



ATL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AUGUST 8, 2019

Committee Reports

- Regional Transit Planning Committee
- Regional Technology Committee

Five-Party Memorandum of Agreement



Atlanta Regional Commission
Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority
Georgia Department of Transportation
Georgia Regional Transportation Authority
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority



Overview presentation for:

ATL Authority
August 8, 2019

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Legal Reference

CFR Title 23

§ 450.314 Metropolitan planning agreements

(a) The MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation shall cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process. These responsibilities shall be clearly identified in written agreements among the MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation serving the MPA. To the extent possible, a single agreement between all responsible parties should be developed. The written agreement(s) shall include specific provisions for the development of financial plans that support the metropolitan transportation plan (see § 450.324) and the metropolitan TIP (see § 450.326), and development of the annual listing of obligated projects (see § 450.334).

(b) The MPO, the State(s), and the providers of public transportation should periodically review and update the agreement, as appropriate, to reflect effective changes.

MPO Process Agreement History

1971

MPOs have been mandated by federal law since 1962

First planning MOA developed following establishment of ARC as the Metropolitan Area Planning and Development Commission under state law (same responsibilities as a Regional Commission)

Signatory agencies were ARC, MARTA and the State Highway Department

MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

The federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) strengthened the roles and responsibilities of MPOs

Signatory agencies were ARC, MARTA and GDOT



MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

2008

GRTA was established in 1999, with responsibilities that included state approval of the Atlanta region's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on behalf of the Governor

Signatory agencies were ARC, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA



MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

2008

2009

ARC established the Regional Transit Committee, following sunset of the Transit Planning Board and Transit Implementation Board

Signatory agencies were ARC, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA



MPO Process Agreement History

1971

1997

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2019

ATL established in 2018 by HB 930

Designated recipient role for certain FTA formula funds shifted from MARTA to ATL

Continuous evolution of planning partner working relationships over the past decade

Signatory agencies will be ARC, ATL, GDOT, GRTA and MARTA

Core MPO Planning Products



20+ year multimodal
transportation vision

Fiscally constrained

Meets air quality conformity
requirements

Updated every four years (min)



First six years of the RTP

Near term implementation
priorities

More rigorous fiscal constraint
requirements

Updated every four years (min)



Annual requirement

Current and upcoming planning
activities of all agencies using
federal funds

Other major transportation
planning initiatives as
appropriate

Organization of the Five Party Agreement



PURPOSE



DEFINITIONS



REQUIREMENTS



ORGANIZATIONAL ROLES
AND RESPONSIBILITIES



POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND
COORDINATION



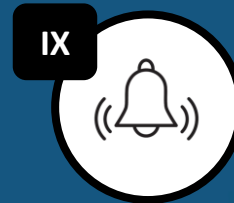
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT



COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE
LAWS AND REGULATIONS



AMENDMENTS AND
MODIFICATIONS



NOTIFICATION



SIGNATURES

Organizational Roles and Responsibilities Section





-  Legislative background of the agency
-  Regional Transportation Plan
-  Transportation Improvement Program
-  Unified Planning Work Program
-  Air Quality
-  Public Involvement
-  Transportation Planning (General)

Key ATL Roles and Responsibilities in the MPO Process






- ✓ Participate on ARC committees and other working groups
- ✓ Assist in preparing project cost and revenue estimates for the TIP and RTP
- ✓ Conduct planning studies (UPWP) and share data and findings
- ✓ Develop and maintain the Atlanta Regional Transit Plan
- ✓ Ensure transit projects proposed for the TIP and RTP are consistent with the ARTP

Approval Milestones

AUGUST 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 	9 	10
11	12	13	14	15  	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 	7
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15	16	17	18 	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

ARC

ATL

GDOT

GRTA

MARTA

Committees / First Reads



Final Action / Signature



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I-285 TOP END TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY

ATLANTA-REGION TRANSIT LINK AUTHORITY BRIEFING
August 8, 2019

STUDY PARTNERS

Partner Organizations:

- City of Brookhaven
- City of Chamblee
- City of Doraville
- City of Dunwoody
- City of Sandy Springs
- City of Smyrna
- City of Tucker
- Cumberland CID
- Perimeter CIDs
- Tucker-Northlake CID

