



Freight and Logistics **Annual Report**

FY 2024

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HB617 LEGISLATION O.C.G.A. 32-2-41.4

Effective July 1, 2024, [HB617](#), (enacted May 6, 2024), the Director of Planning is required to develop a report on the statewide freight and logistics implementation plan to be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation by February 15 of each year.¹ Per 32-2-41.4(e), the Annual Report requirements include:

- (1) Budgetary proposal of state funds needed by the department to fully procure federal aid funds;
- (2) Status of the department's program to deliver projects which add capacity to roadways through the exclusive use of state funds; and
- (3) Status of any critical projects and available funding for:
 - (A) Widening of interstates;
 - (B) Widening of non-interstate arterial roads;
 - (C) Interchange, intersection, and other operational improvements;
 - (D) Intermodal or multimodal capacity enhancements;
 - (E) Railroad crossing access and safety improvements;
 - (F) Commercial motor vehicle parking and safety improvements;
 - (G) Projects located in an international ocean trade zone, an inland port zone, or commercial and industrial impact zone as described in subsection (d) of this Code section; and
 - (H) Projects of significant economic impact.

State Budget Proposal of State Funds Needed to Fully Procure Federal Aid Funds

Advancing projects through exclusive use of state funds can present time-saving considerations as it relates to project implementation. A “best case” roadway capacity project that leverages federal funds can take 4 to 14 years to advance from preliminary engineering (PE) to construction depending on the size and complexity of the project.

If a project is advanced through exclusive use of state funds this timeline can be reduced assuming that the project aligns to Georgia Environmental Policy Act (GEPA) project development requirements as opposed to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. Although all federal permitting is still required, state funded projects do not require FHWA involvement or review and approval of NEPA documents (i.e., Categorical Exclusions, Environmental Assessments, or Environmental Impacts Statements). This can reduce the overall timeline of moving through the PE phase and into the Right of Way (ROW) and Construction (CST) phases. For any project that exclusively utilizes state funds, ROW funds can also be authorized without Environmental

¹ Refer to 2025 HB617 Freight and Logistics Implementation Plan.

certification. Each project is unique, however, and there are key considerations when applying GEPA as it relates to schedule benefit. Several key considerations include:

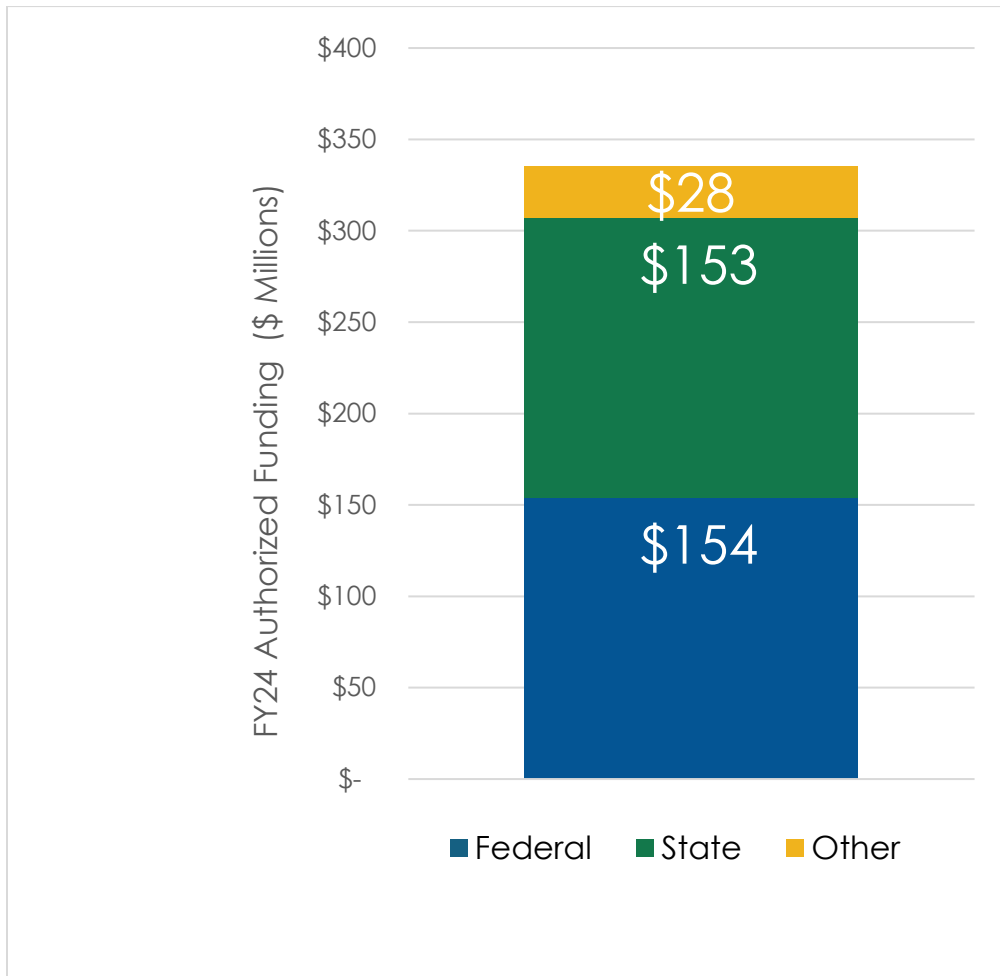
- **Mix of federal and state funding sources.** If any federal funds are used for any project phase, then NEPA and federal approvals are required. The exception to this is if a project starts with federal PE funding and right of way or construction phases are state funded, then NEPA or federal approvals may not be required for subsequent phases.
- **Total cost (PE, ROW, and CST) do not exceed \$100M.** Anything over a \$100M threshold requires approval of a GEPA document.
- **Potential ROW or easements from federal lands and permits** (i.e., NPS, TVA, USACOE etc.) would trigger federal reviews by the respective federal agency.
- **Impacts to Interstate highways** would trigger NEPA and federal approvals regardless of funding source.

