



METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Resolution to Adopt the Updated CORE MPO Participation Plan of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)

Whereas, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization of the Savannah urbanized area 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, federal legislation requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to “provide citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, public ports, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation (including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as a carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program), representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the transportation plan” (USC Title 23, Section 134); and

Whereas, the legislation further states that a Participation Plan “(i) shall be developed in consultation with all interested parties; and (ii) shall provide that all interested parties have reasonable opportunities to comment on the contents of the transportation plan.”; and

Whereas, CORE MPO adopted a Participation Plan in March of 2002 and has updated the Plan several times in response to changing requirements or conditions, most recently in March of 2016; and

Whereas, this 2019 update includes the following changes: 1) the quantitative Measures of Effectiveness (MOEs) of the MPO’s public involvement process since 2016 have been incorporated; 2) the public participation summary for the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) development has been incorporated; 3) additional Title VI related goals and objectives have been added; and 4) necessary administrative modifications to meet federal and state requirements have been made; and

Whereas, the process to update the Participation Plan was carried out in accordance with the most recently adopted Participation Plan, including the required 45-day public comment period; and

Whereas, CORE MPO has conducted a public hearing for the Participation Plan updates and has taken into consideration comments made at the public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the CORE MPO adopts the attached updated Participation Plan.

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 August 7, 2019.

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

Albert J. Scott, Chairman
Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization