

# Regional Transit Planning Committee

Steve Brock, Chair

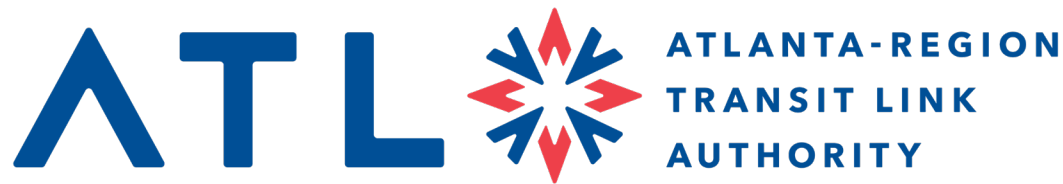
February 6, 2025

# Regional Transit Planning Committee Meeting

## Thursday, February 6, 2025

### Proposed Agenda

- I. Call to Order - Steve Brock, Chair
- II. Approval of the Meeting Minutes for December 5, 2024
- III. Approval of the Agenda for February 6, 2025
- IV. Transit Trust Fund Progress Report - Abby Marinelli
- V. Agreement with GDOT for FY25 TTF - Abby Marinelli - **Action Item**
- VI. Adjournment



# Transit Trust Fund Progress Report

Abby Marinelli

Director Of Planning

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# Transit Trust Fund Process

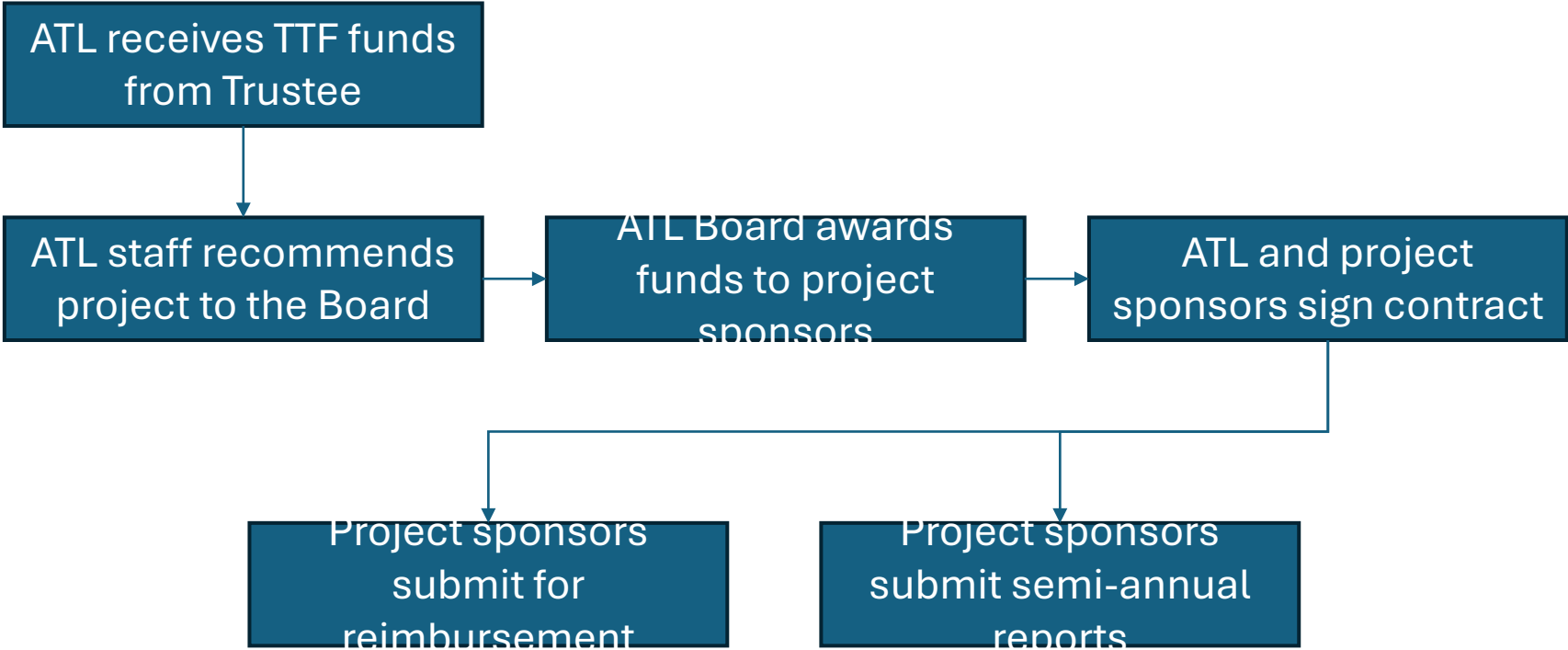
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# Transit Trust Fund Process

