



# Financing Options

## Local sources of transportation funding

- SPLOST-\$7 million per year historically
- Tax allocation district-private sector based
- Impact fees-growth funding growth
- Community improvement district-self tax

## State and federal funding sources

- National Highway System
- Recreational Trails
- Surface Transportation Program
  - Transportation Enhancements
  - Livable Centers Initiative
- High priority projects
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality
- Safe Routes to School
- Transportation Community Service Preservation Program
- Federal Transportation Administration



# Transportation Policies

## General Policies

- Develop criteria for prioritizing and financing transportation projects for completion in a timely manner
- Maximize innovative financing options to construct needed transportation projects
- Participate in regional transportation planning efforts
- Develop partnerships with neighboring counties and local municipalities to develop multi-jurisdictional projects
- Coordinate bridge replacements with planned roadway improvements as appropriate
- Utilize access management retrofit designs where appropriate when improving existing roadways
- Preserve conservation or environmentally sensitive areas from inappropriate development
- Employ Context Sensitive Solutions in environmentally sensitive areas, on scenic byways, and where feasible
- Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure development including incorporating ARC's Unified Growth Policies

## Safe Routes to School

- Actively participate in federal program
- Establish a joint task force to address school related transportation:
  - Douglas County School System
  - Douglas County Department of Transportation
  - City of Douglasville Planning
  - Safe Kids Douglas
  - Douglas County Sheriff's Department
  - City of Douglasville Police Department

## Alternative Transportation and Transportation Demand Management

- Establish and promote county transit efforts including:
  - Vanpool
  - Commuter bus (Xpress)
  - Park and ride facilities
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian connections
  - Breeze network
  - Commuter rail
- Coordinate with local agencies and organizations to provide transit to seniors
- Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities as appropriate when developing and improving roadways
- Encourage transit oriented development where appropriate

## Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)

- Develop an ITS implementation strategy for the county
- Maximize potential for fiber optic installation or other technology upgrades when developing roadway projects
- Employ technological solutions for improving traffic operations and increasing capacity
- Coordinate local ITS improvements compatible with statewide and regional efforts including the ARC regional architecture
- Include traffic management centers with ITS improvements

## Freight

- Designate and enhance primary and secondary truck routes
- Develop/implement compatible land uses to complement rail/truck freight transportation



