

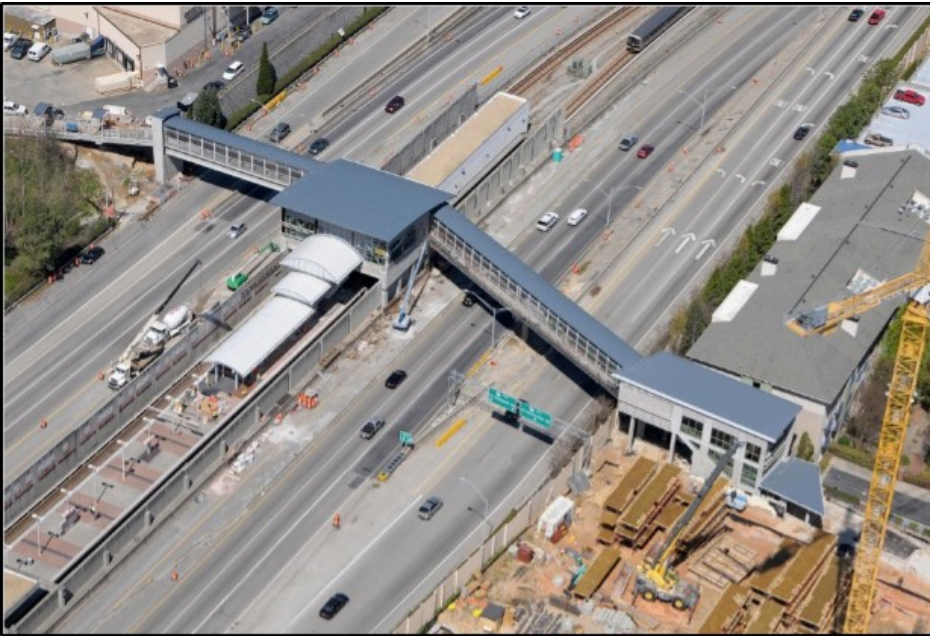


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Ribbon Cutting for MARTA Buckhead Pedestrian Bridge Scheduled for June 24



MARTA Buckhead Pedestrian Bridge in April 2014 (pictured here) to open June 24.

The new MARTA Buckhead Pedestrian Bridge will open to the public on Tuesday, June 24, in the afternoon following a ribbon cutting ceremony.

The Buckhead MARTA Station (in the center of the aerial photo above) will bisect structures stretching across the northbound travel lanes of GA 400 (right side of photo) to connect pedestrians to the Stratford Road entrance and over the southbound travel lanes of GA 400 (left side of the photo) to connect pedestrians to the commercial developments near Tower Place Drive.

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The new pedestrian bridge and north entrance added during construction will provide rail passengers and local residents with easier access to the MARTA Buckhead Station and neighboring communities from either side of GA 400.

Governor Deal Awards More than \$33 Million in GTIB Grants and Loans; Two Projects to Improve Traffic Flow on I-85 and GA 400 Arteries



Governor Nathan Deal (center) with Gwinnett County shortly after the SRTA Board approved a grant for transportation improvements at Venture Drive off of I-85.

On Wednesday, May 28, Governor Nathan Deal announced the approval of funding for 20 transportation infrastructure projects totaling \$33 million in grants and loans provided through the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB). This represents the largest funding cycle for the GTIB program since its inception. The GTIB program is a revolving infrastructure investment fund established in 2008 by Georgia legislators and administered by the State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA).

Community improvement districts (CIDs), as well as local and state government entities are eligible for GTIB grant and loan funding. Final approval is made by the SRTA Board which is chaired by Deal. This year, a record number of governments and CIDs applied for funds to jumpstart or complete 58 new projects. The awardees include: cities/towns - Atlanta, Braselton, Dunwoody, Flowery Branch, Gainesville, Johns Creek, Newnan, Sandy Springs and Tyrone; CIDs - Cumberland, Fulton Industrial Boulevard, Gwinnett Place, North Fulton, Red Top and Town Center Area; and counties - Athens-Clarke, Bartow and Grady.

Two projects receiving funds will enhance traffic flow for major arteries and job centers near I-85 (Venture Drive) and GA 400 (Windward Parkway).

