

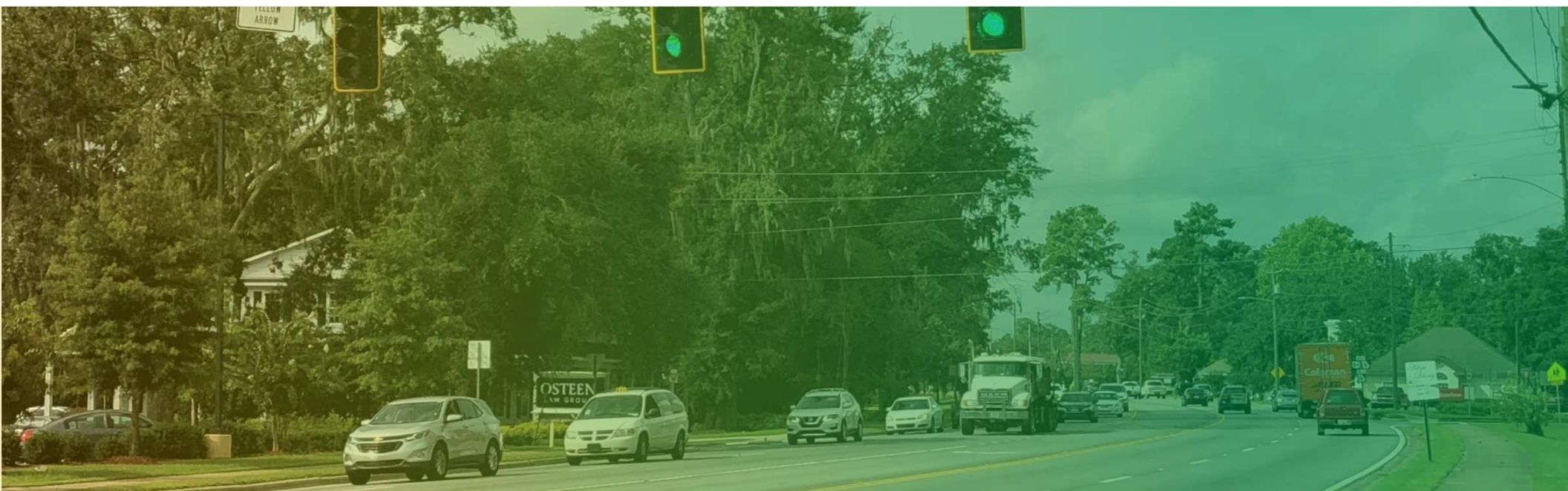


# MPO Planning 101

## Citizens Advisory Committee

*New Member Orientation*

September 5, 2024



# Presentation Agenda

- History and Background
- Metropolitan Transportation Planning 101
- Roles and Responsibilities
- Questions



# Preface



Metropolitan Transportation Planning involves all modes of transportation

- Vehicular
- Transit
- Bicycle/Pedestrian
- Aviation
- Freight
- Rail
- Nautical



# History and Background

- 1962: Federal Aid Highway Act
  - Required transportation planning in urban areas
  - Planning required in order to receive federal funds
- 1965: Bureau of Public Roads
  - Established MPOs (urban areas 50,000 or greater in population)
  - Required 3-C planning process
  - Identified federal planning factors
  - Established Department of Transportation

and FHWA



## Federal Planning Factors in 1965

Economy

Social and Community Values

Population

Financial Resources

Intermodal Facilities

Transportation Facilities

Traffic Control

Travel Patterns

Land Use

# History and Background

## What is an MPO?

- 1960's
  - Focus on safety
  - Programs to address congestion and maximize capacity
  - Public involvement requirement
  - Consistency within plans
  - Federal Highway System Under Construction
- 1970's
  - Dedicated transportation funding
  - Guidance for urban planning
  - Long range plan requirement
  - Transportation legislation provided increased local flexibility
  - Focus on environmental protections



# History and Background

## What is an MPO?

- 1980's
  - Move to decentralize planning from federal to state and local levels
  - Federal focus on completion of the Interstate system and maintenance
- 1990's
  - Passage of Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA) and Transportation Equity Act for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (TEA-21)
    - Enhanced role for MPOs
    - Fiscal constraint requirement for plans
    - Address land use and multimodal/intermodal connectivity
    - Updated planning factors



