

LOCAL HEADLINES:

Northern Arc of Outer Perimeter still Alive

March 10, 1997  
Atlanta Business Chronical

DOT moves ahead with outer perimeter, commuter rail

Posted: Wed., June 30, 1999  
Online Athens, Athens Banner-Herald

Is the Northern Arc the answer? The question, as always, is how to relieve Metro Atlanta gridlock. Not everyone is sure a big new road is the solution.

Northern Arc fight spreads to Bartow County

Road project resurrects fears of Northern Arc

**Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP)**

Established in 1989 by a resolution of the state legislature and the Governor, the Governor's Road Improvement Program (GRIP) connects 80% of the cities in Georgia with a population of 2,000 or more to the interstate system. The GRIP system will also ensure that 95% of all areas of Georgia will be within 20 miles of a four-lane road.

GRIP is currently made up of highway corridors (mainly development highways), truck access routes and 2,829 miles of roadways.

**GRIP Facts**

- 64% or 2541 miles of GRIP Corridors with project development activities underway not including the Northern Arc of the Peachtree Parkway, are open or under construction.
- 15 projects were opened to traffic in fiscal year 2002.
- The projects opened to traffic added 75 miles of multi-lane roadway to the GRIP system.
- The projects opened to traffic were reconstructed at a cost of \$127 million.
- The estimated cost to complete all of the GRIP Corridors is approximately \$2.7 billion.

**GRIP Corridors**

**Appropriation:**

- Development Highway
- Corridor 2 or the South Georgia Parkway
- East-West Highway
- Fall Line Parkway
- Golden Gate Parkway
- Northern Arc
- Savannah River Parkway

**Truck Access Routes**

- 1-3810
- 2-3840

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**Federal Highway Administration**

**Environmental Impact Statement: Bartow, Cherokee and Forsyth Counties, GA**

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of rescission of the Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice of rescission to advise the public that preparation of an environmental impact statement for the Northern Arc, a proposed west-east connector between U.S. 411 in Bartow County, Georgia and S.R. 400 in Forsyth County, Georgia has been terminated. This is a formal rescission of the Notice of Intent that was published in the Federal Register on September 18, 2000.

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**Federal Highway Administration**

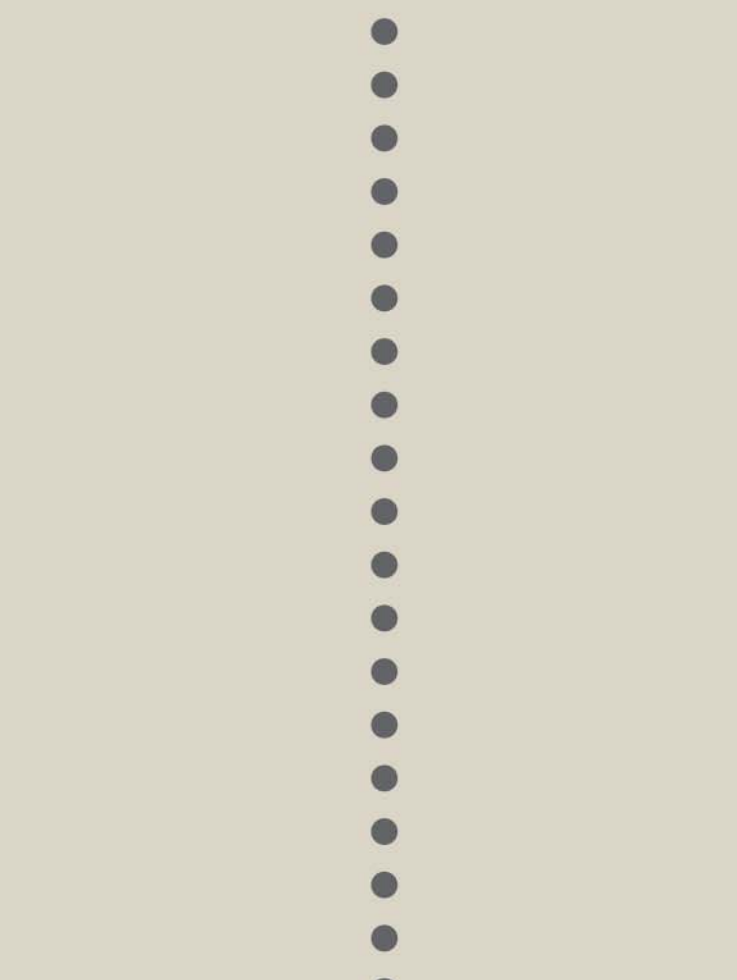
**Environmental Impact Statement: Cherokee and Forsyth Counties, Georgia**

