



## METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

### **Resolution to Amend the FY 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)**

**WHEREAS**, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) desires to adopt an amendment to the FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the CORE MPO transportation planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed TIP amendment is to program an additional preliminary engineering (PE) phase in FY 2017 for PI# 0012757, I-16 Widening from I-95 to I-516; and

**WHEREAS**, CORE MPO has completed a 15-day public review and comment period for the proposed TIP amendment according to the Participation Plan and incorporated all received comments; and

**WHEREAS**, CORE MPO would like to complete the TIP amendment process to incorporate the project programming updates.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization approves the proposed amendment to the FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program as shown in the summary of TIP amendment report with any corrections based upon the motion of December 14, 2016.

Approved this day, December 14, 2016

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Albert J. Scott", is written over a horizontal line.

Albert J. Scott, Chairman  
Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

# **Amendment to FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)**

**December 2016**

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 CORE MPO's current FY 2015 - 2018 TIP was adopted by the MPO Board in August 2014. A series of administrative modifications and amendments have been processed for various projects since the adoption of the TIP.

In November 2016 CORE MPO received a request from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to amend the FY 2015 - 2018 TIP to add an additional preliminary engineering (PE) phase in FY 2017 for I-16 Widening from I-95 to I-516.

The Transportation Improvement Program must be consistent with the current 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The I-16 Widening project is currently listed in Cost Band One of the 2040 MTP. As required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), an addendum to the 2040 MTP was developed to document the consistency as a part of the December 2016 TIP amendment.

The TIP financial plan must be balanced, meaning the project costs must be less than or equal to projected revenues. For state and federally funded projects not using urban attributable funds (code Z230), the GDOT Office of Financial Management (OFM) makes a determination of fiscal constraint prior to authorizing funds. The requested TIP amendment was processed subject to GDOT providing additional federal and state funds in FY 2017 to cover costs of the I-16 Widening project, thus not negatively impacting other projects programmed in FY 2017.

According to the STIP/TIP amendment process outlined in the Participation Plan, the TIP amendment process requires public advertisement, a 15-day comment period and response to all comments, either individually or in a summary form. There is no requirement for a public hearing. The amendment follows the usual MPO Committee process for action.

In order to process the proposed TIP amendment, CORE MPO advertised a public comment period in the Savannah Morning News on Sunday, November 27, 2016. The notice was also sent to the local news media and the consultation agencies as well as neighborhood associations, and was posted on the CORE MPO website. The public comment period started on November 29, 2016 and closed on December 13, 2016. A public hearing for the proposed TIP amendment was held in conjunction with the December 2016 CORE MPO Board meeting. All of the MPO's advisory committees endorsed the proposed TIP amendment at their respective December 2016 meetings and the MPO Board approved the amendment on December 14, 2017.

The following summarizes the proposed TIP amendment.

### **I-16 Widening from I-95 to I-516**

- **PI #:** 0012757
- **MTP Priority:** Based on the March 2016 amendment made to the CORE MPO's 2040 Total Mobility Plan, the PE and CST phases of this project were incorporated into Cost Band One of the 2040 MTP in order to make the project eligible for inclusion in the TIP.
- **Project description:** Based on the GDOT Interstate Needs Study for Chatham County that was developed in 2008, this project would add an additional lane in each direction on I-16 between I-95 and I-516. The widening would occur on the inside of the eastbound and westbound lanes. The one overpass on this section of I-16 was constructed with enough width to accommodate an additional lane in each direction to the inside of the existing lanes, thus the future widening would occur to the inside. Since all widening would occur to the inside, a barrier wall would be required to safely separate eastbound and westbound traffic.

However, the detailed scope of work for the widening project is still being developed by GDOT in conjunction with the I-95/I-16 Interchange Reconstruction project. Currently this is a Design/Build project, and the project description will not be finalized until GDOT has an approved concept report.

- **Project Status:** Currently the PE phase and the CST phase are programmed in the TIP in FY 2016 and FY 2018 respectively.
- **Amendment:** GDOT is proposing to add an additional PE phase in FY 2017.
- **Reason for Amendment:** Adding a project or a phase of a project to the TIP is considered an amendment.
- **Funding/Year:**
  - Z001 funds in the amount of \$9,100,00 are to be programmed in FY 2017 for the PE phase with 80/20 federal/state split - \$7,280,000 federal / \$1,820,000 state.
- **Requesting date:** November 2016
- **Requesting Agency:** GDOT
- **Comment Period:** 11/29/2016 – 12/13/2016

### **Appendices**

- Appendix A – 2040 MTP Addendum for December 2016 TIP Amendment
- Appendix B – Current and Updated TIP Project Pages for December 2016 TIP Amendment
- Appendix C – Documentation of Request for TIP Amendment
- Appendix D – Public Involvement Documentation

## Appendix A – 2040 MTP Addendum for December 2016 TIP Amendment

Addendum to 2040 MTP										
2040 MTP					March 2016 Addendum			December 2016 Addendum		
PI#	Project Name	Phase	Current MTP Cost Band	Current Cost	Phase	New MTP Cost Band	New Cost	Phase	New MTP Cost Band	New Cost
0012757	I-16 Widening from I-95 to I-516	ROW, CST	Vision Plan	\$364,146,470	PE, CST	One (2015-2020)	\$81,119,294	PE, CST	One (2015-2020)	\$90,219,294

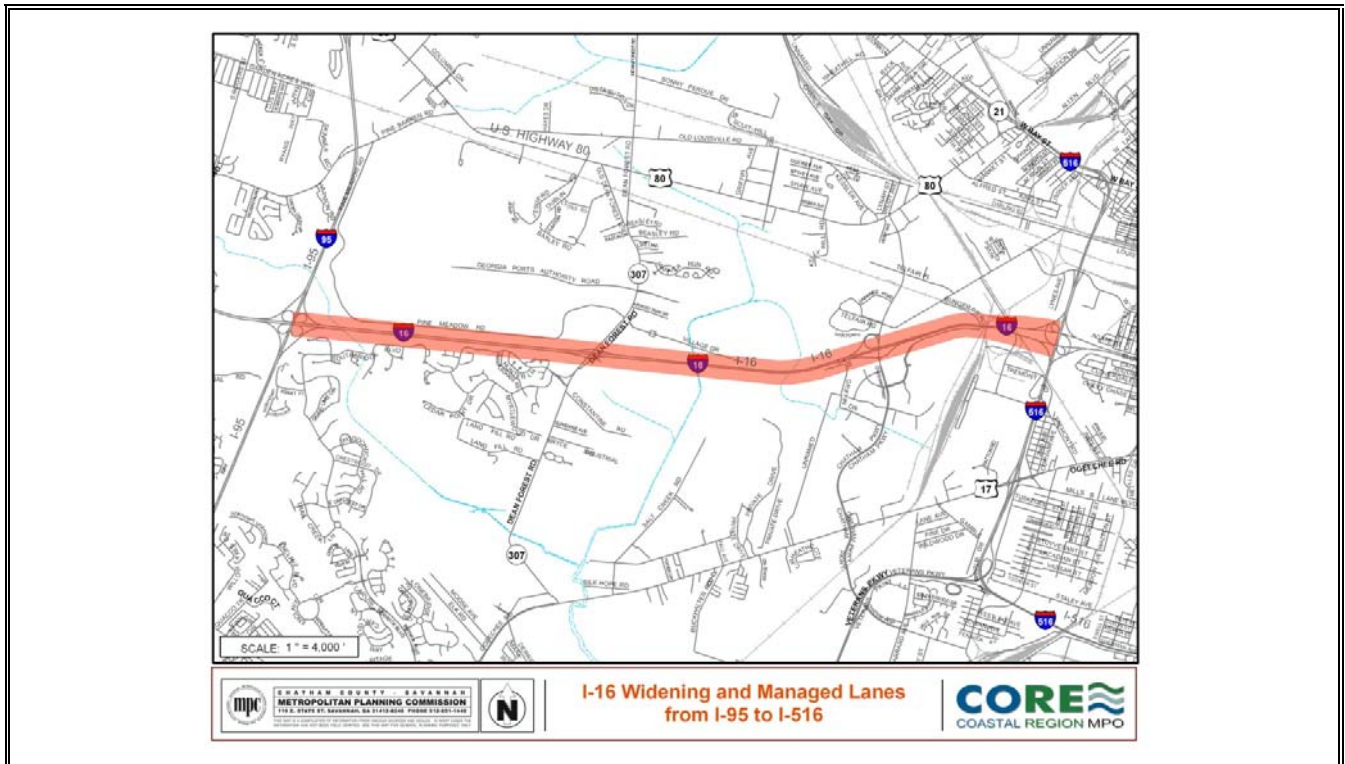
**Appendix B – Current and Updated TIP Project Pages for December 2016 TIP Amendment**

**Current Project Page – PI# 0012757**

**COASTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
FY 2015 - 2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

