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# **Unified Planning Work Program for the Valdosta Urbanized Area FY2012**

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**Valdosta-Lowndes**

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**RESOLUTION FY2011-4**  
**VALDOSTA-LOWNDES**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION TO Approve the FY2012 Unified Planning Work Program**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the U.S. Bureau of the Census officially designated Urbanized Area Boundaries established May 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Georgia Regional Commission has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Valdosta-Lowndes Urbanized Area in accordance with Federal requirements of Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code to have a Cooperative, Comprehensive and Continuous transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the MPO conducts federally-required transportation planning activities that will improve the transportation system and help coordinate the area's future growth within the area bounded, at minimum, by the existing Urbanized Area plus the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within the next 20 years; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization's Policy Committee adopts the FY2010 Unified Planning Work Program as required by Title 23 (USC 134 Section 450.308) and pursuant to the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee at a meeting held on March 8, 2011.

  
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Jason Davenport; Planner, Lowndes Co.  
Vice-Chair, Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization

**RESOLUTION FY2011-5**  
**VALDOSTA-LOWNDES**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLUTION TO Amend the FY2012 Unified Planning Work Program**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the U.S. Bureau of the Census officially designated Urbanized Area Boundaries established May 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Georgia Regional Commission has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Valdosta-Lowndes Urbanized Area in accordance with Federal requirements of Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code to have a Cooperative, Comprehensive and Continuous transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the MPO conducts federally-required transportation planning activities that will improve the transportation system and help coordinate the area's future growth within the area bounded, at minimum, by the existing Urbanized Area plus the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, at the request of and in consultation with the Georgia Department of Transportation Intermodal Division, the Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization does amend the FY2012 Unified Planning Work Program to include revised work statements and funding allocations in elements 101, 102, 201, 401, 402, and 404; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization's Policy Committee adopts the FY2010 Unified Planning Work Program as required by Title 23 (USC 134 Section 450.308) and pursuant to the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee at a meeting held on April 27, 2011.



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Jason Davenport; Planner, Lowndes County  
Vice-Chair, Valdosta-Lowndes Metropolitan Planning Organization

## Introduction

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Valdosta – Lowndes Urbanized Area. The MPO is mandated by the Federal Highway Act of 1962 (and subsequent re-authorizations) to perform the transportation planning activities within the urbanized area. The legislation ensures that a “continuing, cooperative and comprehensive” (referred as “3-C”) planning process involving federal, state and local agencies, as well as citizens and other affected stakeholders.

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) lists the planning activities for the coming year and provides fiscal information regarding how the funds will be spent as well as staff responsibilities, goals and objectives. The planning funds are appropriated under the enactment of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU; Public Law 109-59). Under SAFETEA-LU eight (8) planning factors are to be considered by the MPO when developing transportation plans and programs. These are:

- 1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;**
- 2. Increase safety of the transportation System for motorized and non-motorized users;**
- 3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;**

- 4. Increase the accessibility and mobility options available to people and for freight;**
- 5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, and improve quality of life;**
- 6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;**
- 7. Promote efficient system management and operation; and**
- 8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.**

### VLMPPO Organization

The Policy Committee is a forum for cooperative decision making by principal elected and appointed officials of the general purpose local governments and inter-modal transportation providers. The Policy Committee is also responsible for taking into consideration the recommendations from the CAC and the TCC when adopting plans or setting policy. The Policy Committee has final authority in the matters of policy and adoption of plans. The Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) membership includes staff from various federal, state, and local agencies and other associations who have a technical knowledge of transportation or planning. The TCC functions to assure the involvement of all operation departments, advisory agencies, and multi-modal transportation providers involved with the planning process and subsequent implementation of plans. The TCC evaluates transportation plans and projects based on whether or not they are technically warranted and financially feasible.

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) consists of volunteers who are interested in

transportation issues. The CAC is responsible for keeping the Policy Committee informed of the community's perspective and shall also provide information to the community about transportation policies and issues. The CAC ensures that the values and interests of the communities of Lowndes County are taken into consideration in the planning process.

The MPO is composed of three committees: the Policy Committee, the Technical Coordinating Committee, and the Citizens Advisory Committee. The planning structure is displayed in Figure 3. The MPO is a framework from which transportation planning and decision making process is developed. The process involves collaboration among various governmental agencies and units of government and results in a consensus regarding the transportation plans for that urbanized area. Figure 1 displays the Valdosta Urbanized Area and Metropolitan Planning Area.

