



METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Resolution to Adopt the updated Participation Plan of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)

WHEREAS, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization of the Savannah urbanized area in accordance with federal requirements of Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code to have a cooperative, comprehensive and continuing transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the federal legislation requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to "provide citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, public ports, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation (including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as a carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program), representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the Transportation Plan" (USC Title 23, Section 134); and

WHEREAS, the legislation further states that a Participation Plan "(i) shall be developed in consultation with all interested parties; and (ii) shall provide that all interested parties have reasonable opportunities to comment on the contents of the Transportation Plan."; and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO adopted a Participation Plan in March 2002 and has updated the plan several times in response to changing requirements or conditions, most recently in February 2021; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 update includes the following changes: 1) updated goals and objectives, (2) updated Measures of Effectiveness, 3) updated information on the public participation within the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan development process, and 4) made necessary administrative modifications to meet federal and state requirements; and

WHEREAS, the process to update the Participation Plan was carried out in accordance with the most recently adopted Participation Plan, including the required 45-day public comment period; and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO has conducted a public hearing for the Participation Plan updates and has taken into consideration comments made at the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization adopts the updated Participation Plan.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Board at a meeting held on October 23, 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chester A. Ellis".

Chester A. Ellis, Chairman

Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization