

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is a Metropolitan Planning Organization’s (MPO) work program that describes what planning work activities the MPO will perform during fiscal year (FY) 2024 which operates from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. All Metropolitan Planning Organizations are required to maintain a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in the development of plans and programs. All plans and programs developed, including the UPWP, are prepared in compliance with all federal and state requirements and regulations.

This UPWP will guide transportation planning activities, report on previous work efforts, provide financial information, identify roles and responsibilities, and provide the guidance for the MPO to implement the adopted goals and objectives and annual planning priorities of the Brunswick Area Transportation Study (BATS), which is the designated MPO. These annual planning priorities are based upon the previously established goals and objectives, which are contained in the BATS Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

## WHAT IS THE MPO PLANNING AREA?

Glynn County was designated an urbanized area by the Federal government following the 1990 US Census, which led to the establishment of the BATS MPO. According to Federal law, the transportation planning process must be carried out by MPOs for designated urbanized areas that exceed a population of 50,000, as well as the area expected to become urbanized within the next 20 years. The Lead Planning Agency, responsible for the BATS planning process is the Glynn County Planning Department. In addition, GDOT provides technical support to, and coordinates with, the MPO throughout the transportation planning process.

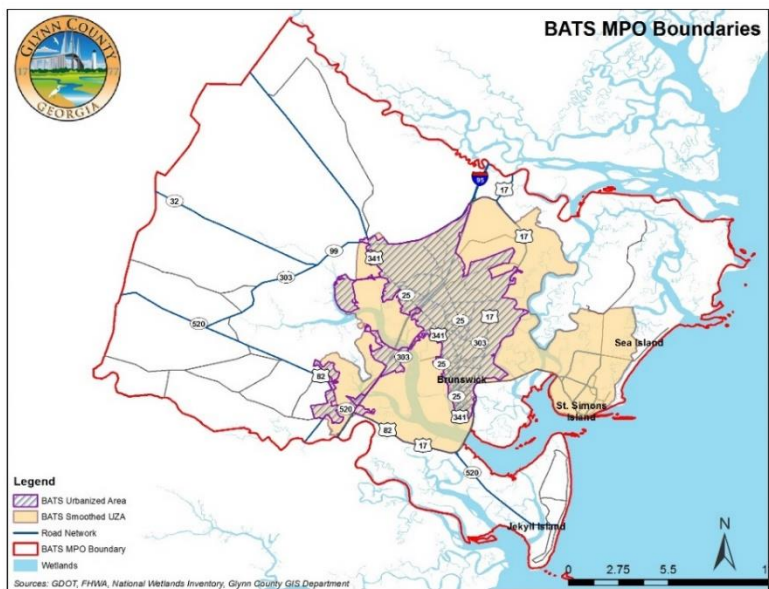
## FY 2023 Accomplishments-Highlights

- Sea Island Road at Dunbar Creek Bridge/Corridor Study - Underway

## FY 2024 Planning Priorities

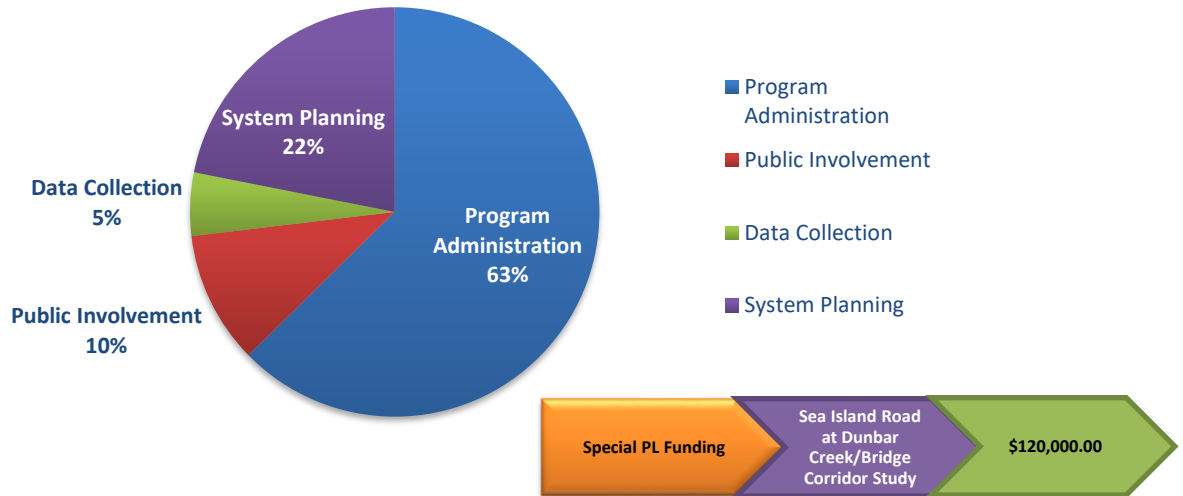
In addition, 23 CFR 450.308 (d) requires a detailed discussion of priorities in the MPO area for the next fiscal year. The following is a list of the planning priorities for the BATS during the 2024 fiscal year:

- Utilize the 2020 U.S. Census results to update all relevant planning and organizational documents where applicable.
- Update the current FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- MPO staff will continue preparation for the BATS 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) update.
- MPO staff will continue preparing for tri-annual self-certification review.
- In FY 2023, MPO staff will continue prioritizing equity in the transportation planning process.
- Monitoring and completing the Sea Island Road at Dunbar Creek Bridge/Corridor special PL funding project.
- Maintenance of administrative documents and standard operating procedures for the BATS MPO.



FY 2024 BUDGET SUMMARY

FY 2024 Estimated Federal Cost



FY 2024 UPWP SCHEDULE

FY 2024 UPWP Schedule of Activities	Jul-Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Develop Draft UPWP with BATS Input for Planning Activities	█								
TCC/CAC Review of Draft and Recommendation to PC		█							
PC Review of Draft and Release for 30-day Public Comment			█						
30-day Public Comment Period			█	█					
Review and Incorporation of Public/Agency Comments					█				
TCC/CAC Review of Final Draft UPWP and Recommendation to PC						█			
PC Approval of FY 2024 UPWP and Transmittal to GDOT/FHWA							█		
FHWA Approves adopted FY 2024 and Issues Certification								█	█

**\*FY 2023 MPO activities are still underway and will be incorporated prior to the completion of the final FY 2024 UPWP document for adoption\***

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