"To date, the GTIB program has provided more than \$50 million in funding to jumpstart or



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complete transportation projects with a total value of more than \$200 million," said SRTA Executive Director Chris Tomlinson. "The increasing number of GTIB applicants illustrates the state's commitment to partner with local communities and advance much needed transportation infrastructure improvements. SRTA is proud to assist in speeding up these impactful projects."

Grant applications were ranked based on transportation/engineering merit, economic merit, local, state and federal matching funds and project specifics, such as the project phase and feasibility. Loan applications are evaluated based on borrower type, project type and loan spend down/repayment abilities, in addition to the merits of the project itself.

For more information on the newly-funded GTIB projects or those funded in past years, go to www.georgiatolls.com.

It's Here! "Pay n Go Peach Pass" Available in Walgreens, CVS



The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) just made accessing the I-85 Express Lanes easier with the new "Pay n Go Peach Pass." Now available at participating CVS and Walgreens stores, the Pay n Go Peach Pass offers customers the option to open and add funds to their account with cash.

The Pay n Go Peach Pass automatically deducts tolls when you use the I-85 Express Lanes, but does not automatically add funds when your balance is low. Customers can load or reload toll value when they choose in the amount they choose (\$20-\$500).

There are two Pay n Go Peach Pass options for drivers:

- **Full Starter Kit:** The Pay n Go Peach Pass Starter Kit, which includes a fully activated Peach Pass transponder and Reload Card, can be purchased for the cost of the amount of prepaid tolls (\$20 -\$500), plus a one-time \$2.50 convenience fee.
- **Reload Card:** Drivers who already have a Pay n Go or Peach Pass Personal Toll Account can buy toll value on a reloadable card in the amount of \$20-\$500, plus a \$1.50 convenience fee each time funds are added.

Pay n Go Peach Pass customers do not submit vehicle and contact information upon activation. As a result, these customers do not have access to the online customer service center or the Peach Pass GO! mobile app. It is critical that Pay n Go Peach Pass customers monitor their account balances closely by calling 1-855-847-5071 and entering the number on their Peach Pass when prompted.

Pay n Go customers are eligible to convert to a regular Peach Pass account, which will allow access to their account online and through the mobile app. Once converted, customers can easily view their account status and transactions, change their toll mode, pay fines for violations and get timely updates from SRTA's Peach Pass Customer Service Center. In addition, Pay n Go customers who converting their account to a Peach Pass Personal Toll Account can get \$5.00 in free trips.

Visit www.PeachPass.com to locate participating stores by using the zip code search feature or learn more about the Pay n Go Peach Pass.

REMINDER: Update New Vehicle and License Plate Info on Your Peach Pass Account



If you have purchased a new vehicle or changed license plate, SRTA reminds you to add your new vehicle and /or plate information to your Peach Pass account to avoid violations when using the I-85 Express Lanes.

You'll need to order a new transponder if you have a new vehicle, as transponders cannot be transferred from one vehicle to another. In addition, be sure to have us deactivate the transponder on your old vehicle to avoid paying tolls accrued after it is traded in or sold. If you've got a new license plate, you only need to update that information on your Peach Pass account to avoid violations.

Peach Pass customers can update their vehicle and license plate information and order a new transponder online by accessing their accounts at www.PeachPass.com and clicking on the "Open/Manage Your Account" icon (*must have user id and password*). You can also

update your account to reflect vehicle or license plate changes by phone at 1-855-PCH-PASS (724-7277) or in person at one of three Peach Pass Customer Service Centers located at:

Peach Pass Walk-up Center

State Road and Tollway Authority
47 Trinity Avenue, Ground Floor
Atlanta, GA 30334

Department of Driver Services

2211 Beaver Ruin Road
Norcross, GA 30071

Department of Driver Services

310 Hurricane Shoals, NE
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

Go to www.PeachPass.com for more information on updating your license plate or vehicle information.

Don't Violate: Keep Up to Date!



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Recent news reports have highlighted unusually high fines and fees for unpaid tolls motorists have accrued when using the I-85 Express Lanes and the now-closed electronic toll lanes on GA 400. In some cases, violations stemmed from outdated account information or transponder issues that could have been easily avoided.