Figure 1 summarizes funding authorizations for the 45 projects in the Freight and Logistics Implementation Plan project list with funding authorized in FY24. Authorized funding for these projects **totaled \$335M**. Funding information is summarized below for federal, state, and other funding sources (other sources include local revenues and Transportation Investment Act (TIA) funding). Federal funding (NHPP, NHFP, etc.) totaled **\$154M in federal funds** which required a 20% non-federal match of \$22.2M. GDOT had those dollars available and was able to cover the required match for federal funded projects in addition to 12 projects that were exclusively state funded. In FY24 freight project allocations included **\$153M from State funds** and **\$28M from Other funds** for a total of \$181M. Other funds comprise Local funding (75%) and TIA (25%).

As background, GDOT follows the required priority expenditure of funds per [O.C.G.A 32-5-21](#) when matching state dollars for transportation investments.² This code sets forth the specific expenditures for state public transportation funds in priority order.

² <https://law.justia.com/codes/georgia/2010/title-32/chapter-5/article-2/32-5-21/>

Figure 1 FY24 Authorized Funding Allocations



Status to Deliver Roadway Capacity Projects with Exclusive Use of State Funds

In FY24, there were 12 roadway capacity projects funded through exclusive use of state funds. Roadway capacity is defined for this report as a roadway widening or a roadway extension that provides additional throughline capacity. Of the 12 roadway capacity projects that were advanced in FY24 through exclusive use of state funds, there are 8 that are currently planned to be fully implemented via exclusive use of state funds. The remaining four projects will use federal funds in other phases of project development and delivery. All projects advanced in FY24 through exclusive use of state funds are marked in **Annual Report Project List, Table 1**.