# Project Recommendations Roadway Improvements

| Project Number | Project  | Type                     | Existing Lanes | Planned Lanes | Length | Goal   | Policy   | Cost   | Spending Category |
|----------------|--|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------|--|--|--------|-------------------|
| CTP-1          | Chapel Hill Road Extension (including new Chattahoochee River crossing) from SR 166 to Cedar Grove Road (Fulton) | Roadway Capacity         | 0              | 4             | 1.5    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Employ context sensitive solutions<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects  | \$\$   | Major             |
| CTP-2          | Outer Southern Arc (Mount Vernon to SR 92 to Annewakee to Dorsett Shoals to Pool Road)                           | Roadway Capacity         | 0/2            | 4             | 17     | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$\$ | Major             |
| CTP-3          | Inner Southern Arc (North County Line Road to Mack Road to Bomar Road to Central Church Road to Kings Highway)   | Roadway Capacity         | 0/2            | 4             | 8.3    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways                                       | \$\$\$ | Major             |
| CTP-4          | I-20 West (SR 6/Thornton Road)   | Signing/Striping         | N/A            | N/A           | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Employ technological solutions for improving traffic operations  | \$     | Safety            |
| CTP-5          | I-20 West (North County Line Road)   | New Interchange          | 0              | 4             | 0.2    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts  | \$\$   | Major             |
| CTP-6A         | I-20 West (SR 5)   | Modify Interchange       | 4              | 4             | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$   | Major             |
| CTP-6B         | I-20 West (Bright Star Road)   | New Interchange          | 2              | 4             | 0.2    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Promote economic development  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$   | Major             |
| CTP-7          | SR 5/Kings Highway/Central Church Road   | Modify Intersection      | 4              | 4             | 0.2    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways                                       | \$\$   | Minor/Safety      |
| CTP-8          | US 78/Post Road  | Modify Intersection      | 2              | 2             | 0.2    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways                                       | \$\$   | Safety            |
| CTP-8A         | Relocate SR 5 to Post Road   | Signing/Striping         | N/A            | N/A           | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$   | Minor/Freight     |
| CTP-8B         | Post Road/Tyree Road   | Roadway Upgrade          | 2              | 4             | 11     | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways<br>Employ Context Sensitive Solutions | \$\$\$ | Minor             |
| CTP-10         | Burnt Hickory Road from North County Line Road to McKown Road  | Roadway Capacity         | 0/2            | 4             | 1.5    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$\$ | Major/Safety      |
| CTP-11         | Mann Road/Friendship Church Road Connector   | Roadway Capacity         | 0/2            | 4             | 4.4    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$\$ | Major/Safety      |
| CTP-12         | Dorris Road/Bakers Bridge Road Connector   | Roadway Capacity         | 0/2            | 4             | 2.84   | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Participate in regional transportation planning efforts<br>Develop partnerships to implement multi-jurisdictional projects   | \$\$   | Major/Safety      |
| CTP-13         | SR 5 Operational Improvements from US 78 to Central Church Road  | Roadway Operations       | 2/4            | 2/4           | 3.2    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Employ technological solutions for improving traffic operations<br>Maximize potential for fiber optic installations  | \$\$   | Safety            |
| CTP-14         | SR 92 Operational Improvements from US 78 to Lee Road  | Roadway Operations       | 4              | 4             | 4.6    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Promote economic development  | Employ technological solutions for improving traffic operations<br>Maximize potential for fiber optic installations  | \$\$   | Safety            |
| CTP-15         | Adaptive Traffic Signal Pilot Program - Chapel Hill Road corridor (I-20 to SR 166)                               | Roadway Operations       | N/A            | N/A           | 6.7    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity<br>Promote economic development | Employ technological solutions for improving traffic operations<br>Maximize potential for fiber optic installations  | \$     | Safety            |
| CTP-16         | Roundabout at SR 166 and Chapel Hill Road  | Intersection Reconstruct | N/A            | N/A           | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways<br>Employ Context Sensitive Solutions | \$     | Safety            |
| CTP-17         | Roundabout at SR 166 and Post Road   | Intersection Reconstruct | N/A            | N/A           | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways<br>Employ Context Sensitive Solutions | \$     | Safety            |
| CTP-18         | Continuous Flow/Parallel-Flow Intersection at SR 166 and SR 92   | Intersection Reconstruct | N/A            | N/A           | N/A    | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Utilize access management retrofit designs when improving existing roadways<br>Employ Context Sensitive Solutions | \$\$   | Safety            |

\$ = \$0 - \$1 million  
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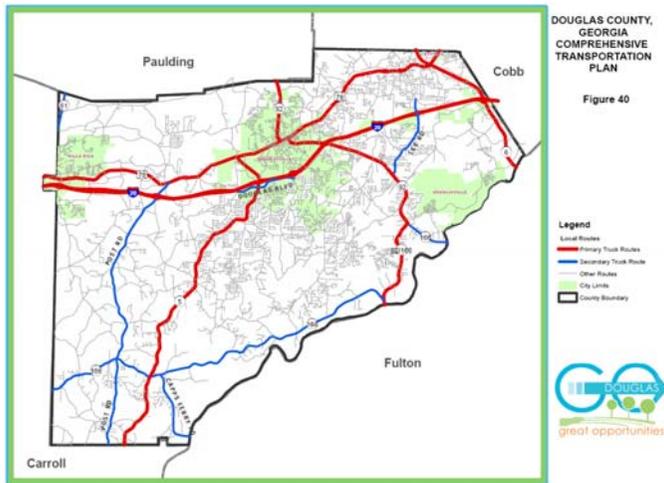


# Project Recommendations

## Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements

### Proposed Truck Routes

| Project                              | Type               | Goal   | Policy   | Cost | Spending Category  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|------|--------------------|
| Bright Star Road/Central Church Road | Pedestrian         | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity<br>Preserve the environment                                 | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$ | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| US 78/Bankhead Highway               | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Promote economic development  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$ | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| South Hillcrest Drive                | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity                                 | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$   | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| Lee Road                             | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity                                 | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$ | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| SR 92/Riverside Parkway              | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Promote economic development<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$ | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| Riverside Parkway                    | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity                                 | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$   | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| Thornton Road                        | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Promote economic development  | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$\$ | Bicycle/Pedestrian |
| Brookmont Parkway/Bomar Road         | Bicycle/Pedestrian | Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers<br>Preserve the environment<br>Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity                                 | Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure<br>Add bicycle and pedestrian facilities when improving roadways<br>Employ context sensitive solutions | \$   | Bicycle/Pedestrian |



