

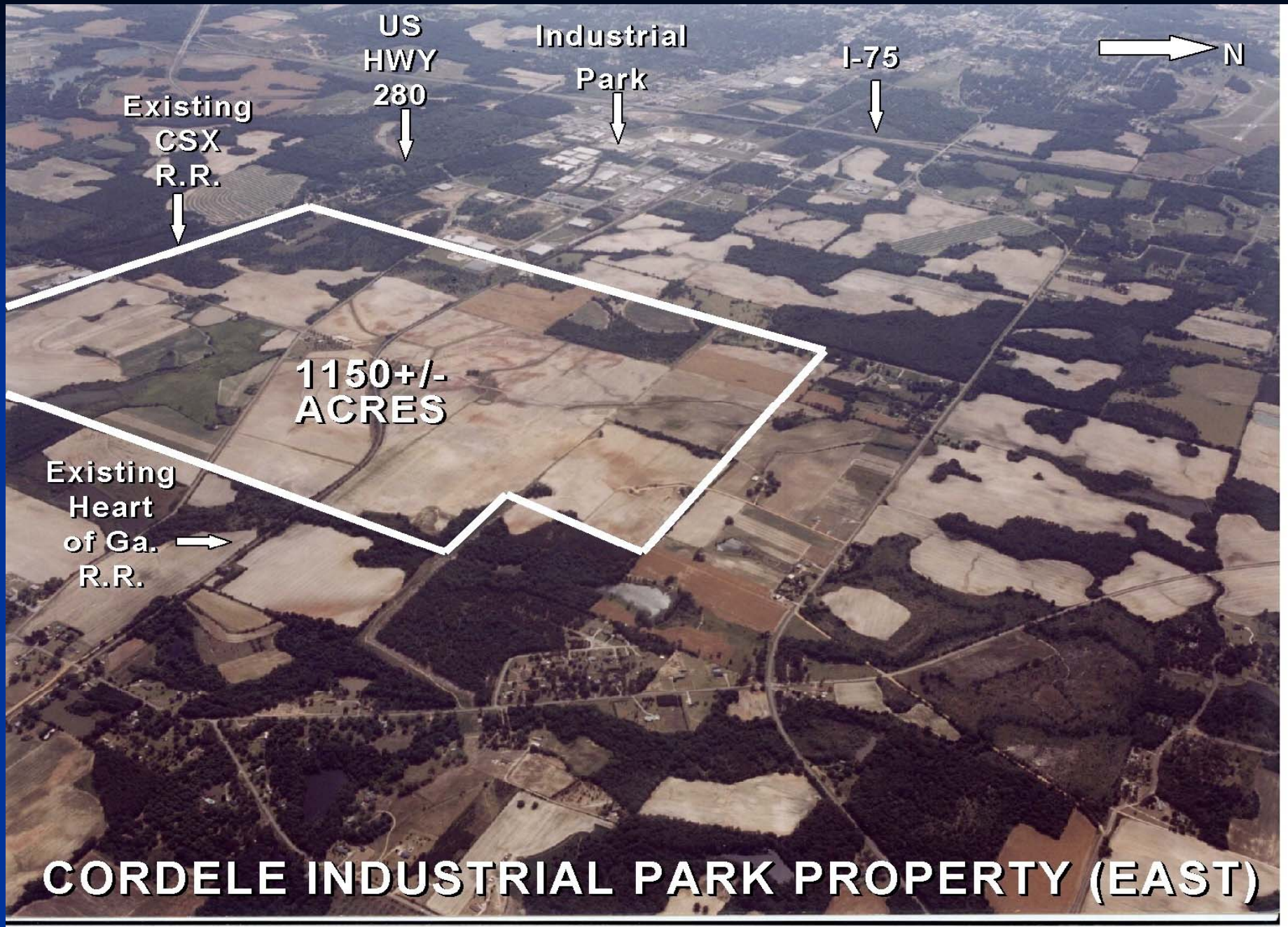


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To improve shipping services to and from firms in southwest Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, & the panhandle of Florida, an intermodal center or inland port has been proposed for Cordele and linked to the Savannah port by rail using the Heart of Georgia and Georgia Central railroads.





Existing  
CSX  
R.R.

US  
HWY  
280

Industrial  
Park

I-75

N

1150+/-  
ACRES

Existing  
Heart  
of Ga.  
R.R.