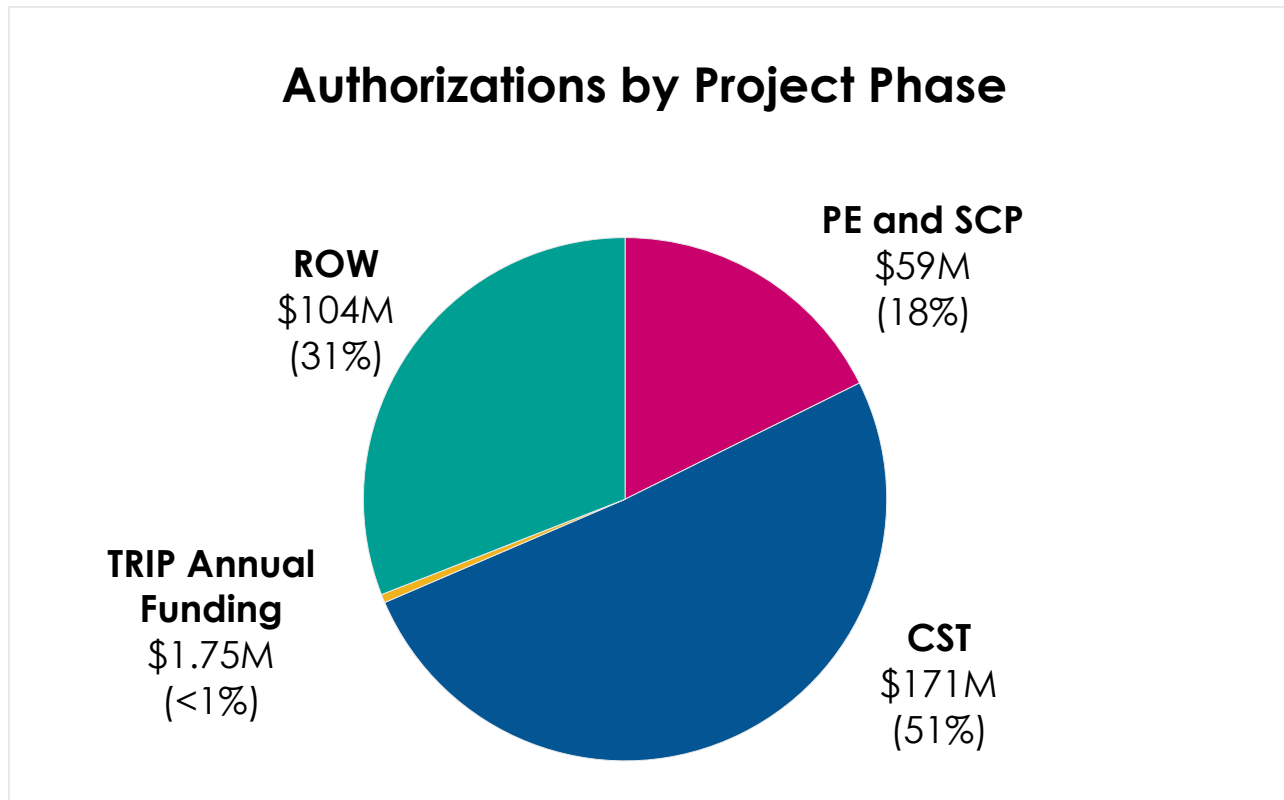
Status of Critical Projects and Available Funding

Forty-five projects within the 2025 Freight and Logistics Implementation Plan project list had a phase of funding authorized in FY24. Authorized funding for these projects totaled \$335 million (Figure 2).

- Fifty-one percent of the authorized funding (\$171 million) was for project construction (CST), advancing a total of 6 projects for completion.
- Thirty-one percent of funding (\$104 million) was authorized for right of way (ROW) acquisition. This included \$19 million in ROW for one of the 15 projects listed as a priority in [Georgia's State Freight Plan³](#) (GDOT 0016089) - roadway widening on SR 211 from Pinot Noir Drive to SR 347.
- Eighteen percent (\$59 million) was authorized for project preliminary engineering (PE) or scoping (SCP).
- Less than 1 percent (\$1.75 million) was authorized for continued operations of [Georgia's Towing Recovery and Incentive Program \(TRIP\)⁴](#). TRIP is a recovery incentive program to pay heavy-duty recovery companies a monetary bonus for clearing commercial vehicle wrecks quickly. TRIP helps to reduce the impact of major traffic incidents involving commercial vehicles in metro Atlanta.

The current status of all projects with FY24 funding is provided in **Annual Report Project List, Table 1**, along with the remaining estimated cost to complete all phases of development and delivery, which is approximately \$6 billion.

Figure 2 FY24 Authorizations by Project Phase



³ https://www.dot.ga.gov/InvestSmart/Freight/GeorgiaFreight/Chapter5_Georgia_Freight_Improvement_Program.pdf

⁴ https://www.timetaskforce.com/documents/TRIP/tripsummary_v_03.pdf

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2025 Freight and Logistics Implementation Plan

