



Commuter Rail Update

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Commuter Rail Action Steps

- *Revise and Execute ATL – LJV Agreement with NS*
- ✓ *Extend Georgia Rail Consultant Contract (GRC)*
- *Transfer the W&A Lease to GDOT (Dedicated Fund Source?)*
- ✓ *Investment Banking / Funding*
- *Select Representatives for Station Locations*
- *Designate an Operator (NS, GRTA, AMTRAK, etc?)*
- *Identify Entity to Assume Former GRPA Role*
 - *Oversight of Passenger Service Operations*
 - *Own/Maintain Equipment*
 - *Operate Stations*

✓ Extend Georgia Rail Consultant Agreement

❖ *Agreement Was Extended (Time only)*

➤ GRC Tasks Underway per Agreement

- ❖ *MMPT Track Survey/Drawings*
 - *Required for Track Design Into MMPT*
- ❖ *Developing Detailed Implementation Plan For Commuter Rail(60 days from NTP)*
- ❖ *Performing Rail Capacity Analysis/With CSX (Expected February 2009)*

✓ Investment Banking / Funding

- ❖ *Working with Planning, Financial Management, Policy Analyst and GRC to Confirm Available Commuter Rail Funding*

Other Actions Taken

- ❖ *Met With Central Atlanta Progress to Discuss Information/ Data related to MMPT Development and Proposed Green Line*

Next Steps

- ❖ *Finalize, Coordinate and Get Concurrence on Detailed Implementation Plan*
- ❖ *Final Determination of Available Funds*
 - *Federal and State Match*
- ❖ *FTA Has Been Contacted to Schedule Meeting Regarding Environmental Updates and ADA Requirements*
- ❖ *Conduct Interviews for Intermodal Division Director (In Progress)*