



## METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

### **Resolution to Amend the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization**

**WHEREAS**, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) desires to adopt an amendment to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan called Mobility 2045 for the CORE MPO transportation planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed MTP amendment is to add the Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the terminus of I-16 at Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Boulevard and Montgomery Street project (P# 0011744, Scoping phases) into Cost Band One; and

**WHEREAS**, an analysis was conducted, and it was determined that the proposed plan amendment will not negatively impact the financial balance of the 2045 MTP since the funds for the IMR update come from additional revenues made available by congressional earmark; and

**WHEREAS**, CORE MPO, in accordance with the adopted Participation Plan, has completed a 15-day public review and comment period for the proposed MTP amendment and has addressed all received comments; and

**WHEREAS**, CORE MPO has conducted a public hearing for the proposed amendment, and has taken into consideration comments made at the public hearing; and

**WHEREAS**, all requirements of the Participation Plan pertaining to MTP amendments have been met.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization adopts the amendment to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan as shown in the summary of MTP amendment report with any corrections based upon the motion of the June 28, 2023 meeting.

Approved this day, June 28, 2023.

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Chester A. Ellis, Chairman  
Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization



## **Amendments to FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program**

**June 2023**

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the MPO’s short-range programming document and is a staged, multi-year listing of surface transportation projects proposed for federal, state, and local funding within the metropolitan area. The TIP may be modified in accordance with the procedures outlined in the adopted Participation Plan by resolution of the CORE MPO Board if priorities, area goals, project schedules or funding levels change.

The current FY 2021 – 2024 TIP was adopted by the CORE MPO Board in December 2020 and is referenced in the Statewide TIP (STIP) which was signed by the Governor of Georgia in May 2021. The TIP has been updated in 2021, 2022 and 2023 through various amendments and administrative modifications.

It is important to make sure that the information contained in the TIP is current and reflective of the most up-to-date cost estimates and development schedules. The timing is particularly important for those projects/phases programmed in FY 2023 as this fiscal year ends on June 30, 2023. If a project/phase is being developed on schedule and the programmed funds in FY 2023 are expected to be authorized by June 30, no updates are necessary; otherwise administrative modifications or TIP amendments are needed to reflect the current project development status.

CORE MPO staff has coordinated with the project managers/sponsors on projects’ development status. The omnibus status check is included in Appendix C. It is also important to amend the TIP to add new or delete existing projects/phases at the request of sponsoring agencies based on the project changes and MTP/TIP consistencies.

The following summary outlines the proposed changes to the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP for June 2023.

### **AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP**

It should be noted that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) must be consistent with the current 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) called Mobility 2045. Before amendments can be made to the FY 2021 - 2024 TIP, MTP/TIP consistency must be verified. The TIP must also be conformant to the Performance Based Planning and Programming (PBPP).

The proposed project updates (outlined on the next pages) are based on the comprehensive status check in coordination with GDOT, CAT, the City of Savannah and Chatham County for June 2023. Updated TIP project pages/tables for the proposed highway and transit projects are illustrated in Appendix A. Projects/Phases requiring amendments, as opposed to administrative modification, to the TIP require a 15-day public review and comment period.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

The adopted TIP/STIP amendment process outlined in the CORE MPO’s Participation Plan requires public review and comment and responses to all comments (either individually or in summary form) for all TIP amendments. To process the proposed updates in June 2023, CORE MPO advertised a fifteen (15) day public comment period in the Savannah Morning News on Sunday, June 11, 2023 (Appendix B). The notice was sent to the local news media and the consultation agencies as well as neighborhood associations and posted on the CORE MPO website. The comment period started on June 14, 2023 and closed on June 28, 2023. A public hearing has been advertised and held in conjunction with the CORE MPO Board meeting on June 28, 2023. Verbal comments received during the comment period were addressed on the floor. One written comment was received from the Historic Savannah Foundation in support of the Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the terminus of I-16 at Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Boulevard and Montgomery Street project and has been included in Appendix B of this report.

## **CORE MPO Actions**

The proposed amendments to the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP were endorsed by the CORE MPO Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) on June 22, 2022. The CORE MPO Board approved the TIP amendments on June 28, 2023.

## **PROPOSED PROJECT UPDATES FOR FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP**

### **Proposed Project Update Summary**

<b>PI#</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Update</b>
0011744	Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the terminus of I-16 at Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Boulevard and Montgomery Street	Add the Scoping phase in FY 2024
0015705	SR 404 SPUR/US 17 FM NE OF SAVANNAH HARBOR PKWY TO BACK RIVER	ROW is moving to FY 2025, outside of the current TIP.
0017411	I-95 FM FLORIDA STATE LINE TO S CAROLINA STATE LINE-ITS EXP	CST is moving to FY 2026, outside of the current TIP.
Transit Improvements	Section 5307 (h) Ferry Vessel Construction	Increase total cost.

**Proposed Highway Updates**

**Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the terminus of I-16 at Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Boulevard and Montgomery Street**

PI#:	0011744
MTP Priority	Scoping phase is being amended into Cost Band One of Mobility 2045 in June 2023.
Project Description:	The project is to remove and replace the I-16 exit ramps and overpass at Montgomery Street and MLK Jr. Blvd in Savannah in order to restore part of the original grid system removed when I-16 was constructed. Major objectives are to restore efficient connections between the city center, the Downtown Expansion Area to the west, and surrounding neighborhoods; and recreate viable, pedestrian-friendly urban form.
Project Status:	The City of Savannah was awarded earmark funds to update the IMR. GDOT will take the lead in the IMR update and later Project Development Process (PDP).
Amendment:	Add the scoping phase to FY 2024.
Reason for Update:	Earmarked funds awarded to update the IMR.
PBPP:	The project will help achieve the performance targets for Safety and economic development.
Requesting Agency:	GDOT/City of Savannah

Funding/Year:			
Status	Phase	Fund Source	FY 2024
Current in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	NA	NA	\$0
Updated in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	Scoping	Earmark/Local	\$720,000/\$180,000

