



Greater Dalton MPO
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Public Hearing: July 27, 2023 – Joint Committee Meeting Minutes
Location: 115 Edwards Park Entrance, Dalton, Georgia
Call to Order: 10:07 A.M.
Adjournment: 10:47 A.M.

I. Presentations

Presenter: GDOT District 6 – Office of Planning

Discussion: **Preliminary Engineering**

0019643_ Whitfield_ SR 2 @ SR 201 Roundabout_ Project in scoping phase_ Looking to have concept approved by May of 2024. (No changes from last Month)

0019836_ SR 3/US 41 @ CR 666/Five Springs Road_ PE funds were authorized 4/2023_ Kick off Meeting was Scheduled for 5/19/2023. **GDOT sent out the property access letter the week of June 19, 2023.**

M006387_ Fannin, Gilmer, Whitfield_ Maintenance Project/ Bridge Preservation scheduled to let 8-18-2023 the work for Whitfield County involves (Walnut Ave/SR 52 East Bound Lanes over Coahulla Creek)

1. polymer overlay
2. replacing bridge joints
3. Tightening all loose anchor bolts on Walnut Ave/SR 52 East Bound Lanes over Coahulla Creek.

On Schedule **(No changes from last Month)**

M006202_ Catoosa, Floyd, Whitfield_ Maintenance Project/ Bridge Preservation scheduled to let 11/17/2023 the work for Whitfield County involves

1. polymer overlay
 2. replacing bridge joints
 3. Tightening all loose anchor bolts on
- Locations_ **SR 286 OVER SMITHEY BRANCH**
US 41/SR 3 OVER CR 307-CSX RR

On Schedule (No changes from last Month)

0019241_ Whitfield_ Off System Safety Improvements replacing pavement markings 8.82 total miles @ 4 locations _ scheduled let date is 3/15/2024 _ locations are as follows

1. Dug Gap Battle Rd starting at Battlefield Park Dr. and continuing just past W. Bridge Rd
2. South Tibbs Rd. beginning at Walnut Avenue and continuing Shugart/Tibbs Rd Split.
3. Abutment Rd. beginning at the S. Dalton Bypass and continuing to East Morris Street
4. North Glenwood Ave beginning at E Cuyler Street and continuing the N. Dalton Bypass

On Schedule (No changes from last Month)

0013693_ Catoosa, Murray, Whitfield_ Pedestrian Upgrades @ 17 Locations _ Scheduled Let is 7/15/2024 _ 12 of the 17 Locations are in Whitfield or Murray County: **Next Milestone is FFPR - on schedule for 12/14/2023**

Not on Schedule for Baseline, missed ROW Authorization. Will authorize ROW in August 2023, PCE approved June 2, 2023, 2nd UTL submission made July 7, 2023

WHITFIELD County

1. SR 3 Conn/S. Bypass at Dug Gap Rd.
2. SR 3 Conn/S. Bypass at I-75 NB Exit 328
3. SR 3 Conn/S. Bypass at I-75 SB Exit 328
4. SR 3 Conn/S. Bypass at Lower Dug Gap Rd.
5. SR 201/Tunnel Hill Varnell Rd. at Reed Rd.
6. SR 3/N. Bypass at Haig Mill Lake Rd.
7. SR 71/Cleveland Hwy. at Waring Rd.
8. SR 3/Chattanooga Rd at SR 201/Tunnel Hill Church St.
9. SR 3/Chattanooga Rd at Cottonwood Mill Rd.

MURRAY County

1. Murray SR 2/3rd Ave at SR 52 Alt/E Fort St
2. Murray SR 2/3rd Ave at Market St
3. Murray SR 61/Hill Street at Duvall Road

NOTE: These intersections require improvements because they are missing necessary pedestrian infrastructure for safe pedestrian crossings at the intersections.

0016529_ Murray_ Bridge Replacement _SR 61 @ Perry Creek 6.3 Miles North of Crandall_ PE is underway_ **ROW Authorization 6/15/2023 _ Scheduled to Let 9/15/2024_ No Detour PCE approved June 15, 2023_ 2nd Utility submission June 21, 2023- due 8/28/2023**

0013095_ Whitfield_ Safety- Rail Road Warning Device_ Eber Road & Cove Road Ext: Inc 4 NS RR Locations

The project scope consists of constructing a new approximately 0.7 mile long two lane road extension of Cove Drive, and realigning approximately 400 feet of Eber Road adjacent to and east of the Eber Road crossing to improve Eber Road crossing geometry. The Cove Drive Road extension, constructed in order to close the Postelle Lane and Henry Owens Road crossings, would be located adjacent, parallel to and west of Norfolk Southern Railroad (NS) between Redwine Cove Road and Henry Owens Road. The project would improve crossing safety, pedestrian safety and provide alternate emergency services access in the event that a crossing is blocked by a train.

