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A VIRTUAL EVENT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2022
8:30 - 10AM

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HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW...I-285?

WHILE EVERYONE JOINS THE WEBINAR...

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WELCOME!



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HOUSEKEEPING

Content follow-up

- You can relax - we'll share the slides after the event!

Q & A:

- Ask questions of the presenters anytime via the Q&A option at the bottom. Questions will be answered after each speaker, with additional time for questions at the end of the event.



Transform 285/400 Project Updates

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Kyle Collins

GDOT Communications

September 15, 2022



Project Overview

I-285 at SR 400 Interchange

- New ramps and flyover bridges

I-285

- Limits: West of Long Island Drive to the east of Ashford Dunwoody Road
- New Collector-Distributor (CD) lanes and bridges
- Bridge Replacements: Glenridge, SR 400, Peachtree Dunwoody
- Bridge Deck Improvements: Long Island Drive and Lake Forrest Drive

SR 400

- Limits: Glenridge Connector south of I-285 to Pitts Road north of Spalding Drive
- New CD lanes and bridges
- Bridge Replacements at Mount Vernon Highway and SR 400 over Abernathy Road
- Abernathy Road Diverging Diamond Interchange



I-285/SR 400 Interchange



Before Construction



Proposed Interchange



Recent Accomplishments



Recent Accomplishments – I-285 EB to SR 400 NB

- **Opened in July 2022**
 - New bridge opened from I-285 EB to SR 400 NB
 - This shift places drivers into the CD lanes to continue onto SR 400 NB just past Abernathy Road

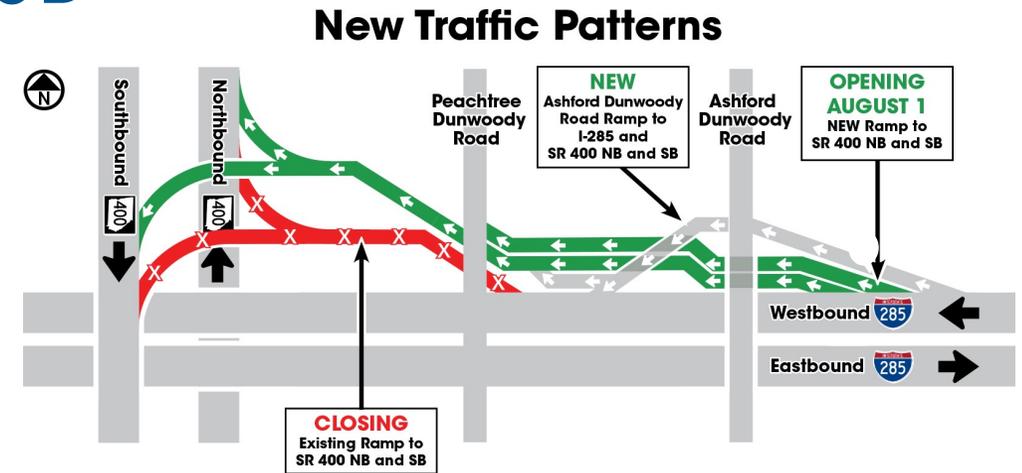


I-285 WB to Peachtree Dunwoody Road/ SR 400 NB & SB

- **Opened in August 2022**

- Motorists driving on I-285 WB to SR 400 NB and SB have a new exiting pattern (same exit as Peachtree Dunwoody Road)
- Motorists must make their decision to exit earlier just past Ashford Dunwoody Road
- This new exit point will eliminate conflict points

- Check out this ride-along [video](#)



Recent Accomplishments – Abernathy Road Progress

- **Abernathy Road Bridge Construction**
 - Removal of current SR 400 bridge over Abernathy Road – **Complete**
 - SR 400 NB shift back onto the mainlines - **Complete**
 - SR 400 SB shift back onto the mainlines - **TBD**
- **Abernathy Road Full Closures & Ramp Closures**
 - Abernathy Road has made substantial completion over the last three months.
 - Different closures will be scheduled for the remaining work including full closures and ramp closures.