**CORDELE INDUSTRIAL PARK PROPERTY (EAST)**

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**CORDELE -CRISP COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

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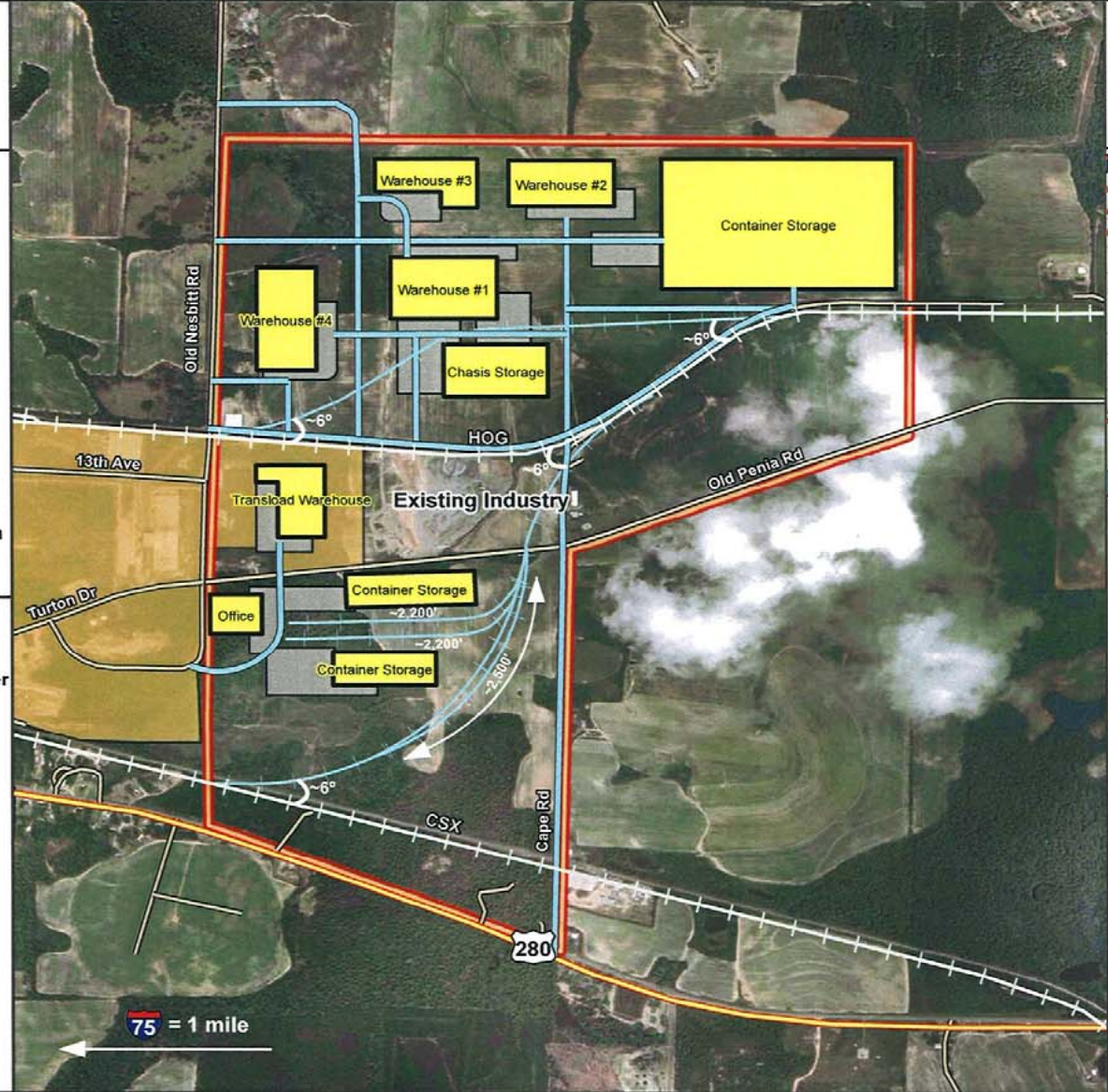
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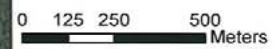
- Cordele Intermodal Center
- Potential Buildings
- Potential Parking
- Potential Transportation**
- Railroad
- Road
- Existing Transportation**
- Interstates
- Highways
- Secondary Roads
- Roads
- Railroad
- Cordele City Limits
- Savannah Port



