



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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\$76 MILLION IN GA STIMULUS PROJECTS AWARDED

ATLANTA – The Georgia Department of Transportation has awarded 17 more American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) federal stimulus program contracts, valued at \$76.5 million. They are among hundreds being awarded to create and sustain jobs throughout the state, according to Georgia DOT Commissioner Vance C. Smith, Jr.

“These awards represent the conclusion of Georgia DOT’s implementation of Phase One of the stimulus program,” Smith said. “We’ve injected more than \$200 million into Georgia’s economy to create and save jobs for our citizens while at the same time make important safety, capacity and maintenance improvements to our highway system. And there is more progress to come as we move into Phase Two stimulus projects.”

Construction should begin in September on the 17 projects, which include the construction of seven miles of the Fall Line Freeway in Twiggs and Wilkinson counties in Middle Georgia, multiple intersection improvements on U.S. Highway 41/State Route 3 in Bartow County, a similar interchange safety project on Roswell Road at SR 120 in Cobb County and several highway resurfacings throughout the state. (Details on individual projects are provided at the conclusion of this announcement.)

A total of 94 highway system stimulus projects – valued at a combined \$216 million – were awarded in Georgia during ARRA Phase One implementation, which focused on those projects ready to begin construction immediately. Phase Two, which begins with the Department’s August 21st letting (prospective contractors’ bids opened), will pump some \$500 million more into the state’s economy through the remainder of 2009 while allowing Georgia DOT to continue to make important safety, maintenance and capacity infrastructure improvements.

“Our Phase Two priority will continue to be carefully evaluating and selecting ‘most-needed’ projects throughout Georgia and then awarding projects that will create and sustain as many jobs in as many parts of the state as possible, especially those areas considered economically depressed,” Smith added.

Georgia DOT is responsible for 70 percent of Georgia’s \$932 million in highway system ARRA funds. The remaining 30 percent is divided among the state’s 15 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and designated rural areas. The MPOs, in conjunction with the Department, are funding projects from these

respective allocations. The state also received \$144 million in stimulus funds for public transit and Georgia DOT has awarded related local grants totaling approximately \$39 million. Georgia is eligible for additional highway, rail and aviation grants from funds totaling \$12.1 billion.

All selected ARRA stimulus projects are fully funded by the federal government; no state or local matching funds are required.

Georgia DOT maintains a Web page (www.dot.ga.gov/gastimulus) devoted to stimulus activities to provide specific program information and promote transparency of the process.

The ARRA is a national effort to create jobs and transform America's economy to compete in the 21st century. Nationwide, some \$48 billion in stimulus investments are being made in transportation infrastructure, including highways, public transit, high speed rail and aviation.

The Georgia Department of Transportation is committed to providing a safe, seamless and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to both its citizens and its environment. For general information on the Georgia DOT, please visit our Web site (www.dot.ga.gov).

PROJECTS AWARDED IN JULY:

- Clayton, DeKalb and Henry counties – Installation of advanced traffic monitoring and closed circuit video monitoring equipment on 14 miles of Interstate Highway 675 between Interstate Highways 75 and 285 – Awarded to World Fiber Technologies, Inc., Alpharetta -- \$1,894,363;
- Richmond County – 10 miles of resurfacing on State Route 4 between Sandy Run Creek and Tobacco Road – Awarded to Reeves Construction Co., Macon -- \$4,028,597;
- Bartow County – Construction of turn lanes at 36 separate locations along 15 miles of U.S. Highway 41/SR 3 – Awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., Marietta -- \$10,694,376;
- Brantley County – Resurfacing 3.5 miles of US 82/SR 520 between Bazley Rd and Ware County line – Awarded to Dixie Roadbuilders, Inc., Waycross -- \$960,523;
- Bryan County – 4.2 miles of resurfacing of SR 25 from Liberty County line to Ponderosa Road – Awarded to APAC-Southeast, Inc., Savannah -- \$1,592,155;
- Candler County – Bridge replacement on Glisson Road over Wolfe Creek – Awarded to Gregory Bridge Co., Eatonton -- \$1,149,786;
- Cobb County – Resurfacing 3 miles of SR 360 from Paulding County line to Lost Mountain Road – Awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., Marietta -- \$472,602;
- Cobb County – Interchange reconstruction and bridge construction on SR 3 Connector/SR 120/Roswell Road at SR 120 Alternate – Awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., Marietta -- \$7,531,040;
- Cobb County – Intersection improvements at three locations – SR 176 at its intersections with Corner Road, Hadaway Road and Mars Hill Church Road – Awarded to Butch Thompson Enterprises, Inc., Kennesaw -- \$2,936,633;
- DeKalb County – Resurfacing 2 miles of SR 236 between Interstate Highway 285 and SR 8 – Awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., Marietta -- \$825,382;
- DeKalb and Gwinnett counties – Resurfacing 4 miles of SR 10 between Goldsmith Road and East Park Place – Awarded to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., Snellville -- \$2,895,565;
- Dougherty County – Widening and reconstructing 2 miles of Gillionville Road between Eight Mile Road and Lockett Station – Awarded to Oxford Construction Co., Albany -- \$6,453,130;

- Fulton County – Resurfacing 2 miles of SR 14 Spur between SR 14 and Interstate Highway 85 – Awarded to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., Snellville -- \$876,930;
- Fulton County – Resurfacing 6 miles of SR 54 between Interstate Highway 285 and University Avenue – Awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc., Marietta -- \$1,249,406;
- Houston County – Resurfacing 4 miles of SR 11 – Awarded to Georgia Asphalt, Inc., Juliette -- \$844,982;
- Rockdale County – Resurfacing 7 miles of SR 20 between Interstate Highway 20 and the Newton County line – Awarded to Pittman Construction Co., Conyers -- \$2,126,557;
- Twiggs and Wilkinson counties – Construction of 7 miles of the Fall Line Freeway (and 2 related bridges) between Old Macon Road and North Lakeview Road – Awarded to Prince Contracting, LLC, Tampa, FL -- \$29,926,678.

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