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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in cooperation with the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) and Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. (ABI) is preparing environmental documents for the BeltLine in the City of Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia. A Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is being prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), as amended, and implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 – 1508, Purpose, Policy and Mandate), the FTA regulations (23 CFR part 771, Environmental Impact and Related Procedures), and the FTA Statewide Planning/Metropolitan Planning regulations (23 CFR part 450, Planning Assistance and Standards), as well as the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (Public Law 109-59).

The Tier 1 EIS will examine a proposal to provide a new transit and trails system that would form an approximate 22-mile loop within the City of Atlanta. Figure 1.1 shows the location of the BeltLine Corridor. The analysis will serve as a basis for establishing the right-of-way (ROW) needs and general alignment of the transit and trail project along the entire 22-mile corridor.

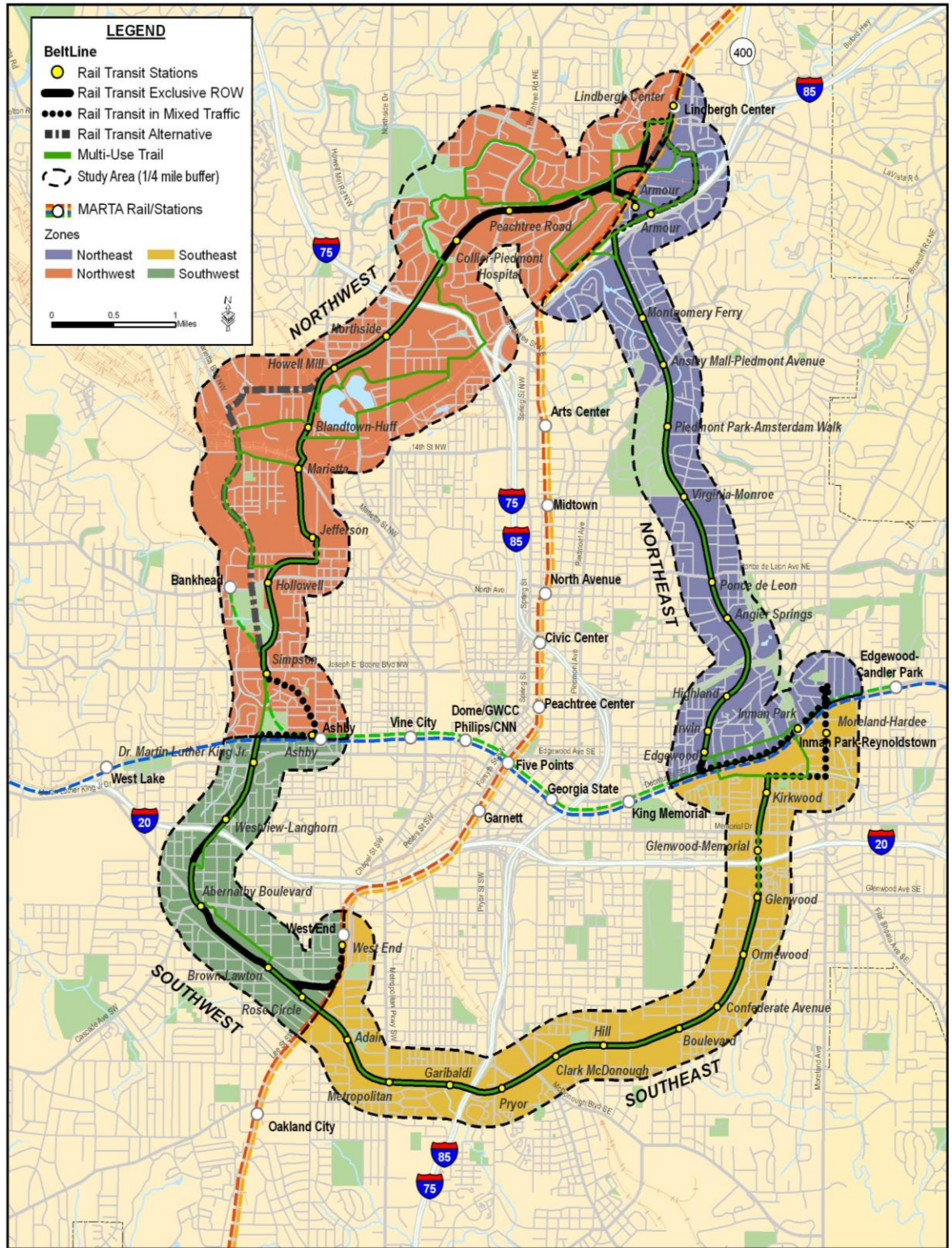
The transit and trails elements relate to one another and require iterative and concurrent development, analysis and consideration up to the Tier 1 decisions on alignment, conceptual design and technology. Subsequent Tier 2 NEPA analyses will evaluate specific impacts and mitigation measures for the 22-mile corridor based on refined design elements, station locations, vehicle types, storage facilities, etc. The Tier 2 NEPA analyses will be conducted under a separate action.

Concurrent with the Tier 1 analysis, MARTA and ABI will prepare the Environmental Effects Report (EER) for the Northeast Zone of the BeltLine in accordance with the Georgia Environmental Policy Act (GEPA). **Figure 1-1** details the BeltLine Study Area and Zones. GEPA requires the assessment of any state-level action to determine whether the action may significantly adversely affect the quality of the environment. The GEPA EER will evaluate and define the transit and trail elements of the project within the Northeast Zone, and establish the ROW requirements for those elements.

This document is the Public Involvement and Agency Coordination Plan (PIAC) to support the development of the Tier 1 EIS and the GEPA EER for the BeltLine Project. The PIAC Plan identifies opportunities for public and agency interaction with federal, state and local agencies, focusing on opportunities for public and agency review and comment. Section 6002 of SAFETEA-LU mandates standards for developing the PIAC Plan for all projects for which an EIS is prepared under NEPA. It stipulates that the public and agencies have an opportunity to review and comment on the Plan. It is anticipated that public and agency comments may lead to refinement of the PIAC Plan.

A key focus of the PIAC Plan is to facilitate public understanding and solicit public ideas and input on the BeltLine Project alternatives, as well as potential consequences of alternative actions relative to the transportation, social, environmental and economic context. The PIAC Plan describes the overall approach and possible public involvement

Figure 1-1: BeltLine Study Area and Zones



techniques that will be employed over the course of the Tier 1 EIS to provide the public with opportunities to review and comment on key project milestone decisions, and to provide MARTA and ABI with the benefit of public insights during project planning and development.

1.1 Transit Project History

In 2005, MARTA completed the Inner Core Transit Feasibility Study, which concluded that a major investment in the inner core area of Atlanta is feasible, and can improve neighborhood connectivity, complement the existing MARTA rail system, capture new riders to the entire transit system, and support redevelopment plans in the area.

In January 2007, MARTA completed the *BeltLine Alternatives Analysis: Detailed Screening Results and Selection of Locally Preferred Alternative* (January 2007). The Alternatives Analysis examined a full range of transit alternatives including a Transportation System Management Alternative and ten Build Alternatives involving variations of alignments, station locations, mode and equipment and operating plans. MARTA evaluated each alternative according to its potential performance in four categories: mobility and accessibility, land use and redevelopment, environmental effects and cost effectiveness. In addition, MARTA sought extensive public input to inform the Alternatives Analysis evaluations. Key themes that shaped the outcome of the Alternatives Analysis included a mode preference for streetcar or light rail, specific alignment preferences, desire for compatibility with land use and multi-modal connectivity, and overall public support for the project.

At the conclusion of the Alternatives Analysis, the MARTA Board of Directors selected the B3 Alternative (Lindbergh-to-Lindbergh Loop via Inman Park/Reynoldstown) as its Preferred Alternative (PA). This decision was based on B3 being the best performing alternative and the one preferred by the public and major stakeholders. The advantages of the PA compared to the other alternatives are that it would:

- provide a continuous transit and trails loop as prescribed in the original BeltLine concept;
- generate the highest ridership;
- indicate a transit permanence (via rail technology);
- increase transit accessibility and connectivity to and within neighborhoods;
- be predominantly contained within the approved BeltLine Tax Allocation District;
- be supported by the City of Atlanta and the BeltLine Partners and
- be strongly supported by the community and businesses.

1.2 Trails Project History

The BeltLine Plan has always included a system of multi-use trails. Ultimately, the plan will create more than 33 miles of multi-use trails that will connect to 40 parks in the City of Atlanta. Twenty-two (22) miles of the core system are included in this particular Environmental Study. Previous trails studies include:

- ***The City of Atlanta 1992 Greenway Trail Corridor Plan***, which identified and evaluated future locations for parks and multi-use trails

- ***The City of Atlanta 2005 BeltLine Redevelopment Plan***, which identified specific areas for redevelopment and new development
- ***The City of Atlanta 2005 BeltLine Tax Allocation District (TAD) Feasibility Study***, which concluded that approximately 60 percent of the estimated BeltLine Project cost, included trails could be generated by a TAD
- ***Emerald Necklace Study by Trust for Public Land (TPL)***, which updates the system of parks and multi-use trails

1.3 Public Involvement in Previous Studies

In addition to public involvement activities conducted as part of the Alternatives Analysis described above, public involvement and agency coordination has been a critical element of all major previous studies of the BeltLine Corridor. MARTA's activities are consistent with long-standing policies and guidelines concerning public participation in planning and policy development. In 2005, the City of Atlanta adopted a resolution establishing the Community Engagement Framework (CEF) for citizen involvement in the development of the BeltLine Project.

1.4 Public Involvement Framework

The project team will continue to conduct public involvement and agency coordination activities for the BeltLine Corridor Environmental Study within the framework of ABI's CEF and MARTA's Public Participation Policies and Guidelines, as well as in compliance with federal guidelines and regulations pertaining to public involvement in projects that may seek federal financial assistance.

The CEF includes a 4-part community engagement framework that is designed to keep Atlanta residents informed and actively engaged in the BeltLine's creation so that it reflects the aspirations of its many neighborhoods and communities. The CEF consists of:

- Tax Allocation District Advisory Committee (TADAC). This committee makes recommendations on projects to be funded from tax allocation proceeds.
- BeltLine Affordable Housing Advisory Board (BAHAB): The Board receives 15% of TAD monies to ensure that available and affordable housing is planned for the BeltLine corridor.
- Quarterly Updates for the general public: ABI provides these two-hour sessions to update the public and respond to inquiries on recent BeltLine developments.
- Atlanta BeltLine Study Groups: These monthly groups are open to everyone in each of the five geographic zones in the BeltLine project area. The goal is to engage each community in discussions about how the BeltLine can embody the aspirations of its residents for parks, transportation, trails, greenspace and other amenities.