**I-95 FM FLORIDA STATE LINE TO S CAROLINA STATE LINE-ITS EXP**

PI#:	0017411
MTP Priority	The project is consistent with the Operational Improvement Set-aside of 2045 MTP. Preliminary Engineering and Construction phases are included in Cost Band One of Mobility 2045 with adoption of the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP in December 2020.
Project Description:	ITS development along I-95. The cost here covers the portion in Chatham County and Bryan County.
Project Status:	Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase is programmed in FY 2021 with Z001/Y001 funds. Construction (CST) phase is programmed in FY 2023 with Z001 (changed to Y001 under IJJA) funds. The cost estimates included here are for the portion located within the CORE MPO planning area. As of June 2023, the PE funds have been authorized and the CST phase is moving to FY 2026, outside of the current TIP.
Update:	Delete CST phase from the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP.
Reason for Update:	Project development is behind schedule.
PBPP:	The project will help achieve the performance targets for Safety, Freight and Congestion Management.
Requesting Agency:	GDOT

Funding/Year:				
Status	Phase	Fund Source	FY 2023	FY 2024
Current in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	CST	Y001/State	\$6,248,000/ \$1,562,000	\$0
Updated in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	CST	Y001/State	\$0	\$0

**SR 404 SPUR/US 17 FM NE OF SAVANNAH HARBOR PKWY TO BACK RIVER**

PI#:	0015705
MTP Priority	Right-of-way and Construction phases are included in Cost Band One of Mobility 2045.
Project Description:	SCDOT in cooperation with FHWA and GDOT, proposes widening and improvements of U.S. 17 from Hutchinson Island in Savannah, Chatham County, Georgia to South Carolina (S.C.) 315 located southwest of Bluffton, South Carolina. Approximately 3,000 feet of the project corridor is located in Chatham County, Georgia. The proposed improvements include the widening of U.S. 17 from two to four travel lanes, divided by a grassed median.
Project Status:	The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is widening US 17 in coordination with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). This portion is located in Chatham County, Georgia. Preliminary Engineering funds were programmed in FY 2018 and have been authorized. ROW was programmed in FY 2023 with Y001 funds. CST was programmed in FY 2024 with Y001 funds. In August 2022, GDOT requested to move the CST phase to FY 2025, out of the current TIP. In April 2023, GDOT requested to update the funding source for CST from Y001 (National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)) to Y800 (Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program). As of June 2023, the ROW phase will move to FY 2025 and CST phase will move to FY 2026, outside of the current TIP.
Update:	Delete ROW phase from FY 2021 – 2024 TIP.
Reason for Update:	Project development is behind schedule.
PBPP:	The project will help achieve the performance targets for Safety and Congestion Management.
Requesting Agency:	GDOT

Funding/Year:				
Status	Phase	Fund Source	FY 2023	FY 2024
Current in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	ROW	Y001/State	\$400,000/\$100,000	\$0
	CST	Y800/State	\$0	\$0
Updated in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	ROW	Y001/State	\$0	\$0
	CST	Y800/State	\$0	\$0

## Transit Updates

FTA 5307 (h) PROGRAM	
MTP Priority:	Public transportation (consistent with the CAT's Transit Development Plan (TDP)).
Project Description:	FTA Ferry Boat Discretionary Funds.
Project Summary:	FTA Ferry Boat Discretionary Funds will be used for CAT's Water Ferry construction.
Amendment:	Revise cost for the Water Ferry System.
Status	The federal Section 5307 (h) funds were programmed and obligated in FY 2022. The bid for ferry construction was processed in FY 2023. Final bid was awarded in the amount of \$11,012,527 for the construction of two (2) ferry vessels, \$7,812,527 more than the original project cost of \$3,200,000. CAT is using local funds to make up for the difference.
Reason for Update:	Program funding adjustments. Bids came in much higher than the cost estimate. The information is updated in the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP to give a full picture of project implementation as the current TIP is still the guiding programming document before the new FY 2024 – 2027 TIP is adopted.
PBPP:	The projects will help achieve the performance targets of Transit Safety and Transit Asset Management.
Requesting Agency:	CAT

Funding/Year:			
Status	Fund Source	Description	FY 2022
Current in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	FTA/Local	Water Ferry Construction	\$2,560,000/\$640,000
Updated in FY 2021 – 2024 TIP	FTA/Local	Water Ferry Construction	\$2,560,000/ \$8,452,527

## **Appendix**

*Appendix A:* Updated project pages for the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP that incorporate the proposed amendments.

*Appendix B:* Public involvement materials.

*Appendix C:* Projects' Development Status Check



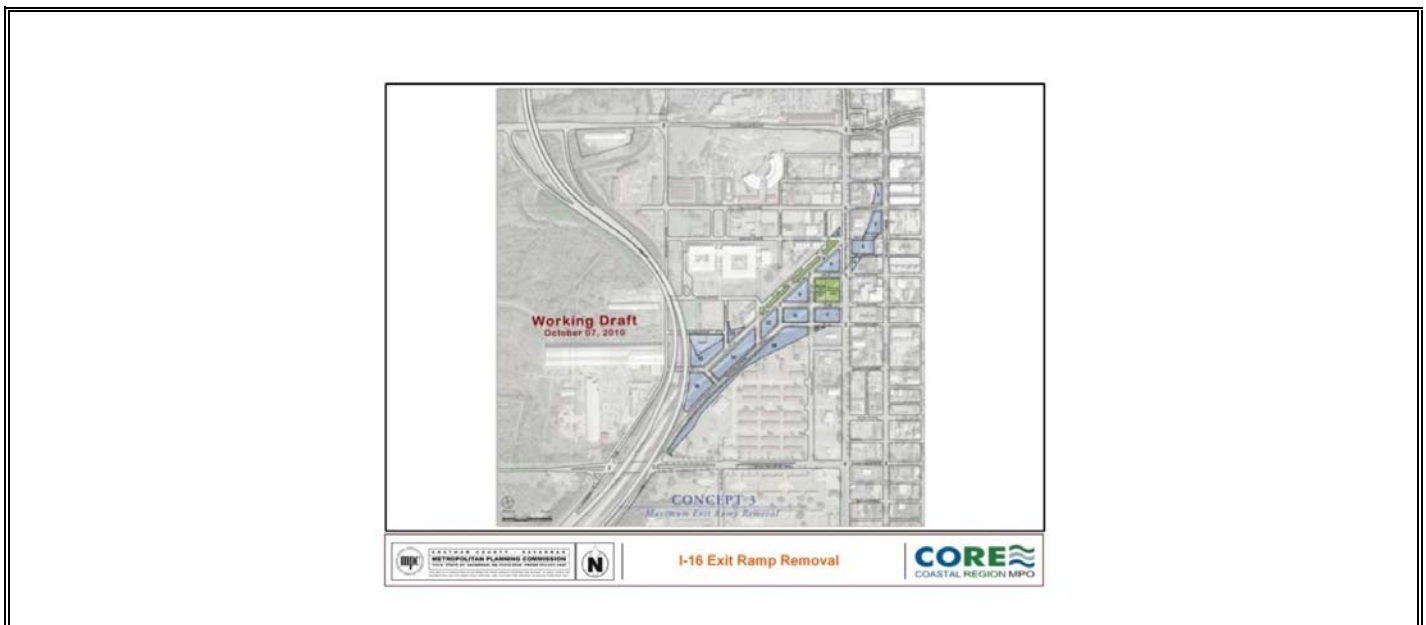
## APPENDIX A: UPDATED TIP PROJECT PAGES & TABLES