Table 1: Annual Report Project List

Primary HB617 Work Type (HB617 32-2-41.4(e)(3)(A-F))	County	Project Name	CDOT Project ID	Primary Work	FCI Framework (HB617 32-2-41.4(b)(1-3))	Economic Zones (HB617 32-2-41.4(d)(1-3)), (HB617 32-2-41.4(e)(3))G			Projects Outside of Economic Zones with Strategic Freight Benefit (HB617 32-2-41.4(e)(1))	Phase Code	Authorized FY24 Funding and Programmed Project Status (HB617 32-2-41.4(e)(1)-(3)(A-H))										
						International/Ocean Trade Zone	Inland Port Zone	Commercial and Industrial Impact Zone			Total Authorized Amount FY24	Authorized Federal Amount FY24	Authorized State Amount FY24	Authorized Other Amount FY24	Remaining Cost to Complete (YOE)	Federal Amount Currently Programmed for Remaining Cost	State Amount Currently Programmed for Remaining Cost	Roadway Capacity Projects Currently Programmed for Delivery Through Exclusive Use of State Funds (HB617 32-2-41.4(e)(2))	Roadway capacity projects currently programmed to be implemented in full with State funds	Advanced to construction (CST) in FY24	
Interchange, Intersection, operations	All Counties	TOWING & RECOVERY INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TRIP) - FY 2024	0017476	Miscellaneous Improvements	Foundational	X	X	X		Annual Program Spend	\$1,750,000	\$1,400,000	\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0					
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Barrow	SR 8/SR 316/US 29 @ SR 211	0010352	Interchange	Catalytic			X		CST	\$16,110,081	\$12,888,065	\$3,222,016	\$0	\$26,075,945	\$0	\$5,215,189				X
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Barrow	SR 8/SR 316/US 29 @ SR 211	0010352	Interchange	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$1,120,000	\$0	\$1,120,000	\$0							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Barrow	SR 316 @ CR 74/KILCREASE ROAD	0013902	Interchange	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$10,110,000	\$0	\$10,110,000	\$0	\$148,556,852	\$118,845,482	\$29,711,370				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Barrow	SR 8/SR 316 @ CR 329/BARBER CREEK ROAD	0013910	Interchange	Catalytic			X		CST	\$17,226,543	\$13,781,234	\$3,445,309	\$0	\$27,683,491	\$22,146,793	\$5,536,698				X
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Barrow	SR 8/SR 316 @ CR 329/BARBER CREEK ROAD	0013910	Interchange	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$1,320,000	\$1,056,000	\$264,000	\$0							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Bryan	I-16 @ OLD CUYLER ROAD; INC CUYLER ROAD EXTENSION	0019451	Interchange	Catalytic	X		X		PE	\$3,200,000	\$2,560,000	\$640,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Bryan	I-16 @ OLD CUYLER ROAD; INC CUYLER ROAD EXTENSION	0019451	Interchange	Catalytic	X		X		ROW	\$22,800,000	\$0	\$22,800,000	\$0							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Burke	VOGTLE PKWY FROM SEVEN OAKS ROAD TO CR 59/RIVER ROAD - TIA	0017522	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$4,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$25,481,900	\$0	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Chatham	I-516 @ CS 1503/DERENNE AVE	0008358	Interchange	Catalytic	X		X		PE	\$1,039,039	\$831,231	\$0	\$207,808	\$85,640,269	\$7,302,364	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Chatham	I-516 @ CS 1503/DERENNE AVE	0008358	Interchange	Catalytic	X		X		PE	\$386,218	\$308,974	\$0	\$77,244							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Clayton	I-75 SB CD SYSTEM FROM SR 3 CONN TO N OF I-285; INC AUX LANE	0012759	Roadway Project	Foundational			X		PE	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$125,781,283	\$100,625,027	\$25,156,257				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Cobb, Fulton	I-285 @ I-20 WEST SIDE INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION & WIDENING	0013918	Interchange	Foundational			X		ROW	\$3,350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,415,956,879	\$566,452,107	\$847,954,772				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	DeKalb	I-285 @ I-20 - EAST SIDE INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION	0013915	Interchange	Foundational			X		CST	\$32,623,554	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$569,669,918	\$388,571,009	\$88,986,864				X