MARTA's public participation plan and resources are also critical to the success of the PIAC. This includes its extensive contact database, transit advocacy groups with which it works on a continuous basis, and special advisory committees.

The Stakeholders Advisory Committee (SAC) and Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), both specific to this project, will provide a platform for leaders of governmental groups,

community/neighborhood groups and special interest groups to be educated on the goals of the study.

1.5 Purpose of the Study

As described in the previous sections, the purpose of the BeltLine Corridor Environmental Study is two-fold, which is to complete the:

- Environmental Effects Report (EER) under the Georgia Environmental Policy Act (GEPA) for the Northeast Zone of the study area and identify the ROW requirements for the transit and trails component
- Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the entire BeltLine Corridor. The results of this study will provide the basis for protecting and acquiring ROW for the construction of transit and trails for the entire 22-mile corridor

The three phases of the BeltLine Corridor Environmental Study are as follows:

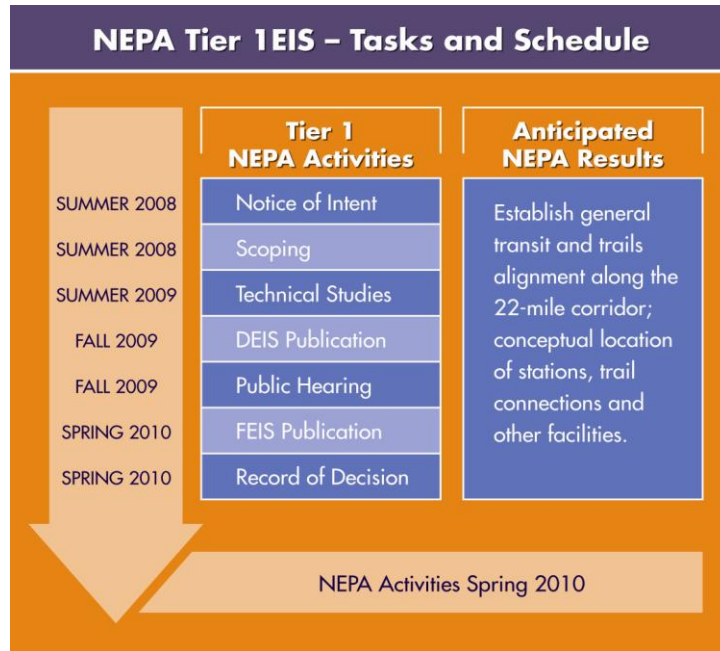
Phase 1: Project Scoping and Initiation of Environmental Review Processes

Phase 2: Completion of GEPA Review and ROW determination for the Northeast Zone

Phase 3: Completion of Tier 1 EIS for transit and trails ROW preservation for the entire 22-mile corridor

Figure 1-2 depicts the Tier 1 NEPA EIS Schedule. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) publication follows the completion of the GEPA EER.

Figure 1-2: BeltLine Tier 1 NEPA EIS Schedule



The Tier 1 EIS process, shown in Figure 1-2, calls for continuous community outreach and education during each phase, from project scoping to the selection of a preferred course of action and the federal Record of Decision. Early and continuous engagement of diverse interests is necessary to build consensus for appropriate solutions as well as to ensure that the outcomes of the study are equitable and supported by a broad constituency. The two parts of the PIAC Plan are as follows:

Part I – Public Involvement

Part II – Agency Coordination

1.6 Key Resource Concerns

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process includes an evaluation of the impacts on the natural and built environment of constructing a system of transit and trails in the study area. The Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will address the following areas of concern:

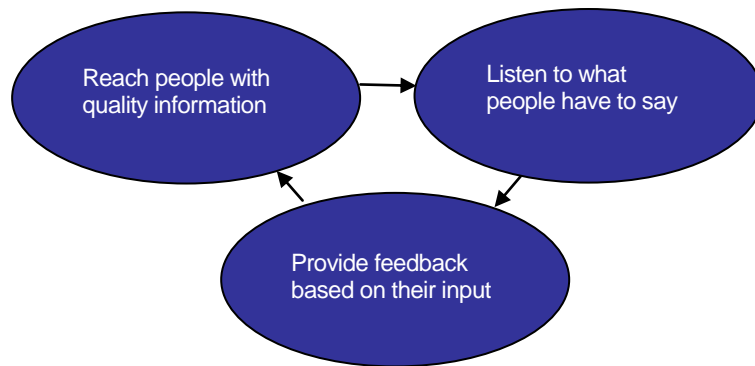
- transportation
- land and water resources
- geology and soils
- visual

- air quality
- noise and vibration
- energy
- hazardous materials
- historical and archaeological resources
- parklands
- land use and zoning
- displacements and relocations
- environmental justice
- utilities and public services
- construction impacts
- secondary and cumulative impacts
- other considerations

2.0 THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND AGENCY COORDINATION PLAN

The Public Involvement and Agency Coordination (PIAC) Plan for the Environmental Study builds on the outreach activities conducted in the studies listed above, on relevant policies and guidelines issued by Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), the City of Atlanta, Atlanta BeltLine, Inc (ABI), as well as on regulations promulgated by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 771. The plan informs and facilitates the technical work, to lay the foundation for a thorough understanding of study findings. The PIAC Plan ensures the broadest possible dissemination of information about the study and maximizes opportunities for residents and all stakeholders to participate in the study process. The plan is a dynamic document that is flexible enough to adapt, if necessary, to actual situations encountered during its implementation. The goal of the plan is to involve as many people as possible in the process, sharing information, receiving feedback and responding to the feedback received. **Figure 2-1** below depicts the goals of the public involvement process.

Figure 2-1: Public Involvement Process Goals



2.1 Part I – Public Involvement

Public involvement activities consist of organizing and working with support committees providing progress updates and presentations to individual stakeholders and a variety of target audiences in the study area; presentations and information exchanges at BeltLine TADAC, Study Group meetings and Quarterly Updates; conducting formal Scoping Meetings and Public Hearings; and fully documenting and responding to public comments. The public is informed about project activities and provide comments and suggestions through a variety of collateral materials and communication tools and techniques. In order to ensure compliance with the scope of work and to facilitate administration, the public involvement activities are grouped in this plan to mirror the three phases of the environmental study as described in Section 1.5.

2.1.1 Phase 1 Public Involvement

A decision milestone during Phase 1 was the Scoping Meetings, the public initiation of the study. During this phase, public participation activities focused on informing the public and soliciting ideas on the proposed action, the project scope and the purpose and need for the project. The planned information distribution and participatory events dur-

ing this initial phase of outreach ensured a common understanding of the BeltLine Project Tier 1 EIS, potential decisions, the potential issues associated with project implementation and the opportunities for public participation. The public was educated about the BeltLine through a variety of means, including progress presentations and updates, and the use of various collateral materials, tools and techniques.

Phase 1 was also devoted to organizing and initiating the PIAC Plan and putting in place the tools and techniques to execute the PIAC Plan in all phases of the study. In Phase 1, a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and a Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) were organized to provide ongoing assistance to the study, including and especially to the outreach component. Public involvement activities were as follows:

The Technical Advisory Committee

The TAC is composed of representatives of organizations and agencies that have a specific interest and/or responsibility in the BeltLine Corridor or that have shown special interest in the redevelopment of the corridor. It included individuals with technical environmental skills and background. The TAC provided advice and input regarding methodology and the scoping process and specific guidance regarding the GEPA Environmental Effects Report (EER). **Attachment 1** lists member organizations of the TAC.

The Stakeholder Advisory Committee

The SAC is composed of representatives from a variety of area organizations, such as the TADAC, MARTA's network of citizen and business organizations, faith-based organizations, community-based organizations and advocacy groups. The SAC provided input and comments on study findings, and also played a key role in generating participation from the public at large. **Attachment 2** details member organizations of the SAC.

Progress Presentations and Updates

In addition to progress presentations before the TAC and SAC meetings, all phases of the study included other progress presentations and stakeholder updates. Regularly scheduled meetings of organizations included updates such as those listed in **Table 2-1**. These meetings created awareness of the study in general and helped promote upcoming public meetings in particular.

Table 2-1: Target Audience Updates/Presentations in Phase 1

Updates/Presentations	Location	Date/Time	Number of Attendees
TADAC Chair and Transit & Trails Sub-committee Chair Update	Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. 86 Pryor Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303	June 6, 2008 12:30 – 2:30 PM	2
BeltLine Study Group – Westside Update	Hands On Atlanta 600 Means Street Atlanta, GA 30318	June 23, 2008	40
NPU-W Update	Martha Brown United Methodist Church 1205 Metropolitan Parkway, SW Atlanta, GA 30310	June 25, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 PM	40
BeltLine Study Group – South-west Update	Perkerson Park Pavilion 770 Deckner Avenue, SW Atlanta, GA 30310	June 26, 2008	60
TADAC Executive Committee Update	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30312	July 7, 2008	9
ABI Quarterly Update	Atlanta Public School Auditorium 130 Trinity Ave. SW Atlanta, GA 30303	July 10, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	94
NPU-X Update	Stewart Lakewood Library 2893 Lakewood Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315	July 14, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	90
BeltLine Study Group – South-east Update	Zoo Atlanta 800 Cherokee Ave, SW Atlanta, GA 30315	July 14, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	20
NPU-V Update	Salvation Army Metropolitan Parkway	July 14, 2008 6:30 - 8:30 PM	65
TAC/Agency Kick-off Meeting Presentation	Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. 86 Pryor Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30309	July 17, 2008 11:30 – 1:30 PM	27
BeltLine Study Group – Northeast Update	Hillside Inc. 690 Courtenay Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	July 17, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	94
NPU- S Update	The Vicars 838 Cascade Road SW	July 17, 2008 7:00 – 8:00 PM	27
Georgia Stand-up Update	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam St. Atlanta, GA 30312	July 18, 2008 12:00 – 2:30 PM	53
NPU-F Update	Hillside Inc. 690 Courtenay Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	July 21, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	45
NPU-D Update	Agape Community Center 2351 Bolton Road Atlanta, GA 30318	July 22, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	17
NPU-J Update	Atlanta Job Corp 239 W. Lake Drive, NW Atlanta, GA 30314	July 22, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	30
Stakeholder Advisory Committee Kick-off Meeting Presentation	MARTA 2424 Piedmont Road Atlanta, GA 30324	July 22, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	27
TAC/Agency Scoping Meeting Presentation	MARTA 2424 Piedmont Road Atlanta, GA 30324	August 12, 2008 9:00 – 11:00 AM	19