PE & ROW is underway and CST Let date is 7/2024. (No changes from last Month)

PI 0017234_ Murray_ SR 225 @ PINHOOK CREEK_ This project is the replacement of the existing bridge on SR 225 at Pinhook Creek in Murray County. Concept development phase was completed in March 2023 determining an offsite detour bridge. On track to request PFPR (preliminary field plan review) in March 2024. Scheduled to let 2/15/2026, **Offsite Detour_ Utility 1st submission June 1, 2023_ PIOH Kickoff June 29, 2023.**

PI 0017233_ Murray/ Whitfield_ SR 2 @ Conasauga River & @ Conasauga River Overflow_ This project is the replacement of the existing bridges on SR 2 at the Conasauga River and at the Conasauga River Overflow in Murray/Whitfield counties. Concept development phase was completed in March 2023 determining an **On-site Detour.** On track to request PFPR (preliminary field plan review) in May 2024 Scheduled to let 3/15/2026 **Preliminary Bridge Layout submitted June 8, 2023_ Design Variance submitted July 27, 2023**

PI 0017235_ Murray_ SR 225 @ Sumac Creek_ This project is the replacement of the existing bridge on SR 225 at Sumac Creek at Murray County. Concept development phase was completed in March 2023 determining an **On-site Detour.** Scheduled to let 3/15/2026

SUE accepted May 19, 2023_ 1st Utility submission July 7, 2023

PI 0017964_ Whitfield_ SR 286 @ CR 670/Dawnville Road_ This project will construct a single lane Roundabout at the intersection of SR 286 and Dawnville Rd. **Concept in development_** PM submit the CR (7-12-2023) to DPS_ Management Concept Approval is the next milestone 9/18/2023_ PM request PFFR 7/17/2024_ Scheduled to let 8-15-2026.

PI 0016528_ Murray_ SR 2/SR 61 @ Sumac Creek 1.6 miles North of Crandall_ This project replaces the existing bridge on SR2/SR 61 over Sumac Creek in Murray County. No detour < on track for ROW in 2025_ Risk : Developing alternative for watermain relocation. (No changes from last Month)

PI 0019062_ Murray_ SR 282/US 76 @ SR 61_ This project would construct a left turn lane on SR 282/US 78 @ SR 61 from US 411, in Murray County. The project type identified at programming is subject to further analysis. Not on schedule for baseline due to needing NTP that is anticipated October 2023. **(No changes from last Month)**

PI 0019190_ Murray _CR 256/HASSLERS MILL RD @ MILL CREEK 5.1 MI NE OF CHATSWORTH_ Bridge replacement_ NTP anticipated Summer 2024. (No changes from last Month)

Quick Response

S015695_ Murray_ Extend EB Left Turn Lane on SR 52 at Greeson Rd_ Awarded to Bartow Paving_ NTP 7/11/2023_ completion date 3/24/2024_ work hasn't started yet.

FORCAST PROJECTS/PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

Whitfield	US 41/ SR 3/ S Dalton Bypass @ Airport Rd	Offset Mainline LT; LN Reassignment
Whitfield	US 41/ SR 3/ S Dalton Bypass @ Old Grade Rd	Offset & Extend Mainline LT
Whitfield	I-75 @ Carbondale Rd	Roundabout Upgrades

(No changes from last Month)

Active Construction

M005955_ SR 2 @ 2 LOCS & SR 52 @ 2 LOCS IN DISTRICT 6 - BRIDGE REHAB_

The work involves overlay of the bridge deck, joint replacement, painting steel beams and bearings, epoxy injection and spall repair of the Superstructure and Substructures, armoring footings, painting piles, and jacketing piles.

Massana Construction INC is the Contractor

Completion Date is 6/30/2024_ Contractor is working now.

Began underside epoxy injection and patching. Began Deck Patching and pile encasement. Behind Schedule Letter 1st occurrence sent 7-11-2

M006164_ Polymer overlay continued, began traffic markings.
Massana Construction INC is the Contractor
SR 2 over NS RAILROAD (719700X), Structure ID 313-0001-0,
Whitfield County &
SR 2 over COAHULLA CREEK, Structure ID 313-0003-0,
Whitfield County
Completion Date is 10/31/2023_ **On schedule for completion**

Presenter: City of Dalton Public Works

Discussion:

- **Market Street Corridor:**
Design for Phase II in progress.
Right-of-Way for Phase I still in negotiation.