### NEW PROJECT PAGE

COASTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
FY 2021 - 2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

<b>I-16 @ MONTGOMERY ST &amp; @ MLK JR BLVD - RAMP &amp; OVERPASS</b>  PROJECT DESCRIPTION: the project is to remove and replace the I-16 exit ramps and overpass at Montgomery Street and MLK Jr. Blvd in Savannah in order to restore part of the original grid system removed when I-16 was constructed. Major objectives are to restore efficient connections between the city center, the Downtown Expansion Area to the west, and surrounding neighborhoods; and recreate viable, pedestrian-friendly urban form.				P.I. #: 0011744		
				TIP #: 2013-H-02		
				COUNTY: CHATHAM		
				PROJ. #:		
				FUND: Earmark, Local		
				GDOT DISTRICT: 5		
TRAFFIC VOL. 2005 AADT:	N/A	2040:	N/A	CONG. DISTRICT: 1		
NO. OF LANES EXISTING:	0	PLANNED:	0	RC: CG		
LOCAL ROAD #:	STATE/US ROAD #:		I-16	LENGTH (MI):		
COMMENTS/REMARKS: CORE MPO completed the original I-16 Exit Ramp Removal IMR Study in 2015 but the project was on hold for several years. The City of Savannah was awarded some earmark funds in 2023 and would like to update the IMR report. GDOT will take the lead in the IMR update and later Project Development Process. The Scoping (SCP) phase will be programmed in FY 2024 with the earmark funds and local match funds to be provided by the City of Savannah. The CST phase is in long range.						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
SCOPING	Federal/Local*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$900,000	\$900,000
PRELIM. ENGR.	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RIGHT-OF-WAY	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$900,000</b>	<b>\$900,000</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$720,000	\$720,000
STATE COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LOCAL COST*		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000

### PROJECT LOCATION



**CURRENT PROJECT PAGE**

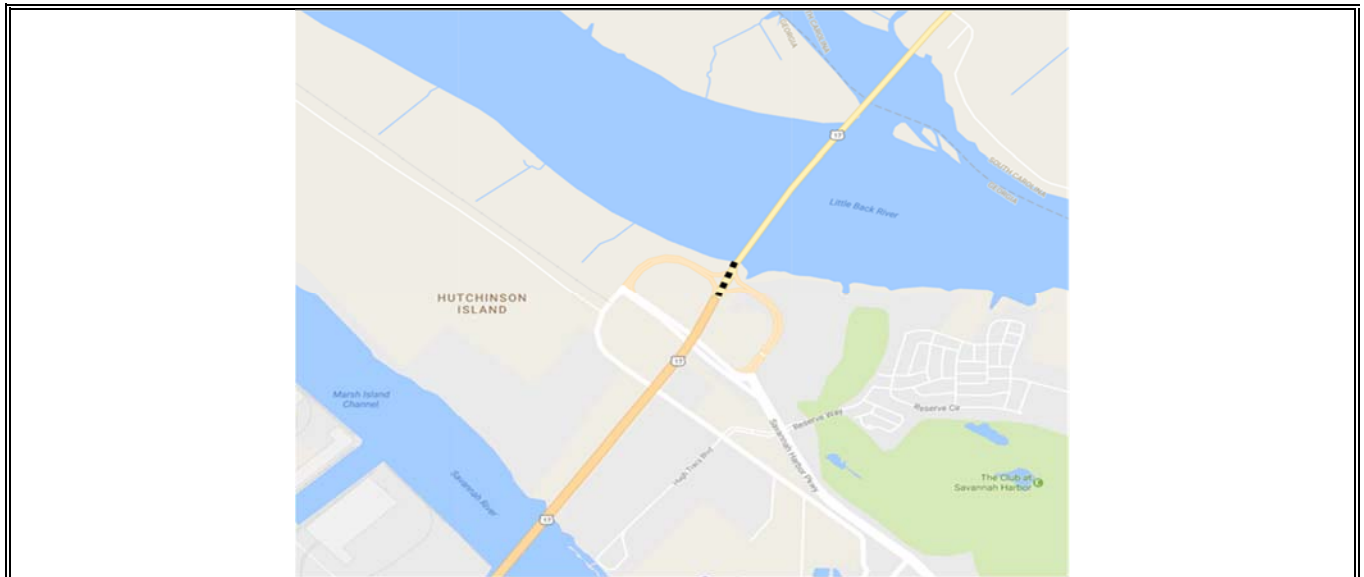
**COASTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
FY 2021 - 2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

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			COUNTY:	CHATHAM
TRAFFIC VOL. 2015 AADT:			2045 AADT:	CONG. DISTRICT:
NO. OF LANES EXISTING: 2			PLANNED: 4	RC: CG
LOCAL ROAD #:	STATE/US ROAD #:	SR 404 Spur/US 17	LENGTH (MI):	0.46

COMMENTS/REMARKS: The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is widening US 17 in coordination with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). This portion is located in Chatham County, Georgia. The project is included in CORE MPO's Mobility 2045, Cost Band One. Preliminary Engineering funds were programmed in FY 2018 and have been authorized. ROW was programmed in FY 2022 with Z001 (changed to Y001 under IJIA) funds but was moved to FY 2023 in June 2022 at GDOT request. CST was programmed in FY 2024 with Z001 funds. In August 2022, GDOT requested to move the CST phase to FY 2025, out of the current TIP. In April 2023, GDOT requested to update the funding source for CST from Y001 (National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)) to Y800 (Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program). **As of May 2023, the ROW funds are pending authorization.**

PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Authorized	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
UTILITY	NA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
STATE COST		\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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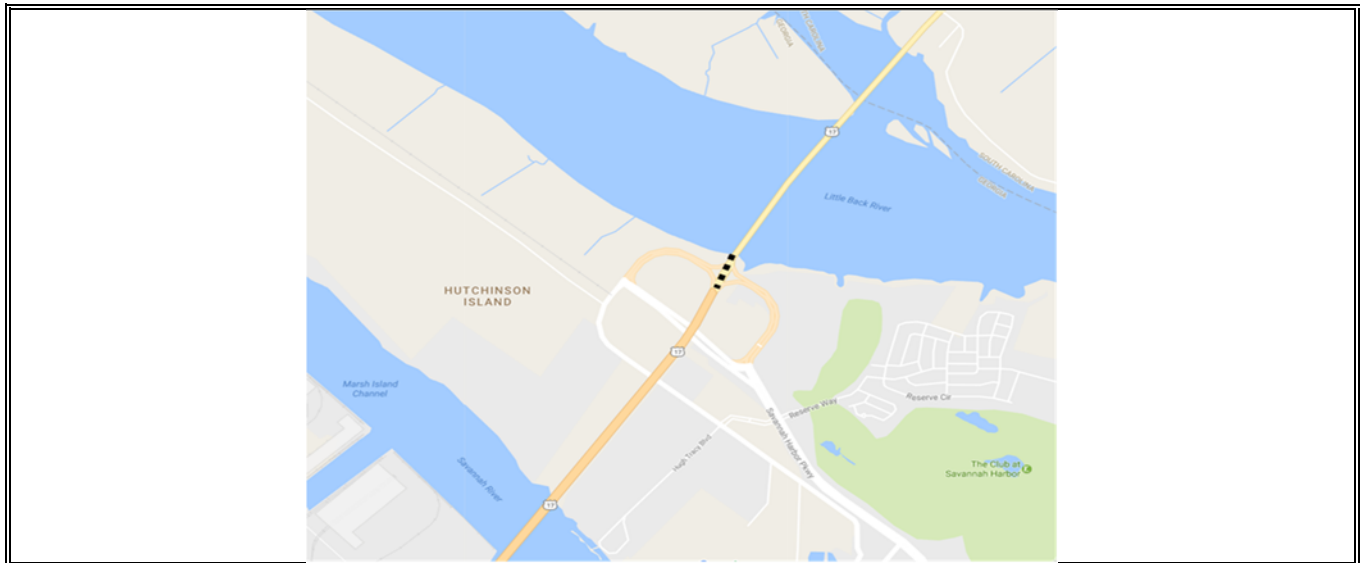


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				COUNTY: CHATHAM		
				PROJ. #:		
				FUND: Z001/Y001		
				GDOT DISTRICT: 5		
TRAFFIC VOL. 2015 AADT:		2045 AADT:		CONG. DISTRICT: 1		
NO. OF LANES EXISTING: 2		PLANNED: 4		RC: CG		
LOCAL ROAD #:		STATE/US ROAD #: SR 404 Spur/US 17		LENGTH (MI): 0.46		
COMMENTS/REMARKS: The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is widening US 17 in coordination with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). This portion is located in Chatham County, Georgia. The project is included in CORE MPO's Mobility 2045, Cost Band One. Preliminary Engineering funds were programmed in FY 2018 and have been authorized. ROW was programmed in FY 2022 with Z001 (changed to Y001 under IJJA) funds but was moved to FY 2023 in June 2022 at GDOT request. CST was programmed in FY 2024 with Z001 funds. In August 2022, GDOT requested to move the CST phase to FY 2025, out of the current TIP. In April 2023, GDOT requested to update the funding source for CST from Y001 (National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)) to Y800 (Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program). <b>As of June 2023, the ROW phase will move to FY 2025 and the CST phase will move to FY 2026, outside of the current TIP.</b>						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Authorized	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
UTILITY	NA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
STATE COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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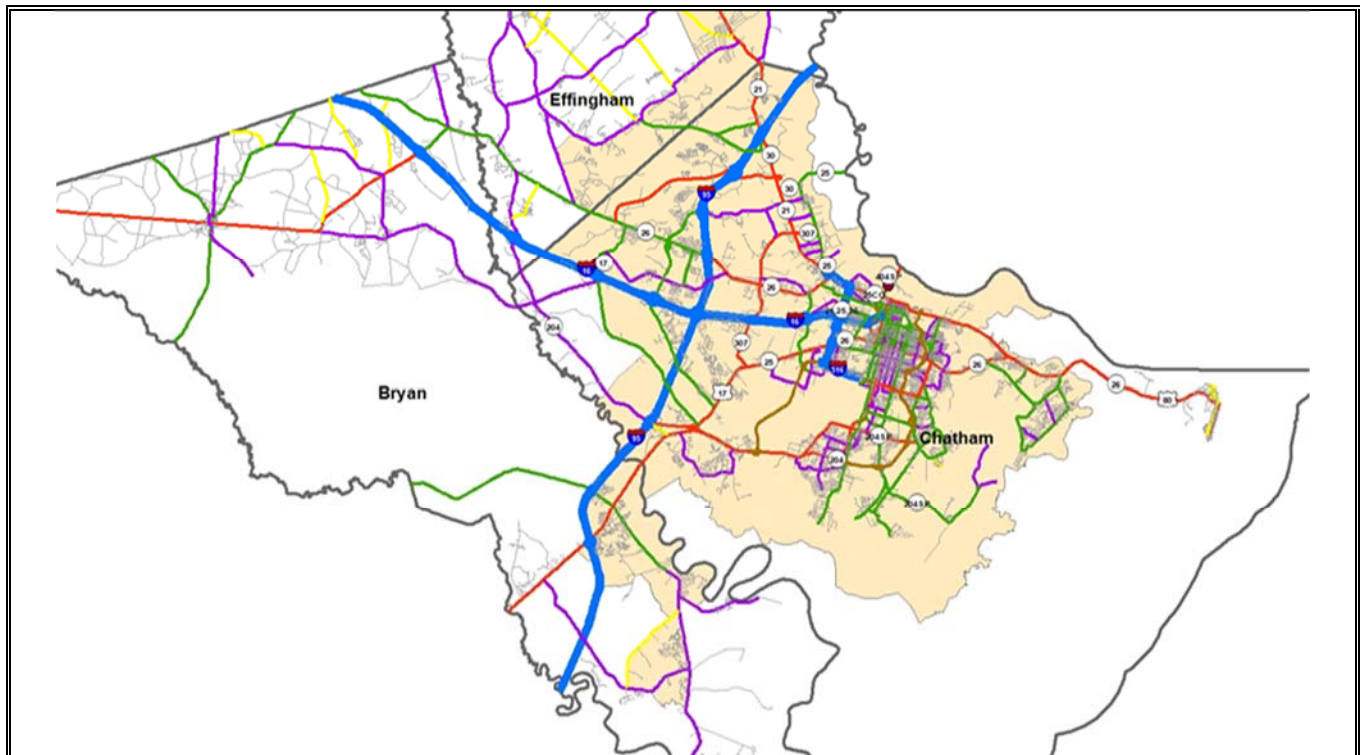


