Memorandum

TO: Policy and TCC members
FROM: Tom Sills, Transportation Planner
DATE: September 1, 2015
SUBJECT: Process of Selecting Projects for the LRTP (How We Got to Here and Where We Go)

During the development of what will eventually become our Long-Range Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program, we collectively took several steps that have resulted in the draft listing of projects you have before you now as follows:

- Feb 2015: Received approval of 2010 Socioeconomic Projections by Traffic Analysis Zone
- Feb 2015: Assessed Existing Conditions
- Feb 2015: Received Needs Assessment
- Feb 2015: Adopted Goals and Objectives
- May 2015: Accepted a 2010 (base year) computer model of the CBMPO transportation network and 2040 projections.
- August 2015: Reviewed and established Plan and Project Evaluation Measures of Performance
- August 2015: Developed Revenue Projections from the various sources that fund transportation
- August 2015: Created and approved a listing of Unconstrained Projects which have also been modeled using the CBMPO transportation network computer model

ARCADIS has drafted a listing of projects that meet the federal requirements for a constrained plan using the steps above. Our next step is to review the data and to refine it where necessary so that the project listing truly reflects this community’s way forward in meeting its future transportation needs. We are challenged by a schedule that has us completing the next steps by March of 2016 in step with the adoption of the Atlanta region of its own transportation plan. This is because our plan is subject to the same air quality conformity requirements as is the case for the Greater Atlanta area and our sister Gainesville-Hall County MPO. The schedule of actions to take place between now and March, 2016:

- Sept 2015: Submit constrained project list in draft form to ARC for air quality modeling
- Oct 2015: Adopt DRAFT LRTP/TIP
- Nov 2015: Public Review Comment period including completion of air quality conformity analysis
- Jan 2016: Modify LRTP/TIP in accordance with comments received
- Feb 2016: Adopt FINAL LRTP/TIP

With your help this process can be successfully concluded.

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