Location  
**GEORGIA**  
A Service of MEAG Power



**1 in = 158 miles**



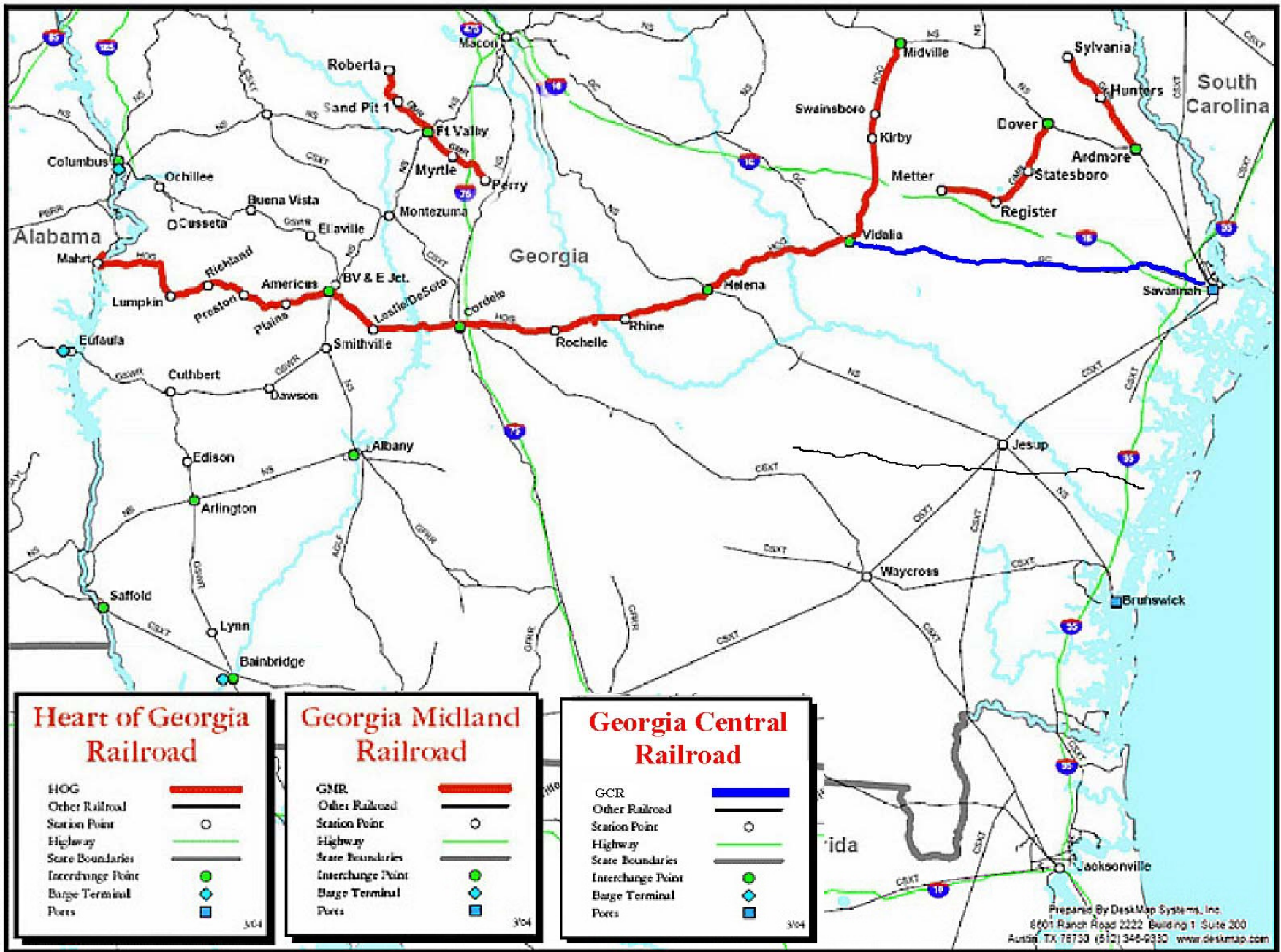
*Disclaimer: This map illustrates a General Overview of the development of property for discussion purposes only.*

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# Why is this intermodal center important?



