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November 15, 2021

Georgia Dept. of Transportation
Office of Planning
Attn: Radney Simpson
Transmitted via Email

Dear Mr. Simpson:

This letter is to inform you that Madison Athens-Clarke Oconee Regional Transportation Study (MACORTS) has completed amendments to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program to reflect the following information. The signed MACORTS Resolution from the November 10, 2021 Policy Committee meeting and the project sheets are attached to this memo.

Watkinsville Truck Bypass from SR 24 to SR 15 (PI# 0017970), P-79: Scoping to determine a potential alignment for a bypass connecting SR 24 and SR 15 south of Watkinsville. \$400,000 of Z240 funds would be used along with \$100,000 in state funding in FY 2022.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter. If you should need additional information, please contact Ms. Sherry F. McDuffie, of this office at (706) 613-3515 or by e-mail at macorts@accgov.com.

Sincerely,

Brad Griffin, Director
Madison Athens-Clarke Oconee Regional
Transportation Study (MACORTS)

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CC: Tamara Christion, FHWA (via email)
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**RESOLUTION BY THE MADISON ATHENS-CLARKE OCONEE
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION STUDY (MACORTS)
POLICY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, federal regulations require that Transportation Plans for urbanized areas must maintain a twenty-five year planning horizon and,

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee of MACORTS in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and the Georgia Department of Transportation has reviewed the Plan amendments following the transportation planning process,


WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee at its October 27, 2021 meeting recommended the approval of the amendments to the MACORTS 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as follows:

Watkinsville Truck Bypass from SR 24 to SR 15 (PI# 0017970), P-79: Scoping to determine a potential alignment for a bypass connecting SR 24 and SR 15 south of Watkinsville. \$400,000 of Z240 funds would be used along with \$100,000 in state funding in FY 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MACORTS Policy Committee concurs with the recommendation of the Technical Coordinating Committee of MACORTS and approved the amendments to the MACORTS 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and FY 2021 – 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Madison Athens-Clarke Oconee Regional Transportation Study Policy Committee at their meeting held on November 10, 2021.



John Daniell
MACORTS Policy Committee Chair

November 10, 2021



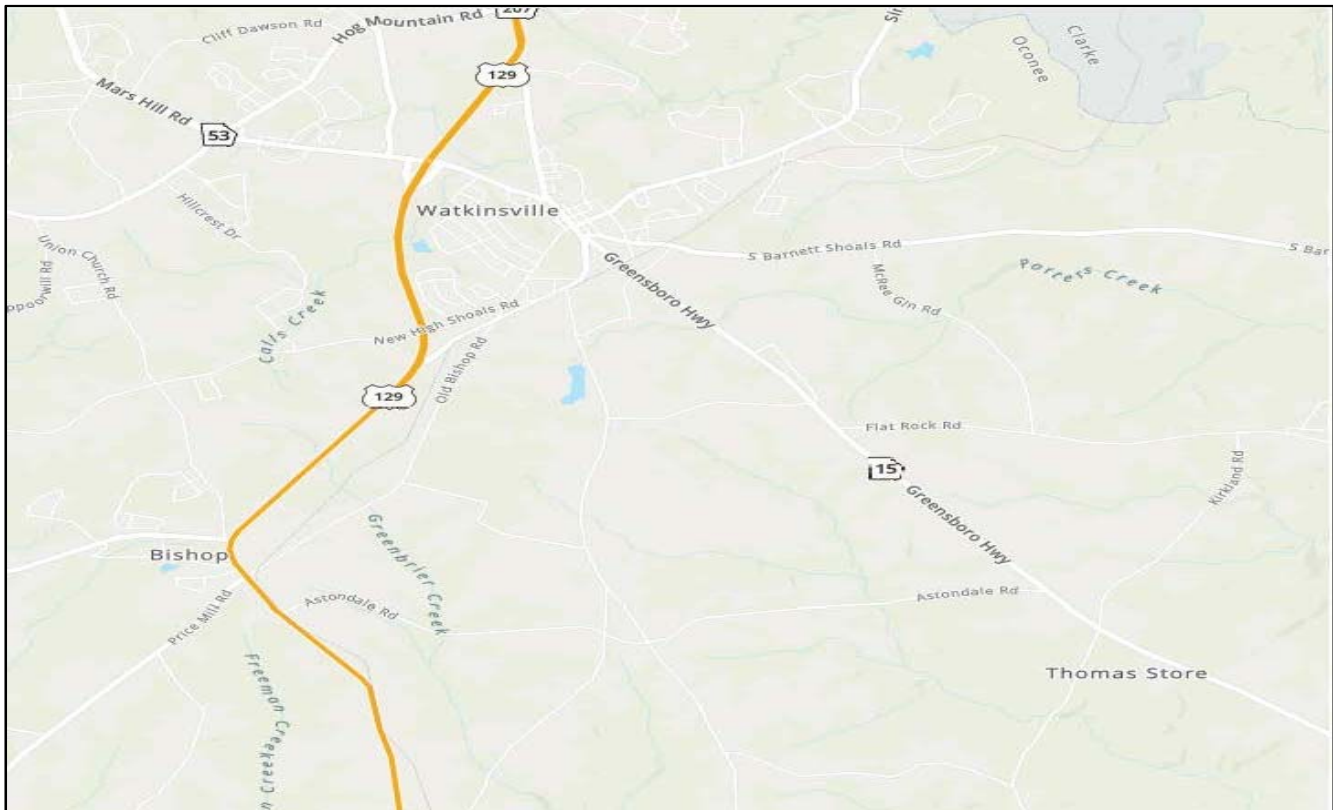
Brad Griffin
MACORTS Technical Coordinating Committee Chair