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), United States Department of Transportation (USDOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

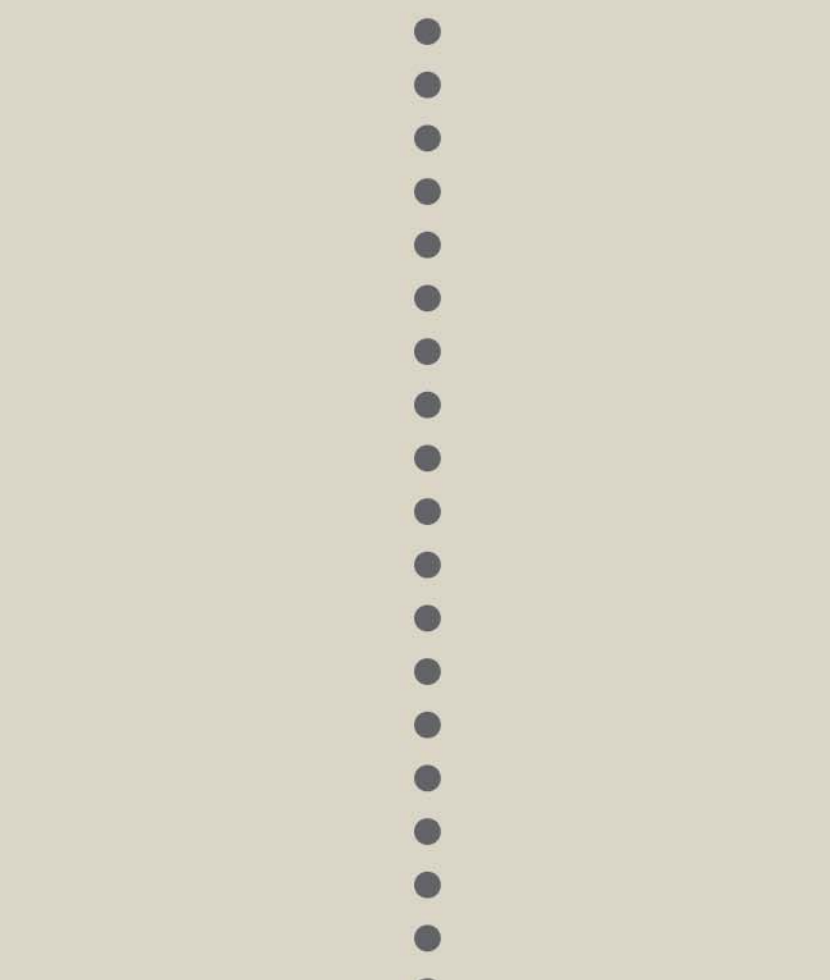
**SUMMARY:** The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for the proposed transportation project (State Route 20) located in Cherokee and Forsyth Counties, Georgia.

Outer Perimeter Studies



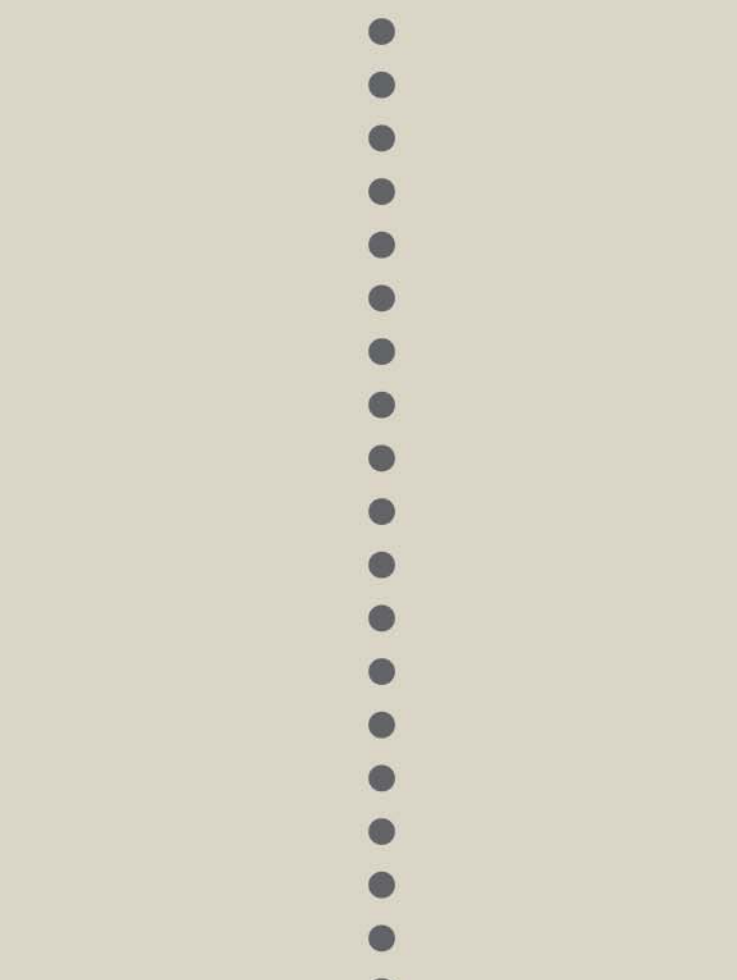
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EIS Initiated for the Northern Arc



