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June 18, 2015

Rodney Barry, P.E.
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration, Georgia Division
61 Forsyth Street, Suite 17T100
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Subject: Amendment of the Coastal Region MPO, Revised Planning Area Boundaries

Dear Mr. Barry:

Per provisions of CFR Title 23, Section 450.312(a), *Metropolitan Planning Area Boundaries*, attached is a copy of the amended and approved study area boundary of the Coastal Region MPO, for your information and record.

CFR Section 450.312(a) states: "... the boundaries of a metropolitan planning area shall be determined by agreement between the metropolitan planning organization and the governor." Through a resolution, the Coastal Region MPO Policy Committee passed the amended MPO area boundary. The resolution was forwarded to the governor and has been approved. Accordingly, we are forwarding a copy of the approved boundary for your record. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 404-631-1747.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cynthia L. VanDyke".

Cynthia VanDyke
State Transportation Planning Administrator

CLV:acl

CC:

Jay Roberts, Director of Planning
Tom Thomson, Executive Director of the Chatham County-Savannah Planning Commission
Robert Rogers, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Financial Management
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Attachments

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May 27, 2015

The Honorable Nathan Deal
Governor, State of Georgia
State Capitol, Room 203
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Re: Coastal Region MPO, Revised Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary

Dear Governor Deal:

Attached is a resolution passed by the Coastal Region MPO Policy Committee, amending the boundaries of their Metropolitan Planning Area/Urbanized Area Boundaries on May 15, 2015. The boundary has been amended in order to include regions which the Coastal Region MPO anticipates becoming "urbanized" in the next twenty years.

Attached to this letter you will find a map titled "CORE MPO Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA)-2014", which shows the Coastal Region MPO boundary. The MPO Boundary is shown on this map in yellow and the proposed urbanized area is outlined with red.

In accordance with CFR Title 23, Section 450.312(a) we respectfully request your approval of the proposed boundary change. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Cindy VanDyke, State Transportation Planning Administrator at 404-631-1747.

Sincerely,

Jay Roberts
Director of Planning

Approved: _____

Nathan Deal, Governor

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Date

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Attachment



METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**Resolution to Adopt the Revised Metropolitan Planning Area of
the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization,
to Adopt the Revised Bylaws,
and to Submit the Reapportionment Package to the Georgia Department of Transportation**

WHEREAS, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Savannah Urbanized Area (UZA) in accordance with federal requirements of Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code to have a cooperative, comprehensive and continuing transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO is mandated by 23 CFR 450.312 to adopt in agreement with the Governor of Georgia, a Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) that shall encompass the entire existing Savannah UZA plus the contiguous areas expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) in cooperation with CORE MPO, has conducted a review of the CORE MPO MPA to include all of Chatham County, the portions of Bryan County and Effingham County located within the Savannah UZA and the connecting areas in Bryan County (as presented on the attached map); and


WHEREAS, CORE MPO has updated the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to reflect the changes incurred by the revised MPA, and the MOU has been executed by the participating local governmental entities and modal agencies (as attached in the reapportionment package); and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO has updated the Bylaws to reflect the changes incurred by the revised MPA and other desired revisions (as attached in the reapportionment package).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization adopt the revised Metropolitan Planning Area as presented on the attached map, adopt the revised Bylaws and authorize the Chairman to execute the MOU as attached in the reapportionment package, and authorize the CORE MPO to submit the reapportionment package to the Georgia Department of Transportation to take the necessary steps to update the CORE MPO MPA map and execute the updated Memorandum of Understanding.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Board at a meeting held on May 15, 2015.

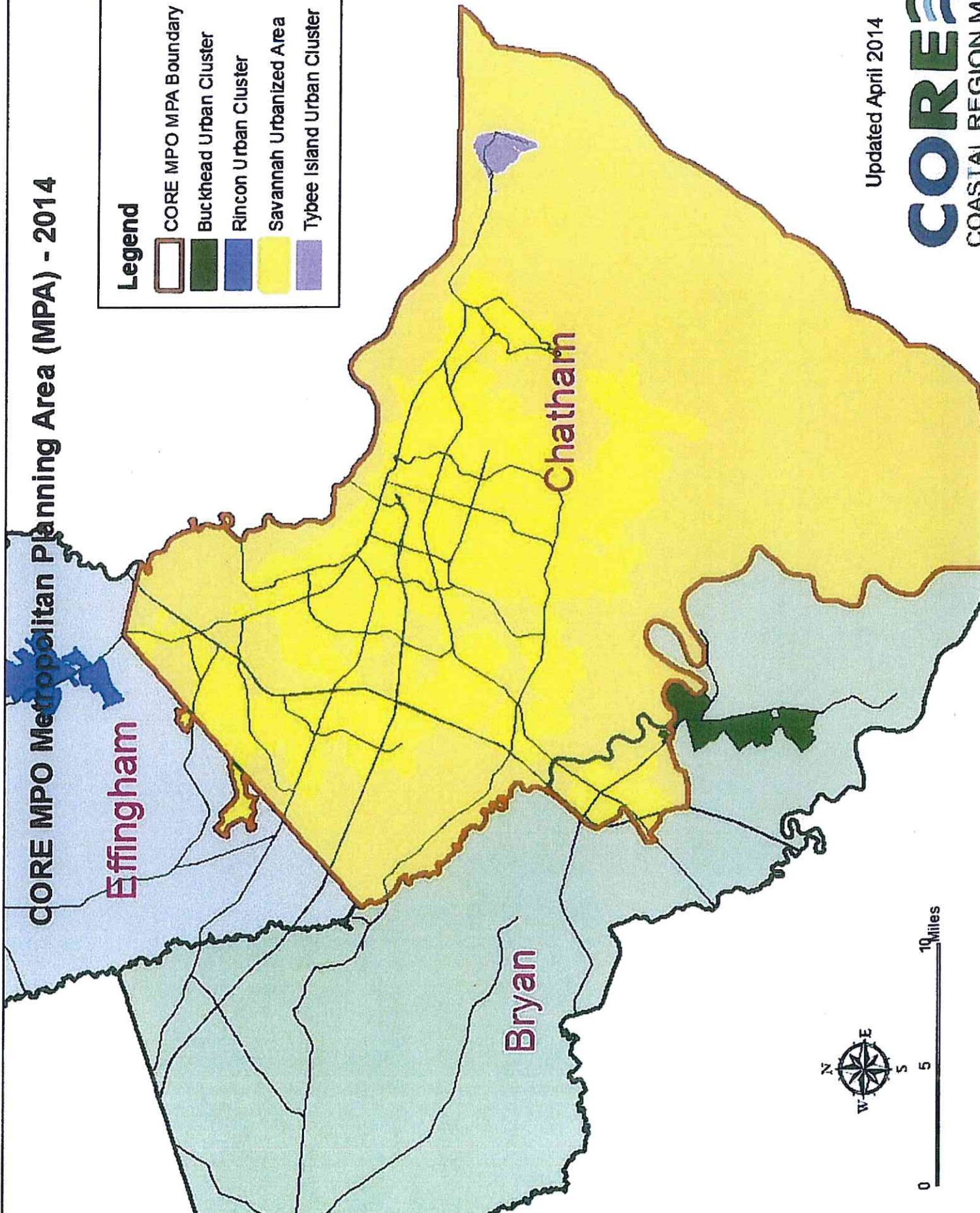


Albert J. Scott, Chairman
Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

CORE MPO Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) - 2014

Legend

- CORE MPO MPA Boundary
- Buckhead Urban Cluster
- Rincon Urban Cluster
- Savannah Urbanized Area
- Tybee Island Urban Cluster



Updated April 2014