

Butts County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

1. <u>What is the purpose of the proposed regional sales tax?</u>

The purpose of the region-based tax (TSPLOST) is to allow citizens within the Three Rivers Regional Commission Special Transportation Tax District to vote on the approval of a 1% sales tax to fund transportation projects. Increased fuel efficiency of modern vehicles has caused gas tax revenues to decline, and those revenues are needed to maintain roads and bridges. While gas tax revenues have declined the travel patterns and road usage of average citizens has remained the same. The result has been that transportation funding cannot keep pace with the continued growth, and the need communities have for safe, efficient, economical transportation infrastructure improvements.

2. <u>How long does the tax last, how is it approved, and when do voters approve it?</u>

If the TSPLOST is approved the tax would last 10 years, but it could expire sooner if all the projected revenue needed for transportation projects is raised earlier. The tax must be approved by a majority of voters within the 10 county Three Rivers Regional Commission Special Transportation Tax District. The referendum will be presented to the voters for approval in July of 2012.

3. Who decides the project list for Butts County?

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Butts County are Chairman Roger McDaniel, and Mayor Harvey Norris from the City of Flovilla.</u> The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Butts County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Butts County should receive \$11.7 million in unrestricted transportation funding, and \$35 million in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Butts County should be approximately \$46.7 million from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Butts County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Butts County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Butts County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Carroll County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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3. Who decides the project list for Carroll County?

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Carroll County are Chairman Bill</u> <u>Chappell, and Mayor Rick Ford from the City of Temple.</u> The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Carroll County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Carroll County should receive approximately <u>\$44.7 million</u> in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately <u>\$135 million</u> in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Carroll County should be approximately <u>\$180 million</u> from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Carroll County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Carroll County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Carroll County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Coweta County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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2. <u>How long does the tax last, how is it approved, and when do voters approve it?</u>

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3. Who decides the project list for Coweta County?

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Coweta County are Chairman</u> Rodney Brooks, and Mayor Keith Brady from the City of Newnan. The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Coweta County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Coweta County should receive approximately <u>\$43.2 million</u> in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately <u>\$167.5 million</u> in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Coweta County should be approximately <u>\$210 million</u> from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Coweta County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Coweta County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Coweta County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Heard County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Heard County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Heard County are Chairperson June Jackson, and Mayor Denney Rogers from the City of Ephesus.</u> The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Heard County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Heard County should receive approximately \$11.1 million in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately \$37.7 million in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Heard County should be approximately \$48.8 million from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Heard County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Heard County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Heard County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Lamar County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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If the TSPLOST is approved the tax would last 10 years, but it could expire sooner if all the projected revenue needed for transportation projects is raised earlier. The tax must be approved by a majority of voters within the 10 county Three Rivers Regional Commission Special Transportation Tax District. The referendum will be presented to the voters for approval in July of 2012.

3. Who decides the project list for Lamar County?

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Lamar County are Chairman Jay</u> <u>Matthews, and Mayor Peter Banks from the City of Barnesville</u>. The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Lamar County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Lamar County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Lamar County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Lamar County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Meriwether County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Meriwether County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Meriwether County are Chairperson</u> <u>Nancy Jones, and Mayor Ron Garrett from the City of Woodbury.</u> The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Meriwether County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Meriwether County should receive approximately <u>\$33.6 million</u> in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately <u>\$9.6 million</u> in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Meriwether County should be approximately <u>\$43.2 million</u> from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Meriwether County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Meriwether County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Meriwether County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Pike County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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2. <u>How long does the tax last, how is it approved, and when do voters approve it?</u>

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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Pike County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Pike County are Chairman Doug</u> <u>Mangham, and Mayor Mike Beres from the City of Zebulon</u>. The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Pike County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Pike County should receive approximately \$11.3 million in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately \$4.8 million in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Pike County should be approximately \$16.1 million from the regional TSPLOST.

5. What happens if the tax is not approved?

Pike County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Pike County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Pike County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Spalding County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Spalding County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Spalding County are Chairman Eddie</u> <u>Freeman, and Mayor Joanne Todd from the City of Griffin.</u> The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Spalding County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Spalding County should receive <u>\$22.9 million</u> in unrestricted transportation funding, and <u>\$74.9 million</u> in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Spalding County should be approximately <u>\$97.8 million</u> from the regional TSPLOST.

5. What happens if the tax is not approved?

Spalding County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Spalding County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Spalding County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Troup County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Troup County are Chairman Ricky</u> <u>Wolfe, and Mayor Jeff Lukken from the City of LaGrange</u>. The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Troup County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

If the sales tax is approved, Troup County should receive approximately $\underline{\$26.7 \text{ million}}$ in unrestricted transportation funding, and approximately $\underline{\$94.1 \text{ million}}$ in funding designated for specific projects within the county. The total return to Troup County should be approximately $\underline{\$120.8 \text{ million}}$ from the regional TSPLOST.

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Troup County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Troup County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Troup County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.



Upson County <u>Transportation Investment Act (TIA) 2010 Quick Facts</u>

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3. <u>Who decides the project list for Upson County?</u>

There is a regional roundtable of 20 elected officials that decides the overall project list. Each county within the TRRC district has one mayor to represent all the cities, and each county is represented by the county commission chairman. <u>The roundtable members for Upson County are Chairman Maurice</u> <u>Raines, and Mayor Hays Arnold from the City of Thomaston</u>. The roundtable must approve a regional project list by October 15, 2011.

4. <u>What is Upson County's share of the TSPLOST?</u>

5. <u>What happens if the tax is not approved?</u>

Upson County and all of its municipalities would have to increase local matching funds by 30% on state transportation grants for at least two years. Without TSPLOST funding then routine transportation projects in Upson County would take longer to get underway, could be permanently postponed, or put Upson County at an economic development disadvantage when dealing with industries that require certain levels of transportation network access and connectivity.