

III. SOUTH FULTON PARKWAY TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY

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Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority

Project Type

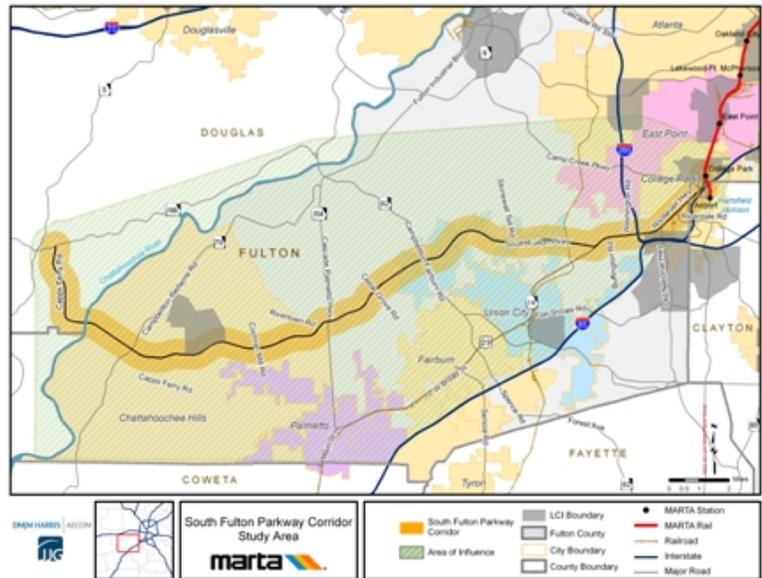
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Purpose

To investigate transit potential along South Fulton Parkway, as recommended in the regional transit plan, known as “Concept 3” developed by the Transit Planning Board.

Study Background

On August 28, 2008, the Transit Planning Board adopted the Long Range Transit Planning Plan, known as Concept 3, for the Atlanta Region. Concept 3 includes a set of technology recommendations ranging from commuter rail, heavy rail, bus rapid transit, to express buses depending on the locations, needs, and anticipated resources. Also, the plan identifies specific corridors that necessitate further study and analysis, which gave birth to the South Fulton Parkway Study. Finally, the study will complement an Access Management study being conducted by the Georgia Department of Transportation.



On November 13, 2009 the consultant, JJ&G, held the last stakeholder committee meeting to present the study findings, transit service recommendations, some transit options for South Fulton, and an action plan for South Fulton Parkway.

1) Study Findings

1. Ninety (90%) percent of the commuter trips are destined for employment centers outside the study area
2. There is strong desire among local jurisdictions for nodal development along the corridor
3. The low density development planned for the corridor is not conducive to high capacity transit service

2) Transit Service Considerations

1. Need for peak-hour commuter-based services
2. The corridor is designed to be a limited access facility. Proposed system should operate with limited stops to be consistent with access management practices and future land use plans.

Occurrences during the third quarter of 2010

MARTA and consulting team completed the study. Two land use and three transit scenarios were considered in the evaluation.

Next Steps

Submit the Final Report