# Federal Transportation Legislation – IJA/BIL



You Are Here



# What Exactly is a MPO?

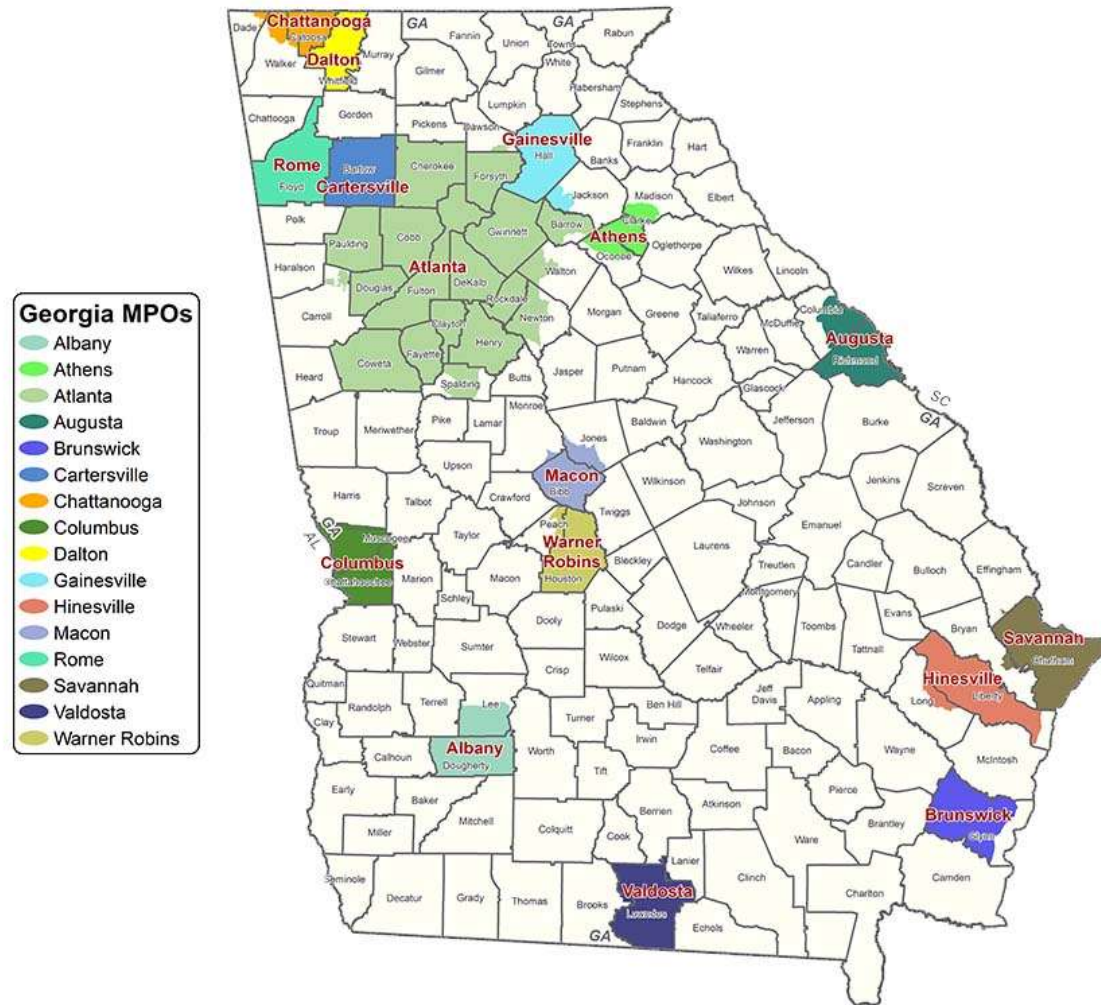
A Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the policy board of an organization created and designated to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process. MPOs are required to represent localities in all urbanized areas (UZAs) with populations over 50,000, as determined by the U.S. Census.

