

## **High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail - Where are we and what does it mean for Georgia Planning? Where does Georgia fit into this?"**

The excitement continues to build over the emergence of High Speed Rail as a transportation option in the US. The National High Speed Program is in high gear. The Session will answer "Where does Georgia fit into this?" discussing the current status of High Speed Rail Development within the United States, with a focus on the Southeast, and Georgia and the impact of the emergence of this transportation option to planners, Georgia communities, the southeast and the nation?

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## **Transportation Safety Enhancing Livability**

Transportation safety is a major ingredient for a high quality of life. Anyone, by any mode of travel, should experience a safe trip to their destination. This session will provide examples of crash analyses the Atlanta Regional Commission has used in making safety decisions, as well as efforts in working with Georgia Governor's Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

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## **Planning for Sustainable Transportation**

An overview of current efforts to link livability, sustainability, and transportation. Topics include incorporating sustainability into transportation plans and transportation into sustainability plans, as well as techniques for measuring outcomes for livability and sustainability.

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## **An Explanation of HB 277**

This session will be a presentation from GDOT staff on the implementation of HB 277. the Transportation Investment Act of 2010, proposing a referendum on regional sales taxes to be implemented in Georgia in 2012. This session will highlight the key points of the law, answer questions to myths and what if questions the law has generated. The session will outline the criteria presented by the GDOT Director of Planning to local governments, MPOs and other agencies. The session will also include a look at the timeline and what the next steps are prior to the referendum.

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## **New Gateways for Valdosta: A Master Plan for Two Primary Entry Corridors**

Session will explore the process of creating a master plan for “Gateways” into Valdosta. This current case study project will review the various factors influencing planning and design, including corridor visual enhancement, access management, way finding, beautification and economic aspects.

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## **Using Livability Measures to Prioritize LRTP and TIP Projects**

The FHWA recently adopted Livability Principles for use in the design and construction of federally funded transportation projects. The pending reauthorization of SAFETEA-LU is expected to include Livability requirements. The presentation will describe a quantitative tool developed to measure the Livability elements in a proposed widening, intersection, and new facility transportation projects.

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## **Access Management: What, When, Where, How, and Who**

The session is an overview of the principles to managing access points, improving safety for all modes, and maximizing the corridor’s mobility. Adequately managed access can supply more road capacity without adding concrete. Come here how it works - what is “access management”, when it is best to implement, where varying levels of access are appropriate, how to use the tools, and who are currently integrating access management policies into plans, and codes. Included are updates on the Regional Access Management Initiative, South Fulton Parkway Access Management Study, and a toolbox of planning programs.

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## **Human Services Transportation**

This session will highlight the current federal and state requirements for Coordinated Human Service Transit Plans. This session will inform audience members about new requirements in HB277. This session will also highlight two regional case studies of different ways to implement Coordinated Human Service Transportation.

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