Presenter: Policy Committee of the Greater Dalton MPO

Discussion:

- **FY 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
 - o The Greater Dalton MPO Policy Committee Approved the FY 2024 – 2027 TIP on a 5-0 vote.
- **June 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes**
 - o The Greater Dalton MPO Policy Committee Approved the minutes as presented on a 5-0 vote.

Presenter: Modern Mobility Partners

Discussion:

- **2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Travel Demand Model Schedule Update**
The presented schedule is attached.

II. Adjournment

Kent Benson adjourned the meeting at 10:47 A.M.

Minutes submitted by: Jacob Bearden

Greater Dalton Metropolitan Planning Organization (GDMPO) Travel Demand Model Development Schedule
MTP Adoption 6/2025

TASK	ASSIGNED TO	START	END	WORK DAYS	2023				2024				2025					
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
A. Base Year (2020) Model Socioeconomic (SE) Data Development and Review																		
A1	TAZ review and update	GDOT and Consultants	4/10/23	6/2/23	40													
A2	GDOT/MPO Kick-off meeting	GDOT/MPO	5/23/23	5/23/23	1													
A3	2020 SE data development	MPO Staff	6/5/23	9/22/23	80													
A4	2020 SE data review	GDOT and Consultants	9/25/23	10/13/23	15													
A5	2020 SE data finalized	MPO Staff	10/16/23	11/3/23	15													
B. Base Year (2020) Model Development - 1st Network																		
B1	Provide projects that were constructed during 2015 to 2020	MPO Staff	5/29/23	7/28/23	45													
B2	Develop 2020 input network	GDOT and Consultants	7/3/23	10/6/23	70													
B3	1st Network - 2020 Base Year model validation	GDOT and Consultants	11/6/23	3/8/24	90													
C. Future Year (2050) "Do Nothing" and TCC/PC Meeting																		
C1	Provide projects that were constructed/started during 2020 to 2023 if any - for 2nd Network	MPO Staff	12/4/23	2/9/24	50													
C2	2050 SE data development	MPO Staff	11/6/23	1/26/24	60													
C3	2050 SE data review	GDOT and Consultants	1/29/24	2/23/24	20													
C4	2050 SE data finalized	MPO Staff	2/26/24	3/22/24	20													
C5	2nd Network - 2050 "Do-Nothing" model development	GDOT and Consultants	3/25/24	4/26/24	25													
C6	TCC meeting to approve the 2020 and 2050 "Do-Nothing" models	GDOT and MPO	5/21/24	5/21/24	1													
D. Future Year (2050) MTP Model Development - 3rd to 6th Networks (*Dates can be updated later to reflect/follow MTP schedule)																		
D1	Provide "E+C" project list - for 3rd Network	MPO Staff	2/19/24	5/3/24	55													
D2	3rd Network - 2050 "E+C" model development	GDOT and Consultants	6/17/24	7/19/24	25													
D3	Provide STIP project list for 4th Network	MPO Staff	5/6/24	6/21/24	35													
D4	4th Network - 2050 STIP model development	GDOT and Consultants	7/22/24	8/23/24	25													
D5	Provide 2050 MTP project list for 5th Network	MPO Staff	6/24/24	9/20/24	65													
D6	5th Network - 2050 MTP model development	GDOT and Consultants	10/14/24	12/6/24	40													
D7	Provide 2050 MTP financially constraint project list for 6th Network	MPO Staff	9/23/24	12/6/24	55													
D8	6th Network - 2050 MTP financial constraint model development	GDOT and Consultants	12/9/24	1/24/25	35													
D9	Model documentation	GDOT and Consultants	12/9/24	2/21/25	55													
E. MPO 2050 MTP Development (*Dates for MPO staff to update)																		
E1	2050 MTP draft document and incorporate model results	MPO Staff			0													
E2	Federal Review and Comment Period on draft 2050 MTP	MPO Staff			0													
E3	Review comments and document responses from Federal Review	MPO Staff			0													
E4	Public Comment Period on draft 2050 MTP (30 calendar days)	MPO Staff			0													
E5	Review comments and document responses from Public Comment Period	MPO Staff			0													
E6	Finalize 2050 MTP	MPO Staff			0													
E7	PC Adopts Final 2050 MTP	MPO	6/10/25	6/10/25	1													

*Workdays exclude holidays.

Assumption Source:

1. The GDMPO Technical Coordinating Committee meet at the last Tuesday of each month
<https://www.whitfieldcountypa.com/eng/imp/GDMPOMeetingSchedule.pdf>