#### **UPWP Development and Content**

The UPWP lists the transportation studies and tasks to be performed by the MPO staff or a member agency. Because the UPWP reflects local issues and strategic priorities, the contents of UPWPs differ from one metropolitan area to another. The UPWP covers a one- to two-year period. It typically contains several elements:

- The planning tasks (e.g., data collection and analysis, public outreach, and preparation of the plan and Transportation Improvement Program), the supporting studies, and the products that will result from these activities;

- Identifies which SAFETEA-LU Planning Factors are emphasized in each work element (although all planning factors are included in some fashion in each element)
- All federally funded studies as well as all relevant state and local planning activities conducted without federal funds;
- Funding sources identified for each project;
- A schedule of activities; and
- The agency responsible for each task or study.

The Policy Committee, with input from the Citizens Advisory Committee and Technical Coordinating Committee, annually revises and adopts the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) in order to comply with the federal regulations. This Fiscal Year 2012 UPWP describes: (1) the MPO's planning goals and activities; (2) provides cost estimates for each activity; (3) identifies funding sources; and (4) outlines a work schedule for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. The document is organized into four major sections entitled:

- Part I - Program Administration
- Part II - Public Involvement Process
- Part III – Transportation Systems Management
- Part IV - Transportation Plans & Studies

These four sections of the UPWP include information on the parties responsible for carrying out the various planning activities. Defined activities are mostly geared towards the preparation and development of the Transportation Improvement Program and lead to the development and adoption of the Long Range Transportation Plan. Public involvement is an integral part

of this planning process and is a core feature of numerous planning activities throughout the UPWP.

The MPO presently receives funding from two U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) sources: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) planning (PL) funds are used for MPO planning; and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) provides 5303 funds for metropolitan planning. These are distributed contractually under an 80-20% split, of which the Federal portion is 80%, the GDOT matches up to 10% (in FY2012 GDOT is anticipating that they will no longer contribute this 10%, any shortage here will be the responsibility of the local governments), and the City of Valdosta and Lowndes County share the remaining portion which may be as high as 20%, but has traditionally been 10%.

### **FY2012 UPWP Highlights**

Some of the highlights of the work to be completed in FY2012 by the VLMPO include the coordination with GDOT and local governments on the implementation of the Transportation Investment Act of 2010. The MPO will also work with GDOT and other partners to begin analyzing data from the 2010 US Census. VLMPO also continues to work with various local partners on the implementation of a public transit system in the Valdosta Urbanized Area. The MPO also continues to develop outreach activities for the community through our public involvement process and the engagement of the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

The VLMPO will also be playing an integral stakeholder role in the development of a Department of Defense funded traffic impact study for Moody Air Force Base in FY2012. This study will look at the impact of

land use and traffic on Moody Air Force Base and inversely the impact of the traffic generated by Moody AFB on the counties of Berrien, Lanier and Lowndes. This study will make recommendations of future transportation improvements and land use policy changes to increase traffic efficiency and help mitigate encroachment around Moody AFB.

