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Central Savannah River Area Region



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TIA 1 (2013-2022):
Original Approved Investment Budget:
\$713,019,813

TIA 2 (2023-2032):
Original Approved Investment Budget:
\$798,375,814

Stats and Data Available at www.ga-tia.com

Georgia's **Transportation Investment Act (TIA) Program** provides a way for regions to fund
necessary transportation infrastructure projects
through a voter-approved one-cent sales tax.

Your region's <u>project lists</u> were selected at regional roundtables of local elected officials, community members & stakeholders appointed by the <u>Central Savannah River Area Regional Commission</u>.

<u>Citizen Review Panels</u> of local residents appointed by the Lieutenant Governor or Georgia Speaker of the House meet at least three times per year to oversee the program's progress.



TIA's Discretionary Funds: Another Way the Program Benefits Your Community

Did you know that the CSRA's TIA proceeds are divided into two portions? 75% funds the region's list of transportation improvement projects and 25% is split up among its counties and cities to be used as discretionary funds for any transportation-related needs.

Your city or county leaders decide how the funds are spent - not the

Georgia DOT. Since local officials know best what their citizens and businesses need, they get to choose. Since TIA started, counties have used discretionary funds to purchase everything from new traffic signals to maintenance vehicles, from sidewalks to road resurfacings.

To learn more about TIA's discretionary funds, <u>click here</u> to check out the FAQs on our website.

Columbia County: SR 28/Furys Ferry Road Widening

Crews continue performing a variety of tasks through the project's work zone, including moving utility lines, building walls and setting concrete for sidewalks and curb and gutter. Contractors estimate project completion in spring 2026.





Richmond County: Highland Avenue Bridge Over CSX Tracks

Contractors have completed all major construction tasks for the repair and restoration of the Highland Avenue Bridge. The project has increased the structural integrity of the bridge ensuring motorist safety and traffic efficiency.



Lincoln County: Bundle of Five Roadway Resurfacings

Contractors have completed the resurfacing tasks and installed temporary striping on two of these projects: Colvin-Kennedy Road and Mercier Road. The remaining projects coming up in the bundle are on Double Branches Road, Chamberlain Ferry Road and Partridge Town Road.

Projects in Preconstruction

Burke County - Hadden Pond Bridge Replacement at Walnut Branch

• Concept report approved, location and design work to be advertised

Jenkins County - Recreation Drive Intersection Improvements at Complex

• Field surveys are underway

Warren County - SR 80 Sidewalk Additions

• Concept report approved, preliminary planning underway

Public Information Open Houses Provide Valuable Opportunities for Community Opinions

Nearly 100 people from Lake Sinclair neighborhoods turned out at TIA's recent public information open house to share their ideas about a future project in Hancock County that will extend new roadway from Lake Sinclair Drive. With so many folks participating, TIA staff, engineers and designers had plenty of opinions to consider as they plan next steps for the project.

Anyone interested in a TIA project is invited to attend. Residents and businesses in an area affected by a project receive postcard invitations and details are also posted on our social media in advance. Keep an eye out for coming open houses in your county!



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