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Updates/Presentations	Location	Date/Time	Number of Attendees
Georgia Stand-up Update	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam Street SW Atlanta, GA 30312	August 15, 2008 12:00 – 2:30 PM	58
Scoping Meeting – North/Northwest Presentation	Trinity Presbyterian Church 3003 Howell Mill Road, NW Atlanta, GA 30327	August 19, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 PM	13
Scoping Meeting – North/Northwest Presentation	Trinity Presbyterian Church 3003 Howell Mill Road, NW Atlanta, GA 30327	August 19, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	13
Scoping Meeting – Northeast Presentation	The Trolley Barn 963 Edgewood Ave, NE Atlanta, GA 30307	August 19, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 PM	17
Scoping Meeting – Northeast Presentation	The Trolley Barn 963 Edgewood Ave, NE Atlanta, GA 30307	August 19, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	16
Scoping Meeting – Southeast Presentation	Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center 250 Georgia Ave, SE Atlanta, GA 30312	August 21, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 PM	8
Scoping Meeting – Southeast Presentation	Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center 250 Georgia Ave, SE Atlanta, GA 0312	August 21, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	13
Scoping Meeting – Southwest/Westside Presentation	Central United Methodist Church 503 Mitchell Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30314	August 21, 2008 1:00 – 3:00 PM	11
Scoping Meeting – Southwest/Westside Presentation	Central United Methodist Church 503 Mitchell Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30314	August 21, 2008 6:00 – 8:00 PM	7
TAC/Agency Scoping Meeting Presentation	Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. 86 Pryor Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30303	August 22, 2008 9:00 – 11:00 AM	19
BeltLine Study Group – Westside Update	Hands On Atlanta 600 Means Street Atlanta, GA 30318	August 25, 2008	53
BeltLine Study Group – Southwest Update	Emmaus House Study Hall 1010 Crews Street Atlanta, GA 30315	August 28, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	35
Atlanta Sustainable Roundtable Update	All Saints Episcopal Church 634 W. Peachtree Street, NW Atlanta, GA 30308	September 5, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 AM	90
NPU-V Update	Dunbar Center 477 Windsor St. Atlanta, GA 30312	September 8, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	43
NPU-X Update	Stewart Lakewood Library 2893 Lakewood Ave Atlanta, GA 30315	September 8, 2008 7:00 - 9:00 PM	64
BeltLine Study Group – Northside Update	Piedmont Hospital McRae Auditorium 1984 Peachtree Rd., NW Atlanta, GA 30309	September 8, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	25
Morningside Lenox Park's Monthly Update	Morningside Presbyterian Church 1411 N. Morningside Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	September 8, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 PM	22
Atlanta Downtown Neighborhood Assoc. Update	Central Library 1 Margaret Mitchell Square Atlanta, GA 30303	September 9, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	33
NPU-T Update	Shrine of the Black Madonna 950 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd.	September 10, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 PM	40

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Updates/Presentations	Location	Date/Time	Number of Attendees
	Atlanta, GA 30310		
Buckhead Business Association Update	Anthony's Restaurant 3109 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, GA 30305	September 11, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 PM	66
BeltLine Study Group - Northeast Update	Hillside Inc. 690 Courtenay Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	September 11, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	64
The Focus (Neighborhood TV Program) Update	860 Hank Aaron Drive Atlanta, GA 30315	September 11, 2008 6:00 PM	N/A
Peopletown Revitalization Corporation Update	1044 Washington Street, SW #1 Atlanta, GA 30315	September 13, 2008	75
NPU-F Update	Hillside Inc. 690 Courtenay Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	September 15, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	48
NPU-Y Update	John Birdine Facility 215 Lakewood Way, SW Atlanta, GA 30315	September 15, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	37
Booker T. Washington Community Assoc. Update	Booker T. Washington High School 45 Whitehouse Dr. Atlanta, GA 30314	September 15, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	17
Reynoldstown Civic Improvement League Update	100 Flat Shoals Ave. SE Atlanta, GA 30316	September 15, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	24
Blandtown Neighborhood Assoc. Update	Milk & Honey Restaurant 1082 Huff Road Atlanta, GA 30318	September 16, 2008 2:30 – 4:30 PM	18
NPU-K Update	Washington Park Natatorium 102 Ollie Street, N.W. Atlanta, GA 30314	September 16, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	27
Fourth Ward Neighbors Inc. Update	Highland Bakery 655 Highland Ave Atlanta, GA 30312	September 16, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	29
Grant Park Neighborhood Association Update	Georgia Hill Center 250 Georgia Avenue Atlanta, GA 30312	September 16, 2008 7:30 – 9:30 PM	63
AHAND Update	Chamblee – Senior Residential 3522 Blair Circle Chamblee, GA 30319	September 18, 2008 12:00 – 2:00 PM	23
NPU-G Update	English Park Recreation Center 1340 Bolton Road NW Atlanta, GA 30331	September 18, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	27
Georgia STAND-UP Alliance Update	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam Street SW Atlanta, GA 30312	September 19, 2008 12:00 – 2:00 PM	47
Veranda at Carver Hills Update	217 Thirkeld Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315	September 22, 2008 3:00 PM	20
NPU-M Update	Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Ctr. 70 Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30312	September 22, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	48
Underwood Hills Neighborhood Association Update	Northside Church of God 1736 Harper St. NW Atlanta, GA 30318	September 22, 2008 7:00 – 9:00 PM	22
Northside Study Group Update	Piedmont Hospital McRae Auditorium 1984 Peachtree Rd., NW Atlanta, GA 30309	October 6, 2008 6:30 – 8:30 PM	60

Although the plan was to make appearances before ten (10) groups, including the BeltLine CEF Study Groups and at least one NPU in each BeltLine Study Area, the relative poor attendance at the Scoping Meetings necessitated a much more extensive outreach effort to as many NPUs and other organizations as possible. This special effort increased the involvement from approximately 100 to approximately 400 citizens. Initially, the primary objective of these updates was to provide general information about the study and to promote and lay the foundation for the Scoping Meetings. These updates also provided the opportunity to unearth “hot button” issues that could surface as the study progresses.

Scoping Meetings

The Scoping Process included eight public meetings, two in each of the four Zones of the City of Atlanta: Northwest, Northeast, Southwest and Southeast. Each Zone included one Scoping Meeting held in the afternoon and one in the evening. Two Scoping Meetings for agencies were also conducted, one before the public Scoping Meetings and one after.

Each of the Scoping Meetings followed the same format. At each meeting location, attendees were requested to sign-in when they arrived, and were each given a Scoping Information Package.

The public viewed study information boards at each meeting location in the open house area. Representatives from MARTA and ABI staffed the open house and answered questions. The study information boards illustrated the BeltLine Corridor; a tiered EIS process overview; the study goals and objectives; and the proposed transit and trail alignments.

The project team delivered a formal presentation at each of the meetings. The presentations included an overview of the project background and Purpose and Need; a summary of the environmental process; an overview of the No Build and Build Alternatives and a summary of the key issues associated with project implementation. Following the presentation, members of the public voiced their opinions on the study and the proposed project. A court reporter was present to record the public for inclusion in the record. Reports from the meetings are available from the MARTA Office of Transit System Planning upon request. Attendees had the option of either filling out the comment form contained in the Scoping Package at the meeting and dropping it into a comment box or mailing it later, but prior to the close of the comment period. The study database included all meeting attendees and participants.

Collateral Materials and Communication Tools

A variety of collateral materials and communication tools were developed and used to inform and receive input from the public and agencies (see **Table 2-2**).

Table 2-2: Phase 1 Collateral Materials and Communication Tools

Materials/Tools	Description
Contact Database	A comprehensive contact database includes, but not limited to, a section dedicated to affected federal, state and local agencies. The database includes a contact person, phone number, mailing address and email address.
Newsletter/ Study Updates	One newsletter and two study updates were produced in Phase 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Newsletter #1: introduced the study, frequently asked questions and announcing the Scoping Meetings. - Study Update #1: devoted to project goals and objectives; promote scoping meetings - Study Update #2: devoted to the results of the Scoping process, the existing conditions in the entire corridor, and ROW for the NE Corridor
Project Webpage	MARTA hosts the project website with a link to ABI's website. It contains a synopsis of the study, frequently asked questions, the study schedule, contact information and how citizens can get involved, an interactive comment form, newsletters, study updates, and links to previous relevant studies. The website has the functionality to conduct surveys digitally. Some of the the website, of other planning partners, such as those that serve on the TAC and SAC, include project information.
Project Hotline	A telephone hotline installed and staffed for the convenience of the public that includes a recorded message in English and Spanish. The procedure for collecting and responding to messages left on the Hotline is contained in Attachment 3 . All study printed public information materials and the project webpage include the hotline number.
Comment Form	An interactive comment form, both in English and Spanish. These forms are available at all meetings and on the project webpage so that citizens can make their comments on-line. The forms are included in Attachment 4: Comment Form .
Technical Findings Updates (Environmental Study Updates)	Brief summaries of study outcomes written in user-friendly language, distributed in hard copy and electronically.
Project Business Card	The project business card includes contact information, the project website addresses and hotline number.
Media	Although the public involvement team will work with radio, television and newspapers of general circulation, the focus will be on media in the study area that target special audiences. Attachment 5 is a list of target media outlets.

Evaluation and Documentation

The team documented Phase 1 public involvement activities and evaluated results to make appropriate adjustments in Phases 2 and 3. The evaluation included such indices as the number of newsletters printed and distributed, the number of completed comment forms received, the number of participants in update sessions and comments received from the client and other team members. **Attachment 6** is a list of collateral materials produced/distributed, number of attendees/sessions for the target audience updates and comment forms received in Phase 1.