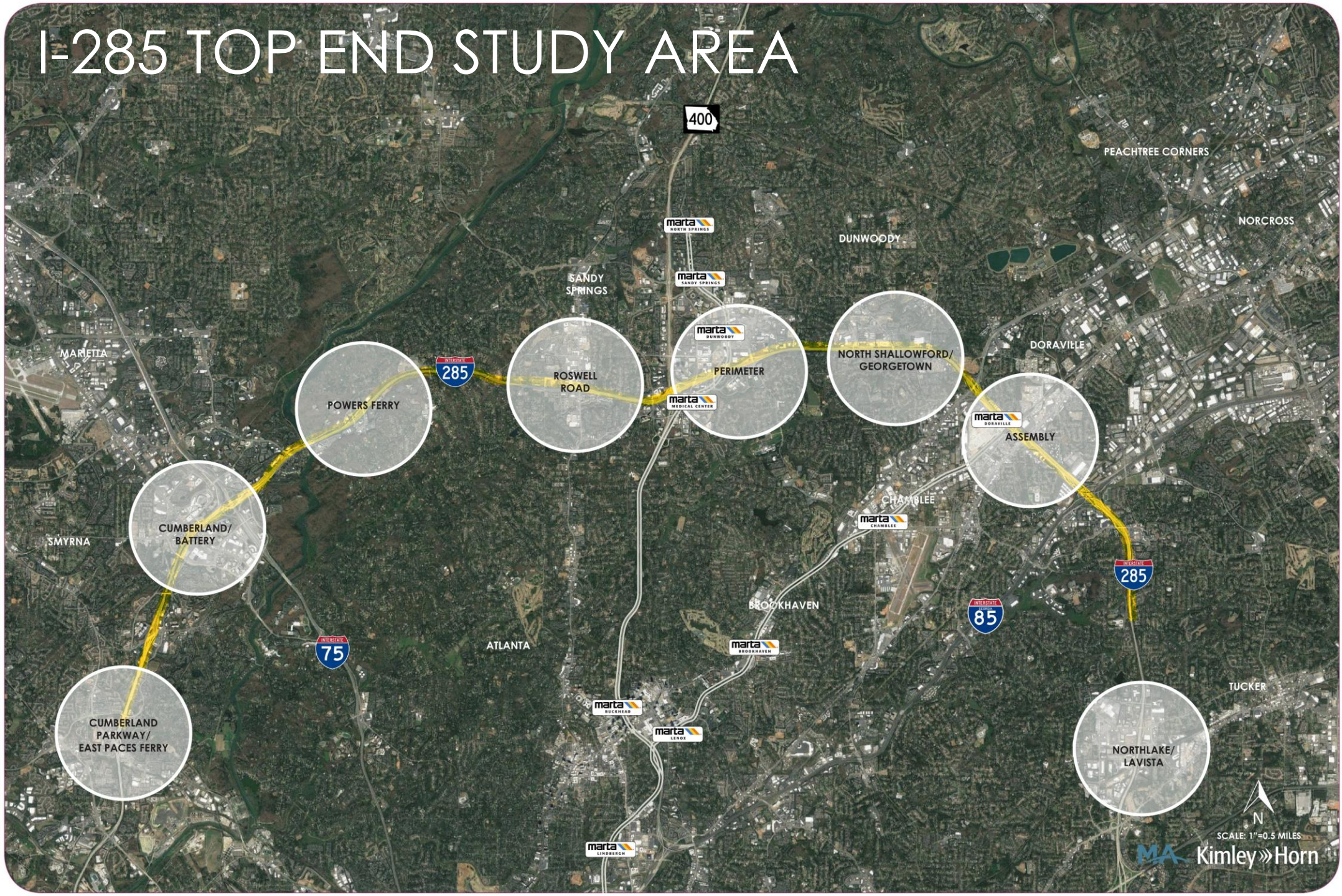
Additional Coordination With:

- GDOT
- MARTA
- DeKalb County Transit Study Team
- Fulton County
- Cobb County DOT
- ARC
- ATL/SRTA/GRTA