MPOs are designated by agreement between the governor and local governments that together represent at least 75 percent of the affected population (including the largest incorporated city, based on population) or in accordance with procedures established by applicable state or local law. When submitting a transportation improvement program to the state for inclusion in the statewide program, MPOs self-certify that they have met all federal requirements.



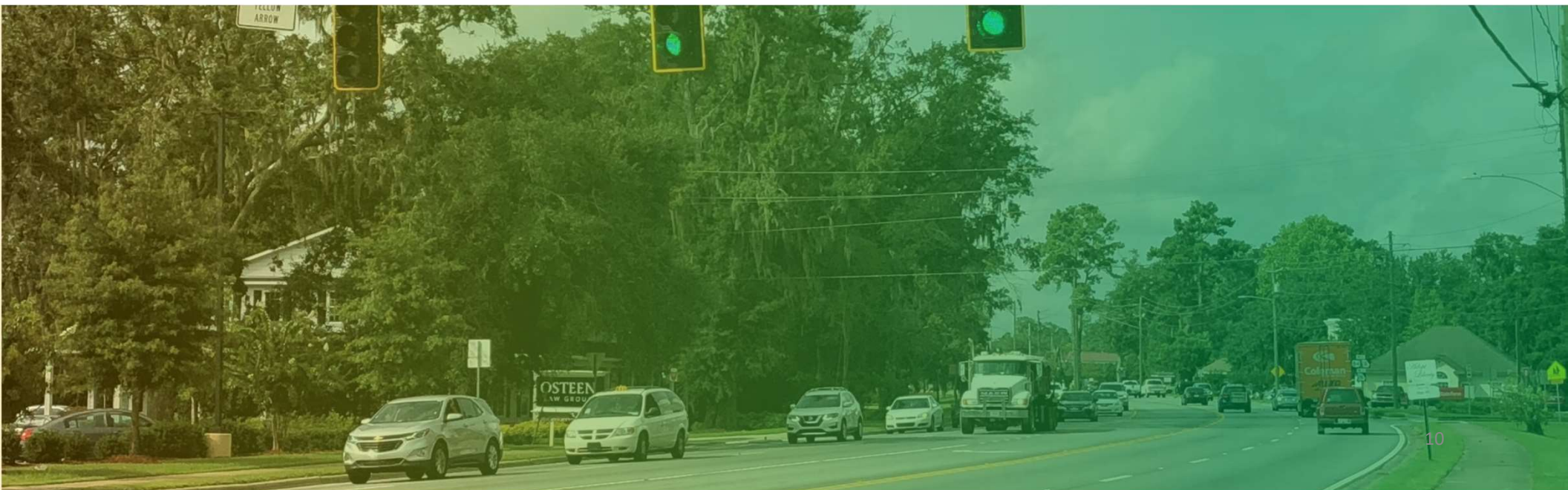
# History and Background

- 408 MPOs in the US
  - 16 Georgia MPOs
- Liberty County / Urbanized Long County designated after 2000 Census
  - LCPC is the HAMPO Fiscal Agent
- Nomenclature
  - Area Transportation Study (ATS)
  - Metropolitan Transportation Organization (MPO)
  - Transportation Planning Organizations (TPO)
  - Transportation Planning Agencies (TPA)





