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GDOT announces three awards for TIA funded projects in Richmond, Montgomery and Laurens counties

The Georgia Department of Transportation has awarded three more contracts for construction projects under Band 1 of the Transportation Investment Act (TIA) that will benefit the Heart of Georgia Altamaha (HOGA) and Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) regions. TIA is a \$1.6 billion investment that provides additional funds for local governments to provide much needed rehabilitation and repairs to transportation infrastructure.

In the CSRA, a \$9,290,574.30 was given to Beam's Contracting for a major project in Richmond County. The project will include 8.6 miles of construction of a median barrier, milling and plant mix resurfacing on State Route 104 (Riverwatch Parkway) beginning at 15th ST (CR 1499) and extending to the Columbia County line. The project is slated for completion by July 31, 2016.

Douglas, Ga. based contractor East Coast Asphalt was awarded two projects in the HOGA region. The first totaling \$1,251,216.00 is for work in Montgomery County that will include 7.258 miles of plant mix resurfacing and shoulder rehabilitation on Thompson Pond Road beginning at the Treutlen County line and extending to the Toombs County line, and has a June 30, 2016 completion date. The company's second award of \$873,955.45 will fund intersection improvements in Laurens County on US 80/State Road 19/26 at Hodges Street, to be completed by June 30, 2016.

Forty-six counties and their respective cities comprise the three regional districts that approved the TIA referendum in July 2012. Cumulatively, they are expected to self-generate approximately \$1.6 Billion in new revenue dedicated to local transportation improvements. All projects were selected by regional commission roundtables of local elected officials after much public input. Seventy-five percent of the revenues will be utilized for the construction of these roundtable pre-selected projects while the remaining 25 percent will be disbursed to the regions' governments each month on a predetermined formula basis for discretionary use on local transportation-related efforts. For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit www.dot.ga.gov or you also may follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/transportationinvestmentact) and Twitter (<https://twitter.com/TIAatGDOT>).