November 10, 2021

MACORTS 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

To Be Added to the MTP

PROJECT NAME: Watkinsville Truck Bypass from SR 24/US441 to SR 15		PROJECT ID: P-79	
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project would construct a connector road between SR 24/US441 and SR 15 south of Watkinsville to enable truck traffic to avoid downtown Watkinsville.		Estimated Cost: unknown County: Oconee P.I. # 0017970	
Length (Miles): unknown	# of Existing Lanes: unknown	# of Lanes Planned: unknown	
DOT District # 1	Congressional District: 10	RC: Northeast Georgia	
Average Daily Traffic Volumes	2015 N/A	2045 (Projected): unknown	
PROJECT PHASE	FY 2019 - 2025 MEDIAN COST	FY 2026 - 2035 MEDIAN COST	FY 2036 - 2045 MEDIAN COST
Scoping: Preliminary Engineering (PE): Right-of-way (ROW): Utilities: Construction (CST):	\$ 500,000		
PROJECT COST	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ -
Federal Cost	\$ 400,000		
State Cost	\$ 100,000		
Local Cost			



**MADISON ATHENS-CLARKE OCONEE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION STUDY
FY 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

PROJECT NAME: Watkinsville Truck Bypass				MTP Project / TIP # P-79		Fund: Z231		
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project would involve construction of a connector road between SR 24/US 441 and SR 15 to divert truck traffic south of Watkinsville.				Estimated Cost:		\$500,000		
				County:		Oconee		
				P.I. #:		0017970		
				GDOT Prj.#:				
Length (miles):		unknown	# of existing lanes:		unknown	# of lanes planned:		unknown
DOT District #:		1	Congressional Dist. #:		10	RDC:		Northeast Georgia
Average Daily Traffic Volume		2018 ADT:		N/A		2045(projected):		unknown
COMMENTS/REMARKS: This project has only scoping included in the 2045 MACORTS Metropolitan Transportation Plan. No PE, ROW, or Construction phases are included at this time and would have to be added to the 2045 MTP through the amendment process.								
PROJECT PHASE		SOURCE	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	TOTAL	
Scoping (\$)		Fed/State		\$500,000			\$500,000	
Preliminary Engineering (\$)		Fed/State					\$0	
Right-of-Way (\$)		Fed/State					\$0	
Construction Costs (\$)		Fed/State					\$0	
Utilities Costs (\$)		Fed/State					\$0	
PROJECT COST			\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	
Federal Cost (\$)			\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	
State Cost (\$)			\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	
Local Cost (\$)			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

PROJECT LOCATION