► Path of funding to project sponsors:



# TTF Semi-Annual Reports

- ▶ TTF project sponsors must submit semi-annual progress reports based on project type:
  - ✓ Construction reports
    - Current project phase
    - Completed and upcoming milestones
  - ✓ Microtransit reports
    - Months of service completed
    - Ridership statistics
    - Trip statistics
- ▶ New progress reports will be created as new project types are awarded

# TTF Award Status Update

Sponsor	Project	Total Project Cost	Total TTF Award	% Award	Reimbursements to date	% Drawn Down	Project Status
ATL	Regional Transit Planning Software	\$ 700,000	\$ 209,258	30%	\$ 209,258.00	100%	Complete
MARTA	Airport Station Rehab	\$ 55,000,000	\$ 5,500,000	10%	\$ 3,645,379.40	66%	Started, drawing TTF funds
CobbLinc	South Cobb Microtransit Pilot	\$ 3,450,000	\$ 1,035,000	30%	Approx. \$250,000	0%	Started, drawing TTF funds
Ride Gwinnett	Buford/Sugar Hill/Suwanee Microtransit Pilot	\$ 4,887,950	\$ 1,128,450	23%	\$ -	0%	On hold since TSPLOST failure
ATL Airport CIDs	Airport Microtransit Project	\$ 3,450,000	\$ 1,035,000	30%	\$ -	0%	Awaiting FTA grant, kickoff likely by summer 2025
ATL	ATL RIDES	\$ 600,000	\$ 120,000	20%	\$ -	0%	Preliminary work underway
ATL	AFC 2.0 (Regional Installation)	\$ 5,400,000	\$ 1,356,000	25%	\$ -	0%	Preliminary work underway
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 73,487,950</b>	<b>\$ 10,383,708</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>\$ 4,104,637</b>	<b>40%</b>	

# MARTA's Airport Station Rehab

- ▶ Currently under construction
- ▶ Rehabilitation of MARTA's Airport Station including:
  - ADA compliant features
  - Operator accommodations
  - Electrical and elevator infrastructure upgrades
  - New station canopy
  - Other work on both the Concourse and Platform levels
- ▶ Published completion date is Summer 2026





# CobbLinc Microtransit

- ▶ Kicked off service on October 29, 2024
- ▶ Pilot program will run for two years in South Cobb



## ▶ Progress as of 12/31/24:

- 2 months of service completed
- Total ridership: 1,962
- Avg. monthly ridership: 950 riders
- Avg. passenger wait time: 14 mins
- Avg. trip distance: 3.5 miles
- Avg. trip time: 11 mins

### Popular Destinations

1. Varner Crossing
2. McEachern High School
3. Ron Anderson Recreation Center
4. Powder Springs Shopping Center
5. Silver Comet Linear Park
6. Power Springs Center for Nursing and Healing
7. Walmart Supercenter
8. Horseshoe Bend Plaza
9. Wellstar Cobb Medical Center
10. Austell Dept of Motor Vehicles

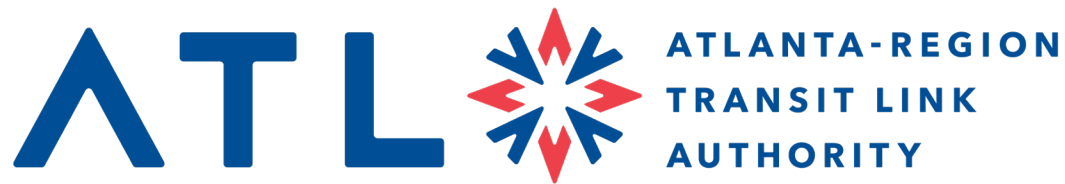
# Next Steps

- ▶ Continue project progress reporting to the Board on a semi-annual basis (February and August)
- ▶ Work with Gwinnett to determine future of awarded project
- ▶ Sign contracts for recent awards



