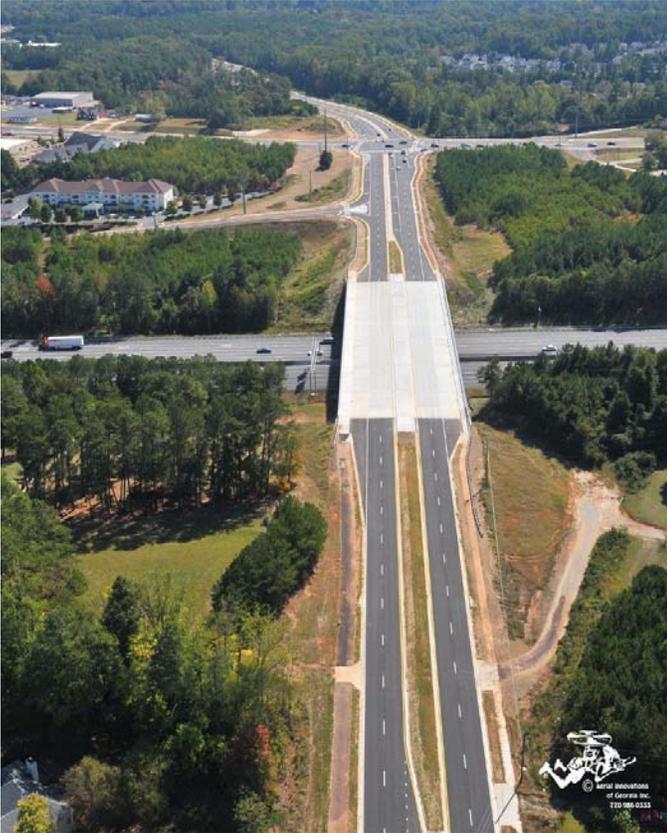


Moreland Altobelli (MA) has provided program management services to the Gwinnett County Department of Transportation since 1992. During this time, there have been a multitude of successful projects that have changed the face of transportation in Gwinnett County. These have included the SR 316/Riverside Parkway interchange, widening of SR 120, Buford Highway/Pleasant Hill Road interchange, and Sugarloaf Parkway Extension, along with countless others.



On September 26, 2011, the most recent success story was opened to Gwinnett commuters via the McGinnis Ferry Road Extension from Satellite Boulevard to Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road, including a new bridge crossing over Interstate 85. As Gwinnett County's program management services consultant, MA's role in this project included:

- MA engineers provided review and management of the project's design that was done by PBS&J.
- MA participated in a value engineering study for the project that identified several cost-saving design measures.
- MA's land acquisition department acquired nearly 100 acquisitions with a cumulative value of more than \$5,000,000.

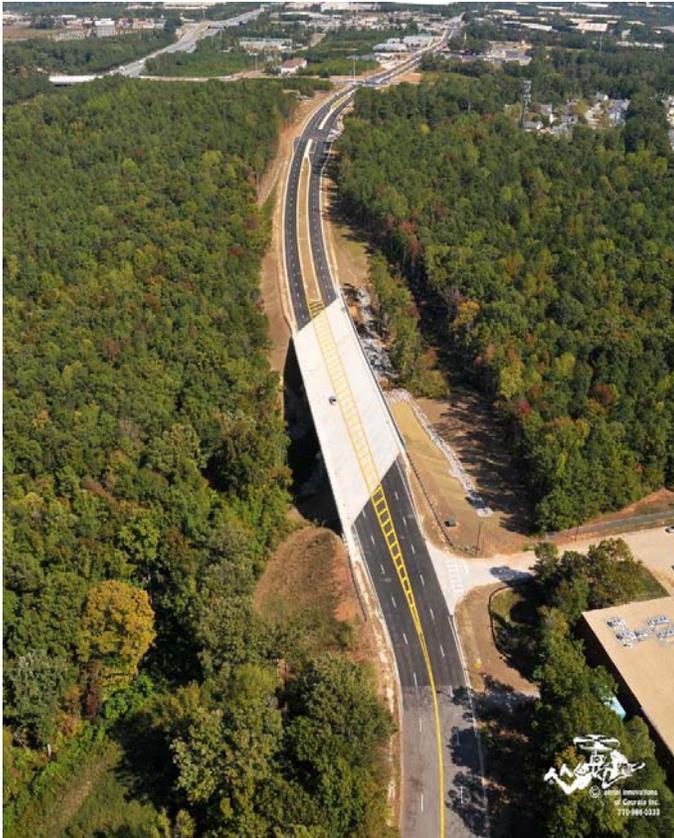
- The environmental staff at MA effectively provided all necessary environmental tasks and documentation:
 - Held all required public information meetings
 - Prepared the Environmental Assessment (EA) document
 - Prepared the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) document
 - Acquired the Nationwide 404 permit from USACE
 - Acquired stream buffer variances from EPD

MA performed utility coordination during preconstruction, including preparation and management of a force account during construction valued at more than \$500,000.



The project extends the existing multi-lane section of McGinnis Ferry Road from Satellite Boulevard east to Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road (SR 317). This extension greatly improves east-west mobility, reduces congestion, and improves safety in and around the project area. The McGinnis Ferry Road bridge over I-85 was designed and constructed to provide for future additional laneage on I-85 and possibly a future interchange. With the nearest adjacent interstate crossings from the existing SR 317 crossing being 3.8 miles to the north and 2.5 miles to the south, the new crossing at McGinnis Ferry Road and I-

85 provides a tremendous new option for Gwinnett drivers.



In addition, the project extended Northbrook Parkway to a new intersection with Old Peachtree Road, including a new bridge over Mill Creek. This work represents the final segment for a four-lane, north-south parallel route to I-85 that extends from Old Peachtree Road to Beaver Run Road. This route utilizes Northbrook Parkway, North Brown Road, Breckinridge Boulevard, and Shackelford Road. This north-south "reliever" route provides Gwinnett residents a worthy alternate during times of heavy interstate congestion and is an example of the long-term planning efforts of Gwinnett County and MA.

The project was a cooperative effort between Gwinnett County and GDOT. Gwinnett County contributed all preconstruction costs toward engineering, environmental, and land acquisition, while GDOT was responsible for construction costs. In late 2008, while most state and local governments were facing a budget crisis, there was concern about construction funding for the project. As the American Recovery and

Reinvestment Act (ARRA) was being touted in Washington, D.C., Gwinnett County accelerated their efforts to bring this project to a "shovel ready" status in hopes to advantageously secure stimulus funding. This acceleration included MA adding more staff and going the extra mile in providing the necessary level of service to deliver this project by its certification deadline. Gwinnett's and MA's persistent dedication to this project ultimately led to acquiring the necessary ARRA funding for construction.

As a result of the teamwork of Gwinnett County, GDOT, FHWA, MA and other consultants, this paramount project was let to construction on time to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., for \$20.4 million, beginning construction in September 2009 and opening to traffic just two years later.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This project exemplifies the strengths of MA's program management capabilities. As an extension of Gwinnett County staff and resources, MA staff worked intensely with other partners associated with this project to secure ARRA funding. We at MA are extremely proud to be part of such a successful road improvement program for Gwinnett County, where teamwork is utilized to the fullest in getting projects built for the traveling public.

Buddy Gratton, PE – President
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