### Designated Truck Route Recommendations

#### Goals:

- Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers
- Promote economic development
- Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity

#### Policies:

- Designate and enhance primary and secondary truck routes
- Participate in regional transportation planning efforts
- Coordinate land use and transportation infrastructure

### Prioritization and Implementation

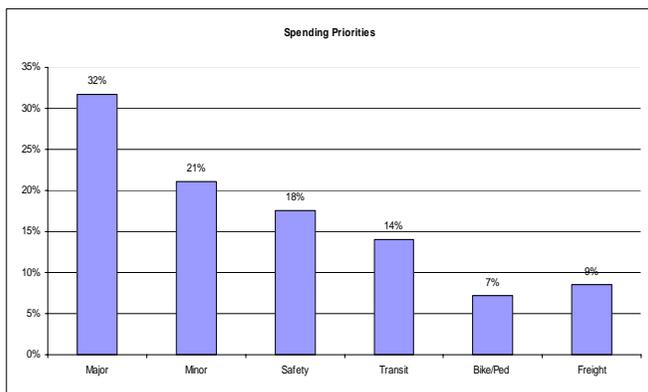
#### Goals:

- Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers
- Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity
- Preserve the environment
- Promote economic development
- Involve the public

#### Policies:

- Develop criteria for prioritizing and financing transportation projects
- Maximize innovative financing options
- Promote multi-modal and technological transportation solutions

Results from Community Meetings (October 2007)





# Transportation Financing Options

| Option  | Yes | No | Comments |
|---|-----|----|----------|
| <b>Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax</b> for transportation (approximately \$7 million per year historically)            |     |    |          |
| <b>Tax allocation district</b> which allows private sector business to be taxed for a specific purpose such as transportation |     |    |          |
| <b>Impact fees</b> which allow fees to be collected on developments to fund infrastructure                                    |     |    |          |
| <b>Community improvement districts</b> created by group of private sector business to install infrastructure onsite           |     |    |          |
| <b>Public-private partnerships</b> which use public and private sector funding for transportation projects                    |     |    |          |
| <b>Toll financing</b> which collects user fees to finance transportation infrastructure                                       |     |    |          |
| <b>Regional Sales Tax</b> is a potential source of dedicated funds for transportation collected region wide                   |     |    |          |



# Context Sensitive Solutions

## Goals

- Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity
- Preserve the environment

## Policy

- Employ Context Sensitive Solutions in environmentally sensitive areas, on scenic byways, and where feasible





# Public Involvement

- **Public Participation Plan**
- **Agency and Local Coordination**
  - Project Advisory Team
- **Public Participation Activities**
  - Website
  - Stakeholder outreach
  - Public meetings
- **Targeted Populations**
  - Seniors
  - Low income
  - Physically challenged
- **Public Participation Products**
  - Meeting summaries
  - Two newsletters
  - Outreach report



# Douglas County Transportation Plan

## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

### Goal - Enhance safety and mobility for all travelers

#### Objectives

1. Promote multi-modal facilities
2. Provide safe and efficient transportation facilities
3. Prioritize and balance transportation projects with political and public support

### Goal - Preserve and protect neighborhood integrity

#### Objectives

1. Preserve existing neighborhood characteristics and aesthetics
2. Maintain consistency with comprehensive land use plans

### Goal - Preserve the Environment

#### Objectives

1. Connect to greenways and multiuse trails
2. Identify priority environmental resources
3. Sustain water quality
4. Support alternative modes that reduce negative air quality impacts

