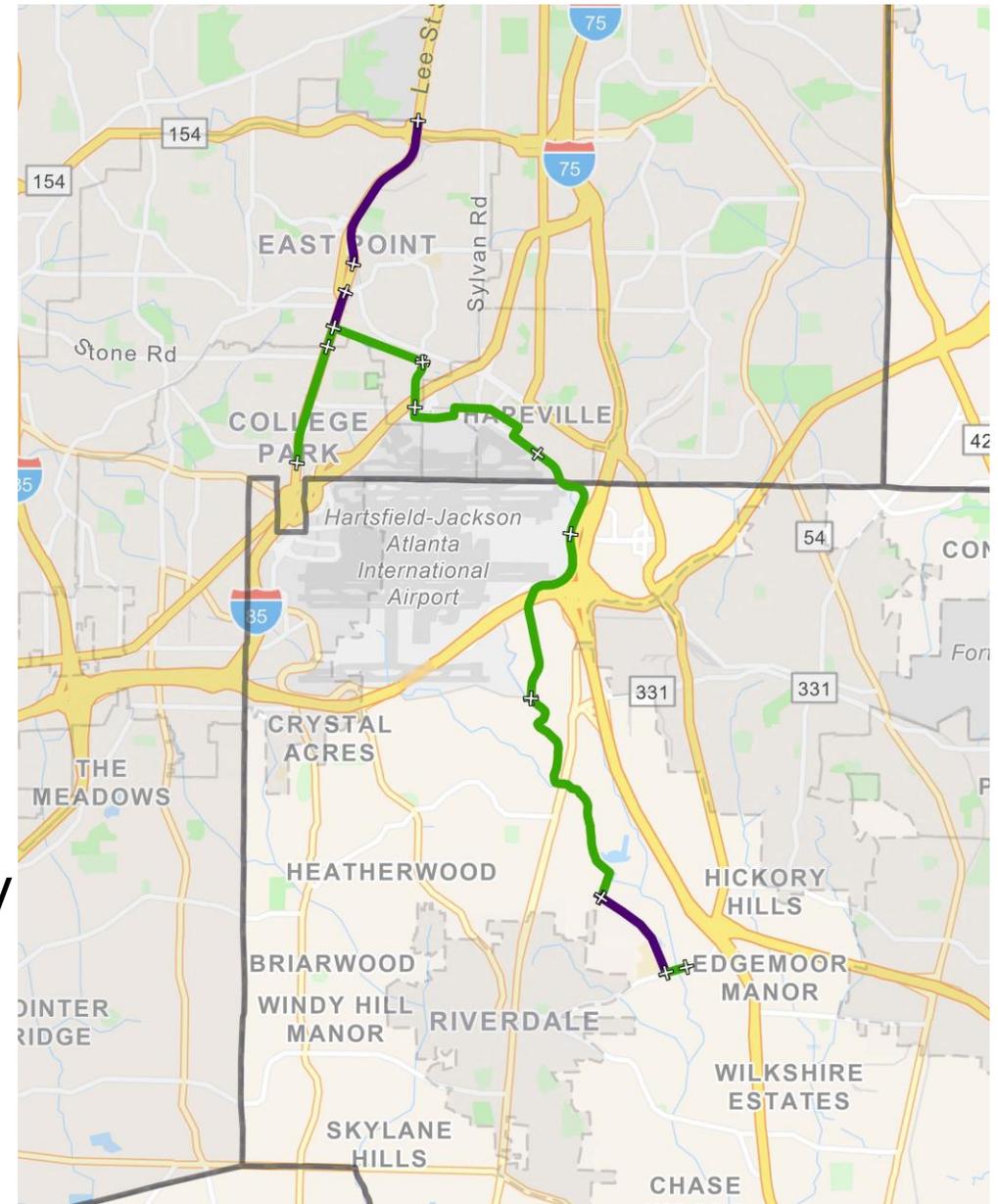
Existing Projects Moved Into FY 2024-2027

- 7 existing projects that constitute GDOT's safety and operational improvements on Northside Drive have been shifted from FY 2028 into the TIP program years of 2026 and 2027.
 - Project cost estimate updates added an additional **\$8.1M** to these project phases
 - In total, **\$56M** from the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) was moved into the TIP program years with 20% in matching State funds for this series of projects.
 - All phases moving into the TIP are right-of-way phases.



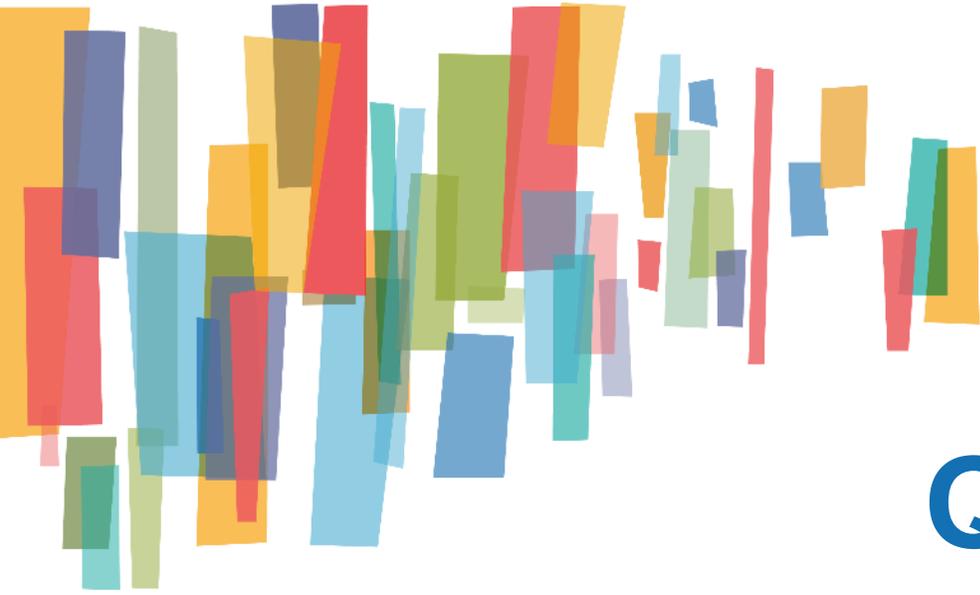
Project Deletions

- Due to the rescission of the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhood (RCN) grants at the federal level, **\$64.9M** in awarded funding is no longer available.
- ARC is removing **14 projects** relating to the Flint River Gateway Trails (FRGT) from the Transportation Improvement Program due to the lack of an identified funding source.
- ARC is still committed to the FRGT program and has expanded an existing planning study to encompass the scope of these projects.



Approval Schedule

- ‡ **Public Comment Period Ongoing – September 24 through October 23**
- ‡ ARC will respond to public comments by October 31st
- ‡ Committee and Board Action
 - Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC) – **November 7**
 - Transportation & Air Quality Committee (TAQC) – **November 12**
 - ARC Board – **November 12**
 - GRTA Committee and Board – **November 19**
- ‡ Document Submittal Package to US DOT and US EPA – **November 14**
- ‡ Updated Project List Available – **Early December (latest)**



Questions?

Amendment Website

www.atlantaregional.org/amendment