# MPO Planning 101



# Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

- **HAMPO Structure**

- **Policy Committee (PC)**

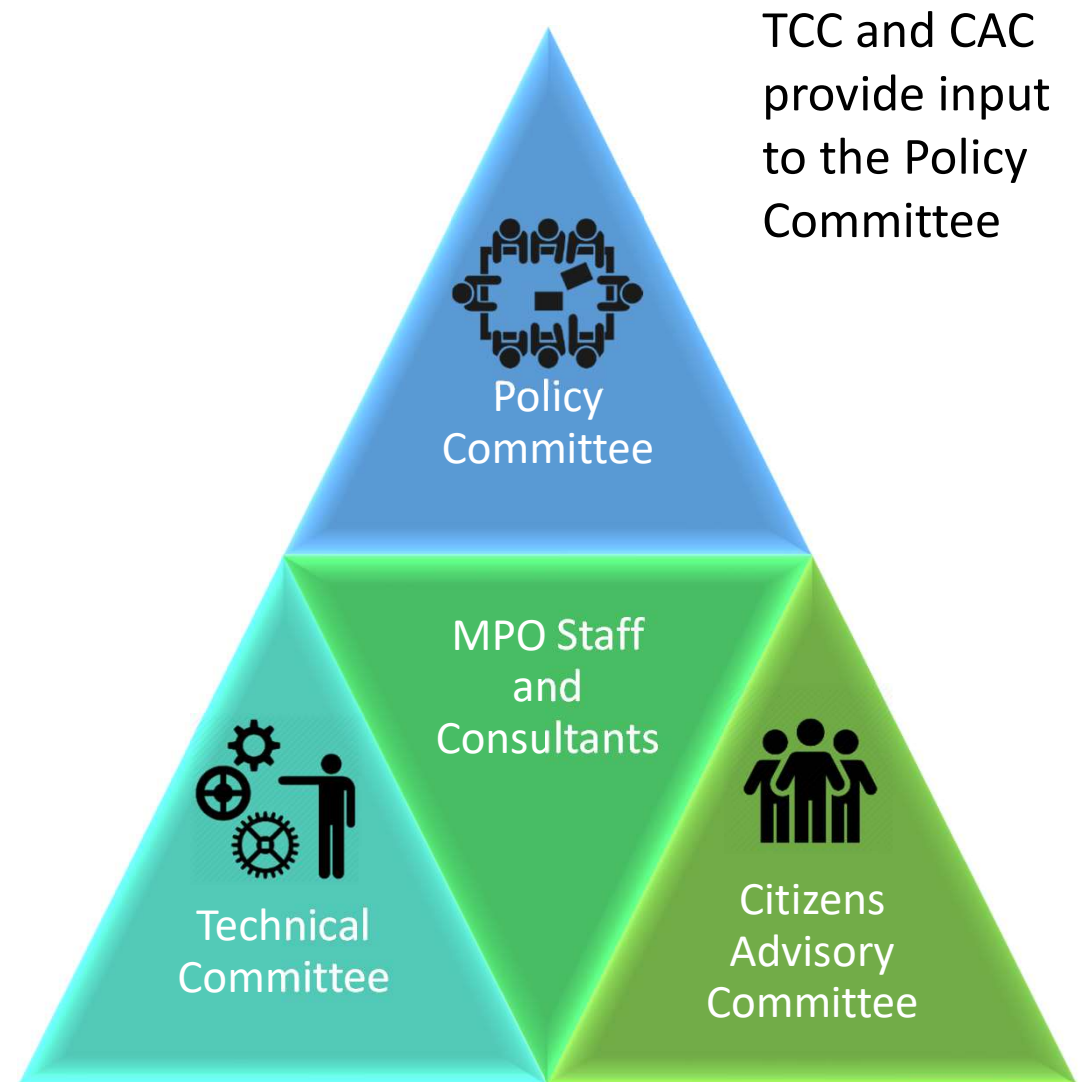
- Elected officials and decision-makers from participating jurisdictions
    - Federal and state agencies

- **Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)**

- Technical staff from participating jurisdictions and agencies

- **Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)**

- Interested and appointed citizens



# Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)



## HAMPO Technical Coordinating Committee

Joey Brown, Chair  
Kenneth Howard, Vice Chair

## HAMPO Policy Committee

Donald Lovette, Chairman  
Clemontine Washington, Vice Chairman

## HAMPO Citizens Advisory Committee

Phil Odom, CAC Chair  
Curles Butler, CAC Vice Chair

## LCPC Executive Director

Jeff Ricketson, HAMPO Secretary

## HAMPO Staff

Kelly Wiggins, Executive Assistant  
Lori Parks, Zoning Administrator  
Mardee Sanchez, Engineering Director  
Curles L. Butler, Sr., Senior Inspector  
RS&H, Inc. – Staff Extension



