Georgia Bicycle & Pedestrian Goals:

- Promote Bicycling and Walking as mobility options in urban and rural areas of the state;
- Develop a transportation network of primary bicycle routes throughout the state to provide connectivity for intrastate and interstate bicycle travel;
- Promote establishment of U.S. numbered bicycle routes in Georgia as part of a national network of bicycle routes;
- Encourage economic development opportunities that enhance bicycle and pedestrian mobility;
- Promote non-motorized transportation as a means of congestion mitigation
- Promote non-motorized transportation as an environmentally friendly means of mobility;
- Promote connectivity of non-motorized facilities with other modes of transportation.

Developed as part of the 1995 Statewide Bike/Ped Plan
Georgia Bicycle & Pedestrian Accommodation Policy
Bicycle & Pedestrian Accommodation Policy

Purpose:
“This policy ensures that transportation system modifications are routinely planned, designed, constructed, operated, and maintained so as to provide a safe, seamless, and sustainable transportation system for Georgia’s citizens. The result should be a system that is connected, efficient, and safe for all users and allows choice among different transportation modes – both motorized and non-motorized.”

- GDOT Policy Approved May 2010
Accommodation Policy:

“The policy of the Georgia Department of Transportation is to routinely incorporate bicycling and walking accommodations into the transportation system as a means to improve the safety and mobility of non-motorized traffic.

GDOT will initiate all highway construction projects with the presumption that the projects shall accommodate bicycling and walking. The planning, design, and construction of new projects should anticipate current, latent, and likely future demand for bicycling and walking facilities and not preclude provisions for future improvements. Consistency with adopted plans or routes should be considered wherever possible.”

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Exemptions:

“A decision to not accommodate bicycling and walking shall be documented based on specific exemption criteria.”

1. Where travel is prohibited by law
2. Where costs are excessively disproportionate (greater than 20% of total project)
3. Bridge projects where the existing width is sufficient
4. Where sparsity of population or other factors indicate an absence of need

- GDOT Policy Approved May 2010
2010 State Bicycle Map

- Nationally adopted suitability ratings
- Green-red coding based on traffic volumes
- Next step: Post digital copy on web
State Bicycle Route Assessments

Georgia State Bike Route #95
DRAFT Corridor Assessment

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East-West Routes
- 10 - Southern Crossing
- 20 - Wiregrass
- 40 - TransGeorgia
- 50 - Augusta Link
- 60 - Athens Link
- 70 - Northern Crescent
- 90 - Mountain Crossing

North-South Routes
- 5 - Chattahoochee Trace
- 15 - Central
- 35 - March to the Sea
- 45 - Little White House
- 55 - Appalachian Gateway
- 85 - Savannah Gateway
- 96 - Coastal

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See detailed route description in "Georgia Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan"
US Bicycle Route System

- AASHTO and ACA effort to make national inter-state route connections
- Annual nomination of bike routes to USBRS
- Three identified corridors in Georgia:
  - N-S routes (2) along coast and central GA
  - E-W route (1) through Augusta, Athens, Atlanta...
- Next Steps: Review & assess existing corridors
Projects with Regional Commissions

- Updates to regional plans
- Bicycle route and greenway corridor assessments
- Promotional and educational events
- Trainings and SRTS
Bike Sense Guide

• ¡Ahora en Español!
• Updated state legal codes and organization information
• Same technical content, safety information, and pictures

Trainings & Workshops

• Hosted two NHI facility design courses
  – Bicycle – May 2010
  – Pedestrian – Oct 2010
  – One each in mid-2011

• Attended ProWalk/ProBike 2010
Safe Routes to School

- 26 infrastructure grants awarded to date
- 182 schools enrolled with Resource Center
- Seven regional school outreach coordinators
- 2010 Call for Projects (closes in November)
  - www.saferoutesga.org
  - Emmanuella Myrthil
    404-635-8033
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