### Goal - Promote economic development

#### Objectives

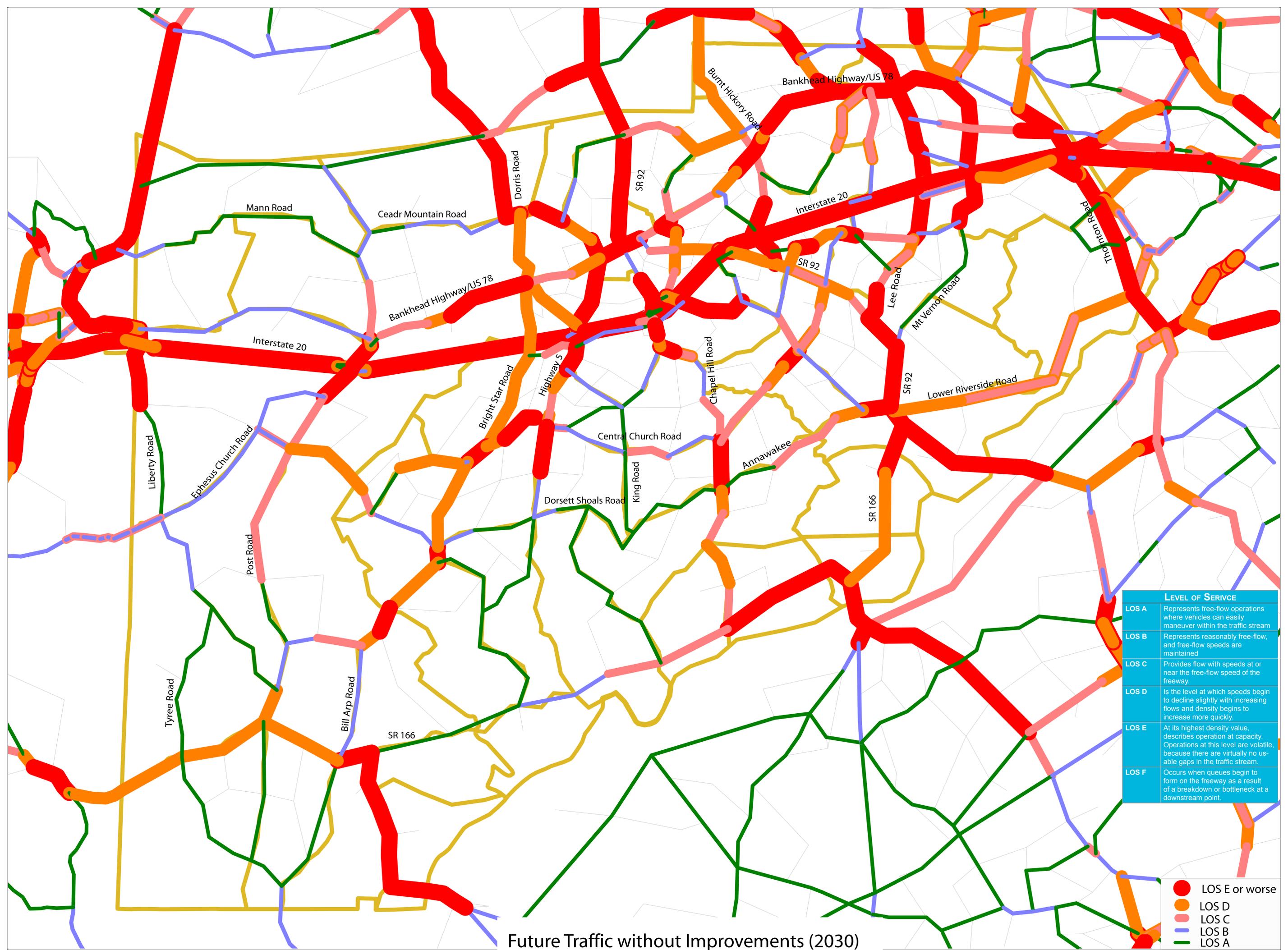
1. Focus new developments in economically depressed areas
2. Locate transportation facilities near economic development activities