- Improves shipping services in Southwest Georgia, panhandle of Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi.
- A large percentage of GPA's TEUs originate or terminate in these areas
- Allows 4 TEUs to be railed to Cordele for the same cost of trucking one TEU the same distance
- Reduces truck traffic congestion at the port and on the highways
- Will aid in the reduction of harmful air emissions

# The Environmental Benefit

- **The Problem:**

**Port area residents carry unfair environmental burdens, especially increased road congestion and reduced air quality**

- **One Solution:**

**Use rail to rapidly move containers from marine terminals to remote intermodal yards & adopt rail as the most efficient & environmentally responsive way to move marine freight to its final inland destination**

*“In fiscal year 2007 alone, 235,000 TEUs were moved by rail on this terminal (Savannah). We estimate that this traffic reduced emissions by more than 90,000 tons of harmful particulate matter. And, we expect to move even more containers by rail in the months and years to come.”*

– Wilson Tillotson, GPA’s Director of Engineering and Maintenance, Anchor Age 2008

# How will this benefit Georgia?

- Full access to the new facility for intermodal use
- New rail capacity in Cordele and Savannah for interchange and operations
- Provide companies in AL, MS, & FL with a competitive advantage using Savannah versus Mobile.
- A regional effort to remove thousands of trucks off the highway
- Creation of jobs in South & Southwest Georgia
- Potential to attract large distribution & warehousing projects



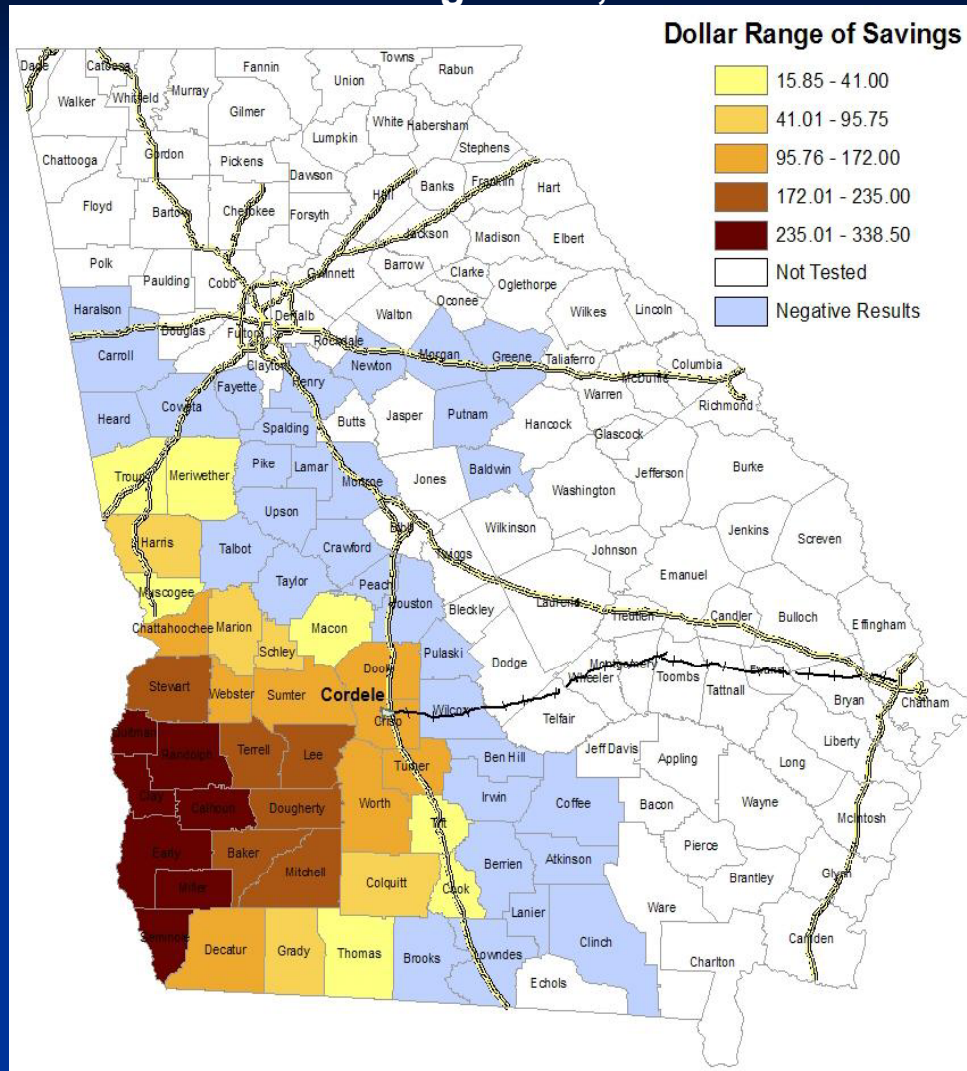
**Will this project compete with  
current business?**