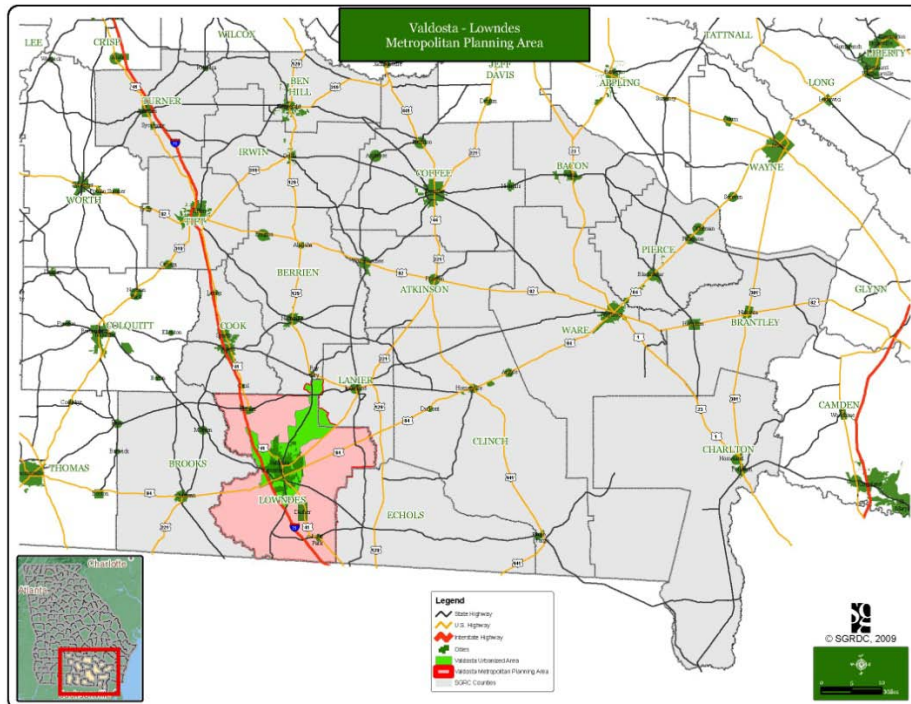
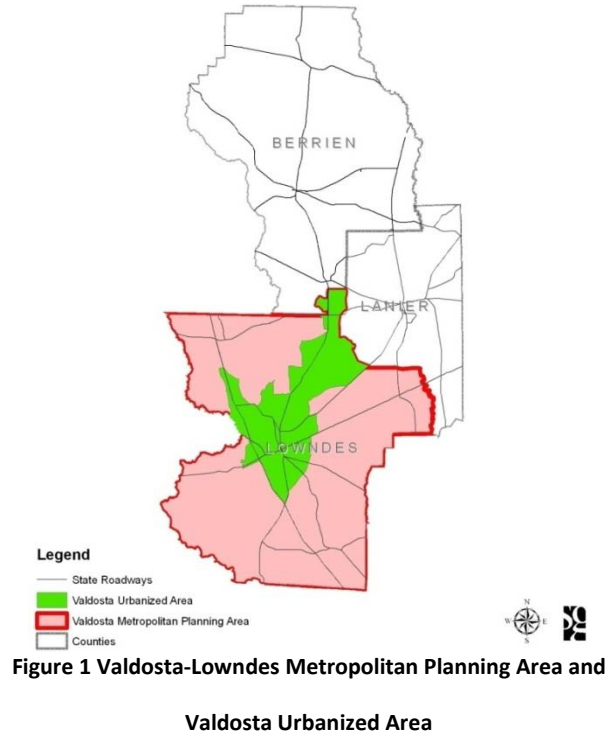
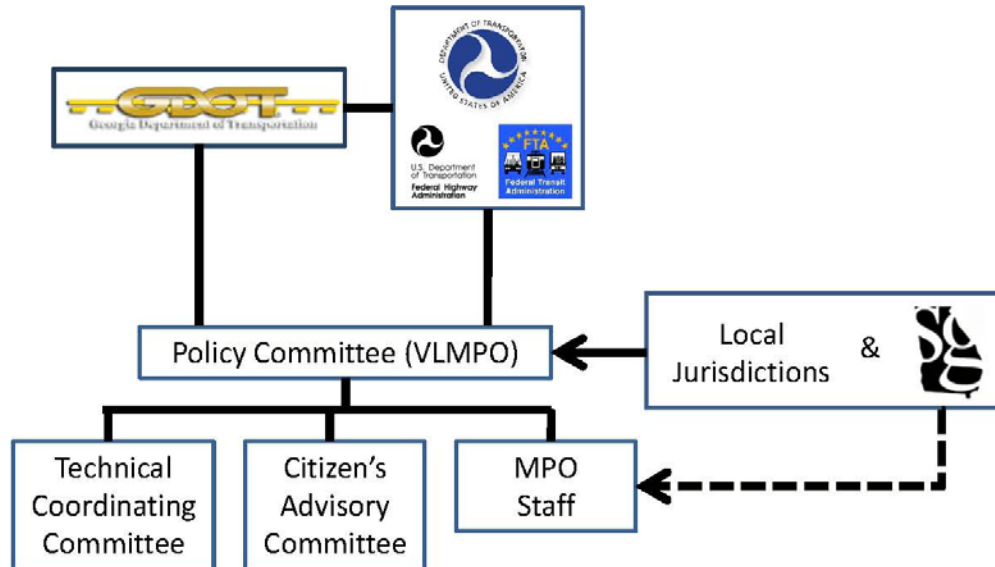