Interchange, Intersection, operations	DeKalb	I-285 @ I-20 - EAST SIDE INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION	0013915	Interchange	Foundational			X		CST	\$52,870,978	\$42,296,782	\$10,574,196	\$0							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Douglas	LEE ROAD EXT FROM SR 92 TO CR 141/BOMAR ROAD - PHASE I	0019889	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$3,750,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$16,500,000	\$3,050,000	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Fayette	SR 85 @ 1 LOC; SR 279 @ 1 LOC & CORINTH ROAD @ 1 LOC	0017813	Roadway Project	Foundational			X		PE	\$1,300,000	\$1,040,000	\$0	\$260,000	\$21,418,422	\$0	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Hancock	LAKE CREST EXT FROM LAKE CREST TO LAKE SINCLAIR DRIVE - TIA	0017593	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$5,678,000	\$0	\$0				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Lowndes	I-75 @ SR 376 - PHASE II	0010295	Interchange	Foundational			X		SCP	\$1,500,000	\$1,200,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$52,319,965	\$41,855,972	\$10,463,993				
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Lowndes	ORR RD EXTENSION FROM SKIPPER BRIDGE RD TO MULLIGAN RD-TIA	0016273	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		CST	\$855,000	\$0	\$0	\$855,000	\$0	\$0	\$0				X
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Lowndes	ORR RD EXTENSION FROM SKIPPER BRIDGE RD TO MULLIGAN RD-TIA	0016273	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$120,000							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Lowndes	ORR RD EXTENSION FROM SKIPPER BRIDGE RD TO MULLIGAN RD-TIA	0016273	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$200,000							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Rockdale	COURTESY PKWY EXT FROM OLD COVINGTON HWY TO FLAT SHOALS ROAD	0006934	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		CST	\$1,493,551	\$0	\$0	\$1,493,551				X
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Rockdale	COURTESY PKWY EXT FROM OLD COVINGTON HWY TO FLAT SHOALS ROAD	0006934	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		CST	\$31,588,815	\$25,271,052	\$0	\$6,317,763							
Interchange, Intersection, operations	Troup	MOUNTVILLE-HOGANSVILLE ROAD @ BEECH CREEK N OF MOUNTVILLE	371077-	Bridges	Foundational			X		PE	\$250,000	\$200,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Intermodal Capacity	Chatham	OCEAN TERMINAL @ CS 2356/LOUISVILLE RD & @ SR 25/US 17 RAMP	0019716	Interchange	Catalytic	X		X		CST	\$17,737,028	\$0	\$0	\$17,737,028	\$0	\$0	\$0				X
Interstate Widening	All Counties	I-75 FROM I-475 TO SR 155 - COMMERCIAL VEHICLE LANES	0014203	Truck Lanes	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$7,040,000	\$0	\$7,040,000	\$0	\$2,227,328,362	\$1,002,297,763	\$1,225,030,599				
Interstate Widening	Henry	I-75 FROM I-675 TO S OF SR 155 - EXPRESS LANES	0020636	Express Lanes	Catalytic			X		PE	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$58,013,411	\$430,410,729	\$107,602,682				
Non-Interstate Widening	Barrow, Gwinnett, Hall	SR 211 FROM CS 1274/PINOT NOIR DRIVE TO SR 347	0016089	Widening	Catalytic		X	X		ROW	\$19,190,000	\$0	\$19,190,000	\$0	\$31,702,436	\$0	\$31,702,436	X		X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Burke	SR 121/US 25 @ SR 121 BYPASS - TIA	0017520	Intersection Improvement	Foundational			X		PE	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$1,150,000	\$0	\$0				
Non-Interstate Widening	Chatham, Effingham	SR 21 FROM SR 30/CHATHAM TO 9TH ST/EFFINGHAM	0020172	Widening	Catalytic	X		X		PE	\$6,000,000	\$0	\$6,000,000	\$0	\$7,000,000	\$0	\$7,000,000				
Non-Interstate Widening	Clinch	CS 567/HOMERVILLE BYPASS FROM SR 38/US 84 TO SR 38/US 84-TIA	0016215	Resurface & Maintenance	Foundational			X		ROW	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0				