SRTA offers seven tips for keeping your account in good standing and avoiding violations:

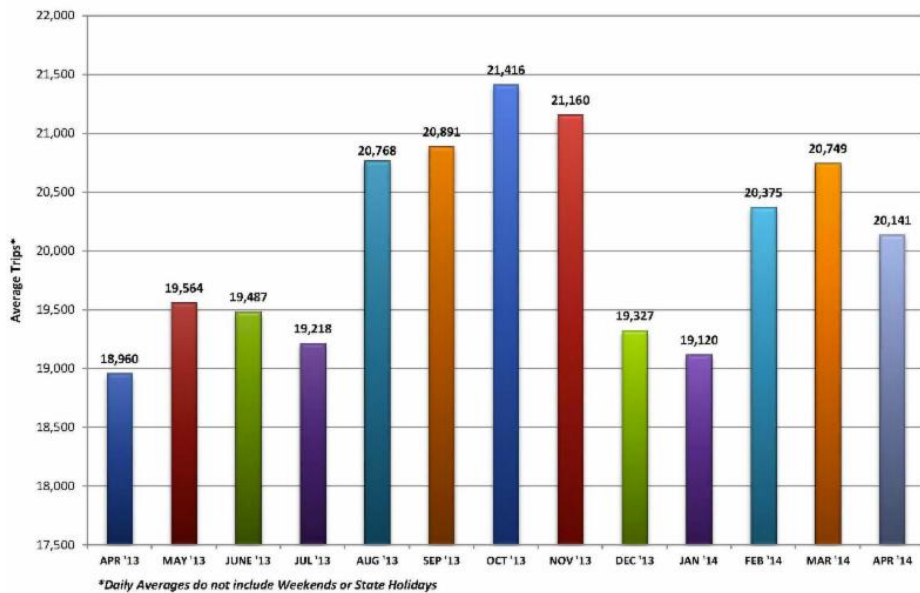
- 1. REGISTER** for a Peach Pass account. You must have a valid Peach Pass account (Personal Toll, Toll Exempt or Pay n Go) and an active Peach Pass transponder mounted in/on your vehicle for authorized access to the I-85 Express Lanes or any toll road in Georgia.
- 2. FOLLOW** the instructions for proper mounting of your Peach Pass once you have a registered account. If your transponder is not mounted properly, your vehicle may not be recognized as being linked to a registered Peach Pass account.
- 3. SIGN UP** for online account access at www.PeachPass.com to keep updated on your transactions, balance and account status.
- 4. UPDATE** your account to reflect any changes in:
 - Vehicle (new or added)
 - Credit or debit card
 - License plate (new plate or new car with current plate)

- Account holder name, address or contact information

- 5. CHECK** your account regularly online at www.PeachPass.com to confirm transactions or account status.
- 6. PAY ATTENTION** to Peach Pass email alerts or written notifications regarding your account.
- 7. CALL** the Peach Pass Customer Service Center at 1-855-PCH-PASS with questions about a violation or other account notifications.

I-85 Express Lanes Usage

**I-85 Express Lanes
Daily Trip Averages by Month***



*Daily Averages do not include Weekends or State Holidays

Motorists averaged more than 20,000 Express Lane trips a day for the months of February, March and April, 2,000 more daily trips than recorded for the same three-month period in 2013.

In addition, the total number of trips taken in April 2014 far exceeded the April 2013 total by 65,000-nearly 532,000 trips in April 2014 compared to 467,000 the year before.

[Click here](#) to view more I-85 Express Lanes monthly travel data.

FAQs Answered

Each issue of this newsletter will include questions received from the public and the corresponding responses. A full list of [frequently-asked questions](#) can be found on the Peach Pass web site www.PeachPass.com.

QUESTION: I live in Georgia, but often drive to Florida for business. Will my Peach Pass transponder allow me to use and pay tolls on Florida's toll roads?

ANSWER: Not currently, but by the end of 2014, your Peach Pass will provide access to and pay tolls on Florida toll roads as well the I-85 Express Lanes and any future Georgia tolling facilities. And because North Carolina and Florida have reciprocal tolling, your Peach Pass also will be valid for toll payment in North Carolina at the same time. Look for related announcements on the Peach Pass website at www.PeachPass.com.