2.1.2 Phase 2 Public Involvement

Phase 2 public involvement includes a continuation of Phase 1 activities, but tailored to support the requirements of Georgia Environmental Policy Act (GEPA) and to disseminate the results of the Phase 2 technical work focusing on completing the GEPA Environmental Review of the Northeast Zone. The primary decision milestone in Phase 2 is a public hearing on the GEPA Environmental Effects Report (EER). Additional milestones will occur at the completion of the conceptual design of transit and trails alignments for all zones; after more detailed refinement of station locations; and following the identification of potential impacts and mitigation measures. Public involvement activities in Phase 2 include those described in **Table 2-3** and **Table 2-4**.

Table 2-3: Phase 2 Public Involvement Activities

Activity	Description
Meetings with the TAC and SAC	Meetings based on key milestone dates.
Target Audience Updates	Meetings held with approximately two (2) groups in the study area and at least 4 progress presentations made
Public Hearing on GEPA EER	The major milestone in Phase 2 is completion of the GEPA EER and the conduct of the official public hearing on this report. The project team will distribute the report and promote the public hearing in accordance with GEPA guidelines.

Table 2-4: Phase 2 Public Involvement Schedule

Updates/Presentation Collateral Materials	Location	Date/Time	Topic
DECEMBER 2008			
TAC/SAC Meeting	MARTA 2424 Piedmont Rd. Atlanta, GA 30324	December 8, 2008 5:30 – 7:30 PM	Phase 1 Report; report on existing conditions, conceptual engineering, evaluation criteria; historical and archaeological summary; next steps
JANUARY 2009			
Target Audience Update NPU-J	Atlanta Job Corps Center 239 West Lake Dr. Atlanta, GA 30314	January 27, 2009 7:00 – 9:00 PM	Reviewed existing conditions report
Ad HOC Committee of SAC	Office of Morris J. Dillard 560 Regency Park Dr., SW Atlanta, GA 30331	January 29, 2009 11:30 – 1:00 PM	Discussed the PIAC Plan and presentation alternatives; review outreach strategies and discuss presentation alternatives
MAY 2009			
Public Hearing	Hillside, Inc. 690 Courtney Dr., NE 131 Monroe Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	May 14, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Public Hearing on NE Zone Environmental Effects Report

Collateral Materials and Communication Tools

The consultant team utilized collateral and communication tools developed and used in Phase 1 (see **Table 2-2**).

Evaluation and Documentation

The consultant team will document and evaluate all Phase 2 public involvement activities, making adjustments, as appropriate. The evaluation will include both quantitative and qualitative measures, such as number of people attending meetings and specific comments rendered.

2.1.3 Phase 3 Public Involvement

Phase 3 public involvement activities support completion of the Tier 1 EIS. The principal activities in Phase 3 will be Advisory Committee Meetings, Study Group Meetings, City-wide Conversation on Transit and Trails, Target Audience Updates and the production of collateral materials. The major milestone in Phase 3 will be the public hearing on the Tier 1 Draft EIS. **Table 2-5** describes all Phase 3 public involvement activities. The major activities include the following:

Advisory Committee Meetings

The TAC and the SAC will hold at least seven (7) meetings in Phase 3.

Target Audience Updates and Progress Presentations

The team will provide updates/progress presentations to 32 community organizations in the study area. It will design the updates and presentations to keep the community informed of progress, to receive comments and to lay the foundation for the upcoming Public Hearing on the Tier 1 Draft EIS. In addition, these updates will play a critical role in promoting participation in the Public Hearing on the Draft EIS.

Citywide Conversation on Transit and Trails

The Team will conduct two citywide public meetings on transit and trails. The initial meeting, held on April 2, 2009, was broad in scope designed to update the community on study purpose and progress. In addition, the public was engaged in a discussion of evaluation criteria and performance measures. The second citywide meeting will be held in the fall of 2009 to provide feedback to suggested alternative alignments and other ideas/suggestions that came out of the first citywide meeting.

Study Group Meetings

The study team will conduct two rounds of meetings, five meetings each round, with the ABI Study Groups. The initial round of meetings will be held in April and May 2009 and the second round in November and December 2009. The initial round is designed in a workshop format to engage the public in providing ideas and suggestions regarding transit and trail alternative alignments, technologies and right-of-way strategies. The second round will provide feedback and begin the process of focusing on the preliminary alternative.

Public Hearing on Tier 1 Draft EIS

The public involvement team will plan, promote and conduct the formal public hearing on the Tier 1 Draft EIS. This will include advertising the Notice of Availability and circulating the Draft EIS. The team will complete a detailed action plan and schedule, including logistics for the draft EIS public hearing process by summer 2009 and made a part of this Plan by amendment.

Collateral Materials and Communication Tools

Phase 3 will include all of the collateral materials and communication tools used in Phases 1 and 2, including the website, the contact database, the project hotline, project business cards, comment forms, newsletters and study updates. Topics include

- Alternatives under consideration and the revisions in the Purpose and Needs Statement
- Promotion of the Public Hearing on the DEIS and summary of alternatives
- Recap of the Tier 1 DEIS Public Hearing and description of preferred alternative
- Wrap-up of the study

Tier 1 Final EIS

The Tier 1 Final EIS will document the entire study process and findings. The public involvement team will be responsible for the public involvement and agency coordination component and for assisting the technical team in developing executing a plan to distribute the final document to all relevant agencies and widely throughout the community. In addition to planning partners and participating and cooperating agencies, the final document will be distributed through the project website and other participating websites, public libraries and environmental advocacy groups, as requested.

Table 2-5: Phase 3 Public Involvement Schedule

I. TARGET AUDIENCE UPDATES			
Organization	Location	Date/Time	Discussion Topics
NPU – E	Peachtree Christian Church 1580 Peachtree St. NW Atlanta, GA 30309	March 3, 2009 6:30 PM	Review public participation in study; highlight existing conditions in corridor and alert to upcoming public meetings
NPU – C	Trinity Presbyterian Church 3003 Howell Mill Rd NW Atlanta, GA 30309	March 3, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Grant Park Neighborhood Association, Land Use and Zoning Committee	Zoo Atlanta 800 Cherokee Ave. SW Atlanta, GA 30315	March 5, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – V	Salvation Army Kroc Center Atlanta 967 Dewey St. Atlanta, GA 30310	March 9, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – F	Hillside, Inc. 1301 Monroe Dr. Atlanta, GA 30306	March 16, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Grant Park Neighborhood Association	Zoo Atlanta 800 Cherokee Ave. Atlanta, GA 30307	March 17, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Inman-Park Neighborhood Association	Inman Park United Methodist Church 1015 Edgewood Ave. NE Atlanta, GA 30307	March 18, 2009 7:00 PM	Distribute meeting flyers to; promote upcoming public meetings
Poncey Highland Neighborhood Association	Druid Hills Baptist Church 1085 Ponce de Leon Ave. Atlanta, GA 30308	March 18, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Georgia Stand UP	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam St. Atlanta, GA 30312	March 20, 2009 12:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – M	Helene Mills Senior Center 515 John Wesley Dobbs Atlanta, GA 30312	March 23, 2009 6:30 PM	Same as above
BeltLine Network	Trees Atlanta 225 Chester Ave. Atlanta, GA 30316	April 1, 2009 4:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – G	Zone 1 Precinct 2315 Donald E. Hollowell Rd. Atlanta, GA 30318	April 16, 2009 7:00 PM	Distribute flyers, to promote remaining workshops and EER Public Hearing
NPU – K	Washington Park Natatorium 102 Ollie St. NW Atlanta, GA 30314	April 21, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Atlanta Downtown Neighborhood Association	Central Library 1 Margaret Mitchell Square Atlanta, GA 30303	May 12, 2009 6:30 PM	Distribute meeting flyers to promote upcoming EER Public Hearing
AHAND (Atlanta Housing Association of Neighborhood-Based Developers)	Locations vary	May 21, 2009 12:00 – 2:00 PM	Mini public workshop on transit and trail alignments, rail service and technology
Martin Luther King Jr. Library	409 John Wesley Dobbs Ave. Atlanta, GA 30312	May 26, 2009 2:00 – 4:30 PM	Open House presentation on transit and trail alignments, rail service and technology

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Colony Square Food Court	1197 Peachtree St. Atlanta, GA 30309	May 26, 2009 11:30 – 2:00 PM	Same as above
West End Library	525 Peebles St. Atlanta, GA 30314	May 27, 2009 10:00 – 11:30 AM	Solicited comments on forms
Dogwood Branch Library	1838 Donald Lee Hollowell Pkwy Atlanta, GA 30318	May 27, 2009 12:00 – 2:00 PM	Same as above
Atlanta Fulton County Central Library	One Margaret Mitchell Square Atlanta, GA 30303	May 29, 2009 12:00 – 3:00 PM	Open House presentation on transit and trail alignments, rail service and technology
Just Us Neighborhood Association	1125 Morris Brown Drive Atlanta, GA 30314	June 3, 2009 6:15 – 8:15 PM	Same as above
The West End Mall	850 Oak Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30310	June 4, 2009 1:45 – 3:45 PM	Same as above
Wheat Street Baptist Church	18 Wm. Holmes Borders Dr. SE Atlanta, GA 30312	June 17, 2009 7:00 PM	Distribute comment forms
NPU – X	Stewart-Lakewood Library 2893 Lakewood Ave. Atlanta, GA 30315	June 8, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Wheat Street Baptist Church	18 Wm. Holmes Borders Dr. SE Atlanta, GA 30312	June 17, 2009 7:00 PM	Mini public workshop on transit and trail alignments, rail service and technology
Georgia State University	30 Courtland St. Atlanta, GA 30303	TBD	Overview of NEPA process, project status and analysis results
Peopletown Revitalization Corp.	1044 Washington Street, SW #1 Atlanta, GA 30315	July 2009	Same as above
Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church	507 Auburn Avenue Atlanta, GA 30312	TBD	Same as above
Morningside/Lenox Park Neighborhood Association	Morningside Presbyterian Church 1411 N. Morningside Drive, NE Atlanta, GA 30306	July 13, 2009 7:30 PM	Same as above
Downtown Atlanta Restaurant Week (Festival)	Central Atlanta Progress 50 Hurt Plaza, Suite 110 Atlanta, GA 30303	July 21-22, 2009	Same as above
NPU – M	Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center 90 Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30312	July 27, 2009 6:30 PM	Same as above
NPU – D	Agape Community Center 2351 Bolton Road Atlanta, GA 30318	July 28, 2009 7:30 PM	Same as above
New Schools of Carver: School of the Arts	55 McDonough Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30315	TBD	Same as above
New Schools of Carver: Health, Science & Research	55 McDonough Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30315	TBD	Same as above
New Schools of Carver: Early College	55 McDonough Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30315	TBD	Same as above
New Schools of Carver: Technology	55 McDonough Boulevard Atlanta, GA 30315	TBD	Same as above
Crim Open Campus	256 Clifton Street Atlanta, GA 30317	TBD	Same as above
Frederick Douglass High School	225 Hamilton E. Holmes Drive Atlanta, GA 30318	TBD	Same as above
Big Bethel AME	206 Auburn Ave., NE Atlanta, GA 30303	TBD	Same as above
Abundant Life Cogic	1280 Benteen Way Atlanta, GA 30315	TBD	Same as above
Allen Temple AME	1625 Simpson Rd. NW Atlanta, GA 30314	TBD	Same as above

