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Georgia DOT Awards Three Contracts for New Projects in West Central Georgia

The Georgia Department of Transportation has announced it awarded three contracts for new projects in District 3 (West Central Georgia region). The projects were presented for bid on Aug. 20, 2021 and awards made on Sept. 2, 2021. The Projects are:

- ➤ Coweta County: the project involves 0.690 mile of widening and reconstruction for turn lanes on Interstate 85 and at Georgia 34 beginning at Georgia 34 Bypass and extending to Interstate 85 southbound ramp. The contract was awarded to C. W. Matthews Contracting Company, Inc. of Marietta for \$3.1 million. The project is expected to be completed by the end of October, 2022.
- ➤ Coweta County: the project involves 11.459 miles of resurfacing and shoulder rehabilitation on Georgia 34 beginning at the Heard County line and extending to west of Georgia 14. The contract was awarded to C. W. Matthews Contracting Company, Inc. of Marietta for \$3.8 million. The project is expected to be completed by the end of July, 2022.
- ➤ Muscogee County: the project involves culvert rehabilitation at various locations in Muscogee County. The contract was awarded to Massana Construction, Inc. of Tyrone for \$1.9 million. The project is expected to be completed by the end of May, 2023.

These three projects were among 19 statewide to be contracted on Sept. 2, 2021, worth \$57 million in total. These awards bring the total dollar amount for construction contracts in Fiscal Year 2022 so far to approximately \$186 million.

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3 Modern Solutions To Help Your Business Tackle Challenges

In early 2020, the construction industry was experiencing levels of growth not seen since the Great Recession, while also navigating obstacles that have plagued the industry for years, including a qualified worker shortage and slower rates of adopting new technologies.

With the COVID-19 pandemic came a host of other challenges that have forced many to adjust their day-to-day workflows to keep their construction companies in business and technology has played an integral role in this process. Mobile and cloud-based technologies have kept teams connected and projects moving throughout this period of disruption and uncertainty. Some businesses used the downtime to overhaul their technology solutions, and others sought temporary fixes to quickly increase mobility among their teams.

While most agree that technology is an important part of a construction business, with so many competing priorities and so little time, technology often gets put on the back burner

However, technology should become a top priority for construction firms and throughout the industry. Its benefits and efficiency gains are countless, including increased mobility, better business visibility and greater collaboration.

1. Increased Mobility

In recent years, mobile solutions have gained popularity in the industry, especially on the jobsite. The 2021 Construction Hiring and Business Outlook report, conducted by the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) and Sage, found that 68% of contractors surveyed are using mobile software for daily field reports, 60% are using mobile technology for employee timetracking and approval, 56% are using it for field access to customer and job information and 55% are using mobile technology for the sharing of drawings, photos and documents.

These apps help simplify workflows and free up employee time. Cloud adoption rates have been lower when it comes to project management and accounting solutions but, with more back-office teams working remotely, there has been greater interest in cloud-based solutions.

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.





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