**Thank you.**

**Questions?**



# Agreement with GDOT for FY25 TTF

Abby Marinelli  
Director Of Planning  
February 6, 2025

# Transit Trust Fund

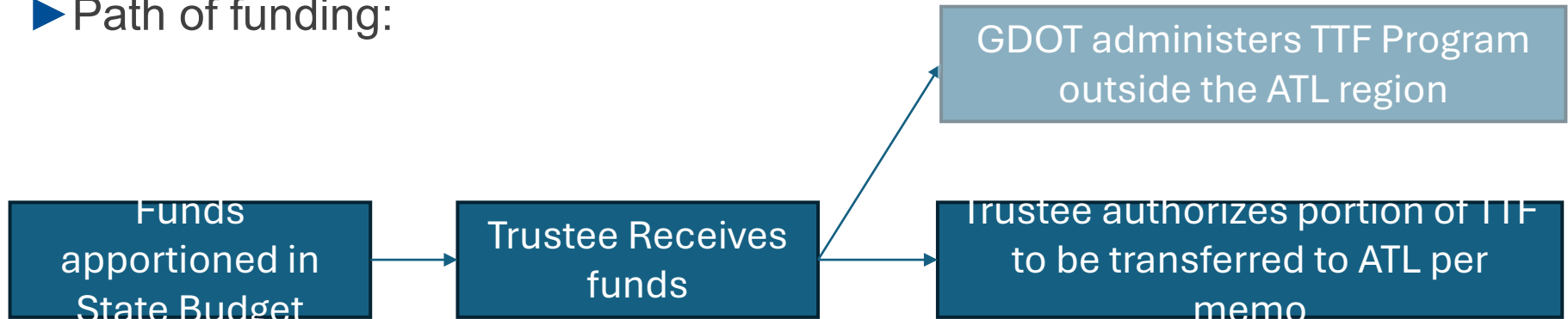
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## ► Path of funding:



# Transit Trust Fund Memo FY25

## ► Excerpt from Trustee's Memo for FY25 funds

As established by OCGA 48-13-141(a.1)(1)(A), the Transit Trust Fund Trustee directs the transfer of \$ 20,012,973.00 million to the Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority (ATL) for FY 25. In addition, \$1million from the Transit Trust Fund will be used in the ATL region for advancing designs for bus rapid transit stations identified in I-285 BRT study.

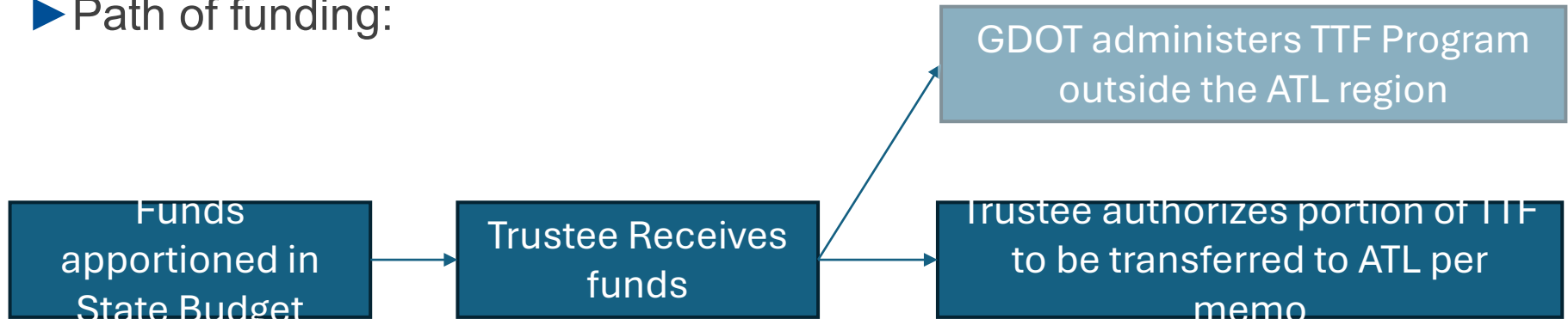
It is my recommendation that the funds transferred to the ATL are subsequently used to select projects for use by one or more transit providers, as defined by OCGA 48-13-140(6) for transit projects defined in OCGA 48-13-140(5), provided such projects are:

- approved by the ATL Board, and
- such project supports one or more of the following:
  - economic development for growing business and tourism,
  - cross jurisdictional job access,
  - local match for a federal discretionary grant opportunity which also otherwise meets one or more of the criteria
  - new BRT projects
  - Funds are in addition to established budgets and not for replacing existing budgeted projects or programs