### Goal - Involve the public

#### Objectives

1. Provide regular updates
2. Make information accessible
3. Provide multiple opportunities for involvement

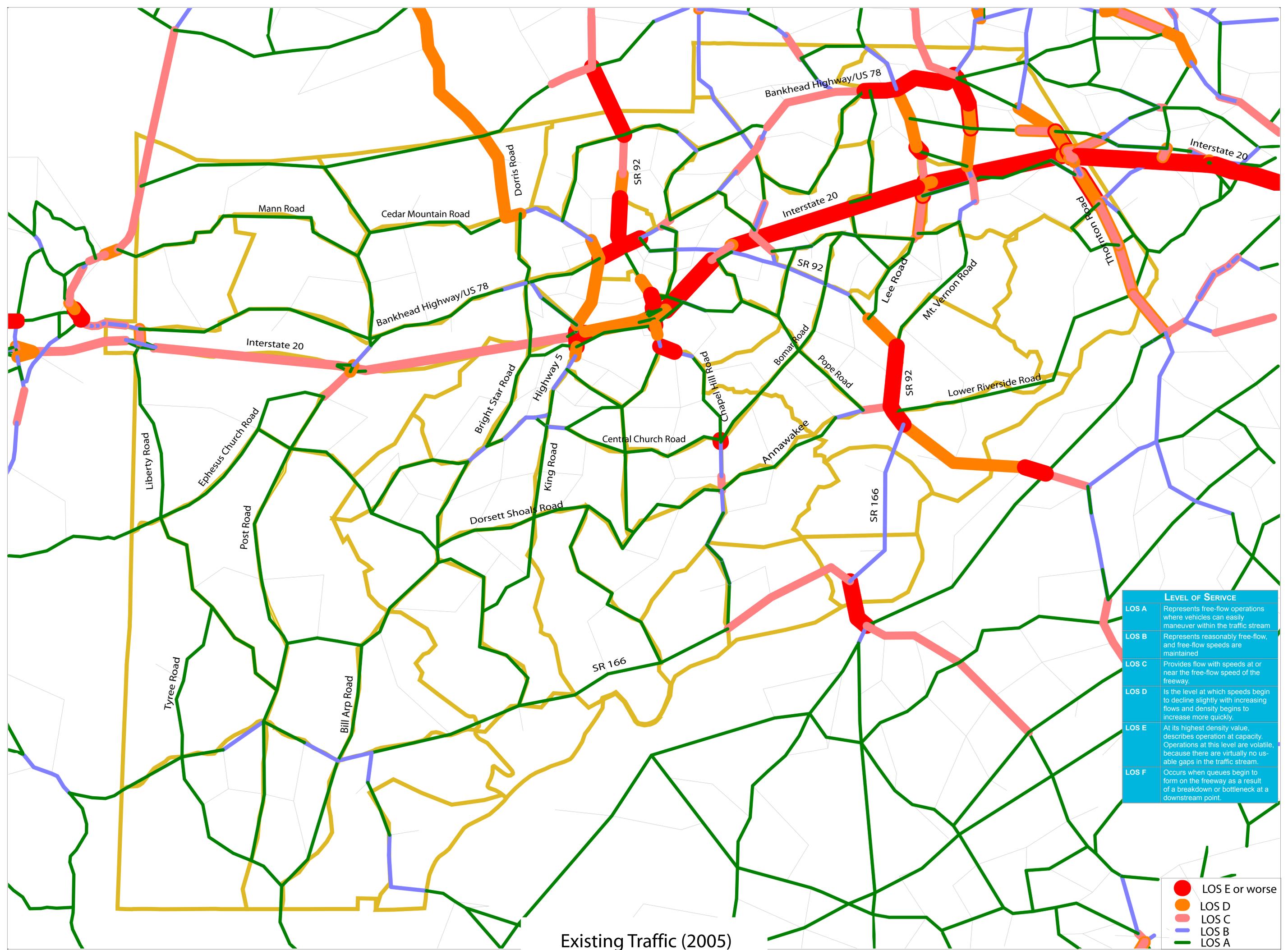




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| LOS D            | Is the level at which speeds begin to decline slightly with increasing flows and density begins to increase more quickly.   |
| LOS E            | At its highest density value, describes operation at capacity. Operations at this level are volatile, because there are virtually no usable gaps in the traffic stream. |
| LOS F            | Occurs when queues begin to form on the freeway as a result of a breakdown or bottleneck at a downstream point.   |