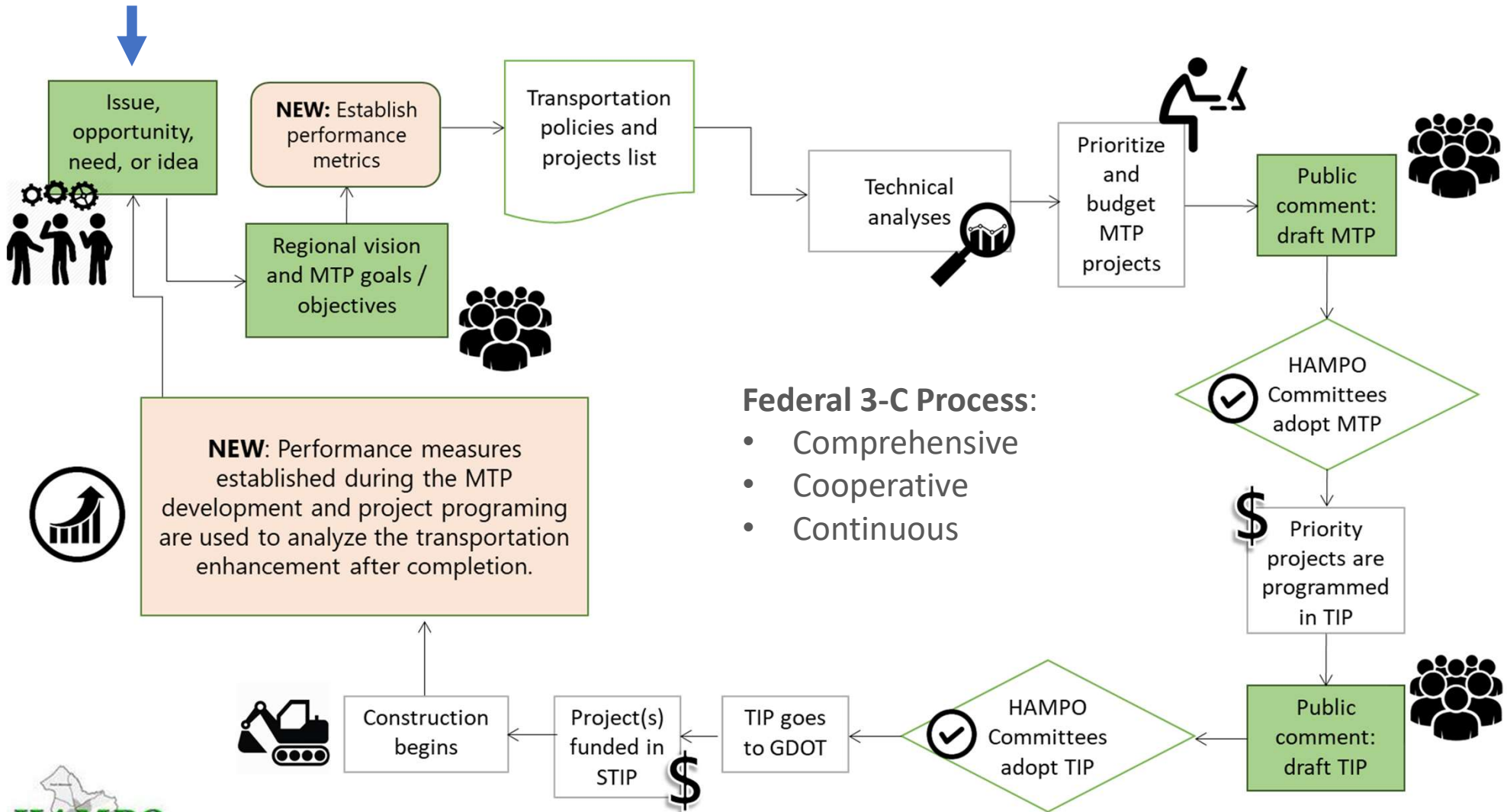
Note: Through MOU all municipal employees are authorized to support HAMPO as needed.

# Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

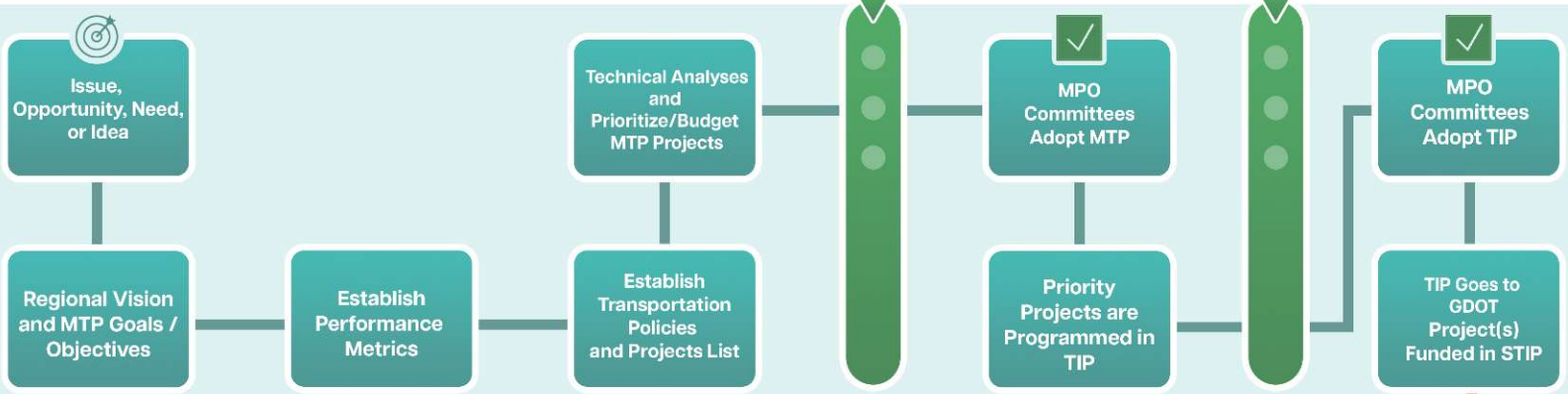
- ▶ Federally Mandated
  - Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
  - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
  - Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
  - Public Participation Plan (PPP)
  - Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
  
- ▶ Additional Efforts/Services
  - Corridor Studies
  - Transit Studies
  - Alignment and Schematic Studies
  - Grant Applications