<b>I-16 WIDENING FROM I-95 TO I-516</b>						P.I. #:	0012757
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Widen I-16 from I-95 to I-516. Specific scope of work is to be developed by GDOT.						TIP #:	2016-GDOT-01
						COUNTY:	CHATHAM
						PROJ. #:	
						FUND:	M001, M230
						GDOT DISTRICT:	5
TRAFFIC VOL. 2005 AADT:		2030:		CONG. DISTRICT:	1		
NO. OF LANES EXISTING:	4	PLANNED:	6	RC:	CG		
LOCAL ROAD #:	STATE/US ROAD #:			LENGTH (MI):			
COMMENTS/REMARKS: This is a much needed widening project that has been identified in both the CORE MPO's Vision Plan and GDOT's Chatham County Interstate Needs Analysis and Prioritization Plan. GDOT proposes to fund the preliminary engineering phase in FY 2016 with M230 funds released from PI# 521855, and to fund the construction phase in FY 2018 with M001 funds. Inclusion of this project in the TIP is contingent upon the MTP amendment to move the project from the Vision Plan to Cost Band One of the 2040 MTP.							
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	TOTAL	
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/State	\$0	\$5,306,040	\$0	\$0	\$5,306,040	
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
CONSTRUCTION	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,813,254.07	\$75,813,254	
<b>PROJECT COST</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,306,040</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$75,813,254.07</b>	<b>\$81,119,294</b>	
FEDERAL COST		\$0	\$4,244,832	\$0	\$60,650,603.26	\$64,895,435	
STATE COST		\$0	\$1,061,208	\$0	\$15,162,650.81	\$16,223,859	
LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

