

## Moreland Altobelli-Designed Pegasus Parkway/Chips Moman Highway Opens In Troup County



(From left to right: Mike Dobbs, Troup County Manager; James Emery, Troup County Engineer; Bill Holle, C.W. Matthews Contracting; and Tony Richardson, Georgia Department of Transportation)

Moreland Altobelli (MA) recently celebrated the grand opening of the Pegasus Parkway/Chips Moman Highway to serve businesses and residents in Troup County.

MA completed the planning, design, environmental permitting, and right-of-way acquisition for the new 6.1-mile highway, which bears the name honoring LaGrange native and legendary music producer, Chips Moman.

The parkway project totaling \$35.6 million was completed in cooperation with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), Troup County and City of LaGrange with some financial assistance from the federal government.



Speaking – Tom Moreland, Chairman/CEO of MA

Local leaders drew on MA's professional expertise to devise a roadway connecting the existing Whitesville and Roanoke Roads. The design accomplished their objective of providing alternative access to west LaGrange and its industrial spaces.

Troup County Engineer James Emery said the parkway allows for new alternative driving routes while opening opportunities for economic development consideration.

*"The road provides new connectivity and a new transportation route from east to west, south of LaGrange to allow traffic to bypass our downtown, relieve congestion on downtown streets, Vernon Street and Lukken Industrial Drive,"* Emery said.

MA's plans accommodated driver safety with traffic signals at five intersections with another four managed by stop signs. In keeping with the desire to save funding on future maintenance, paved surfaces were completed with durable concrete materials.

MA wishes to congratulate the leadership of Troup County and the City of LaGrange for the opportunity to work on this worthwhile enhancement to their community.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This tremendously successful project was accomplished by having the great local leadership of Troup County and the City of LaGrange, the commitment from all the supporting partners (GDOT, Federal Highway Administration, CSX Railroad, and others), and the dedicated and professional MA staff. MA is a very unique transportation firm in having all the various specialties (surveying, planning, environmental, roadway design, bridge design, right of way acquisition, etc.) within the company and under one roof. These capabilities provided MA the ability to manage and dedicate the appropriate resources to deliver this project on schedule and within budget. MA is proud to have been part of this project and worked with such a great team.

**Buddy Gratton, PE** – President  
Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc.