

## DRAFT VISION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The HAMPO study area includes portions of Liberty and Long Counties in coastal Georgia. This 2035 Sustainable Mobility Plan supports the long term vision for the HAMPO area as described in previous documents as follows:

The vision of Coastal Georgia is to be a unique and cohesive region based upon innovation and excellence in all we do to preserve, nurture, enhance and develop our abundant human, natural, historic, cultural and economic resources. *Coastal Comprehensive Plan, adopted 2006*

Liberty County's vision is to be the premier community in Coastal Georgia in which to live, work, and visit because of our rich history, heritage, cultural diversity, unsurpassed quality of life and respect for the environment and natural resources. *Liberty Consolidated Comprehensive Plan, adopted 2008*

Long County recognizes the importance of community facilities in enhancing residents' quality of life and economic development efforts, and will provide effective and efficient facilities as needed.

Long County recognizes the importance of land use planning and will promote the orderly development of land to accommodate growth. Long County will continue to provide public transportation support to residents. In addition, the county will continue to pursue the paving of county roads with appropriate signage. *Long County Comprehensive Plan, adopted 2005*

### What would you add, delete or change in the above statements about the future vision of your community?

Make your suggestions on the text above, or write below:

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### What are your community's goals for the future?

Please provide comments on Liberty and Long County goals for the future, shown below:

#### Guiding Policy from Liberty Consolidated Comprehensive Plan

Create multimodal networks to support efficient land use, minimize congestion and to facilitate countywide mobility.

Coordinate land use changes and planned development with existing or planned transportation investments.

### Near Term Goals from Liberty Consolidated Comprehensive Plan

- Connect anticipated local fixed route bus system with rural bus service
- Improve connectivity between neighborhoods / subdivisions and future bus system
- Coordinate Planning Efforts Between HAMPO and the Chatham County-Savannah MPO (CORE)
- Construct safe and accessible park and ride lots in several strategic locations across Liberty County
- Improve multi-modal transportation across Liberty County
- Develop and maintain a regional transit authority
- Improve pedestrian crossing along major roads
- Improve lighting along Airport Road
- Coordinate local bicycle system with Coastal Georgia Greenway System

### Transportation goals and policies from the Long County Comprehensive Plan

**Goal 1:** Upgrade and expand existing transportation facilities, as needed, to accommodate future growth in the most efficient manner.

**Policy 1-1:** Support the regional efforts of the Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization.

**Policy 1-2:** Request funds from GDOT to construct a railroad overpass in Ludowici.

**Policy 1-3:** Continue to make every effort to keep county roads, bridges, and right-of-ways free of litter and debris. *(Continued on back.)*

**Policy 1-4:** Continue to coordinate with state and federal highway agencies to accommodate the projects planned in Long County area.

**Policy 1-5:** Continue to apply for government assistance for targeted public infrastructure investments that will forward economic development, maximize returns on investments, and improve facility services.

**Policy 1-6:** Renovate and expand existing County Roads Department Barn.

**Goal 2:** Improve the mobility of pedestrians and bicyclists throughout the county.

**Policy 2-1:** Encourage sidewalks as part of new development.

**Policy 2-2:** Encourage GDOT to add bike lanes and sidewalks as part of resurfacing or new construction in appropriate areas along state highways.

### Coastal Georgia Comprehensive Plan Guiding Principles

Infrastructure, including transportation, can be used as a tool to manage growth, protect our environment and influence our development patterns. Our vision is that Coastal Georgia will have regional resources and adequate funding allocated to the institutions that will provide adequate infrastructure in advance of development.

Transportation and land use coordination will be a priority, utilizing a proactive, rather than reactive, approach. We will direct growth to those areas with adequate infrastructure and use the investment in infrastructure to shape our development patterns. We encourage the State to enable the creation of regional agencies to address transportation, water supply and conservation and protection of natural areas consistent with this goal.

## **DRAFT PLAN GOALS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

*In accordance with federal transportation planning factors, the draft goals of the Sustainable Mobility Plan are to:*

1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;
2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
4. Increase accessibility and mobility of people and freight;
5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns;
6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
7. Promote efficient system management and operation; and
8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.

*Please provide comments on the draft goals here or on the text above:*

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