**PROJECT LOCATION**

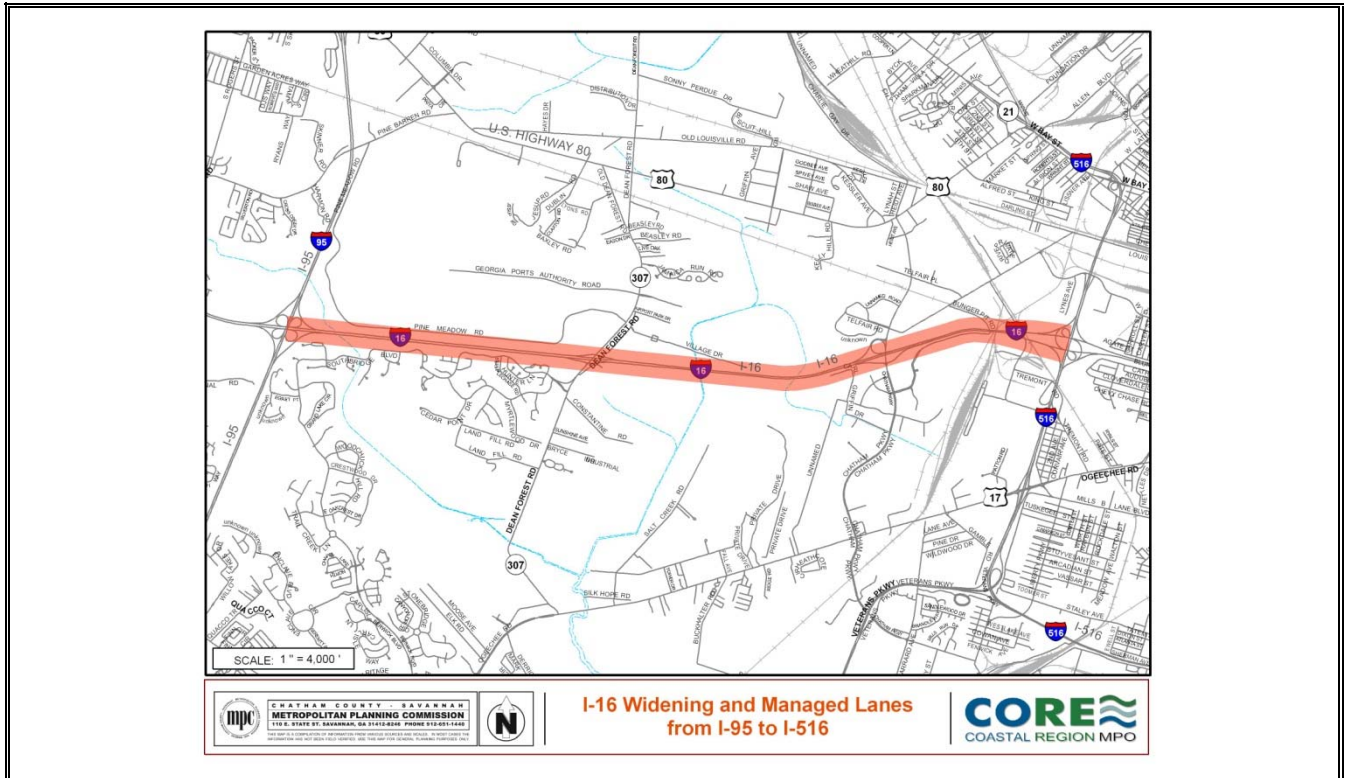


**Revised Project Page – PI# 0012757**

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						GDOT DISTRICT: 5	
TRAFFIC VOL. 2005 AADT:				2030:		CONG. DISTRICT: 1	
NO. OF LANES EXISTING: 4				PLANNED: 6		RC: CG	
LOCAL ROAD #:			STATE/US ROAD #:			LENGTH (MI):	
COMMENTS/REMARKS: This is a much-needed widening project that has been identified in GDOT's Chatham County Interstate Needs Analysis and Prioritization Plan. The project was amended into Cost Band One of the CORE MPO's 2040 MTP in March 2016. Preliminary engineering (PE) phase is programmed in FY 2016 with M230 funds released from PI# 521855, and the funds have been authorized. Construction (CST) phase is programmed in FY 2018 with Z001 funds. In December 2016 GDOT requested to add an additional PE phase in FY 2017 with Z001 funds.							
PROJECT PHASE	\$ SOURCE	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	TOTAL	
PRELIM. ENGR.	Federal/State	\$0	\$5,306,040	\$9,100,000	\$0	\$14,406,040	
RIGHT-OF-WAY	Federal/State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
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LOCAL COST		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

**PROJECT LOCATION**





## Appendix C – Documentation of Request for TIP Amendment

**From:** Eastin, William [mailto:weastin@dot.ga.gov]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 21, 2016 3:56 PM  
**To:** Wykoda Wang <wangw@thempc.org>  
**Cc:** Melony West <westm@thempc.org>; Mark Wilkes <wilkesm@thempc.org>; McQueen, Thomas <tmcqueen@dot.ga.gov>; Delgadillo Canizares, Marlene V. <mcanizares@dot.ga.gov>  
**Subject:** CORE MPO TIP & MTP Amendment Request

Good Afternoon Wykoda,

Following up on our phone call, please add the following phase amendment proposal to TCC and PC meeting agendas for this up meetings on December 8<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. All other aspects of the project will remain the same.

**Agenda Item:** Amendment to the 2040 Total Mobility Plan (TMP) and Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) to add a phase to P.I. 0012757

**Presenter:** GDOT

**Reason for Amendment:** To add a new Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase to P.I. 0012757 in FY 2017 for the amount of \$9,100,000.00

**Project Name:** I-16 widening from I-95 to I-516

**PI#:** 0012757

**Work Type:** Widening

**County:** Chatham

**TIP Priority:** Add new Preliminary Engineering phase into FY 2017 of the TIP

**MTP Priority:** Add new Preliminary Engineering phase into the LRTP's Cost Band One (2015-2018)

**Phase Cost:** Preliminary Engineering (PE) - \$ 9,100,000

**Phase FY:** 2017

**Phase Funding:** Federal (Z001)

Thank you for your help with this! Let me know if you have any questions.

-William

**William Eastin**  
**Southeast Georgia Branch Chief**

Georgia Department of Transportation - Office of Planning  
600 West Peachtree Street NW, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

## Appendix D – Public Involvement Documentation

November 2016

### PUBLIC NOTICE FOR MTP and 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 proposed amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and FY 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The MTP evaluates transportation system performance and is a source of policies, projects and actions that implement community vision of transportation improvements needed to reach the community goals. The TIP is the short-term programming document that lists transportation improvement projects to receive funding in the next four years. Reports providing details of the proposed MTP and TIP amendments are available for review at the Live Oak public libraries, the Chatham County-Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) office, the MPC website at <http://www.thempc.org/Dept/Tran>, and other public review agencies. Any changes to the reports will be posted on the website.

The comment period starts on **November 29, 2016** and written comments on the proposed MTP and TIP amendments will be accepted until close of business on **December 13, 2016**. Please send your comments to Wykoda Wang, Metropolitan Planning Commission, 110 E. State Street, Savannah, GA 31401, or via email at [wangw@thempc.org](mailto:wangw@thempc.org).

CORE MPO will host a public hearing for the proposed MTP and TIP amendments in December 2016 in conjunction with the CORE MPO Board meeting. Meeting time and location are listed below:

**CORE MPO Board Meeting**

**December 14, 2016**

**10:00 a.m.**

**MPC Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room**

**112 East State Street, Savannah, GA 31401**

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

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*Eugene J. Cronk*  
Notary Public; Chatham County, Ga.

EUGENE J. CRONK  
Notary Public, Chatham County GA  
My Commission Expires Jan. 24, 2018

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