

IV. ATLANTA REGIONAL FREIGHT MOBILITY STUDY

Project Sponsor

Atlanta Regional Commission

Project Type

Freight Study

Project Team

Wilbur Smith and Associates

Purpose

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), with the assistance of Wilbur Smith and Associates conducted a freight mobility plan for the 18-county region. Freight is currently considered the fastest segment of travel in the region that impacts congestion and air quality, mobility and safety, and land use. Truck traffic is projected to increase 3% annually, contrary to 2.5% for passenger vehicular traffic. The study, very comprehensive, proactively addressed freight and goods movement mobility needs in the region. It also developed a freight mobility plan for the region. The study was completed in 2008.

On February 6, ARC provided an overview of the Truck Routing study. The study, a second-phase of the Regional Freight plan will address truck routing and community conflict issues within the region. Study tasks will comprise of a needs assessment report, best practices of land use/access management, community impact, and recommendations at both regional and local levels. Study deliverables will include a masterplan, land use and access guidelines for local governments, and a list of actionable projects.

Occurrences during the second quarter of 2010

The Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) unanimously approved ASTRoMap (Atlanta Strategic Truck Route Master Plan). The key goal of ASTRoMap was to identify strategic corridors where truck-related traffic improvements should be targeted and considered in the development of Plan 2040.

Next Steps

Monitor the implementation of the recommendations from the Atlanta Strategic Truck Route Master Plan.