Figure 3 VLMPO Organizational Structure and Committee Membership

# VLMPO Organization Chart



Policy Committee		Citizen's Advisory Committee	
Name	Agency	Name	Agency
John Leonard	Southern Georgia RC	Jim Langdale	Lowndes County
Joe Pritchard	Lowndes County	Bryan Almand	City of Valdosta
Larry Hanson	City of Valdosta	Kenneth Sherrill	City of Lake Park
John Fretti	City of Valdosta	Leggett Lovan	VL Chamber
Ashley Paulk	Lowndes County	Steve Coleman	Lowndes Co. BoE
Vance Smith	GDOT	Tiffanie Williams	Valdosta City BoE
Wayne Bullard	City of Hahira	Ray Sable	Valdosta State Univ.
Rodney Barry	FHWA-GA	Angela Crance	Valdosta Tech. Coll.
Yvette Taylor	FTA Region IV	Brian Childress	City of Valdosta
Robert Jefferson	Citizen's Advisory Comm.	Greg Hall	Lowndes County
		Robert Jefferson	Lowndes County
Technical Coordinating Committee		Bert Chancy	City of Hahira
Name	Agency	Debbie Hobdy	Lowndes County
Patrick Collins	City of Valdosta	W.G. Walker	City of Dasher
Mike Fletcher	Lowndes County	Carroll Griffin	City of Remerton
Marco Trigueros	GDOT Planning	Michael Jetter	Convention Center
Brent Thomas	GDOT District 4	Amanda Peacock	Cntrl. Val. Dev. Auth.
Roger Christie	Lowndes Co. Schools	Brad Lofton	VL Industrial Auth.
Edward Collins	Valdosta City Schools	Col. Clarence Parker	VL Airport Auth.
Patrick Paige	Bike/Ped Advocate	Steven Barnes	Leadership Lowndes
Ann-Marie Day	FHWA-GA	Earl Wetherington	City of Valdosta
Danny Weeks	Lowndes Co. EMA	Brian Geary	City of Valdosta
		Charlie Clark	Lowndes County

# I. Program Administration

## 2012 – 101 / MPO Administration

<b>Objective</b>	To coordinate and conduct the transportation planning activities of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, regulations and requirements.
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## 2012 – 102 / Unified Planning Work Program

<b>Objective</b>	Develop annual work program to guide staff in the transportation planning activities of the MPO as directed by the Policy Committee in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, regulations and requirements.
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## 2012 – 103 / Staff Professional Development

<b>Objective</b>	Develop MPO staff knowledge of transportation planning procedures through relevant workshops, conferences, and seminars.
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## 2012 – 104 / Computer System Acquisition and Technical Assistance

<b>Objective</b>	Acquire relevant computer systems and software and train staff as related to the transportation planning process.
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## 2012 – 101 / MPO Administration

<b>Objective</b>	To coordinate and conduct the transportation planning activities of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws regulations and requirements.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All (44.21.00)		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Completed Quarterly Reports, Annual Completion Reports FY03-10, Meetings with MPO Committees		
<b>Work Description</b>	Maintain proper records as required under the PL contract, 5303 and any other contracts administered by the MPO, includes preparation of budgets, financial records, reimbursement requests and an annual performance report. Coordinate MPO Committee meetings and overall transportation planning efforts in the Region. Continue to work with GAMPO and other state and national organizations on the role of MPOs in statewide and metropolitan transportation planning. Continue to work with GDOT and surrounding jurisdictions to develop a comprehensive, coordinated and continuous regional transportation planning process. Work with other SGRC staff to ensure compliance with FTA regulations regarding DBE and other procurement policies. Coordinate a balanced and comprehensive approach to transportation planning across all modes including highway, public transit (urban and rural), bike and pedestrian, freight and others for the movement of goods and people to meet the needs of the region. Coordination efforts shall include not only surface transportation planning, but also encompass the relationships among land use and all transportation modes.		
<b>Products</b>	Quarterly Reports (Due Oct. 30th; Jan. 30th; April 30th; and July 30th) that include invoices and written status reports for submission to GDOT. An updated Annual Completion Report (Due August 31st).		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 101 / MPO Administration					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$27,423.07	\$ -	\$ 6,855.77	\$ 34,278.84
5303 Planning	FTA	\$21,800.00	\$ -	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 27,250.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$49,223.07</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$12,305.77</b>	<b>\$ 61,528.84</b>

## 2012 – 102 / Unified Planning Work Program

<b>Objective</b>	Develop annual work program to guide staff in the transportation planning activities of the MPO as directed by the Policy Committee in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, regulations and requirements.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All (44.21.00)		
<b>Previous Work</b>	FY 2011 UPWP, Quarterly Reports, Annual Completion Report		
<b>Work Description</b>	The UPWP is an annual document that includes a brief description of tasks, work products, responsible agencies, and identifies the funding sources to accomplish planning efforts. MPO staff will draft a FY2013 UPWP by February 2012 for review by GDOT/FHWA. The Final UPWP will be reviewed by the TCC and CAC which then recommends it to the Policy Committee for adoption (by March 2012). Develop a UPWP and work tasks that promote and analyze all modes of transportation including alternative modes such as bike and pedestrian and public transit.		
<b>Products</b>	FY 2013 UPWP, Quarterly Reports, Annual Completion Report		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 102 / Unified Planning Work Program					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 3,427.88	\$ -	\$ 856.97	\$ 4,284.86
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total		\$ 4,227.88	\$ -	\$ 1,056.97	\$ 5,284.86