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Antioch Baptist Church Recreation Center	590 North Ave. NE Atlanta, GA 30308	TBD	Same as above
Maynard Holbrook Jackson High School	801 Glenwood Avenue, S.E. Atlanta, GA 30316	TBD	Same as above
Morehouse College	830 Westview Dr. SW Atlanta, GA 30314-3773	TBD	Same as above
Spelman College	350 Spelman Lane SW Atlanta, GA 30314	TBD	Same as above
Booker T. Washington Community Association	P.O. Box 3329 Atlanta, GA 30302	TBD	Same as above
University Community Development Corp.	160 Euharlee Street Atlanta, GA 30314	TBD	Same as above
West End Neighborhood Development Association (WEND)	West End Library 525 Peoples St. Atlanta, GA 30314	TBD	Same as above
The West End Merchants Coalition, Inc.	Capitol City Bank 562 Lee Street Atlanta, GA 30310	TBD	Same as above
National Black Arts Festival	Promenade II 1230 Peachtree St. NE Suite 500 Atlanta, GA 30308	July 29 – August 2, 2009	Same as above
Clark Atlanta University	223 James P. Brawley Drive, SW Atlanta, GA 30314	TBD	Same as above
NPU – L	Location varies	August 11, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – T	Shrine of the Black Madonna 952 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd. Atlanta, GA 30310 (location varies)	August 12, 2009 7:30 PM	Same as above
NPU – G	Zone 1 Precinct 2315 Donald E. Hollowell Pkwy Atlanta, GA 30318	August 20, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Sharath Mekela Neighbor Group		TBD	Same as above
Sierra Club	Episcopal Church of the Epiphany 2089 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE Atlanta, GA 30307	September 15, 2009 7:00 PM	Overview of NEPA process, engage discussion on parks, recreation and cultural resources; promote Citywide and Study Group Workshops for December
NPU – Y	John Birdine Facility 215 Lakewood Way, SW Atlanta, GA 30315	September 21, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
4 th Ward Neighbors, Inc	Highland Bakery 655 Highland Ave. Atlanta, GA 30312	October 20, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
NPU – K	Washington Park Natatorium 102 Ollie St. NW Atlanta, GA 30314	October 20, 2009 7:00 PM (not confirmed)	Same as above
NPU – N	Little Five Points Community Center 1083 Austin Ave. Atlanta, GA 30307	October 22, 2009 7:00 PM	Same as above
Atlanta Sustainable Roundtable	All Saints Episcopal Church 634 W. Peachtree St. NW Atlanta, GA 30308	November 4, 2009	Same as above
NPU – W	Martha Brown United Methodist Church 468 Moreland Ave, SE Atlanta, GA 30316	November 25, 2009 7:30 PM	Same as above

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NPU – V	Location varies	January 2010 7:00 PM	Provide summary of DEIS and promote Public Hearing
Grant Park Neighborhood Association	Georgia Hill Center 250 Georgia Avenue Atlanta, GA 30312	January 20, 2010 7:00 PM	Same as above
AHAND	Location varies	January 21, 2010 Times vary	Same as above
NPU – S	Community Church of God 838 Cascade Rd., Atlanta, GA 30311	January 21, 2010 7:30 PM	Same as above
II. PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS			
Organization	Location	Date/Time	Discussion Topics
Citywide Conversation on Transit and Trails/SAC	All Saints Episcopal Church 634 W. Peachtree St. NW Atlanta, GA 30308	April 2, 2009 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Study purpose, need, goals objectives and existing conditions in the corridor; study update, evaluation criteria and outcomes
SE Study Group – Public Workshop	Trees Atlanta 225 Chester Ave. SE Atlanta, GA 30316	April 13, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Purpose and need of the study; goals and objectives; alternatives; milestones and progress; small group work sessions on transit and trails alignments, rail service and technology
NE Study Group – Public Workshop	Morningside Baptist Church 1700 Piedmont Ave. NE Atlanta, GA 30324	April 16, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
SW Study Group – Public Workshop	West Hunter St. Baptist Church, 1040 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard, SW Atlanta, GA 30310	April 23, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Westside Study Group – Public Workshop	Atlanta Humane Society 981 Howell Mill Rd. NW Atlanta, GA 30318	April 27, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
NS Study Group – Public Workshop	Piedmont Hospital – McRae Auditorium 1984 Peachtree Rd. NW Atlanta, GA 30309	May 4, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Citywide Conversation on Transit and Trails/SAC	All Saints Episcopal Church 634 W. Peachtree St. NW Atlanta, GA 30308	December 3, 2009 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Preview of DEIS and evaluation results
Study Group Meeting – Northside	AGL Resources, Annex 10 Peachtree Place, NW Atlanta, GA 30306	December 7, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Study Group Meeting – Westside	Hands on Atlanta Training Room A 600 Means Street Atlanta, GA 30318	December 8, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Study Group Meeting – NE	Hillside, Inc. 690 Courtenay Dr. NE Atlanta, GA 30306	December 10, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Study Group Meeting- SE	Georgia Hill Neighbor. Cente 250 Georgia Ave, SE Atlanta, GA 30312	December 14, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Study Group Meeting – SW	Atlanta Metropolitan College Academic Bldg, Rm. A-210 Atlanta, GA 30310	December 15, 2009 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Same as above
Citywide Conversation on Transit and Trails/SAC	Atlanta School Board Auditorium 130 Trinity Avenue Atlanta, GA 30303	July 2010 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Wrap-up and final recommendations

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III. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS			
Organization	Location	Date/Time	Discussion Topics
TAC/Agency	ABI Offices 86 Pryor St., SW, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30303	March 23, 2009 11:30 – 1:00 PM	Reviewed EER Report; discussed Evaluation Criteria; previewed upcoming public work sessions
ADA Workshop	ABI Offices 86 Pryor St., SW, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30303	May 28, 2009 9:00 – 11:00 AM	Small group work session on transit and trails alignments, rail service and technology
TAC/SAC/Agency Workshop	ATT, Midtown 2 Auditorium 725 W. Peachtree St., NE Atlanta, GA 30309	June 2, 2009 11:30 – 1:30 PM 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Small group work session on transit and trails alignments, rail service and technology
TAC/SAC	MARTA Headquarters 2424 Piedmont Road NW Atlanta, GA 30324	July 2009 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Evaluation Criteria, EER results and discussion of preliminary alternatives
TAC/Agency	ABI Offices 86 Pryor St., SW, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30303	November 2009 11:00 – 1:30 PM	Preliminary results of technical analyses and evaluation results
TAC/SAC	MARTA Headquarters 2424 Piedmont Road NW Atlanta, GA 30324	December 2009 6:00 – 8 PM	Selection of alternatives; overview of the DEIS, promotion of Citywide Conversation and Public Workshops
TAC/SAC	MARTA Headquarters 2424 Piedmont Road NW Atlanta, GA 30324	January 2010 6:00 – 8 PM	Results from Citywide Conversation and Public Workshops; solicit input on the DEIS and promote public hearing
TADAC	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam Street, SW Atlanta, GA 30312 (Location may vary)	January 2010 4:00 – 6:00 PM	Same as above
TAC/SAC	MARTA Headquarters 2424 Piedmont Road NW Atlanta, GA 30324	March 2010 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Brief recap of DEIS Public Hearing; next steps
TADAC	IBEW Auditorium 501 Pulliam Street SW Atlanta, GA 30312	May 2010 4:00 – 6:00 PM	Results of Public Hearing
TAC/SAC/Agency	MARTA Headquarters 2424 Piedmont Road NW Atlanta, GA 30324	July 2010 6:00 – 8:00 PM	Wrap-up and final recommendations
IV. ELECTED OFFICIALS (Quarterly 2009 & 2010)			
Jurisdiction	Date	Date/Time	Discussion Topics
Atlanta (3)	TBD-MARTA	TBD	TBD
Fulton (3)	TBD-MARTA	TBD	TBD
DeKalb (3)	TBD-MARTA	TBD	TBD
V. PUBLIC HEARING			
Purpose	Location	Date/Time	Discussion Topics
Tier 1 Draft EIS	All Saints' Episcopal Church 634 W. Peachtree Street NW,	February 8, 2010 6:30 – 8:30 PM	Review the environmental impacts transit and trails will have

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	Atlanta, GA 30308		on the corridor and the proposed mitigation measures that the sponsors are considering; to identify input received from the public and to receive additional input.
VI. COLLATERAL MATERIALS			
Publication	Date	Lead Story	
Newsletter	April 2009	Scoping Summary Report	
Study Update	June 2009	Project Status – Spring Activities	
Newsletter	June 2009	Results from Public Workshops on Alternatives	
Study Update	July 2009	Evaluation Process	
Newsletter	July 2009	Environmental Effects Report, Hearing and Results	
Newsletter	August 2009	Conceptual Design	
Study Update	September 2009	Parks & Recreation Link to Transit	
Study Update	November 2009	Cultural Resources Link to BeltLine	
Newsletter	November 2009	Promotion of Citywide Conversation and Study Group Meeting on NEPA	
Study Update	January 2010	Summary description of DEIS and promotion of DEIS Public Hearing	
Study Update	March 2010	Construction Impact	
Newsletter	April 2010	Results from DEIS Public Hearing	
Newsletter	June 2010	Final Recommendations	
Executive Summary of Environmental Study	July 2010	Study Wrap-up	

2.2 Part II – Agency Coordination

Part II of the Public Involvement and Agency Coordination (PIAC) Plan will identify federal, state and local agencies that may have jurisdiction by law, special expertise or other interest in the environmental review process and its outcomes. The team will also take actions to involve these agencies in the environmental study process.