**NO!**

Georgia Tech Cordele Inland Port Feasibility Study found

*“Although many markets realize cost savings using the proposed Cordele facility, for a few cities the Cordele facility is not price competitive under the assumptions of this study. Those cities significantly farther from Cordele and closer to Austell, such as Carrollton, displayed a cost increase. This is because areas around Atlanta may be better served through the intermodal facilities in the Atlanta metro region.”*

## Change in Total Cost Between CIP and Current Practices: Lower-Bound Trucking Costs, 40-Foot Containers



**“The map clearly suggests that the inland port in Cordele may be most competitive in the southwestern region of Georgia.”**

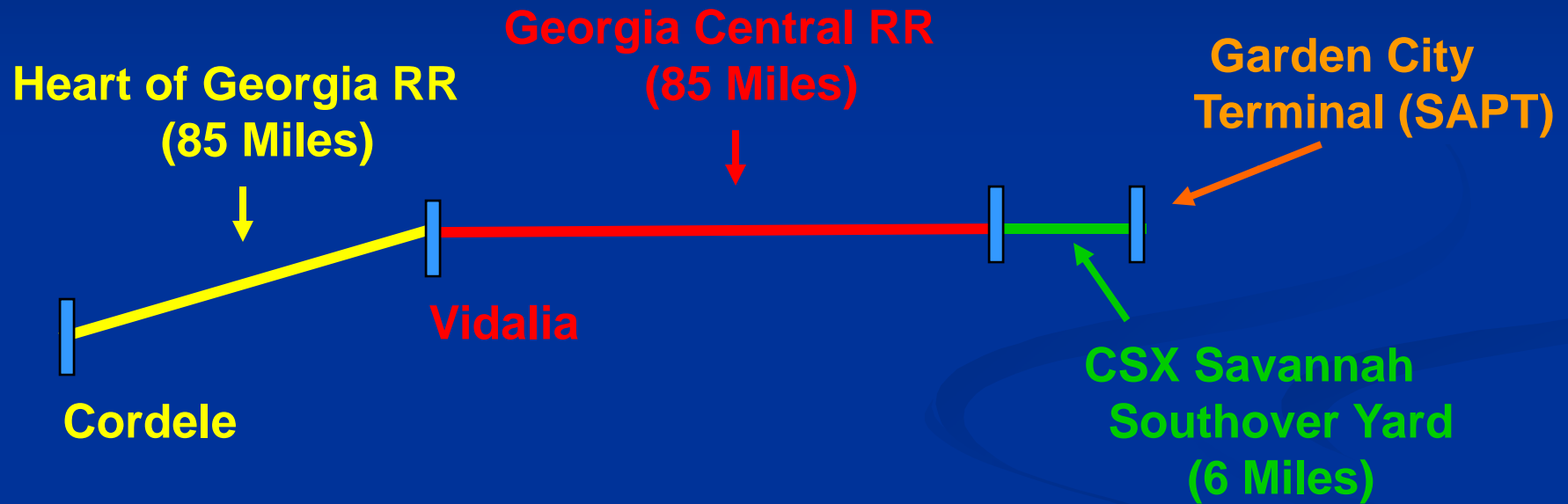
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Opportunity exists to exploit traffic (TEU's) currently going to the Port of Mobile and re-route to the Port of Savannah.

*“Containers not shipped through the Port of Savannah but through other ports offer additional markets for the CIP and therefore the Port of Savannah”*

*– GA Tech Cordele Inland Port Feasibility Study*

# INLAND INTERMODAL CENTER ROUTE MAP



*Closed loop Short line Railroad is the key  
to the success of the CIC.*

# CIC Supporters

- Georgia Legislature
  - Georgia Senate Committee
- Governor of Georgia
- Georgia Ports Authority
- Georgia Department of Economic Development
- Heart of Georgia Railroad, Georgia Central Railroad,  
& CSX Railroad
- Cordele & Crisp County
- Prospective Customers, Shippers, & Steamship Lines



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