## 2012 – 103 / Staff Professional Development

<b>Objective</b>	Develop MPO staff knowledge of transportation planning procedures through relevant workshops, conferences, and seminars.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Various training courses and conferences. Past courses include GOHS, Title VI, GTA, GPA, and others.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>To provide continued education and training for MPO staff that will enable the MPO to effectively carry out the planning process in the Greater Valdosta - Lowndes Urbanized Area. Some of the conferences the staff may attend are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Georgia or Florida Planning Conferences - 700</li> <li>• Georgia Transit Association Conference – 500</li> <li>• APA National Planning Conference – 2500</li> <li>• TRB Annual Meeting – 2000</li> <li>• GAMPO Annual Conference – 500</li> <li>• AMPO National Conference – 1500</li> <li>• GA Highway Safety Conference – 700</li> <li>• GA ITS Annual Conference – 500</li> <li>• NARC or NADO National Conference – 2000</li> </ul> <p>Attendance at other meetings and events not listed here shall also be considered eligible. Other out of state travel not listed here will require advance permission from GDOT. For in state travel as requested by GDOT or FHWA for conferences or training shall not require advance permission. Consider training for Cube software package in cooperation with GAMPO and GDOT.</p> <p>MPO will continue membership in AMPO, and will consider other association memberships as needed. Provide staff with necessary training to operate software and produce data and analysis relative to the needs of the MPO.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	Staff enrichment and training. In cooperation with GAMPO develop statewide.		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 103 / Staff Continuing Education and Professional Development					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$11,426.28	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	\$ 14,282.85
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$11,426.28</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,856.57</b>	<b>\$ 14,282.85</b>

## 2012 – 104 / Computer System Acquisition and Technical Assistance

<b>Objective</b>	Acquire relevant computer systems and software and train staff as related to the transportation planning process.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Upgraded to latest versions of ArcView GIS software purchased Adobe Creative Suite for advanced visualization purposes. Purchased Synchro 6. Acquired Cube 5. Purchase of video conferencing system.		
<b>Work Description</b>	This element allows the SGRDC to purchase computer systems and software for ITS and GIS activities relative to the MPO planning process. Update and/or purchase Arc GIS, Arc View, CUBE 5, CORSIM, Synchro and other transportation related software packages as needed. Consider purchasing upgrades to Cube 5 traffic modeling software in coordination with GDOT and other GAMPO members. Provide staff with necessary training to operate software and produce data and analysis relative to the needs of the MPO. Coordinate purchases of computer systems, software and training with GDOT.		
<b>Products</b>	Traffic Impact Analysis Software and training		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 104 / Computer System Acquisition and Technical Assistance					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 2,285.26	\$ -	\$ 571.31	\$ 2,856.57
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 2,285.26</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 571.31</b>	<b>\$ 2,856.57</b>

## II. Public Involvement Process

### 2012 – 201 / Public Involvement Program

<b>Objective</b>	To implement a Participation Plan (PP) that outlines the goals of the MPO and opportunities for interaction amongst units of government and the public as they relate to the planning process.
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## 2012 – 201 / Public Involvement Program

<b>Objective</b>	To implement the Participation Plan (PP) that outlines the goals of the VLMPO and opportunities for interaction amongst units of government and the public as they relate to the planning process.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All (44.21.00)		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Adopted new Public Involvement Plan in 2007 and 2010, to make it SAFETEA-LU compliant and provide updates. Developed new website at <a href="http://www.sgrdc.com/transportation">www.sgrdc.com/transportation</a> . Continued to improve the efforts of Citizen’s Committee through innovative participation efforts. Developed new social media outreach activities.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>To effectively obtain input concerning the MPO planning process through a framework encouraging public participation. MPO plans will be developed in consultation with local, state, and federal agencies to ensure intergovernmental coordination. Review and update the Public Participation Plan as appropriate.</p> <p>Continue to engage the Citizen’s Advisory Committee through innovative and new public involvement techniques to increase participation. Continue previous efforts of SGRC to engage the Greater Lowndes Growth Advisory Committee as a resource for community input for the MPO, SGRC, Greater Lowndes Planning Commission, Lowndes County, Valdosta, Remerton, Hahira, Dasher, and Lake Park.</p> <p>Continue to work on transit implementation and services through public marketing and outreach and education. Continue to support existing public transit systems through marketing, outreach and education in efforts to increase ridership and awareness.</p> <p>Continue to maintain and update websites and documents for public consumption with the most recent and relevant data. Continue to develop visualization tools and techniques to better communicate MPO plans, programs, and public involvement.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	Updates to website and implementation of Public Participation Plan. Conduct public meetings on any updates to TIP and other planning efforts in the UPWP.		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