Lead Agencies

Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) requires the identification of Lead, Cooperating and Participating Agencies in the development of an Environmental Impact Study (EIS). For the BeltLine Project, the lead agencies include the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) with MARTA and ABI. Under SAFETEA-LU, lead agencies must perform the functions that they have

traditionally performed in preparing an EIS in accordance with 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 771 and 40 CFR parts 1500-1508. In addition, the lead agencies must identify and involve cooperating and participating agencies, develop a coordination plan, provide opportunities for public and agency involvement in defining the purpose and need and determining the range of alternatives; and collaborate with Agencies in determining methodologies and the level of detail for the analysis of EIS alternatives. In addition, lead agencies must provide increased oversight in managing the process and resolving issues.

Cooperating Agencies

According to Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations, (40 CFR 1508.5), a cooperating agency is any federal agency, other than a lead agency, that has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved in a proposed project or project alternative. A state or local agency of similar qualifications or, when the effects are on lands of tribal interest, a Native American tribe may, by agreement with the lead agencies, also become a cooperating agency.

A distinguishing feature of a cooperating agency is that the CEQ regulations, (40 CFR 1501.6), permit a cooperating agency to “assume on request of the lead agency responsibility for developing information and preparing environmental analyses including portions of the EIS concerning which the cooperating agency has special expertise.” An additional distinction is that, pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.3, “a cooperating agency may adopt, without re-circulating, the EIS of a lead agency when, after an independent review of the EIS, the cooperating agency concludes that its comments and suggestions have been satisfied.” This provision is particularly important to permitting agencies, such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who, as a cooperating agency, routinely adopts U.S. Department of Transportation environmental documents.

Table 2-6 lists the cooperating agencies in the environmental review process for the BeltLine Project along with their associated roles and responsibilities. **Attachment 7** lists the agencies and contact information.

Table 2–6: Cooperating Agencies

Agency	Responsibilities
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Provide comments on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Purpose and need ▪ Range of alternatives ▪ The PIAC Plan ▪ Methodologies ▪ Level of detail for analysis of alternatives ▪ Identification of issues that could substantially delay or prevent granting of permit/approval ▪ Opportunities for collaboration ▪ Mitigation
National Park Service, Southeast Regional Office Planning and Compliance Division	Same as FHWA
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Department of the Army	Same as FHWA Potential to adopt the Tier 1 EIS and coordinate public outreach when possible
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 4	Same as FHWA Approval of construction within sole source aquifers Federal review of the Section 404/10 Corps Permit Process
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	Same as FHWA Determination of potential project effects on federally listed threatened and endangered species

Participating Agencies

Participating agencies are those with an interest in the project. The standard for participating agency status is more encompassing than the standard for cooperating agency status described above. Therefore, cooperating agencies are, by definition, participating agencies, but not all participating agencies are cooperating agencies. The lead agencies should consider the distinctions noted below in deciding whether to invite an agency to serve as a cooperating agency or only as a participating agency.

The roles and responsibilities of cooperating and participating agencies are similar, but cooperating agencies have a higher degree of authority, responsibility and involvement in the environmental review process. In general, participating agencies are responsible for commenting on the environmental documentation produced as part of the project. This includes:

- Purpose and need
- Range of alternatives
- The PIAC
- Methodologies
- Level of detail for analysis of alternatives
- Identification of issues that could substantially delay or prevent granting of permit/approval

- Opportunities for collaboration
- Mitigation

The participating agencies identified for the BeltLine project are as follows:

Federal

- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Regional Office of Environment
- National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy & Compliance
- U.S. Geological Survey, Environmental Affairs Program
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (If Regulatory Floodways)

State

- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Office of the Commissioner
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Historic Preservation Division
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Natural Heritage Program
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Floodplain Management Office (If Regulatory Floodways)
- Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)
- Georgia Forestry Commission
- Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority (GEFA)
- Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA)

Fulton County

- Fulton County Department of Environment & Community Development
- Fulton County Parks and Recreation
- Fulton County Public Works (if transportation included)
- Atlanta Fulton County Emergency Management Agency

DeKalb County

- DeKalb County Planning & Development Department

Regional

- Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)
- Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA)
- Transit Implementation Board

City of Atlanta

- City of Atlanta Department of Planning and Community Development
- Atlanta Development Authority (ADA)
- Atlanta Housing Authority (AHA)
- City of Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs
- City of Atlanta Public Works
- City of Atlanta Department of Watershed Management

2.2.1 Coordination Points, Responsibilities, and Project Schedule

SAFETEA-LU establishes milestones within the environmental review process for involvement and review opportunities. **Table 2–7** summarizes the key coordination points between the lead agencies, cooperating agencies, participating agencies and the public including which agency is responsible for activities during that coordination point. Estimated dates are included for informational and resource planning purposes.

Table 2–7: NEPA Coordination Action Plan

Coordination Point	Initiation Date	Originating Agency	Receiving Agency	Task	Anticipated Completion
Notice of Initiation Letter	5/2008	MARTA/ABI	FTA	Letter sent to FTA; FTA acknowledges receipt in writing	7/10/2008
Notice of Intent to prepare Tier 1 EIS	5/2008	MARTA/ABI	FTA	NOI to be drafted by MARTA/ ABI, reviewed and accepted by FTA; published in Federal Register	7/24/2008
Identification of participating and cooperating agencies	5/2008	MARTA/ABI	Participating and cooperating agencies	Invitation letter sent by MARTA/ABI, agencies have 30 days to accept and identify a contact person or decline in writing	7/25/2008
Coordination plan including schedule	5/2008	MARTA/ABI	Public, participating and cooperating agencies	Coordination plan issued by MARTA/ ABI, subject to up-date during Scoping based on comments	7/25/2008
NEPA Scoping Meetings	8/12/2008 8/19/2008 8/21/2008 8/22/2008	MARTA/ABI/ FTA	Public	Scoping meetings held; comments taken on the Scoping Booklet including Purpose and Need, Range of alternatives, and coordination plan. A Scoping Summary Report drafted	9/22/2008 (end of Scoping Comment Period)
Purpose and Need	8/2008	MARTA/ABI	Public, participating and cooperating agencies	Comments accepted as part of Scoping process	4/2009
Range of alternatives	8/2008	MARTA/ABI	Public, participating and cooperating agencies	Comments accepted as part of Scoping process and Public Workshops	9/2009

Coordination Point	Initiation Date	Originating Agency	Receiving Agency	Task	Anticipated Completion
Assessment methodologies	8/2008	MARTA/ABI	Permitting agencies, participating and cooperating agencies	Develop methodologies in cooperation with permitting agencies and agencies with federally recognized guidance or jurisdiction. Additional methodologies will be developed or refined as a result of tiering on an as needed basis with comment from Cooperating and Participating agencies	4/2009
Administrative Tier 1 DEIS	4/2009	MARTA/ABI/FTA	Cooperating agencies	Working draft issued for high level review and comment; may be issued on a chapter by chapter basis	12/2009
Identify preferred alternative	9/2009	MARTA/ABI	FTA/cooperating agencies	Cooperating agencies to comment on preferred alternative	12/2009
Tier 1 DEIS Circulation	1/2010	MARTA/ABI/FTA	Public, participating and cooperating agencies	Public hearing and comment period	2/2010
Administrative Tier 1 FEIS	1/2010	MARTA/ABI/FTA	Cooperating agencies	Working draft issued for high level review and comment; may be issued on a chapter by chapter basis	4/2010
Tier 1 FEIS Circulation	6/2010	MARTA/ABI/FTA	Public, Participating and cooperating agencies	Review period	6/2010
Tier 1 Record of Decision	6/2010	MARTA/ABI/FTA	Public, Participating and cooperating agencies	FTA publishes Notice in Federal Register	7/2010

2.3 Study Process and Schedule

Table 2-8 combines the flow of technical work and the activities contemplated in the PIAC Plan. Modifications to this table may be necessary during the course of the study.

Table 2–8: Study Process and Schedule

<p>Phase 1: Initiate Environmental Review</p>	<p>Phase 2: ROW Determination NE Zone</p>	<p>Phase 3: ROW Determination all Zones and Complete Environmental Document</p>
<p>Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing Conditions • Goals and Objectives • Purpose and Need • NE Zone Screening Assessment • Develop Project Website and Hotline • Develop Public and Agency Involvement Plan 	<p>Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define Environmental Impacts • Conceptual Design of Transit and Trail Alignments and Stations in NE Zone • Develop Evaluation Criteria • Refine NE Zone Alternative 	<p>Tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Conceptual Design of Transit and Trail Alignments and Stations for all Zones • Identify Potential Impacts and Mitigation Measures • Refine all Transit and Trail Alternatives • Modify Conceptual Design to Support Environmental Findings • Refine Rail and Trail Capital and Operating Costs • Refine Rail Ridership Forecasts • Identify Station Locations • Determine Service Features • Refine Capital and Operating Costs • Determine Preferred Transit and Trails Alternatives
<p>Public Involvement and Agency Coordination</p>		
<p>SAC Meeting TAC Meetings TAC/Agency Meetings TADAC Updates Study Group Meetings Target Audience Updates Public Scoping Meetings Newsletter Study Updates Project Website Project Hotline Project Business Card</p>	<p>Joint SAC/TAC Meeting Ad Hoc Committee of SAC Meeting Target Audience Update Public Hearing - EER</p>	<p>Joint TAC/SAC Meetings TAC/Agency Meetings TADAC Updates Study Group Meetings Target Audience Updates Citywide Conversation on Transit and Trails Elected Officials Meetings Pubic Hearing – Draft EIS Newsletters Study Updates Report Executive Summary</p>