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				COUNTY: CHATHAM		
				PROJ. #:		
				FUND: Z001/Y001		
				GDOT DISTRICT: 5		
TRAFFIC VOL. 2015 AADT:	Varies	2045 AADT:	Varies	CONG. DISTRICT: 1		
NO. OF LANES EXISTING:	6	PLANNED:	6	RC: CRC		
LOCAL ROAD #:	STATE/US ROAD #:		LENGTH (MI):			
COMMENTS/REMARKS: This is a new project. Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase is programmed in FY 2021 with Z001 funds. Construction (CST) phase is programmed in FY 2023 with Z001 (changed to Y001 under IIJA) funds. The cost estimates included here are for the portion located within the CORE MPO planning area. <b>As of May 2023, the PE funds have been authorized and the CST funds are pending authorization.</b>						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/State	\$165,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$165,000
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
UTILITY	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	None	\$0	\$0	\$7,810,000	\$0	\$7,810,000
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$165,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,810,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,975,000</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$132,000	\$0	\$6,248,000	\$0	\$6,380,000
STATE COST		\$33,000	\$0	\$1,562,000	\$0	\$1,595,000
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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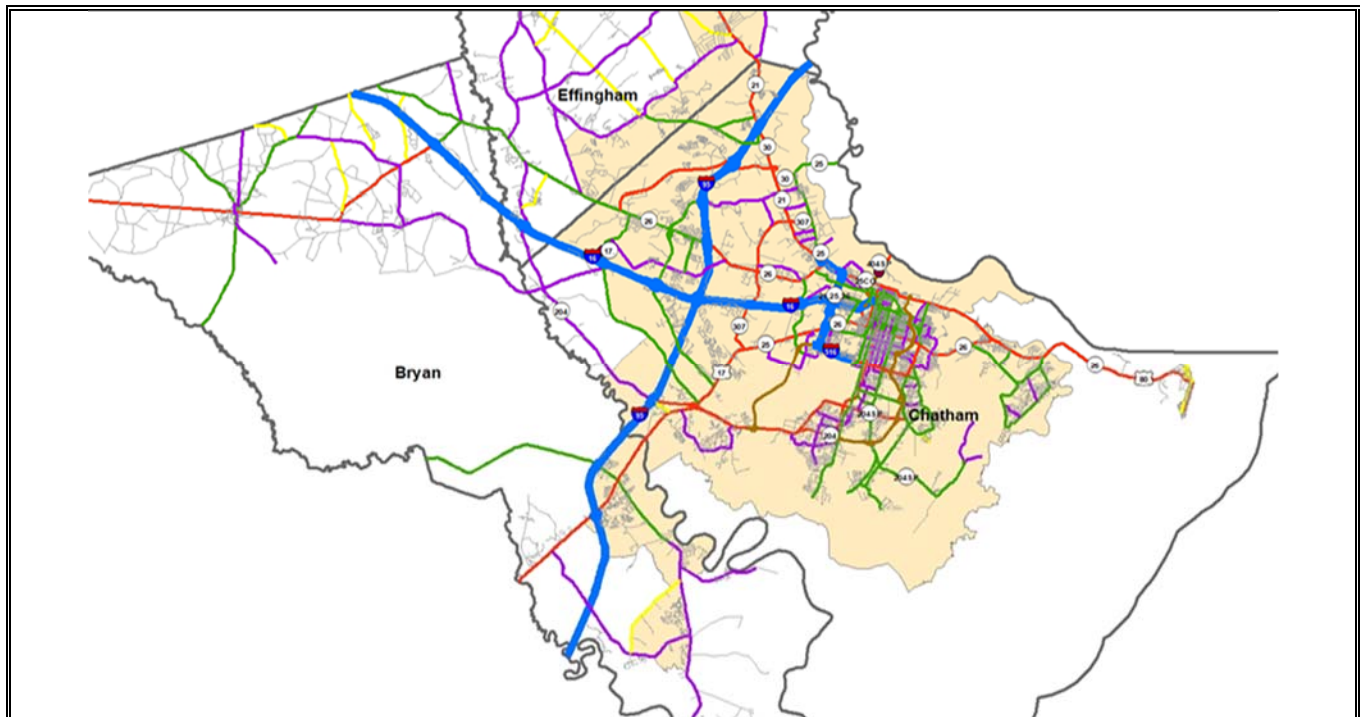


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				FUND:	Z001/Y001	
				GDOT DISTRICT:	5	
TRAFFIC VOL. 2015 AADT:	Varies	2045 AADT:	Varies	CONG. DISTRICT:	1	
NO. OF LANES EXISTING:	6	PLANNED:	6	RC:	CRC	
LOCAL ROAD #:	STATE/US ROAD #:			LENGTH (MI):		
COMMENTS/REMARKS: This is a new project. Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase is programmed in FY 2021 with Z001 funds. Construction (CST) phase is programmed in FY 2023 with Z001 (changed to Y001 under IIIA) funds. The cost estimates included here are for the portion located within the CORE MPO planning area. <b>As of June 2023, the PE funds have been authorized and the CST phase is moving to FY 2026, outside of the current TIP.</b>						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/State	\$165,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$165,000
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
UTILITY	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$165,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$165,000</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$132,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$132,000
STATE COST		\$33,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$33,000
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

