# **Transportation Referendum 2012**

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# **Transportation Referendum**

Background and overview

Delivery Concepts

Questions & Comments



# Background: Transportation Funding in Georgia

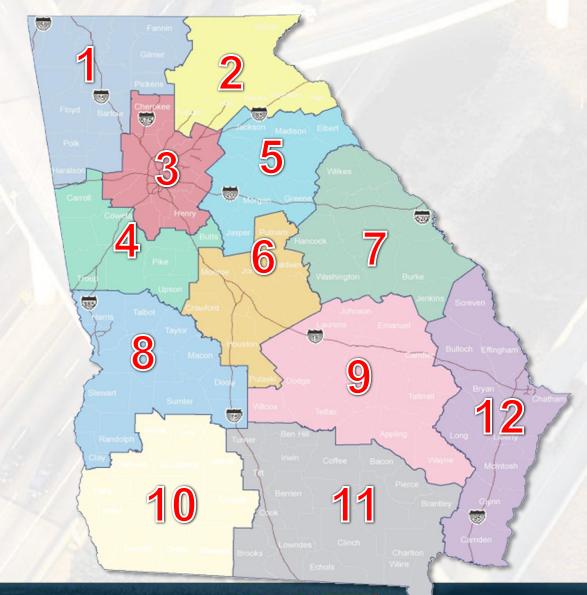
- Georgia invests less per capita in transportation than most other states.
- Georgia has one of the lowest gas taxes in the US, yet revenue from gas tax is our primary funding source for transportation projects.
- Current revenue is not adequate to meet transportation challenges of our growing state, compromising future economic development.
- Other states are also experiencing funding shortfalls, but have additional sources, such as tolls, tag fees, sales taxes – less reliant on gas tax revenue.



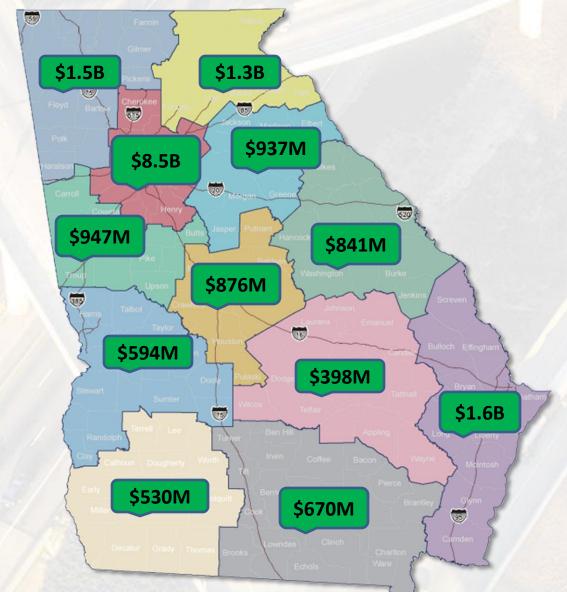
#### **State Motor Fuel Collections**



# **HB 277: 12 Regional Commissions**



# **Transportation Referendum Funds**





# **Transportation Referendum**

TIA creates two different "pots" of funding for projects

#### Regional:

75% of the Region's TIA
proceeds (85% in ARC) will be
used to fund all projects on
the Region's final project list
as approved by the region's
Roundtable

GDOT responsible for project delivery, except transit in ARC region (GRTA).

#### Local:

25 % of the Region's TIA proceeds
(15% in Atl Region) will be
divided among all local
governments within the Region
based on the "LARP formula"

- 1/5<sup>th</sup> Population
- 4/5<sup>th</sup> Centerline Miles

Discretionary money to be used for any transportation project



### **Projects by Region**

Project lists remain as approved by the 12 regional Roundtables in October 2011

Region	Road	Bridge	Cofoty/	Pail	Maint	Transit	Bike/
	Widening		Traffic Ops				Ped
Atlanta	39	31	46	3	0	25	7
Cent Su. Sh River	14	16	24	0	22	2	13
Coastal	15	24	13	0	1	8	8
GA Mountains	26	6	21	0		2	8
Heart of GA	4	5	1	0	753	0	0
Middle GA	14	12	20	3	5	5	8
Northeast GA	19	15	18	0	4	2	17
Northwest GA	19	15	35	2	3	2	15
River Valley	3	7	6	0	2	1	2
Southern GA	16	15	10	2	6	0	3
Southwest GA	6	15	10	1	16	2	12
Three Rivers	15	15	24	1	22	4	16
Totals	190	176	228	12	834	53	115