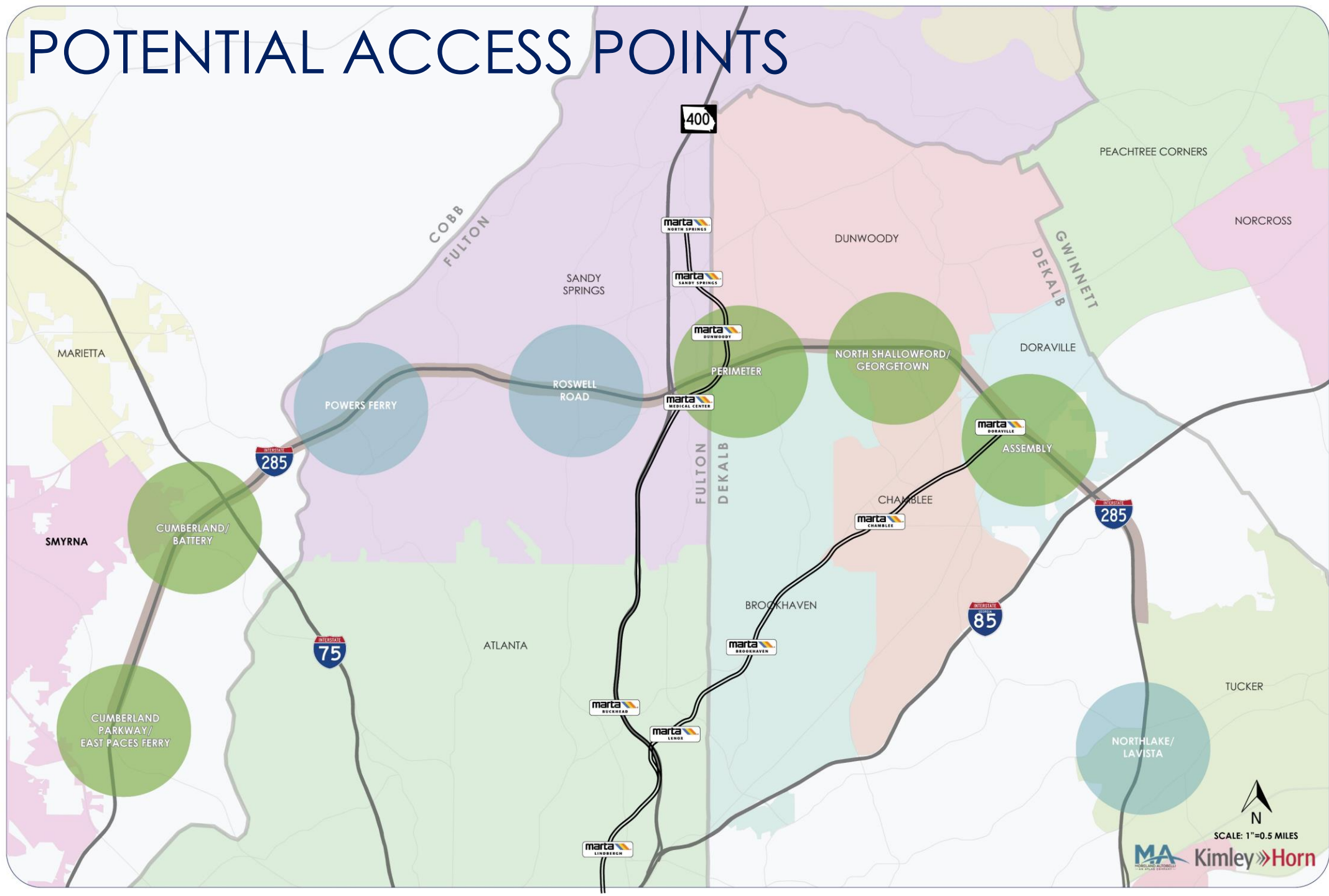
PHASE 1 STUDY OBJECTIVES (FALL 2018)

1. Facilitate discussions among I-285 Top End leaders regarding high-capacity transit feasibility
2. Compare rubber-wheel versus rail-based transit potential along the corridor
3. Evaluate special service district models
4. Identify next steps

I-285 TOP END STUDY AREA



POTENTIAL ACCESS POINTS



PHASE 1 SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS

1. A high-capacity, rubber wheeled transit system utilizing the GDOT Express Lanes is operationally and financially feasible across the Top End of I-285.
2. A rail-based system would cost 8-10 times that of a rubber wheeled system due to the need for additional right of way and a separate guideway.
3. Projected revenue from a localized tax is sufficient to cover projected operational costs (and some construction cost) and justify a more detailed analysis including a detailed service plan, ridership projections, and implementation strategies.