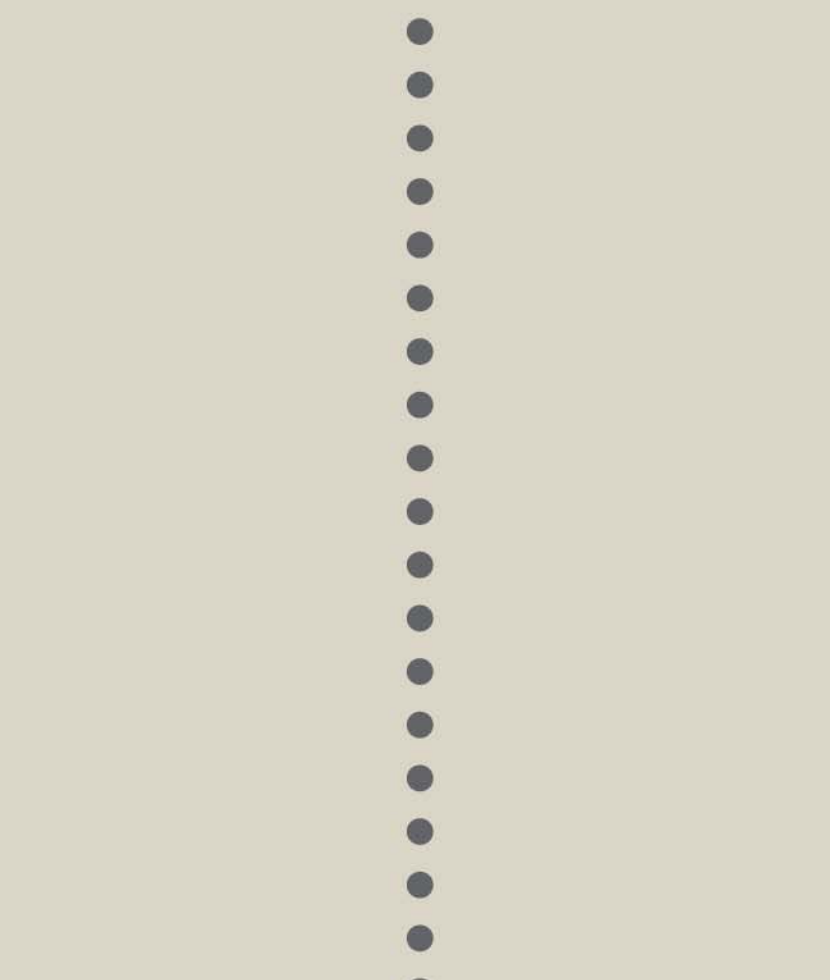
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Northern Arc EIS Terminated by FHWA