<b>2012 - 201 / Public Participation</b>					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 9,141.02	\$ -	\$ 2,285.26	\$ 11,426.28
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total		\$ 9,941.02	\$ -	\$ 2,485.26	\$ 12,426.28

### III. Transportation Systems Management

#### 2012 – 301 / Transportation Systems Management

<b>Objective</b>	Promote the safety, security, preservation, maintenance, and operations of the existing transportation system through the integration and connectivity of modes, for people and freight.
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## 2012 – 301 / Transportation Systems Management

<b>Objective</b>	Promote the safety, security, preservation, maintenance, and operations of the existing transportation system through the integration and connectivity of modes, for people and freight. Provide data for local and state officials to implement programs to improve the overall safety and efficiency of the transportation system.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Compiling data sources from various agencies to integrate into GIS to identify deficiencies and develop interim plans to improve the transportation system. 2009 Freight Movement Study. Annual Crash Report 2009-2011.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>Incorporate traffic management and other strategies to improve system efficiency into MPO plans. Consider the development of an Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) plan for Valdosta UZA. Continue to integrate freight and goods movement into long range and short range planning efforts; including development of LRTP/TIP projects and policies. Continue to review and update previous freight planning efforts (2009 Freight Movement Study). Continue to work with local and regional transit providers in developing Coordinated Transit Plans. Continue to develop alternative transportation methods and facilities like bike and pedestrian paths. Research and develop in cooperation with local public agencies, GDOT and FHWA bike safety programs and materials for school-aged children. Work with local communities to develop bike/ped funding opportunities and plans through TE, SRTS, GATEway, and other state and federal programs. Continue to actively participate in the Valdosta Chamber's Gateway Planning Committee.</p> <p>In cooperation with GDOT, FHWA and US Census Bureau complete TAZ delineation for 5-year CTPP data products, for all counties included within the Metropolitan Planning Area.</p> <p>Develop GIS layers as needed for better and more integrated land use and transportation planning. Consider, in consultation with GDOT, local public agencies and FHWA to develop comprehensive traffic count database for better use in developing local and state projects. Consider developing public website to display transportation and economic development related data and TIP and LRTP projects. Continue to develop annual crash report and crash data to identify potential safety projects. See also section 403 Special Studies.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	Enhanced interface (related to importing spreadsheets, tables, etc.) for traffic data with ITS components, travel demand model data, and GIS platforms. Develop and distribute annual Crash Report, freight and Bike/Ped Safety Information.		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO/Consultant		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

<b>2012 - 301 / Transportation Systems Management</b>					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 39,991.98	\$ -	\$ 9,998.00	\$ 49,989.98
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total		\$ 39,991.98	\$ -	\$ 9,998.00	\$ 49,989.98

## IV. Transportation Plans and Studies

### 2012 – 401 / Transportation Improvement Program

<b>Objective</b>	Develop a fiscally constrained Transportation Improvement Program in cooperation with local and state planning partners.
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### 2012 – 402 / Long Range Transportation Plan

<b>Objective</b>	Develop and maintain a 20-year horizon fiscally responsible long range transportation plan.
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### 2012 – 403 / Special Transportation Studies

<b>Objective</b>	To develop an overall integrated and coordinated transportation network in the Valdosta Urbanized Area.
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### 2012 – 404 / Land Use Planning

<b>Objective</b>	Development and review of local transportation plans and comprehensive plan elements and review/development of traffic impact analyses that are associated with land-use and zoning and directly affect or are affected by transportation plans of the MPO.
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## 2012 – 401 / Transportation Improvement Program

<b>Objective</b>	Develop and maintain a fiscally constrained Transportation Improvement Program in cooperation with local and state planning partners.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	1, 6, 7, 8 (44.25.00)		
<b>Previous Work</b>	FY2011-14 TIP and other TIPs.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>Update the existing TIP to include new projects and delete projects that have been completed.</p> <p>Assist GDOT and local public agencies in developing projects in the TIP throughout the year, including processing TIP amendments and attending meetings with GDOT and local governments regarding projects in the TIP. Coordinate the development of the TIP to include projects for all modes of transportation.</p> <p>Consider development of project tracking program to provide Policy and Technical Committee representative's information about project development and timelines. Provide technical support for projects within the TIP and LRTP. Develop a project database that is compatible with GIS and web interfaces.</p> <p>Continue to work with the City of Valdosta in the prioritization and implementation of projects, plans and policies identified in the City of Valdosta Transportation Master Plan.</p> <p>Continue to work with GDOT and local transportation partners on the implementation of the Transportation Investment Act of 2010. Attend meeting and conduct analysis where needed to select and prioritize projects for implementation of this law.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	FY2012-2015 TIP		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO and GDOT		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 401 / Transportation Improvement Program					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 6,855.77	\$ -	\$ 1,713.94	\$ 8,569.71
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00
Total		\$ 7,655.77	\$ -	\$ 1,913.94	\$ 9,569.71

