

Georgia DOT Awards Nearly \$96 Million in Construction Contracts in September

A Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) awarded 30 construction contracts for statewide transportation projects totaling \$95,903,445.

The largest single investment, worth approximately \$18.7 million, was awarded to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc. This contract consists of two Transportation Investment Act (TIA) projects. The first project will install 3.63 concrete median barrier on US 78 (Gordon Highway) between US 25 (Peach Orchard Road) and Walt Way (County Road 2509); The other will rehabilitate four bridges at various locations on State Route 10 (Gordon Highway). Both projects will take place to in Richmond County.

The contract mentioned above, along with 10 other safety contracts, represent 42 percent or nearly \$40 million of the awarded funds. The remaining safety contracts included the installation of cable barriers and rumble strips along various county roadways statewide. The second largest contract, \$9.2 million, was awarded to C.W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc. to resurface 12.37 miles of roadway, shoulder rehabilitation and milling on State Route 15, from south of Tallulah Falls Bridge to Clayburn Street in Rabun County.

This contract, along with 14 other resurfacing contracts, represent 51 percent or \$49.2 million of the awarded funds. An additional (TIA) contract was awarded to East Coast Asphalt, LLC for widening, resurfacing and

shoulder rehabilitation at various locations in Charlton County. To learn more visit: <http://www.ga-tia.com/>

The remaining seven percent, or \$6.7 million, is allotted for bridge rehabilitation and bridge construction projects at various locations throughout the state.

[Award Announcement list](#). Bids for Design-Bid-Build projects were received on September 18 and contracts were awarded to the lowest qualified bidders on October 2.

[Supplemental Award Announcement list](#), [Supplemental Award Announcement list 2](#), [Supplemental Award Announcement list 3](#), [Supplemental Award Announcement list 4](#) (includes previously deferred projects that have now been let).

The September awards bring the total construction contracts for Fiscal Year 2021 to \$292.4 million. This total includes TIA, Design-Bid-Build and locally administered projects. Fiscal Year 2021 began July 1, 2020. Information on schedules, lane closures and detours will be available in advance of construction activities taking place.

Contractors and consultants, including Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), registered small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses interested in bidding on projects or performing work must prequalify with Georgia DOT.

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About The GDOT

The goal of the DBE Supportive Services Program is to increase the number of DBEs participating on GDOT contracts and facilitate the opportunity for DBEs to obtain contracts. The services are designed to:

- Assist established construction firms to move them from bidding as a subcontractor to bidding as a Prime Contractor to produce sound bids.
- Provide access to training increases DBE expertise in handling of daily business operations.



About The Program

The Construction Estimating Institute (CEI) works with GDOT as the statewide provider of the federally funded Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Supportive Services Program. We want to increase the number of certified DBEs participating in highway and bridge construction, as well as assist DBEs in growing and eventually becoming self-sufficient. Additionally, CEI provides supportive services by assisting prime contractors and consultants with identifying DBEs for subcontracting opportunities on priority projects.

Georgia Department of Transportation Aims to Combat Litter Statewide with Launch of Keep It Clean Georgia

Today, the Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) launched its new anti-litter campaign, Keep It Clean Georgia. The statewide initiative is focused on preventing and eliminating litter by motivating Georgians and Peach State visitors to not only avoid littering in the first place, but also play an active role in protecting and maintaining the stunning views and rich landscapes that make Georgia the heart of the South.

The average American produces five pounds of trash each day, which plays a part in the nearly \$11.5 billion spent on litter clean-up in the U.S. each year. With more than 50,000 miles of interstates and state routes across Georgia, there are many places litter could pile up and potentially cause damage if not disposed of properly. Keep It Clean Georgia aims to stop the problem before it starts by educating Georgians on the impact litter has on roadway safety and aesthetics, the environment and economy, and encouraging them to take action to ensure that litter finds its rightful place. Campaign creative further reminds Georgians that littering is inappropriate everywhere, moving beyond the state's roadway system to highlight images of Georgia's natural beauty from the mountains to the coast.

"We are excited to support Georgia DOT's efforts with the Keep It Clean Georgia campaign and encourage all Georgians to do their part to help the Peach State remain a place we are proud to call home," said Georgia

Governor Brian P. Kemp. "As our state continues to grow and prosper, let's take the necessary steps toward eliminating litter, protecting our environment, and ensuring a bright and beautiful future for Georgia." "The Keep It Clean Georgia campaign is intended to motivate Georgians to think twice about throwing trash where it doesn't belong and to take an active role in preserving Georgia's beauty," said Russell McMurry, P.E., Georgia DOT Commissioner. "Whether your home is a wide-open countryside or in one of Georgia's bustling city centers, litter is everyone's problem and as a community we can work together to keep our beautiful state clean and litter-free."

Through Keep It Clean Georgia, Georgia DOT is partnering with individuals, businesses, environmental organizations and state agencies like the Georgia Department of Economic Development and the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation to emphasize the importance of litter prevention and highlight the role teamwork plays in maintaining Georgia's natural beauty. Georgians can join in the fight against litter today by:

- Securing litter in their cars with compact cans or trash bags
- Bringing reusable bags to the grocery store or farmers market

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