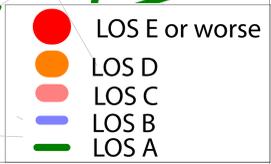
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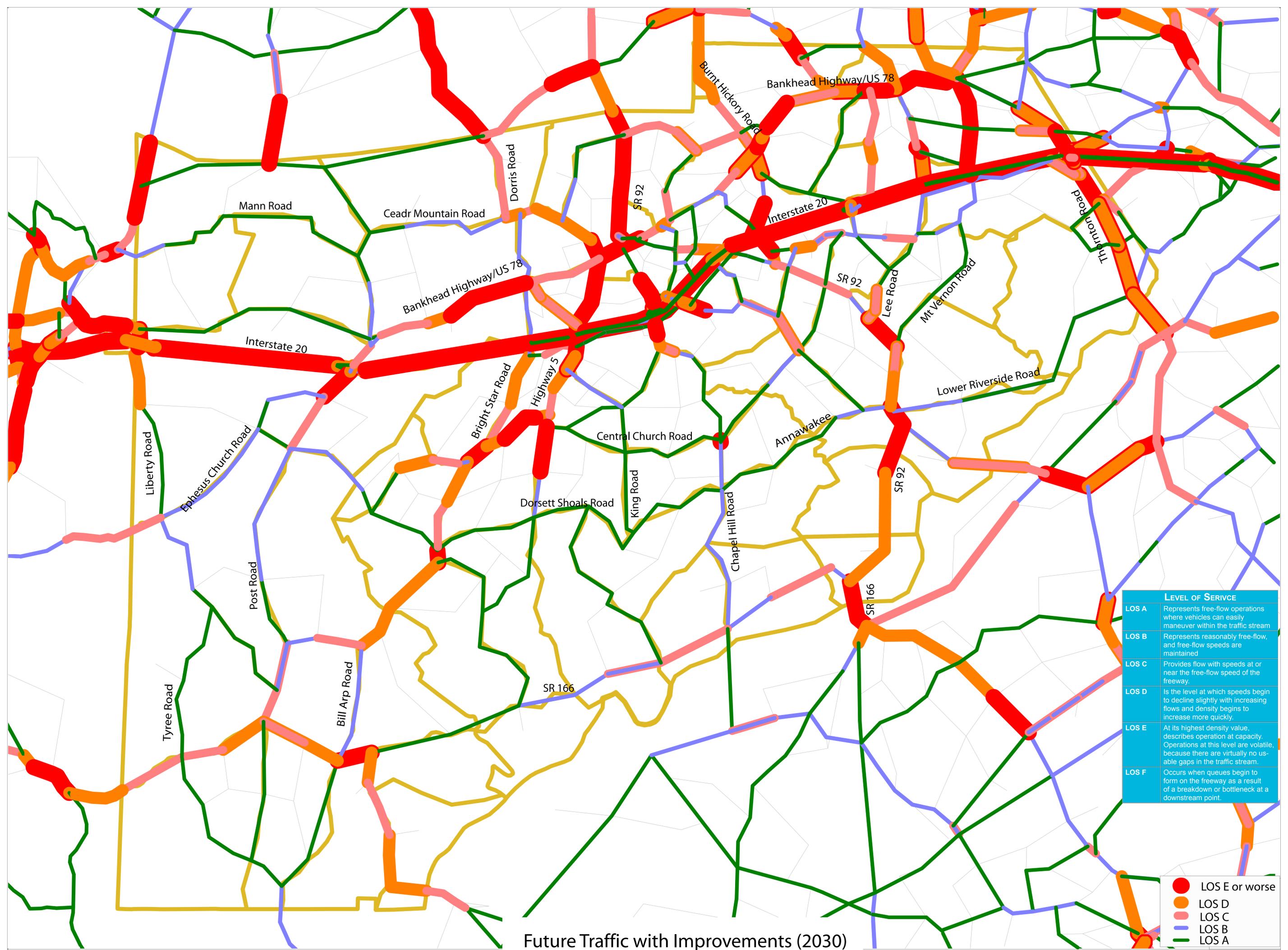
Future Traffic without Improvements (2030)



Existing Traffic (2005)