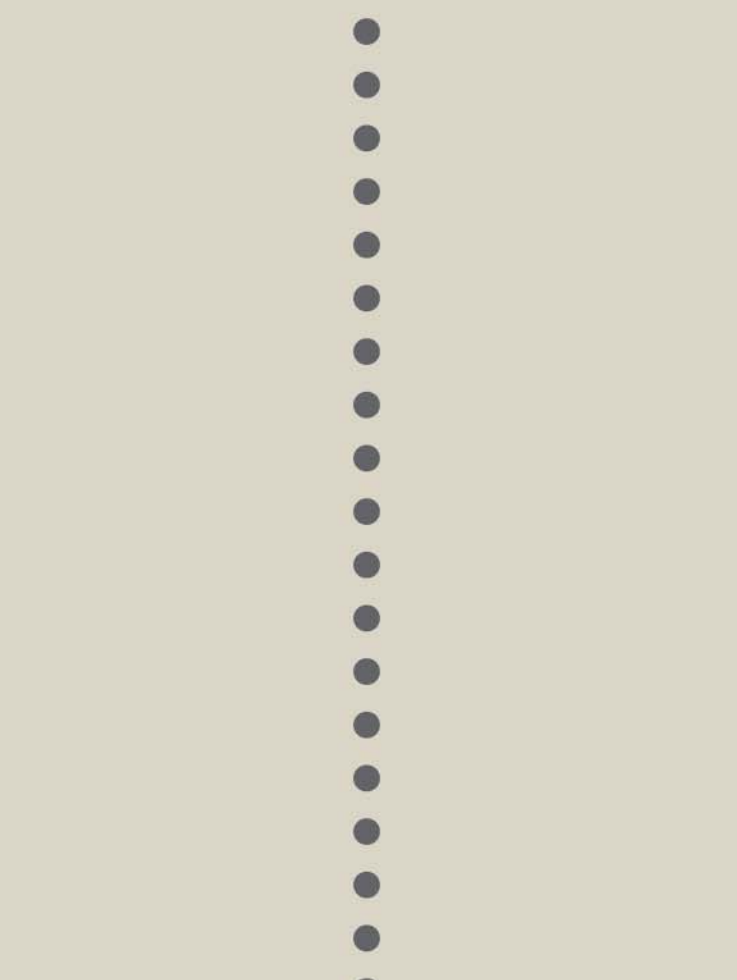
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Environmental Assessments Along SR20



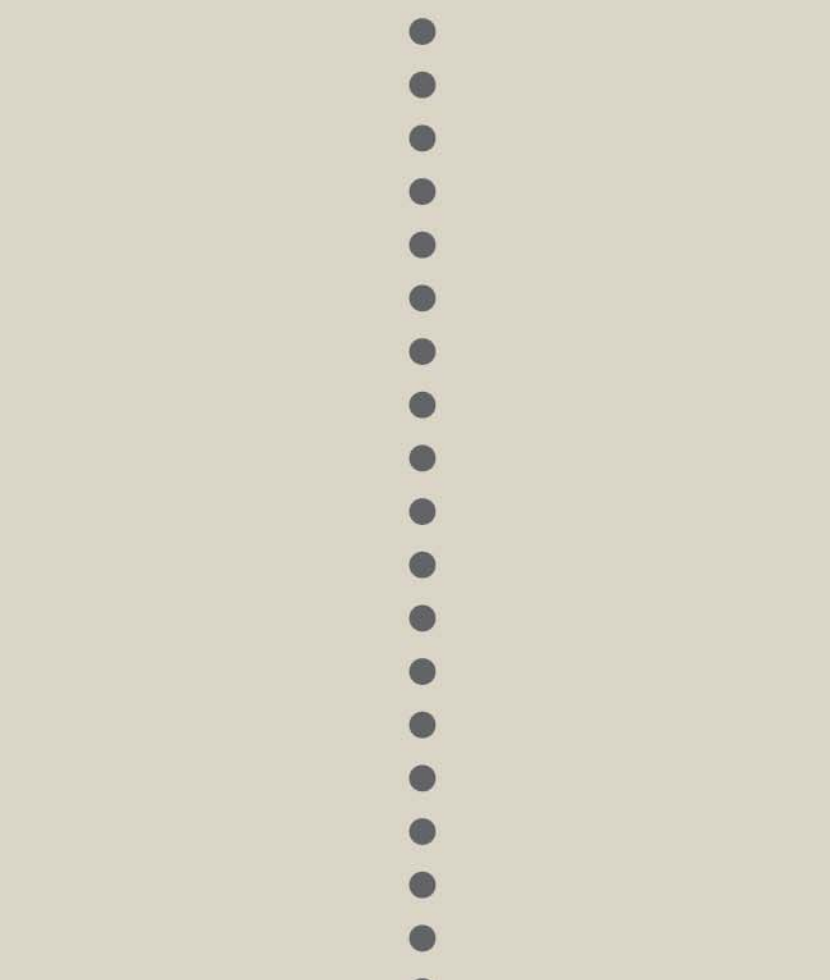
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Environmental Assessments Discontinued



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EIS Initiated for SR20 Canton to Cumming Improvements



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