PHASE 2 PRE-PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ANALYSIS (FALL 2019)

- Preliminary service plan
- Capital improvements list
- Travel time analysis
- Ridership forecast
- Refined capital and operations and maintenance cost estimates



FTA Regional Formula Fund Policy Updates

ATL Board Meeting

August 8, 2019

FORMULA FUND POLICY UPDATES – REGIONAL OUTREACH

- Coordinated regional outreach to receive feedback and concurrence on proposed policy updates



Atlanta Regional Commission



Federal Transit
Administration



COWETA COUNTY



Gwinnett



FULTON COUNTY



FTA REGIONAL FORMULA FUND POLICY UPDATES

Regional 5307 Formula Funding Set-Aside Policy

- Increases set-aside to 1% and allocates 0.75% to ATL & 0.25% to ARC
- ATL funding will be used for regional projects that support the development of a more seamless and unified transit network in the 13-county ATL region.

Regional 5337 Shared Segment Policy

- Allocates the High Intensity Motor Bus (HIMB) Directional Route Mile funding tier based on the amount of service provided by each operator in the HOV/HOT lane segment
- Change would be phased in over a period of two-years to limit funding impacts of updated methodology



FORMULA FUND POLICY UPDATES – NEXT STEPS

- Next Steps:

- ✓ ATL Planning Committee Meeting First Read Presentation *(May 10, 2019)*
- ✓ ATL Board First Read Presentation *(May 23, 2019)*
- ✓ ATL Planning Committee Meeting Second Read Presentation *(July 17, 2019)*
- Recommended for adoption by ATL Board and ARC (TCC and TAQC) *(August 2019)*
- Proposed policies would take effect October 1, 2019 *(start of Federal Fiscal Year 2020)*



Thank You.



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Approval of the 2020 Board Calendar

Chris Tomlinson, Interim Executive Director



Executive Director's Report

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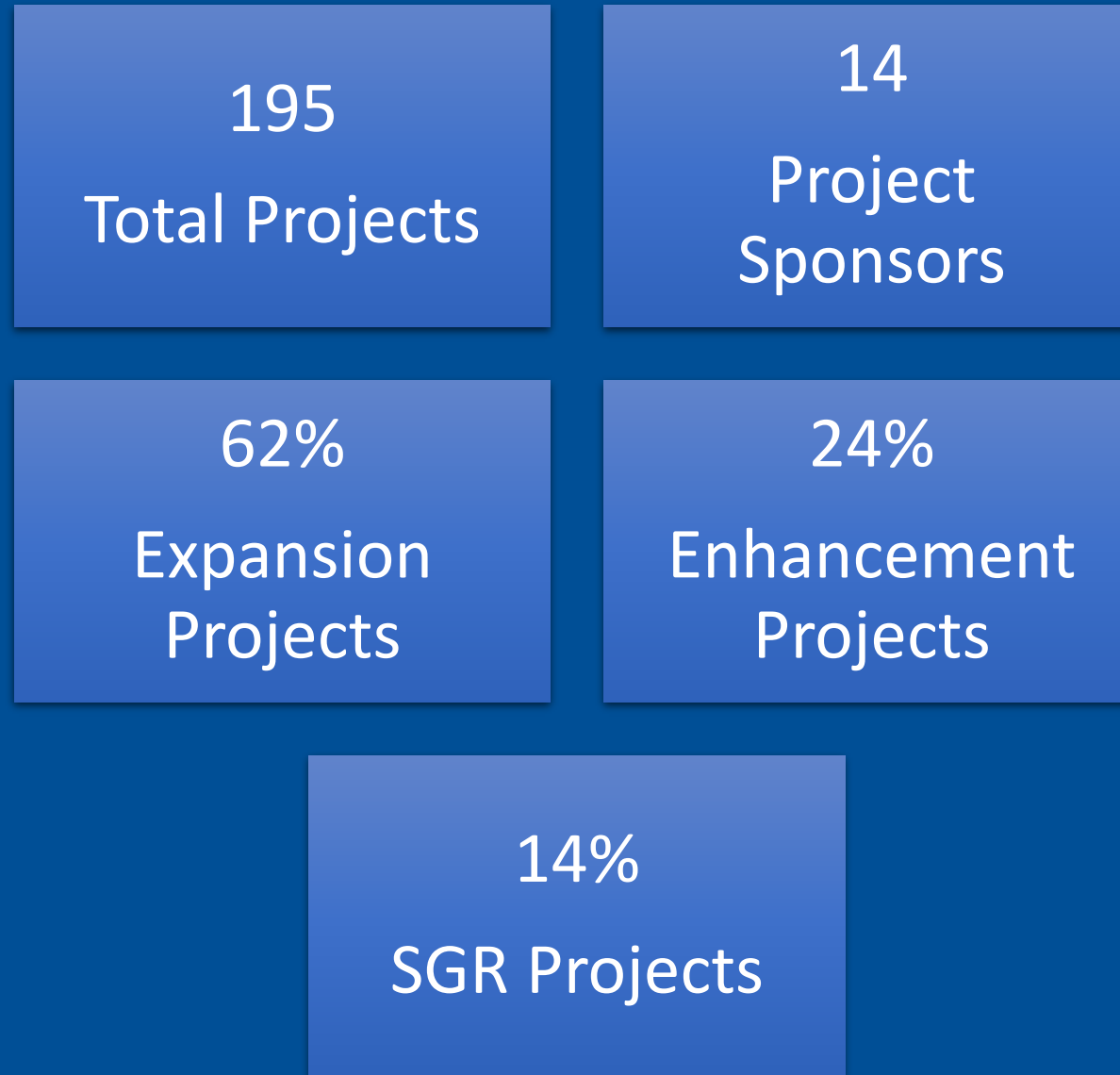