APPENDIX

Attachment 1: TAC Membership

Atlanta BeltLine, Inc.	Atlanta Bicycle Campaign
Atlanta Board of Education	Atlanta Housing Authority
Atlanta Planning Advisory Board (APAB)	Atlanta Police Department
Atlanta Regional Commission	Atlanta University Center Consortium
Atlanta Urban Design Commission (AUDC)	Buckhead Area TMA
Central Atlanta Progress	Citizens for Progressive Transit c/o Biola Law
City of Atlanta Department of Planning and Community Development	City of Atlanta Department of Planning and Community Development, Bureau of Planning, Transportation Planning Division
City of Atlanta Office of Sustainability	City of Atlanta Parks & Recreation
City of Atlanta Department of Public Works	City of Atlanta Department of Watershed Management
CSX Intermodal	Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)
Emory University	Environmental Protection Agency - Brownfields
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Federal Transit Administration - Office of Planning
Fulton County Department of Public Works	Georgia Department of Transportation (DOT)
Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD)	Georgia Institute of Technology (GA Tech)
Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA)	Georgia State University
Metro Chamber of Commerce	Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA)
Midtown Alliance	Norfolk Southern Corporation
PEDS	State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO)
The PATH Foundation	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), S. Atlantic Division
Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper	

Attachment 2: SAC Membership

Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. (ABI)	
Atlanta Transit Riders' Union	Clean Air Campaign
Coalition for Peoples' Agenda	Community Representative on ABI Board of Directors
Environmental Justice Resource Center @ CAU	Georgia Conservancy
Georgia Power Company	Georgia Stand Up
Georgians for Better Transportation	Governor's Council on Development Disabilities
MARTA Elderly & Disabled Advisory Com- mittee – Chair	MARTA Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee – Accessibility
MARTA Elderly & Disabled Advisory Com- mittee –Vice Chair	MARTA Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee – Customer Focus
Neighborhood Planning Unit - B	MARTA Elderly & Disabled Advisory Committee – Membership and Resource
Neighborhood Planning Unit - C	Neighborhood Planning Unit - D
Neighborhood Planning Unit - E	Neighborhood Planning Unit - F
Neighborhood Planning Unit - G	Neighborhood Planning Unit - J
Neighborhood Planning Unit - K	Neighborhood Planning Unit - L
Neighborhood Planning Unit - M	Neighborhood Planning Unit - N
Neighborhood Planning Unit - S	Neighborhood Planning Unit - T
Neighborhood Planning Unit - V	Neighborhood Planning Unit - W
Neighborhood Planning Unit - X	Neighborhood Planning Unit - Y
Piedmont Park Conservancy	Piedmont Hospital
Sierra Club - Georgia Chapter	Shepherd Center
TADAC Task Force on Environmental Matters – Chair	Southface Energy Institute
TADAC Task Force on Environmental Matters – Committee Members	The King Center
University Community Development Corp. (UCDC)	Urban Land Institute (ULI) (Smart Growth Solutions)
Virginia Highland Civic Association	

Attachment 3: Hotline Message Procedure

- Retrieve messages daily from the message center (end-of-day).
- Enter message requiring action on the “Outstanding Follow-up Action Log” and track until “closed” (see Exhibit I). Follow-up is managed as follows:
 - Messages with a project comment only that requires no customer follow-up
 - Route comment(s) to project team within 24 hours. Enter action taken and date on call log. Status is marked “completed” on the log
 - Messages requiring customer follow-up are addressed as follows:
 - **Responses requiring no project team follow-up** – contact customer within 48 hours with information requested. Enter Action taken and date on log. Status is marked “closed” on the log
 - **Responses requiring project team review**
 - Route to project team within 24 hours, requesting expected completion date. Enter action taken and date on call log
 - Contact customer within 48 hours with a status of action taken-to-date (routed to project team and under review). Enter action taken and date on call log
 - Contact customer within 96 hours with an update of status and expected completion date. Enter action taken and date on call log
 - Contact customer within 24 hours of project team submittal and provide customer the requested information (mail, if required). Enter action(s) taken and date on call log. Status is marked “completed” on the log
- Update the “Outstanding Follow-up Action Log” weekly and remove “completed” actions

Exhibit I

Outstanding Follow-up Action Log

As of _____

	Customer		Date/Action Taken			
	Date	Name	Contact Info	No Project Team Follow-up	Project Team Follow-up	Status

Attachment 4: Comment Form

Please let us know what you think about:

1. The BeltLine Project, in general.

2. Your involvement in previous BeltLine studies, if applicable.

3. Any concerns you may have relative to the environmental effects of building transit and trails in the BeltLine Corridor.

4. Transit technology.

5. Funding transit and trails in the BeltLine Corridor.

Other Comments

CONTACT INFORMATION (optional)

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____
Mailing Address: _____

To forward the comment form to us, please send to:

Attachment 4: Comment Form (continued)

Formulario para comentarios

Déjenos saber lo que opina respecto a:

1. El proyecto BeltLine en términos generales?

2. Su participación en estudios BeltLine anteriores, si aplica?

3. Sus inquietudes en relación con los efectos ambientales derivados de la construcción de caminos y rutas de tránsito en el Corredor BeltLine?

4. Tecnología de tránsito?

5. Financiamiento de caminos y rutas de tránsito en el Corredor BeltLine?

6. Otros comentarios

INFORMACIÓN DE CONTACTO (opcional)

Nombre: _____
Correo electrónico: _____
Número telefónico: _____
Número de fax: _____
Dirección postal: _____

Información de contacto del proyecto

Línea de atención: 404-524-2070
Número de fax: 404-848-5132
Correo electrónico: dwa_bellinestudy@bellsouth.net
Sitio Web: www.itsmarta.com/newsroom/bellline.html
Dirección postal: MARTA, Office of Transit Systems Planning
(Oficina de planeación de sistemas de tránsito)
2424 Piedmont Rd., NE
Atlanta, GA 30324-3330
○
Atlanta BeltLine, Inc.
ATT: Environmental Study Group
Grupo de Estudio Ambiental
86 Pryor St., SW, Suite 200
Atlanta, GA 30303

Attachment 5: Target Media Outlets

Print

Atlanta Business Chronicle

atlantacalendar@bizjournals.com; dallison@bizjournals.com; dwilliams@bizjournals.com

Atlanta Inquirer

news@atling.com

Atlanta Intown Newspapers

collin@atlantaintownnewspaper.com

Atlanta Daily World

publisher@atlantadailyworld.com

Atlanta Jewish Times

mjacobs@atljewishtimes.com

Atlanta Journal & Constitution

dlewis@ajc.com; estirgus@ajc.com; newstips@ajc.com

Atlanta Tribune

kmynes@atlantatribune.com; calendar@tribune.com

The Atlanta Voice

yahmad@theatlantavoice.com

Creative Loafing

happenings@creativeloafing.com; thomas.wheatley@creativeloafing.com;
publicagenda@creativeloafing.com

Northside Neighbor

nside@neighbornewspapers.com

Southern Voice

editor@sovo.com

Attachment 5: Target Media Outlets (continued)

The Story Group

d.huff@theatlantastory.com

Sunday Paper

kevinmoreau@sundaypaper.com

Radio

Clark Atlanta University

wclkfm@cau.edu; shjackson@cau.edu; dmiller@cau.edu

WABE

oyouseff@wabe.org; Rstickler@gmail.com

WRFG radio

info@wrfg.org

WSB Radio

Kerry.browning@coxradio.com; newstips@coxradio.com; newstips@wsbradio.com

WVEE & WAOK

Jean.ross@cbsradio.com; Brenda.bowden@cbsradio.com

WMLB

jeffdavis@am1160.net

Television

WSB TV

Communityhappenings@wsbtv.com

Peachtree TV

communityevents@peachtreetv.com

Attachment 5: Target Media Outlets (continued)

Turner

Jamie.morrison@turner.com

Fox TV

newstipsatlanta@foxtv.com; amy.oates@foxtv.com (Good Day Atlanta)

CBS Atlanta

Aurora.nelson@cbs46.com

WXIA TV

News11alive@yahoo.com; efpalmer@wixia.gannet.com

WPBA TV

mfields@pba.org; newsroom@pba.org

Colleges and Universities

Atlanta International University (Buckhead)

ppealor@buckhead.aiuniv.edu

Bauder College

privacy@khec.com

Clark Atlanta University

dmiller@cau.edu

Emory University

A.sloan@emory.edu (list serve)

Georgia State University

vbrown@gsu.edu

Georgia Tech

James.fetig@icpa.gatech.edu

Attachment 5: Target Media Outlets (continued)

Morehouse College
edurham@morehouse.edu

Morris Brown College
Leroy.frazier@morrisbrown.edu

Oglethorpe University
elizabethpittman@oglethorpe.edu

Special Media

Atlanta Daybook
gay@atlantadaybook.com

Atlanta Regional Commission

Transportation Spotlight Talya Trudell ttrudell@atlantaregional.org
Land Use Matters Dan Reuter dreuter@atlantaregional.org
Action (printed publication) Michael Walls mwalls@atlantaregional.org

BATMA

Denise Starling denise@batma.org; Sabrina Bawuah Sabrina@batma.org

BeltLine Quarterly
Rukiya Eaddy REaddy@atlbeltline.org

MARTA Bulletin
cgibson@itsmarta.com

Attachment 5: Target Media Outlets (continued)

Community Outlets

Atlanta Downtown Neighborhood Association

downtown@hotmail.com

Berkeley Park Neighborhood

tedhuckabee@earthlink.net

Buckhead Business Association

info@buckheadbusiness.org

Buckhead

web@buckhead.net

Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association

Newsletter@cabbagetown.com

Morningside Lenox Park Civic Association

Bob Silvia rsilvia@yahoo.com

Our West End

info@ourwestendnewsletter.com

The Porch Press

Nancy Leighton sandseditor@theporchpress.com

Reynoldstown Civic Improvement League

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South Atlantans for Neighborhood Development

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Virginia Highland Civic Association

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Attachment 6: Phase 1 Public Involvement Activity Summary

Document	Printed/Qty Distributed	Distribution Locations
Newsletter #1	Printed 2300 – July & August 2008 Distributed: July 7, 2008 – August 2008	ABI Quarterly Briefing ABI website Agency List ARC Environmental Justice Advisory Committee BeltLine Study Group-NE, Westside SE, SW, Westside Central United Methodist Church EIS project website Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center Georgia Stand-up NPU's C, D F, J, M, S, T, X, W SAC Members TAC Members TADAC Exec. Committee The Trolley Barn Trinity Presbyterian Church
Study Update #1	Printed 1000 – August 2008 Distributed: August 15 – 18, 2009	ABI website Agency List Atlanta Downtown Neighborhood Assoc. BeltLine Project contact database BeltLine Study Groups–NE, Westside, Northside Blandtown Neighborhood Assoc. Booker T. Washington Community Association Central United Methodist Church-Scoping Meeting Fourth Ward Neighborhood Assoc. Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center-Scoping Meeting Georgia STAND-UP Alliance Grant Park Neighborhood Assoc. AHAND MARTA project website Monthly Meeting Morningside Lenox Park's NPU-V, X, T Reynoldstown Neighborhood Assoc. SAC Members Sustainable Roundtable TAC Members The Trolley Barn-Scoping Meeting Trinity Presbyterian Church-Scoping Meeting

General Planning Consultant Services
Public Involvement and Agency Coordination Plan

Attachment 6: Phase 1 Public Involvement Activity Summary (continued)

<p>Scoping Comment Form - Questionnaire</p>	<p>Printed 1250 – September 2008</p> <p>Distributed:</p> <p>September 18, 2008</p>	<p>ABI contact database ABI website Adams Community Center Agency List Anthony Flanagan Community Center Atlanta Central Library Atlanta Downtown Neighborhood Assoc. Auburn Research Library BeltLine Study Groups – NE, Westside, Northside Ben Hill Community Center Blandtown Neighborhood Assoc. Booker T. Washington Community Association Brown Middle School Buckhead Business Association Calvary United Methodist Church Capital View United Methodist Church Carl Sanders YMCA Carver High School Central Park Community Center Cleveland Avenue Library Branch Dunbar Community Center Ebenezer Church Ed. S. Cook Elementary School English Park Community Center Fourth Ward Neighborhood Assoc. Georgia Hill Branch Library Georgia STAND-UP Alliance Grady High School Grant Park Neighborhood Assoc. AHAND Higher Hope Church Liberty Baptist Church MARTA contact database MARTA project website Martin Luther King Community Center Mary Lin Elementary Mechanicsville Branch Morningside Community Center NPU – L, T, F, Y, K, G, M and S Oakland Community Center Peachtree Branch Library Peachtree Hills Community Center Pittman Community Center Peoplestown Revitalization Corporation Reynoldstown Neighborhood Assoc. Reynoldstown Civic Improvement League SAC Members Shrine of the Black Madonna Slater Elementary School Southwest Regional Library Stewart Lakewood Library Sustainable Roundtable The Focus (TV Program) TAC Members Underwood Hills Neighborhood Assoc. Veranda at Carver Hills Villages @ Carver YMCA Washington Park Library Branch West End Church of Christ West End Library Branch Wheat Street Baptist Church YWCA of Greater Atlanta AHAND</p>
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Attachment 6: Phase 1 Public Involvement Activity Summary (continued)

Study Update #2	Printed 800 – October 2008 Distributed – November 20, 2008	ABI contact database ABI project website Agency List Brown Middle School Calvary United Methodist Church Carver High School Ebenezer Church Ed. S. Cook EIS Study Contact Database Grady High School Liberty Baptist Church MARTA Community Forums on Cost Containment MARTA contact database MARTA project website Martin Luther King Middle School SAC Membership Shrine of the Black Madonna Slater Elementary School TAC Membership West End Church of Christ West Hunter Street Baptist Church Wheat Street Baptist Church
Number of Comment Forms Received		
265		
Target Audience Updates – See Table 2-1		
Number of Sessions	Number of Participants	
55	2054	

Attachment 7: Agency Contact List

AGENCY	CONTACT	ADDRESS	PHONE/EMAIL
Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Region 4	Mr. David Schilling Community Planner	230 Peachtree St., NW, Suite 800 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.865-5645 david.schilling@dot.gov
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Georgia Division	Ms. Jennifer Giersch Environmental Coordinator	61 Forsyth Street, SW, Suite 17T100 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.562.3653 Jennifer.giersch@fhwa.dot.gov
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA)	Ms. Cheryl King AGM for Planning	2424 Piedmont Road Atlanta, Georgia 30324	cking@itsmarta.com 404.848.4401
Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. (ABI)	Mr. E. Fred Yalouris Director of Design	86 Pryor Street, SW, Suite 200 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	fyalouris@atlbeltline.org 404.614.8300
FEDERAL			
National Park Service, Southeast Regional Office Planning and Compliance Division	Mr. Steven M. Wright Environmental Protection Specialist	Atlanta Federal Center 1924 Building, 100 Alabama Street SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.562.3124 Steven_m_wright@nps.gov
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Department of the Army South Atlantic Division	Mr. Edward Johnson Chief, Piedmont Branch	1590 Adamson Parkway, Ste. 200 Morrow, Georgia 30260	678.422.2722 Edward B. Johnson@usace.army.mil
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 4	Mr. Heinz Mueller Regional Contact	61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.562.9611 Mueller.heinz@epa.gov
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Southeast Region	Mr. Pete Pattavina Ecological Services	1875 Century Blvd, Suite 400 Atlanta, Georgia 30345	404.679.4000 Pete_pattavina@fws.gov
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Regional Office of Environment	Ms. Linda Poythress Regional Environmental Officer	Five Points Plaza Building 40 Marietta Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.331.5001 Linda.p.poythress@hud.gov
National Center for Environmental Health (CDC)	Mr. Andrew Dannenberg Associate Director for Science	4700 Buford Highway, MS F-60 Atlanta, Georgia 30341	770.488.7103 Acd7@cdc.gov
U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy & Compliance, Atlanta Region	Mr. Gregory Hogue Regional Environmental Officer	75 Spring Street, SW, Suite 1144 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.331.4524 Gregory_hogue@ios.doi.gov
U.S. Geological Survey, Environmental Affairs Program	Mr. Ed Martin Science Center Director	3039 Amweiler Road Ste. 130 Atlanta, GA 30360	770.903.9100 ehmartin@usga.gov
Federal Emergency Management Agency (If Regulatory Floodways)	Mr. Brad Loar Division Director Mitigation	3003 Chamblee-Tucker Road Atlanta, Georgia 30341	770.220.5200 Brad.loar@dhs.gov

Attachment 7: Agency Contact List (continued)

AGENCY	CONTACT	ADDRESS	PHONE/EMAIL
STATE			
Georgia Department of Natural Resources Office of the Commissioner	Mr. Jim Ussery Assistant Director	2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Suite 1252 Atlanta, Georgia 30334	404.656.3500 Jim.ussery@ dnr.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Natural Resources - Environmental Protection Division	Mr. Brian Koehler Environmental Engineer	2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Suite 1152 East Tower Atlanta, Georgia 30334	770.387.4925 Brian.koehler@ dnr.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Natural Resources Historic Preservation Division	Ms. Jackie Horlbeck Environmental Review Historian	34 Peachtree St, NW, Suite 1600 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.651.6777 Jacqueline. horlbeck @dnr.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Natural Resources Natural Heritage Program	Ms. Trina Morris Environmental Review Coordinator	2065 US Highway 278, SE Social Circle, Georgia 30025	770.918.6411 Katrina.morris@ dnr.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Natural Resources Floodplain Management Office (If Regulatory Floodways)	Mr. Alan Giles Information Geologist	7 Martin Luther King Drive, Suite 440 Atlanta, Georgia 30334	404.657.6123 Alan_giles@ dnr.state.ga.us
Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)	Ms. Katherine Russett Transportation Env. Planner	3993 Aviation Circle Atlanta, Georgia 30336	404.699.6882 krussett@ dot.ga.gov
Georgia Forestry Commission, Forest Management	Mr. Robert Farris Interim Director	Box 819 Macon, Georgia 31202	478.751.3480 bfarris@ gfc.state.ga.gov
Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority (GEFA)	Mr. Curt Soper Director Land Conservation Program	233 Peachtree Street, NE Harris Tower, Suite 900 Atlanta, Georgia 30308	404.584.1083 curt@ gefa.ga.gov
Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA)	Mr. Dan Stowers Director of Planning	935 East Confederate Ave, SE Atlanta, Georgia 30316	404.635.7337 Dan.stowers@ gema.ga.gov
FULTON COUNTY			
Fulton County Department of Environment & Community Development	Ms. Debra Jennings Senior Planner	141 Pryor Street, SW, Suite 2085 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.730.0250 Debra.jennings@ fultoncounty ga.gov
Fulton County Parks and Recreation	Ms. Lisa Carter Director	141 Pryor Street, Ste 6001 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.612.6205
Atlanta Fulton County Emergency Management Agency	Mr. Alfred Moore Director	130 Peachtree Street Ste. 157 Atlanta, GA 30303	404.730.5600 Rocky.moore@ fultoncounty ga.gov
Fulton County Public Works	Mr. Antonio Valenzuela Transportation Planning Administrator	141 Pryor Street, Ste 6000 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.612.0520 Antonio. valenzuela @fultonga.gov

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AGENCY	CONTACT	ADDRESS	PHONE/EMAIL
DEKALB COUNTY			
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REGIONAL			
Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)	Mr. David Emory Principal Planner, Transportation	40 Courtland Street, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.463.3283 demory@ atlantaregional.com
Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA)	Mr. Shaun Green Transportation Engineer	Marquis One Tower 245 Peachtree Center Ave, NE, Suite 900 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.463.2437 sgreen@grta.org
Transit Implementation Board	Mr. John Crocker Planner	Marquis One Tower 245 Peachtree Center Ave, NE, Suite 800 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.463.1702 jcrocker@ tpb.ga.gov
CITY OF ATLANTA			
City of Atlanta Department of Planning and Community Development	Mr. James E. Shelby Commissioner	55 Trinity Ave, SW Suite 1450 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.330.6070 jshelby@ atlantaga.gov
City of Atlanta, Bureau of Planning, Transportation Division	Ms. Heather Alhadeff, Assistant Director	55 Trinity Ave, SW, Suite 3508 Atlanta GA 30303	404-330-6785 halhadeff@ atlantaga.gov
Atlanta Housing Authority (AHA)	Mr. Barney Sims Sr. VP of Community, Government & External Affairs	230 John Wesley Dobbs Avenue Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.892.4700 Barney.simms@ atlantahousing.org
City of Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs	Mr. Paul Taylor Asst. Director Park Design	675 Ponce de Leon Ave, 8th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30308	404.817.6737 pataylor@ atlantaga.gov
City of Atlanta Public Works	Mr. Joe Batista Commissioner	55 Trinity Ave, SW, Suite 4900 Atlanta, Georgia 30303	404.330.6240 jjbasista@ atlantaga.gov