**PROJECT LOCATION**



## Proposed Transit Updates

Current (June 2022) FTA FERRY BOAT DISCRETIONARY (FBD) FUNDS (\$)				
Funding	Section 5307 (h)			
Description	Facility Enhancements	Passenger Ferry Purchase	Passenger Ferry Rehabilitation	Total
FY 2021	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2022	\$0	\$3,200,000	\$2,189,267	\$5,389,267
FY 2023	*\$3,218,633	\$0	\$0	\$3,218,633
FY 2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Cost	\$2,070,577	\$2,560,000	\$1,751,414	\$6,381,991
State Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Cost	\$1,148,056	\$640,000	\$437,853	\$2,225,909

\* Funds to include in kind land donation local match from City of Savannah

\*\$3,218,633 programmed in FY 2022 - the newly added project table below shows the details of project description for Facility Enhancements.

### Current (as of June 2022)

Savannah Belles Maintenance Facility & Ferry Dock						
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: CAT requests two major upgrades to the Savannah Belles Ferry system. The first project proposes the construction of a much-needed ferry maintenance facility on Hutchinson Island, which will allow ferry staff to perform more complex preventative maintenance tasks. CAT also proposes the construction of a new ferry dock on the growing west end of historic River Street. (Facility – 32.0878113,-81.0852954), (Dock – 32.0821515, -81.0894947)						
P.I. #:	CAT-22-001	COUNTY:	CHATHAM	FUND	5307H	
COMMENTS/REMARKS: CAT was awarded discretionary funds in Federal Transit Administration’s 2017 5307h Passenger Ferry Grant Program. The 5307h funds programmed in FY 2022 are not expected to be obligated by June 30, 2022 and will be utilized in FY2023. CAT and the City of Savannah are supplying the local match through additional local funds and land donation.						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,218,633</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,218,633</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$2,070,577	\$0	\$2,070,577
STATE COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$1,148,056	\$0	\$1,148,056

**Updated  
(June 2023)**

**FTA FERRY BOAT DISCRETIONARY (FBD) FUNDS (\$)**

<b>Funding</b>	<b>Section 5307 (h)</b>			
<b>Description</b>	<b>Facility Enhancements</b>	<b>Passenger Ferry Purchase</b>	<b>Passenger Ferry Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Total</b>
FY 2021	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
FY 2022	\$0	\$3,200,000	\$2,189,267	<b>\$5,389,267</b>
FY 2023	*\$3,218,633	\$0	\$0	<b>\$3,218,633</b>
FY 2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Cost	\$2,070,577	\$2,560,000	\$1,751,414	<b>\$6,381,991</b>
State Cost	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Cost	\$1,148,056	<b>\$8,452,527</b>	\$437,853	<b>\$10,038,436</b>

\* Funds to include in kind land donation local match from City of Savannah

\*\$3,218,633 programmed in FY 2022 - the newly added project table below shows the details of project description for Facility Enhancements.

**Updated (as of June 2023)**

<b>Savannah Belles Maintenance Facility &amp; Ferry Dock</b>						
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: CAT requests two major upgrades to the Savannah Belles Ferry system. The first project proposes the construction of a much-needed ferry maintenance facility on Hutchinson Island, which will allow ferry staff to perform more complex preventative maintenance tasks. CAT also proposes the construction of a new ferry dock on the growing west end of historic River Street. (Facility – 32.0878113,-81.0852954), (Dock – 32.0821515, -81.0894947)						
P.I. #:	CAT-22-001	COUNTY:	CHATHAM	FUND	5307H	
COMMENTS/REMARKS: CAT was awarded discretionary funds in Federal Transit Administration’s 2017 5307h Passenger Ferry Grant Program. The 5307h funds programmed in FY 2022 are not expected to be obligated by June 30, 2022 and will be utilized in FY2023. CAT and the City of Savannah are supplying the local match through additional local funds and land donation.						
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	TOTAL
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/Local	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CONSTRUCTION	None	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,218,633</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,218,633</b>
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$2,070,577	\$0	\$2,070,577
STATE COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$1,148,056	\$0	\$1,148,056

## APPENDIX B: PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MATERIAL

JUNE 2023

### PUBLIC NOTICE FOR TIP AMENDMENTS

The Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO), the transportation planning agency for the Savannah urbanized area, is requesting the public to review and provide comments on a draft report titled: June 2023 Amendments to the FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Copies of the draft TIP amendment report will be available for review at the Live Oak public libraries, the Chatham County - Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) office, the MPC website at <https://www.thempc.org/Core>, and other public review agencies. Any changes to the TIP amendment report will be posted on the website.

The comment period starts on **Wednesday, June 14, 2023**, until the close of business on **Wednesday, June 28, 2023**. Comments are accepted via text, email, or mail. Please send your comments to Wykoda Wang via:

**Text:** Send texts to [wangw@thempc.org](mailto:wangw@thempc.org)

**Email:** [wange@thempc.org](mailto:wange@thempc.org)

**Mail:** Metropolitan Planning Commission, 110 E. State Street, Savannah, GA 31401

CORE MPO will host one (1) public meeting to answer questions and accept comments on the proposed TIP Amendments in conjunction with the June 2023 CORE MPO Board meeting. Meeting time and location are listed below.

#### **CORE MPO Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, June 28, 2023**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Metropolitan Planning Commission, 110 E. State Street, Savannah, GA 31401**

The public can choose to participate and provide comments via virtual meeting. The virtual meeting will be conducted with Go-To-Webinar, so advanced registration is required.

Please register at <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8910239251843340886>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

The public participation process for development and amendment of the TIP meets the FTA public participation requirements related to the development of the Section 5307 Program of Projects and other federal grant projects.

For a complete list of public review agencies, additional information regarding the draft TIP amendments, and information regarding the public meeting, please call (912) 651-1466.

Disclaimer: The Chatham County-Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) and Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) are committed to the principle of affirmative action and prohibit discrimination against otherwise qualified persons on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, familial status, parental status, political beliefs, genetic information, income, or other protected category in its recruitment, employment, facility and program accessibility or services.

MPC and CORE MPO are committed to enforcing the provisions of the Civil Rights Act, Title VI, and all the related requirements mentioned above. CORE MPO is also committed to taking positive and realistic affirmative steps to ensure the protection of rights and opportunities for all persons affected by its plans and programs.