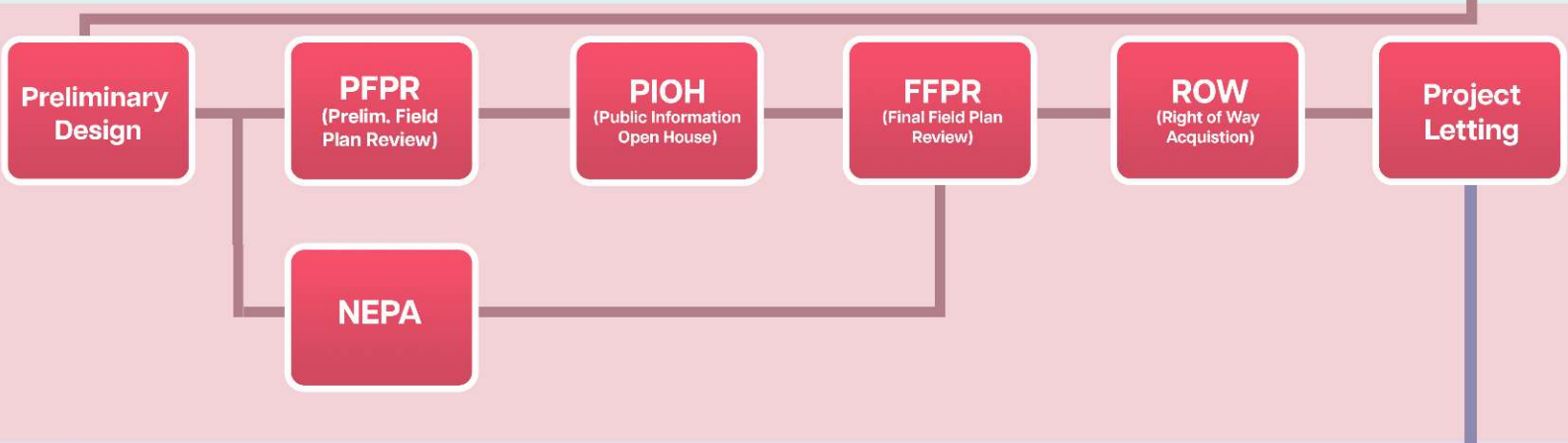
# Planning Process Overview



# Planning



# Environmental, Engineering & Design



# Construction



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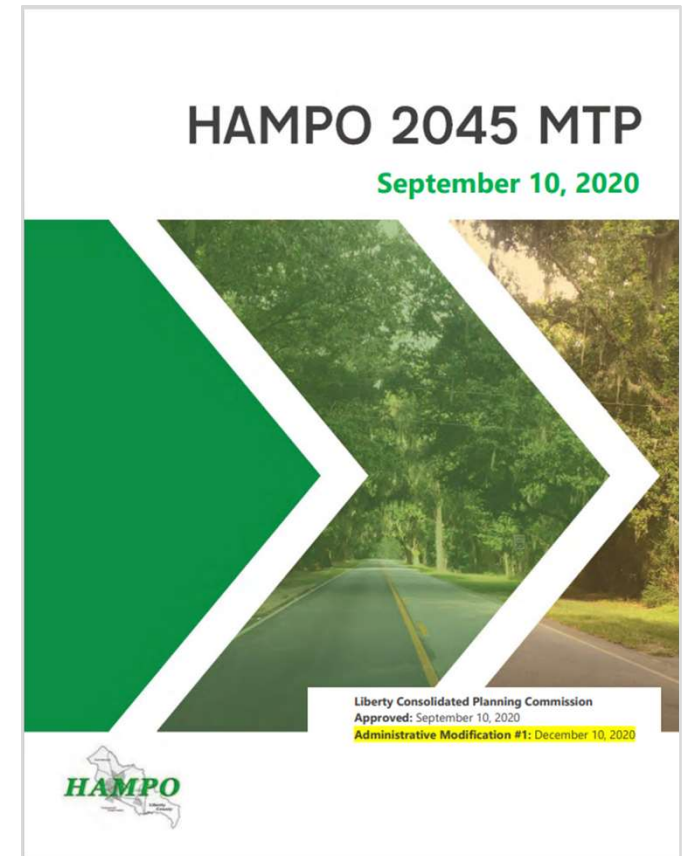


- Quick Response Safety, Operational Improvements, and Maintenance Projects can be eligible for discretionary funding
- HAMPO is a forum for discussion on these projects on State Routes, US Highways, and Interstates
- Local Roads are the responsibility of the local municipalities; these projects can still be discussed for coordination

# Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

- ▶ Single-most important document produced by the MPO
- ▶ Governs expenditures of Federal and State highway dollars
  - Priority-based
  - Fiscally constrained
- ▶ Creates an effective public policy framework
- ▶ Updated every 5 years
- ▶ 2050 MTP Under Development Now!