## 2012 – 402 / Long Range Transportation Plan

<b>Objective</b>	Develop and maintain a 20-year horizon fiscally responsible long range transportation plan. Develop data for ongoing long range planning efforts.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Development of Metro 2030 Transportation Plan and 2035 Transportation Plan.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>Maintain and amend as needed the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan. Work with USDOT, GDOT and possibly FDOT when new census socio-economic information is released or needed in the development of the Travel Demand Model (TDM). Modify TDM in cooperation with GDOT to include new projects when needed. Continue to work with local governments and GDOT to develop project prioritization for projects in the LRTP. Provide technical support for projects within the TIP and LRTP. Continue to work with the US Census Bureau to ensure proper implementation and review of Census 2010 data locally including block, block group, tract, and TAZ revisions. Consider developing TAZs for counties into which the Urban Area may be expanding into based on 2010 Census data and the growth of the Valdosta Metropolitan Area into areas including but not limited to Brooks, Cook, Berrien, and Lanier Counties in Georgia and Hamilton and Madison Counties in Florida. Work with GDOT, FHWA, and Census Bureau to delineate TAZs based on new 2010 Census information. Develop GIS layers and models needed for development of land use patterns for travel demand model. Continue to coordinate with local public transportation providers to promote public transit.</p> <p>In cooperation with GDOT, FHWA and US Census Bureau complete TAZ delineation for 5-year CTPP data products, for all counties included within the Metropolitan Planning Area.</p> <p>Work with various stakeholders to participate in the completion of a traffic impact and land use study for Moody Air Force Base and the surrounding areas. Includes the development of a TDF Model, data gathering, socio-economic data preparation, and improvement recommendations to be included in future TIPs and LRTPs. This project will be funded by the Department of Defense.</p> <p>Work with GDOT, FHWA and surrounding jurisdictions to continue to develop and maintain a comprehensive, coordinated and continuous regional transportation plan. Continue to work with GDOT and local transportation partners on the implementation of the Transportation Investment Act of 2010. Attend meeting and conduct analysis where needed to select and prioritize projects for implementation of this law, amending the LRTP as needed.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	2035 Transportation Plan		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO and GDOT		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 402 / Long Range Transportation Plan					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 2,285.26	\$ -	\$ 571.31	\$ 2,856.57
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total		\$ 2,285.26	\$ -	\$ 571.31	\$ 2,856.57

## 2012 – 403 / Special Transportation Studies

<b>Objective</b>	To conduct a planning level analysis of alternatives to resolves issues with truck traffic in downtown Valdosta.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	All		
<b>Previous Work</b>	2009 Freight Movement Study, Transit Service Plan, Valdosta-Lowndes Bike/Ped Master Plan, Transit Implementation Plan		
<b>Work Description</b>	Continue to explore funding for and consider obtaining consultant services to conduct a planning level alternatives analysis of suggested solutions to issues of truck traffic in downtown Valdosta. Analysis would involve evaluation of the 'Western Perimeter', 'South Bypass', and 'Savannah Avenue' alternatives and any others that might be reasonable to relieve through truck traffic and congestion in downtown Valdosta. This would be a two fiscal year project so costs can be spread out over two budget cycles. This alternative analysis would recommend a project that would be evaluated by MPO committees for possible inclusion in the next LRTP update in 2015. MPO staff will work with local planning partners to develop funding sources for this project. This project may be consolidated with work element 301.		
<b>Products</b>	Alternatives Analysis Report and/or Study		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO/Consultant		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 403 / Special Studies - Transit Implementation					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5307 Planning	FTA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