# **Delivery based on TIA "Bands"**

Band 1 (2013-2015)

\$3.4 B or average \$1.1 B per year

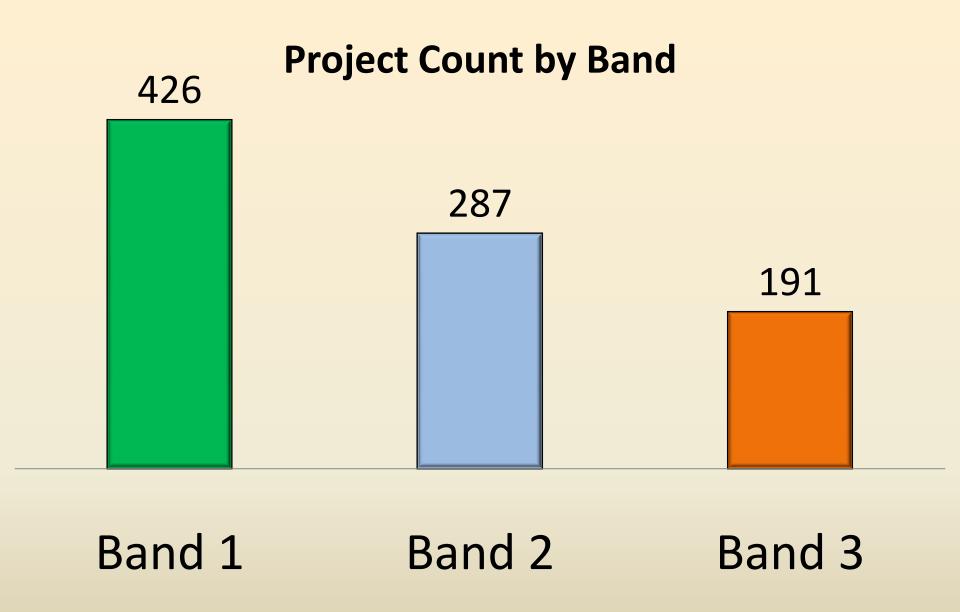
Band 2 (2016-2019)

\$6.2 B or average \$1.6 B per year

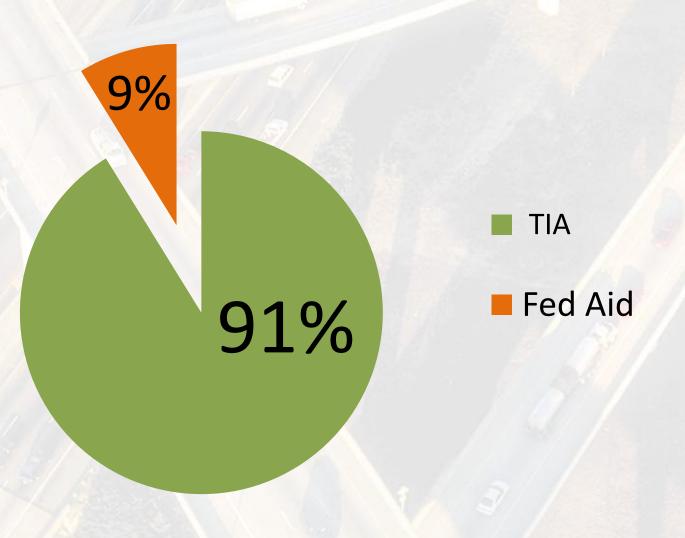
Band 3 (2020-2022)

\$6.9 B or average \$2.3 B per year





# **Project Fund Type**



# **Fundamental Elements**

**Project Driven Program** 

1,644 Projects =



# **Fundamental Elements**

Pay as you go...