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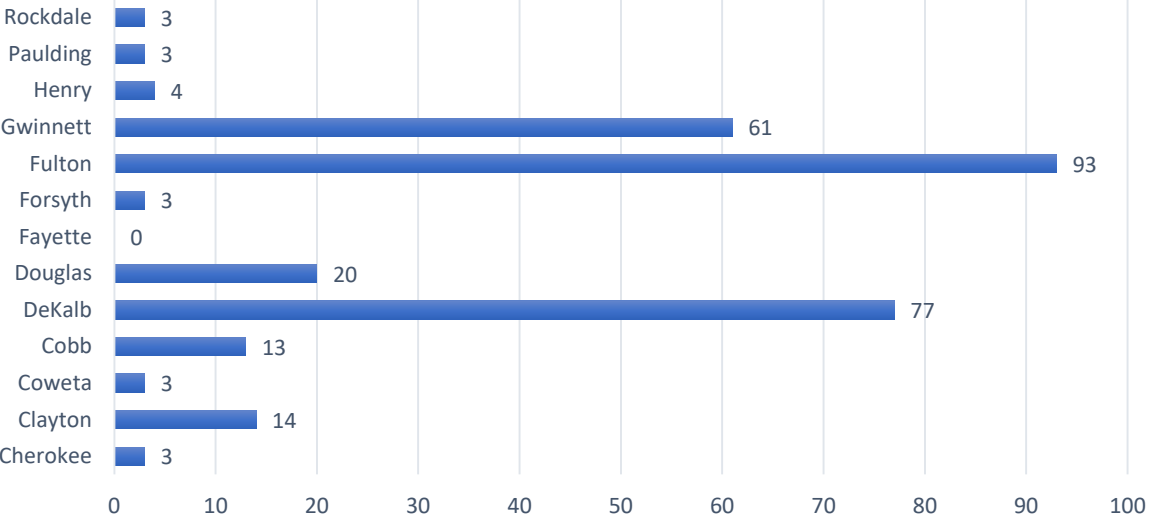
ATL Regional Transit Plan Update
IMI Grant Update