**You vote on this!**



# Performance Based Planning

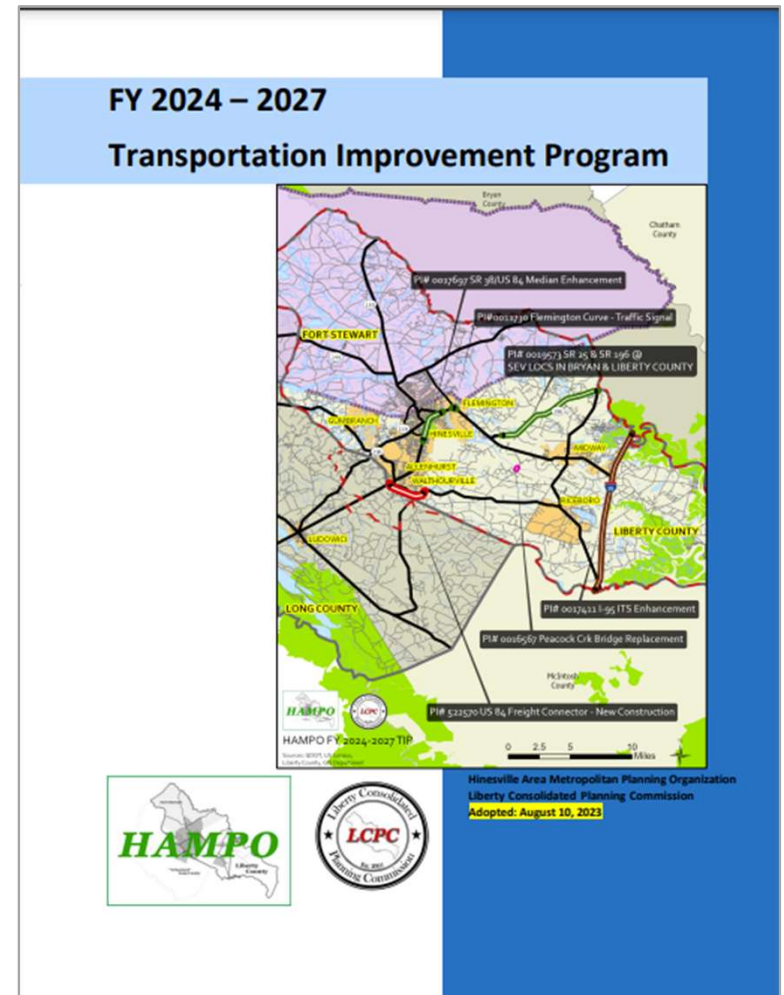
- ▶ USDOT:
  - Establishes National Performance Measures (Final Rules)
- ▶ GDOT, MPOs, Providers of Public Transportation
  - Establish performance targets
- ▶ GDOT and MPOs
  - Establish a data agreement
  - Include performance targets in their plans
  - Link investment priorities to performance targets
  - Report on progress



# Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- ▶ Short range work program (4 years)
- ▶ Projects must be in the TIP to receive federal and state highway funding for:
  - Preliminary Engineering (PE)
  - Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition
  - Utility Relocation (UTL)
  - Construction (CST)
- ▶ Current TIP 2024 - 2027
- ▶ Updated Annually

**You vote on this!**



# Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- ▶ MPO planning priorities and work efforts
  - Includes planning activities
  - Expected costs
  - One-year timeframe
- ▶ Federally prescribed activities with GDOT oversight
- ▶ Fiscally constrained
- ▶ Updated Annually
  - July 1 – June 30

**You vote on this!**

**FY 2025**

**Unified Planning Work Program**

**HAMPO**

**LCPC**

Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission  
Adopted: April 11, 2024



# Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- ▶ Provides clear directive for agency and public involvement activities relating to HAMPO
- ▶ Must comply with federal regulations
  - 23 C.F.R. 450 and U.S.C. 134, with Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

**You vote on this!**

## Public Participation Plan



Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Liberty Consolidated Planning Commission

Adopted: June 8, 2017

Amendment 1: August 23, 2017



# Roles and Responsibilities

## Citizen Advisory Committee Core Responsibilities

- ▶ Regularly attend and participate in meetings
- ▶ Identify planning and project needs
- ▶ Review and provide input during development of plans and programs
- ▶ Engage with the community to ensure input provided reflects all members of the community
- ▶ Prepare feedback and recommendations to be considered by the TCC and PC



# HAMO Meetings

- ▶ CAC meets on the Second Thursday of odd months at 4:00 PM



## Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Phone: 912-408-2030

Mayor Allen Brown, Policy Committee Chair

Jeff Ricketson, AICP, Director

### REVISED Calendar Year 2024 HAMPO Schedule

Meeting dates, times, and locations are subject to change, changes will be noticed via e-mail and posted on the "the LCPC" web site. All HAMPO meetings have been scheduled to take place at:

Liberty County Historic Courthouse, Room 1100  
100 North Main St, Hinesville, GA 31313

Meeting Date	Committee	Location
Thursday, January 11, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, January 11, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, February 8, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, March 14, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, March 14, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, April 11, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, May 9, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, May 9, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, June 13, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, July 11, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, July 11, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, August 8, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, September 12, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, September 12, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, October 10, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, November 14, 2024	Citizens Advisory	Historic Courthouse (5:30 PM)
Thursday, November 14, 2024	Technical Coordinating	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)
Thursday, December 12, 2024	Policy	Historic Courthouse (9:00 AM)



QUESTIONS?