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Non-Interstate Widening	Elbert	SR 17 FROM CR 309/DEEP CREEK ROAD TO SR 172	0013572	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$110,323,694	\$0	\$110,323,694			
Non-Interstate Widening	Franklin	SR 17 RELOC FM ROYSTON BYPASS TO SR 51 IN CANON	0013946	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$2,252,325	\$0	\$2,252,325	\$0	\$46,374,516	\$0	\$46,374,516			
Non-Interstate Widening	Fulton	SR 120 FROM NORTH POINT PKWY TO KIMBALL BRIDGE ROAD	0017187	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$1,566,842	\$0	\$0	\$1,566,842	\$36,748,826	\$8,519,061	\$28,229,765			
Non-Interstate Widening	Greene, Putnam	SR 44 FROM HARMONY/OLD PHOENIX RD TO CAREY STATION-PHASE III	0006253	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$15,000,000	\$0	\$15,000,000	\$0	\$133,530,879	\$0	\$133,530,879	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Henry	SR 155 FROM I-75 TO SR 42/US 23	0007856	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$3,530,000	\$0	\$3,530,000	\$0	\$67,207,330	\$0	\$67,207,330	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Laurens	SR 31 FM S OF SR 46 TO N OF S POPLAR SPRINGS CHURCH RD-PH I	0019465	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$4,010,000	\$0	\$4,010,000	\$0	\$43,311,777	\$0	\$33,311,777	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Oconee	WATKINSVILLE TRUCK BYPASS FROM SR 24 TO SR 15	0017970	Roadway Project	Catalytic			X		PE	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$12,000,000			
Non-Interstate Widening	Paulding	SR 92 FROM DUE WEST ROAD TO OLD BURNT HICKORY ROAD-PHASE V	0007692	Widening	Catalytic			X		PE	\$7,335,446	\$0	\$7,335,446	\$0	\$49,245,674	\$0	\$49,245,674	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Paulding	SR 61 FM S OF CR 467/DALLAS NEBO RD TO SR 6	0013702	Widening	Catalytic			X		PE	\$220,816	\$0	\$220,816	\$0	\$70,355,401	\$0	\$70,355,401	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Troup	SR 14 SPUR FROM S OF SR 109 TO SR 14/US 29	0014079	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$10,870,000	\$0	\$10,870,000	\$0	\$33,249,618	\$0	\$33,249,618	X	X	
Non-Interstate Widening	Turner	SR 107 FROM CR 250/WATERLOO ROAD TO I-75	0014892	Widening	Catalytic				X	PE	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$42,300,000	\$30,400,000	\$11,900,000			
Non-Interstate Widening	Washington	SR 15 FROM CR 67/RIDGE ROAD TO S OF CR 43/MT ZION ROAD	0008019	Widening	Catalytic			X		ROW	\$3,550,000	\$0	\$3,550,000	\$0	\$41,128,953	\$0	\$41,128,953	X	X	
Railroad Improvements	Jenkins	SR 21 @ NS #620272Y	0019181	Grade Separation	Catalytic			X		PE	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	\$400,000	\$0	\$22,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$10,000,000			
Truck Parking & Safety	Bryan	WEIGH STATION @ I-16 WB IN BRYAN COUNTY	0020271	Truck Parking	Foundational	X		X		PE	\$350,000	\$280,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$2,637,000	\$2,109,600	\$527,400			
Truck Parking & Safety	Franklin	WELCOME CENTER @ I-85 SB IN FRANKLIN COUNTY	0020273	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$950,000	\$760,000	\$190,000	\$0	\$4,824,000	\$3,859,200	\$964,800			
Truck Parking & Safety	Franklin	WEIGH STATION @ I-85 SB IN FRANKLIN COUNTY	0020275	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$1,075,000	\$860,000	\$215,000			
Truck Parking & Safety	Haralson	WELCOME CENTER @ I-20 IN HARALSON COUNTY	0020268	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$950,000	\$760,000	\$190,000	\$0	\$4,371,000	\$3,496,800	\$874,200			
Truck Parking & Safety	Laurens	REST AREA #88 @ I-16 IN LAURENS COUNTY	0020270	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$2,848,000	\$2,278,400	\$569,600			
Truck Parking & Safety	McIntosh	WEIGH STATION @ I-95 NB IN MCINTOSH COUNTY	0020274	Truck Parking	Foundational	X		X		PE	\$350,000	\$280,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$2,539,000	\$2,031,200	\$507,800			
Truck Parking & Safety	Monroe	WEIGH STATION @ I-75 NB IN MONROE COUNTY	0020269	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$911,512	\$729,210	\$182,302			
Truck Parking & Safety	Morgan	REST AREA #52 @ I-20 IN MORGAN COUNTY	0020266	Truck Parking	Foundational			X		PE	\$400,000	\$320,000	\$80,000	\$0	\$2,135,142	\$1,708,114	\$427,0			