**From:** sadler@myhsf.org <sadler@myhsf.org>  
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**Subject:** Public Notice and Support I-16 Flyover Removal

CORE MPO Board:

The I-16 Flyover Removal Coalition wholeheartedly supports amendments to the CORE MPO's 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

and the proposed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) updates to include the I-16 Exit Ramp Removal IMR Scoping phase.

Thank you,

Sue Adler on behalf of the I-16 Flyover Removal Coalition

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## APPENDIX C: PROJECTS' DEVELOPMENT STATUS CHECK

The tables below list the projects/phases programmed in the FY 2021 – 2024 TIP as of June 2023, their development status, and the planning actions needed in June 2023 to accommodate the project updates (if any).

### Highway Projects

PI #	DESCRIPTION	STATUS & UPDATES	TIP PLANNING ACTION IN JUNE 2023
0017271	I-95 at SR 21 / Augusta Rd Interchange Reconstruction	Scoping phase is programmed in FY 2022 and the funds have been authorized.	No Action
0012757	I-16 FROM I-95 TO I-516	CST funds are programmed in FY 2021 and 2022 and have been authorized. The project is under construction.	No Action
0013741	SR 25/US 17 @ SAVANNAH RIVER IN PORT WENTWORTH	ROW funds are programmed in FY 2022 and have been authorized.	No Action
		CST funds are programmed in FY 2022 and have been authorized. The design-build project is starting construction soon.	No Action
0013742	SR 25/US 17 @ MIDDLE RIVER IN PORT WENTWORTH	ROW funds are programmed in FY 2022 and have been authorized.	No Action
		CST funds are programmed in FY 2022 and have been authorized. The design-build project is starting construction soon.	No Action
0015705	SR 404 SPUR/US 17 FM NE OF SAVANNAH HARBOR PKWY TO BACK RIVER	ROW is programmed for FY 2023 and funds are not expected to be authorized by June 30, 2023. ROW is moving to FY 2025.	Amendment (deleting project phase from TIP)
		CST is programmed for FY 2025 (August 2022 amendment). CST is moving to FY 2026 (June 2023).	No Action
0017411	I-95 FM FLORIDA STATE LINE TO S CAROLINA STATE LINE-ITS EXP	PE funds are programmed in FY 2021 and have been authorized.	No Action
		CST is programmed for FY 2023 and funds are not expected to be authorized by June 30, 2023. CST is moving to FY 2026.	Amendment (deleting project phase from TIP)

0017973	CITY OF SAVANNAH – TRAFFIC CONTROL CENTER	PE, UTL and CST are programmed for FY 2023 with local funds (December 2022 amendment). The City of Savannah has implemented the project.	No Action
0008358	I-516 @ CS 1503/DERENNE AVE	Additional PE funds (HIP and Z230 funds) are programmed in FY 2022 through April 2022 amendment. The funds have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2025 (August 2022 amendment). The City of Savannah is working on additional EJ analysis. ROW might be pushed to years later than FY 2025.	No Action
0017974	CAT – ELECTRIC BUS CONVERSION INITIATIVE	CST (vehicle purchase) is programmed for FY 2021 and the funds have been authorized and flexed to FTA.	No Action
0013464	Oversight Services for Z230, Z301, CMAQ & HIP - FY 2021	PE is programmed for FY 2021 and funds have been authorized.	No Action
0013465	Oversight Services for Z230, Z301, CMAQ & HIP - FY 2022	PE is programmed for FY 2022 and funds have been authorized.	No Action
0013466	Oversight Services for Z230, Z301, CMAQ & HIP - FY 2023	PE is programmed for FY 2023 and funds have been authorized.	No Action
0013467	Oversight Services for Z230, Z301, CMAQ & HIP - FY 2024	PE is programmed for FY 2024.	No Action
0015306	TRUMAN LINEAR PARK TRAIL - PHASE II – B	The ROW is certified. CST is programmed for FY 2023 through April 2022 amendment. The construction funds have been authorized. The project will go out for bid soon.	No Action
0017975	CHEVIS ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	PE funds programmed in FY 2021 have been authorized.	No Action
		PE funds programmed in FY 2022 (including additional funds through April 2022 amendment) have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2025 (outside of FY 2021 – 2024 TIP) per December 2022 amendment.	No Action
		CST is programmed for longer range (outside of FY 2021 – 2024 TIP).	No Action

0017976	GARRAD AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	PE funds programmed in FY 2021 have been authorized.	No Action
		PE funds programmed in FY 2022 through April 2022 amendment have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2024 through December 2022 amendment.	No Action
		CST is programmed for FY 2025 (outside of FY 2021 – 2024 TIP) through December 2022 amendment.	No Action
0017515	I-16 @ SR 17	PE funds programmed in FY 2021 have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2024.	No Action
0010560	SR 26 FM JOHNNY MERCER TO OLD US 80; INC BULL RVR&LAZARETTO	PE funds programmed in FY 2021 have been authorized.	No Action
0017414	SR 26/US 80 @ BULL RIVER	PE funds programmed in FY 2022 have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2024 per June 2022 amendment and December 2022 amendment (Y230 funds award in December).	No Action
		UTL is programmed for FY 2025 (outside of FY 2021 - 2024 TIP) per June 2022 amendment.	No Action
		CST is programmed for FY 2025 (outside of FY 2021 - 2024 TIP) per June 2022 amendment.	No Action
0017415	SR 26/US 80 @ LAZARETTO CREEK	PE is programmed for FY 2023 and funds have been authorized.	No Action
		ROW is programmed for FY 2024 per April 2023 amendment.	No Action
		UTL and CST are programmed for longer range (outside of FY 2021 – 2024 TIP) per April 2023 amendment.	No Action
0006328	BRAMPTON ROAD CONN FROM SR 21/SR 25 TO SR 21 SPUR	UTL and CST are programmed for FY 2021 and funds have been authorized. Project is under construction.	No Action
0006700	EFFINGHAM PKWY FM CR 156/BLUE JAY/EFFINGHAM TO SR 30/CHATHAM	UTL and CST are programmed for FY 2022 and funds have been authorized. Project is under construction.	No Action