## 2012 – 404 / Land Use Planning

<b>Objective</b>	Development and review of local transportation plans and comprehensive plan elements and review/development of traffic impact analyses that are associated with land-use and zoning and directly affect or are affected by transportation plans of the MPO.		
<b>Planning Factors</b>	1, 5, 6, 7, 8 (44.22.00)		
<b>Previous Work</b>	Staff developed the transportation section of the of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan. Staff assisted in the development of a future land use map and five year short term plans for each municipality in Lowndes County.		
<b>Work Description</b>	<p>Coordinate with local planning staff to review local land-use developments (e.g. zoning requests, subdivision plats, and commercial development) and affects to the transportation infrastructure. Review plans' compatibility with transportation plans.</p> <p>Continue previous efforts of SGRC to engage the Greater Lowndes Growth Advisory Committee as a resource for community input for the MPO, SGRC, Greater Lowndes Planning Commission, Lowndes County, Valdosta, Remerton, Hahira, Dasher, and Lake Park.</p> <p>Provide technical assistance to local land use planners and engineers on planning topics related to the integration of transportation and land use, including: access management, transit oriented development, etc. Continue to coordinate with local land use planning agencies and analyze local land use plans and patterns and their impact on all modes of transportation (also, conversely analyze the impact of all modes of transportation on land use).</p> <p>Continue to work with GDOT, FHWA and surrounding jurisdictions to continue to develop a comprehensive, coordinated and continuous regional transportation plan.</p>		
<b>Products</b>	Comprehensive planning process that provide a cohesive framework that links land-use plans to regional transportation needs of today as well as a continued vision toward the future.		
<b>Agency</b>	Southern Georgia Regional Commission/VLMPO		
<b>Start/End Dates</b>	Start:	July 1, 2011	End: June 30, 2012

2012 - 404 / Land Use Planning					
Funding Source	Agency	Federal \$	State \$	Local \$	Total \$
MPO PL	FHWA	\$ 11,426.28	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	\$ 14,282.85
5303 Planning	FTA	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 12,226.28</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,056.57</b>	<b>\$ 15,282.85</b>



## FY2012 UPWP Summary Reports

FY2012 Valdosta-Lowndes MPO UPWP Budget Summary Report											
Work Element	FHWA PL				FHWA Total	FTA 5303/07			FTA 5303/07 Total	Total	
	Federal \$	%	State \$	Local \$		Federal \$	State \$	Local \$			
101 Administration	\$ 27,423.07	24%	\$ -	\$ 6,855.77	\$ 34,278.84	\$ 21,800.00	\$ -	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 27,250.00	\$ 61,528.84	
102 UPWP	\$ 3,427.88	3%	\$ -	\$ 856.97	\$ 4,284.86	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,284.86	
103 Staff Education	\$ 11,426.28	10%	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	\$ 14,282.85	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,282.85	
104 Computer Systems	\$ 2,285.26	2%	\$ -	\$ 571.31	\$ 2,856.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	
201 Public Participation	\$ 9,141.02	8%	\$ -	\$ 2,285.26	\$ 11,426.28	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,426.28	
301 Transportation Systems	\$ 39,991.98	35%	\$ -	\$ 9,998.00	\$ 49,989.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,989.98	
401 TIP	\$ 6,855.77	6%	\$ -	\$ 1,713.94	\$ 8,569.71	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 9,569.71	
402 Long Range Planning	\$ 2,285.26	2%	\$ -	\$ 571.31	\$ 2,856.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	
403 Special Studies	\$ -	0%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
404 Land Use Planning	\$ 11,426.28	10%	\$ -	\$ 2,856.57	\$ 14,282.85	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 15,282.85	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 114,262.81</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 28,565.70</b>	<b>\$ 142,828.51</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,250.00</b>	<b>\$ 31,250.00</b>	<b>\$ 174,078.51</b>	
FY11 Carryover											
Carryover Programmed											
FY12 Allocation	\$ 114,262.81					\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,250.00			
Available	\$ 114,262.81		\$ -	\$ 28,565.70	\$ 142,828.51	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 31,250.00	\$ 174,078.51	
Programmed	\$ 114,262.81		\$ -	\$ 28,565.70	\$ 142,828.51	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,250.00	\$ 31,250.00	\$ 174,078.51	
Difference	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Carryover Remaining	\$ -										

FHWA PL = Federal Highway Administration Metropolitan Planning Funds; FTA 5303 = Federal Transit Administration Metropolitan Planning Funds

This table shows a summary of the different funding sources for planning by the VLMPPO in the Valdosta-Lowndes MPO Metropolitan Planning Area. Federal funds are matched at an 80% Federal, 20% local match (State may cover 10%); any funding participation from GDOT will reduce the local commitment by same amount. The local match is split evenly between the City of Valdosta and Lowndes County.

At this time the FY2011 Carryover amount has not been finalized. The FY11 Carryover will be amended into the UPWP after the FY2011 books have been closed.



