ARC FY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program and Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Amendment #1 Public Review March 29, 2024 to April 19, 2024

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the mechanism by which federal, state and local funds are approved for all significant surface transportation projects and programs in the region. The FY 2024-2027 TIP comprises the first four years of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the Atlanta region, both of which are adopted in February 2024. As the federally recognized Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for a 20-county region, ARC is responsible for developing and amending/updating the TIP and MTP to meet federal planning requirements and address local needs.

The purpose of amendment #1 to the FY 2024-2027 TIP and MTP is to:

- incorporate new projects from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) bridge maintenance program.
- to accommodate financial changes to the GDOT Major Mobility Investment Program (MMIP).
- to implement miscellaneous project financial changes which impact fiscal constraint in order to prepare for closing out fiscal year 2024.

An amendment to the TIP and MTP requires a public comment and review period. An email was sent to ARC's interested parties distribution list indicating that the TIP/MTP amendment was open for public review. Details regarding the amendment project list, process, and timeline were posted on ARC's website and advertised within the South Fulton Neighbor and Mundo Hispanico print publications. Presentations on the amendment were delivered at ARC's Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC), Transportation and Air Quality Committee (TAQC) and Board meetings.

The original public comment period was scheduled to open on March 29, 2024 and close on April 12, 2024, with a public hearing scheduled before the TCC meeting at ARC on April 5. Shortly after the commencement of the public comment period, the closing date was extended by eleven days to April 19 to allocate additional time to review typographic errors on the amendment project list pertaining to projects CW-078 (SR 54 bridge replacement at Bear Creek in Coweta County) and FS-283 (SR 14/US 19 bridge upgrade at CSX railroad north of Union City).

No written comments were submitted via email during the public comment period. No verbal comments were submitted at the April 5 public hearing.

This document will be shared with ARC TAQC members, as well as all appropriate regional planning partners. Additionally, this document will be posted at the ARC amendment webpage, found at <u>www.atlantaregional.org/amendment</u>.