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## **Fundamental Elements**

#### Design & Construct to Budget



**Project Budget** 

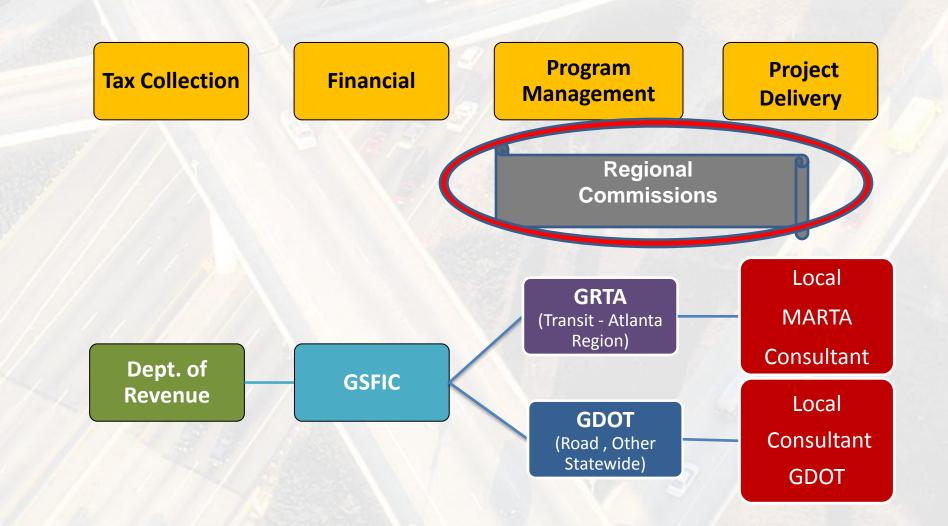
Design

**ROW** 

Construct

Contingencies

# **Agency Roles in Project Delivery**



#### **GDOT Program Management - a new approach**

- Impact on GDOT staff resources determined need for consultant program management – partnering with industry to develop best plan.
- Small GDOT Office of TIA Delivery will be established under Chief Engineer Gerald Ross.

**Program Management elements:** 

**Scope Management** 

**Risk Management** 

**Invoicing & Payments** 

Reporting

**Permitting** 

**Certifications** 

Stakeholder coordination

Financial Mgm't

**Auditing** 

**Document Control** 

**Public Involvement** 

Scheduling

**Engineering Services** 



**GDOT Program Management - a new approach** 

- TIA Process and Procedures
  - Project Initiation

Project Close Out



#### Transparency, accountability

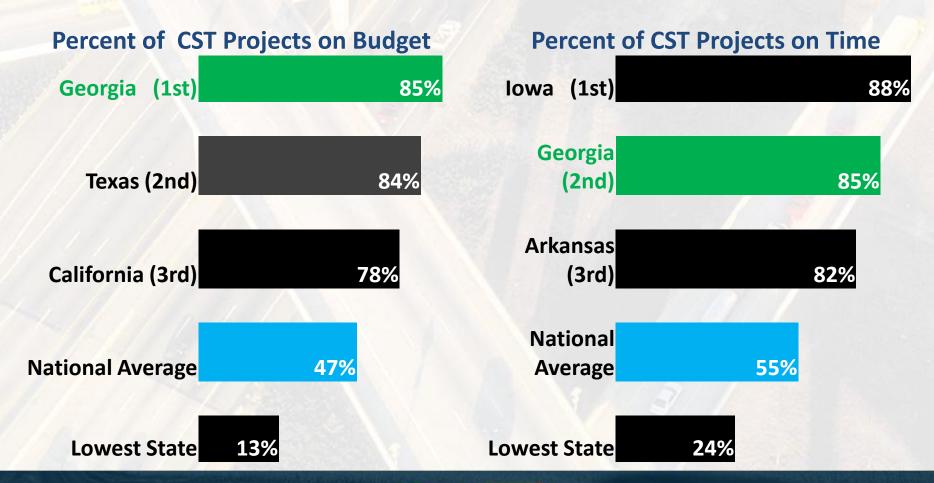
- Inform, educate the public about delivery process...no advocacy for/against referendum.
- Collaborative planning.
- Review of other states' best practices for similar programs.
- Strict attention to project scope, schedule and budget.
- Oversight by Citizens Review Panel and Regional Commission Advisory Council.
- Quality controls, industry specs, certifications, inspections, approvals will all apply



# **GDOT Construction Delivery Rates**

In FY 11, a record 99% of all let projects completed on-budget.

NCHRP Report 20-24(37)A(01), 2001-2010, 39 states





# In Summary...

- Georgia needs improvements to transportation network to sustain growth, provide economic competitiveness, preserve integrity of system.
- Transportation Referendum is a way to fund projects that have no or limited funding.
- Each regional project list reflects decisions of local elected officials and public.

# In Summary....

- Georgia DOT is prepared to deliver Transportation Referendum projects statewide...
  - Streamlined delivery process,
  - Strict attention to project budgets and schedules,
  - Extensive coordination with Regional Commissions and local governments, and
  - Transparency and accountability to the regions,
     Citizens Review Panel and the public.



# In Summary...

# Failure is not an option!





# **New Website**



www.dot.ga.gov\TransportationReferendum