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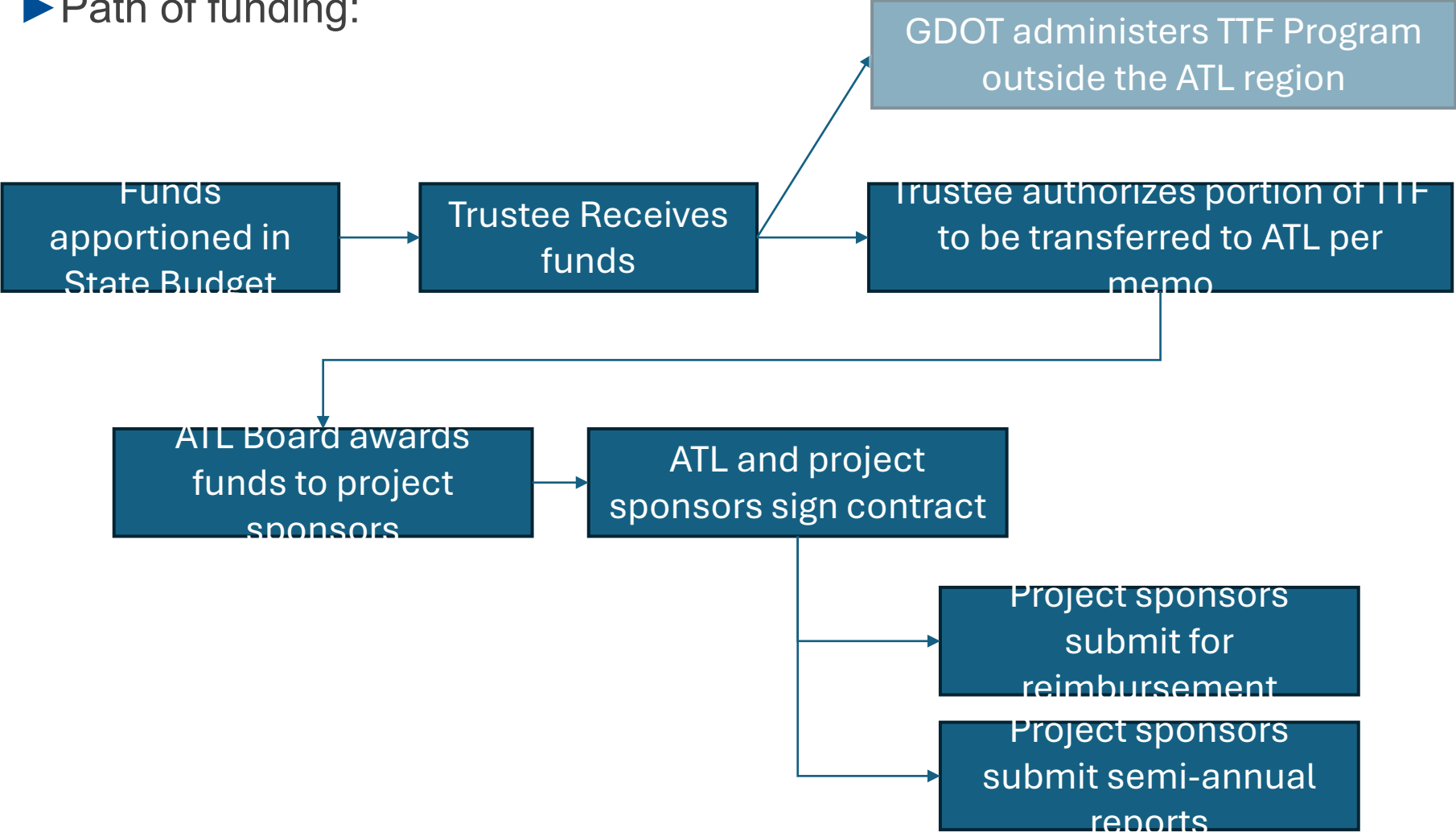
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# Transit Trust Fund Process

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# Transit Trust Fund FY25

	<b>FY25</b>
Total TTF Appropriation	\$32,412,973
Trustee's Allocation to other Sponsors	(\$11,400,000)
Trustee's Allocation to the I-285 BRT Project	(\$1,000,000)
<b>Balance for the Atlanta region</b>	<b>\$20,012,973</b>

▶ Funds must be utilized within three fiscal years



# Transit Trust Fund in the ATL Region

## ► FY25 Transit Trust Fund Anticipated Award Timeline

### Calendar Year 2025

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| Q1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ATL signs Intergovernmental Agreement to receive funds from Trustee</li></ul>                                |
| Q2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ATL staff presents options for awarding remaining TTF</li></ul>  |
| Q3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ATL Board votes to approve TTF project awards</li><li>• Contracts are signed with project sponsors</li></ul> |
| Q4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Projects kick off and begin drawing funds</li></ul>  |

# Next Steps



- ▶ **At the Board meeting today**, staff will request Board approval to allow the Executive Director to negotiate a contract with GDOT to receive the FY25 Transit Trust Fund funds.
- ▶ **At a future Board meeting**, staff will present projects for consideration for remaining FY24 (\$2.2M) and FY25 (\$20M) Transit Trust Fund awards.



**Thank you.**

**Questions?**



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**The ATL Board of Directors Meeting Will  
Begin Momentarily**