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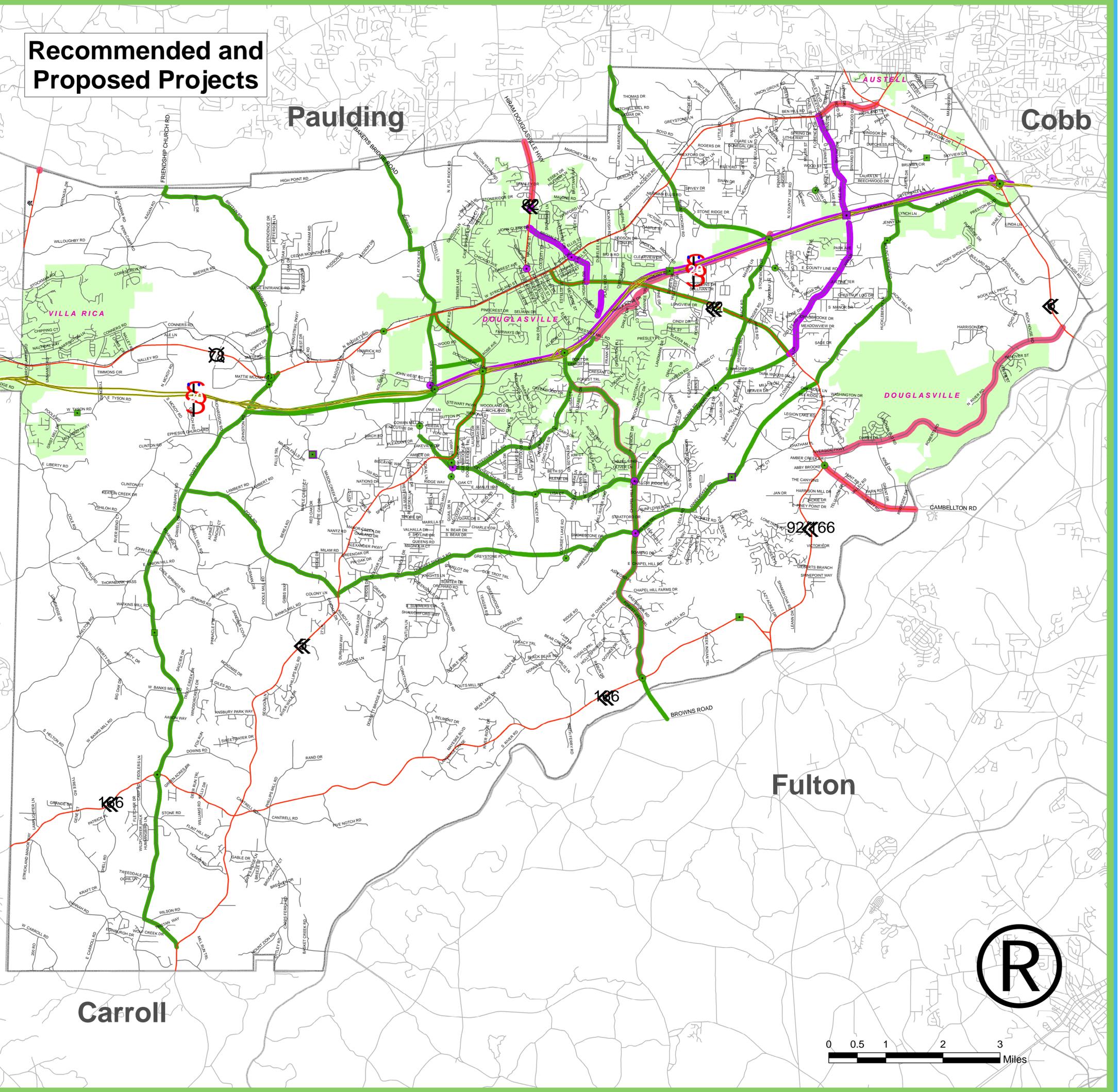
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Future Traffic with Improvements (2030)

# Recommended and Proposed Projects

# DOUGLAS COUNTY, GEORGIA COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN



## Legend

### Recommended CTP Projects

- Bridge
- Intersection
- Roadway Project

### Projects in 2008-2013 TIP

- Bridge
- Intersection
- Roadway Project

### Projects in Envision6 RTP

- Roadway Project
- Interstate
- State
- US Hwy
- Other
- Railroad
- City Limits

Carroll

Paulding

Cobb

Fulton