521855	SR 26 FROM I-516 TO CS 188/VICTORY DRIVE	UTL and CST are programmed for FY 2023 and funds have been authorized. The project is let for construction.	No Action
0017183	SAVANNAH RIVER CROSSING IMPROVEMENT STUDY	Scoping phase is programmed in FY 2021 and funds have been authorized.	No Action
0018344	US 80 Corridor Study	PE funds programmed in FY 2022 have been authorized. Study is ongoing and is expected to be completed in September 2023.	No Action
0018402	I-95 @ AIRWAYS AVENUE/POOLER PARKWAY INTERCHANGE	Scoping phase is programmed for FY 2023 with Y230 funds (December 2022 amendment). The funds have been authorized.	No Action
0018378	Fixed Route Diesel Buses 35ft. (2)	Construction (vehicle purchase) is programmed for FY 2023 and funds are expected to be authorized by June 30, 2023. Need funding flexing after authorization. CORE MPO has sent GDOT the letter to request funding authorization and flexing in April 2023. Fed auth / Flex to Transit request submitted by GDOT on 5/11/23.	No Action
0018379	Bus Stop Improvement Program	Construction is programmed for FY 2023 and funds are expected to be authorized by June 30, 2023. Need funding flexing after authorization. CORE MPO has sent GDOT the letter to request funding authorization and flexing in April 2023. Fed auth / Flex to Transit request submitted by GDOT on 5/11/23.	No Action
0019010	SR 204 @ CR 67/FORD AVE & @ CR 68/PINE GROVE DRIVE	Study (PE) is programmed for FY 2023 with CRRSAA funds per June 2023 administrative modification. The funds have been authorized. Phase II of QBS consultant selection process underway.	No Action
0019011	SR 25/US 17 FROM OGEECHEE RIVER TO I-516	Study (PE) is programmed for FY 2023 with CRRSAA funds per June 2023 administrative modification. The funds have been authorized. Phase II of QBS consultant selection process underway.	No Action

0019012	PRESIDENT STREET @ SVHO #641134T & @ HARRY TRUMAN PKWY	Study (PE) is programmed for FY 2023 with CRRSAA funds per June 2023 administrative modification. The funds have been authorized. Phase II of QBS consultant selection process underway.	No Action
0019013	CHATHAM COUNTY TRANSIT DIESEL FLEET REPLACEMENT	Construction is programmed for FY 2024 per December 2022 amendment. Need funding flexing after authorization.	No Action
0019014	CS 701/IVEY STREET & PR 654881/LINWOOD AVE IN RICHMOND HILL	PE, UTL and CST are programmed for FY 2024. Richmond Hill is going through LAP certification.	No Action.
0019015	GREEN ISLAND PATH TRAIL EXTENSION	PE is programmed for FY 2023 with CRRSAA and Y301 funds per June 2023 administrative modification. The funds have been authorized. The bid came in higher than the cost estimate. The project might need additional funding in FY 2024.	No Action
0019016	MIDDLEGROUND ROAD FM MONTGOMERY CROSS ROAD TO SCIENCE DRIVE	PE is programmed for FY 2023 and funds are expected to be authorized by June 30, 2023. The City of Savannah is ready to start the RFP process.	No Action
0019219	SR 404 SPUR @ TALMADGE MEMORIAL BRIDGE	PE is programmed for FY 2023 (December 2022 amendment) and fund have been authorized.	No Action
		CST is programmed for FY 2024 (April 2023 amendment).	No Action
0011744	Interchange Modification Report (IMR) for the terminus of I-16 at Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Boulevard and Montgomery Street	CORE MPO is processing MTP and TIP amendments to add the scoping phase to FY 2024 with earmark funds and local match.	Amendment (adding a project phase to the TIP)

## Transit Projects

FUNDING	DESCRIPTION	STATUS & UPDATES	TIP PLANNING ACTION IN JUNE 2023
SECTION 5307	CAPITAL SCHEDULE FOR CAT	On schedule	No Action
SECTION 5307 (h)	Passenger Ferry Purchase	Federal funds are programmed for FY 2022 and have been obligated. Final bid award more than \$7 million than original cost estimate. CAT is providing additional local funds to cover the balance. Ferry vessels (2) under construction.	Amendment (significant cost increase)
	Passenger Ferry Rehabilitation	Funds are programmed in FY 2022. Passenger ferry rehab ongoing.	No Action
	Savannah Belles Maintenance Facility & Ferry Dock	Funds are programmed in FY 2023. Project moving forward.	No Action
SECTION 5337	STATE OF GOOD REPAIR FOR CAT	On schedule. Preventive maintenance ongoing.	No Action
SECTION 5339	BUS AND BUS FACILITY SCHEDULE FOR CAT	On schedule. Three (3) diesel buses received in May 2023.	No Action
SECTION 5339 (c)	FTA DISCRETIONARY LOW AND NO EMISSION VEHICLES	On schedule. Electric Bus procurement scheduled for FY 2024	No Action
M230	VEHICLE AND INFRASTRUCTURE	Funds are programmed in FY 2021 and have been obligated.	No Action
M301	ITS	Funds are programmed in FY 2021 and have been obligated.	No Action
Z230	VEHICLE, INFRASTRUCTURE, ITS	Funds are programmed in FY 2022 and have been obligated.	No Action
FHWA FBP	FERRY BOAT PROGRAM FORMULA FUNDS – PI# 0017972	Funds are programmed in FY 2021 and have been obligated. CORE MPO processed an administrative modification in May 2023 in coordination with FHWA for funding flexing.	Under review by FHWA. No Action for June 2023
AOPP	AOPP Study – Study to address persistent poverty through transit improvements	Funds are programmed in FY 2023 (December 2022 amendment) and are expected to be obligated by June 30, 2023.	In progress. No Action for June 2023

ARP	ARP Study - Route restoration and transit enhancement Study	Funds are programmed in FY 2023 (December 2022 amendment) and are expected to be obligated by June 30, 2023.	In progress. No Action for June 2023
T-HUD	Ferry Vessel Construction	Funds are programmed in FY 2023 (April 2023 amendment). Partial Funding Obligated. Additional Local Match needed later.	No Action for June 2023
T-HUD	Paratransit Maintenance Facility	Funds are programmed in FY 2023 (April 2023 amendment). Funding obligated. Local match in progress.	No Action for June 2023.