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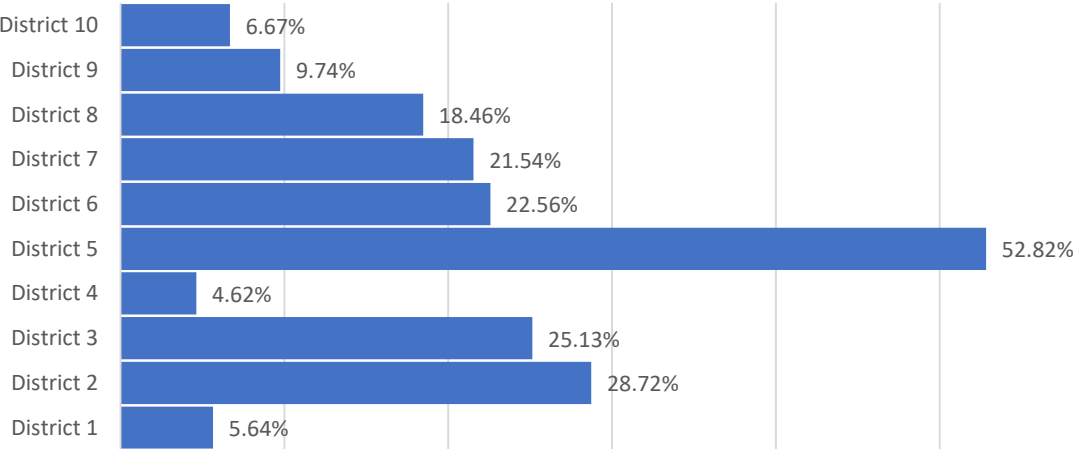
Overview



Total Projects by County

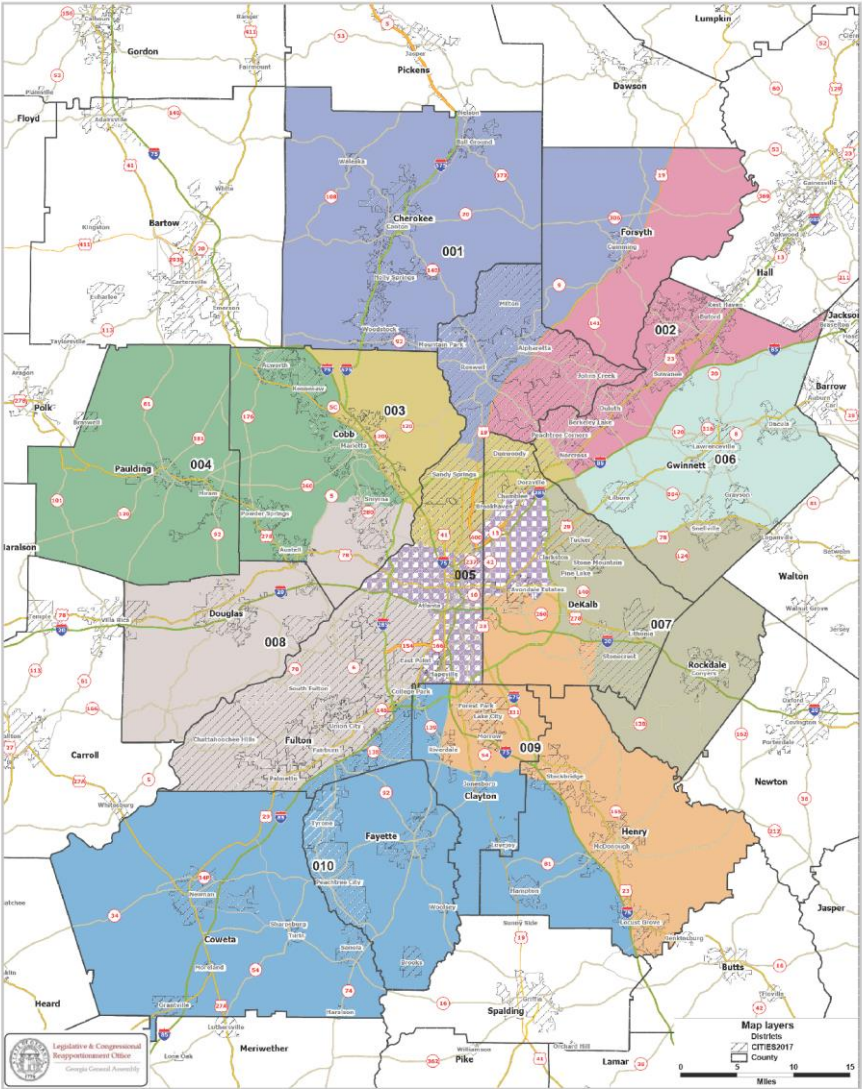


Percentange of Projects by District



Atlanta Region Transit Districts

For a full interactive district map, please visit:
<http://garc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=96c48f83d6794d8d8f30538830d6f6ad>





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