Upcoming Activities



SR 400 Upcoming Construction Activities

- **Traffic Lane Shifts**
 - SR 400 SB CD lanes to mainlines
– TBD
- **Mount Vernon Highway**
 - Opening of one lane in each direction – October 2022
- **Paving**
 - Temporary ramp and CD lanes
- **Bridge Construction**
 - SR 400 NB will have lane closures (nightly & weekends) due to bridge demo and reconstruction as a part of the I-285 lane reductions work



Abernathy Road at SR 400 Construction Activities

- **Abernathy Road**

- Construction activities to finish up before opening to motorists
- Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) configuration anticipated implementation – Q4 2022

- **Bridge construction**

- Abernathy Road - ongoing



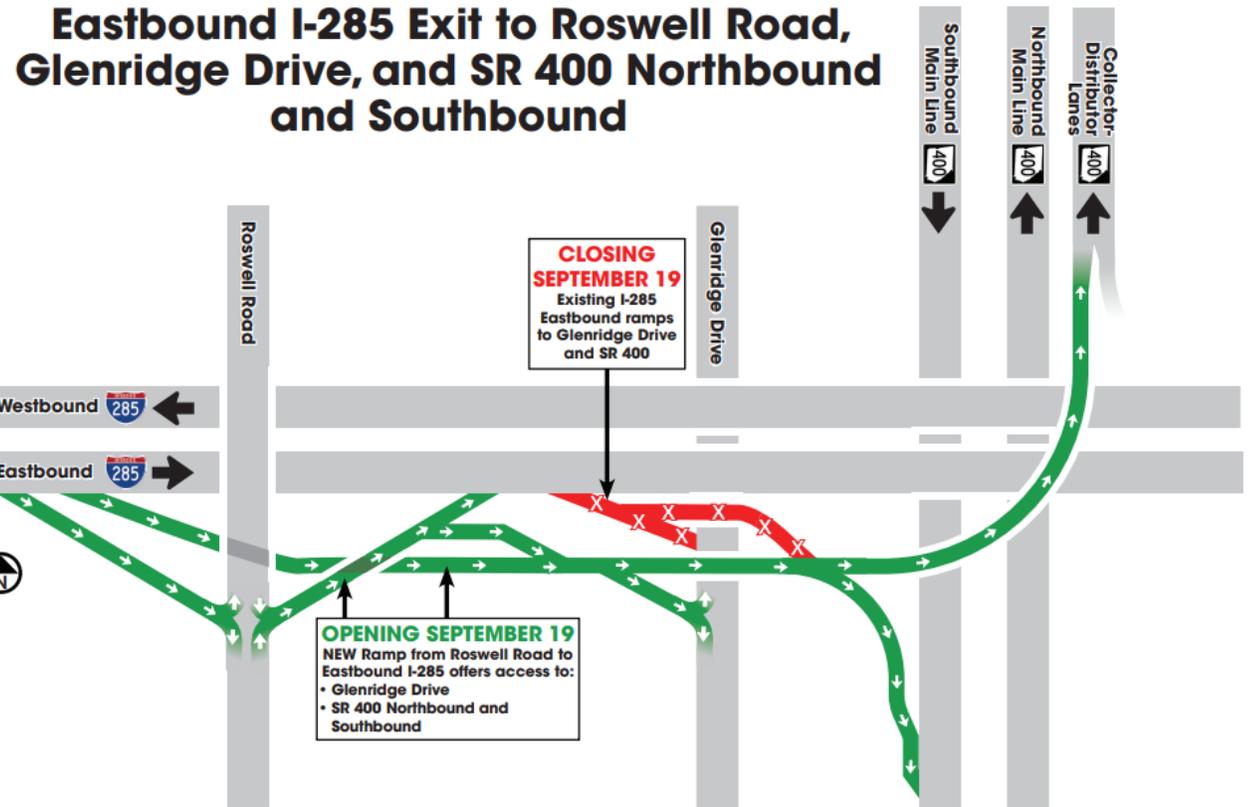
I-285 Upcoming Construction Activities

- **Ramp Traffic Shifts (Milestone Openings that must occur ahead of I-285 Lane Reductions)**
 - I-285 EB CD lane; Will allow access to Glenridge Drive, SR 400 NB and SR 400 SB - September 19, 2022
 - I-285 WB CD lane from Peachtree Dunwoody Road to Roswell Road – Work to establish the final alignment and capacity will continue
 - I-285 EB CD lane; Will allow access to I-285 EB from SR 400 NB and SR 400 SB – September 26, 2022
- **Bridge Construction**
 - I-285 WB over Lake Forrest Drive – October 2022
 - Bridge demolition and reconstruction over Glenridge Drive, SR 400, and Peachtree Dunwoody Road (I-285 Lane Reductions)



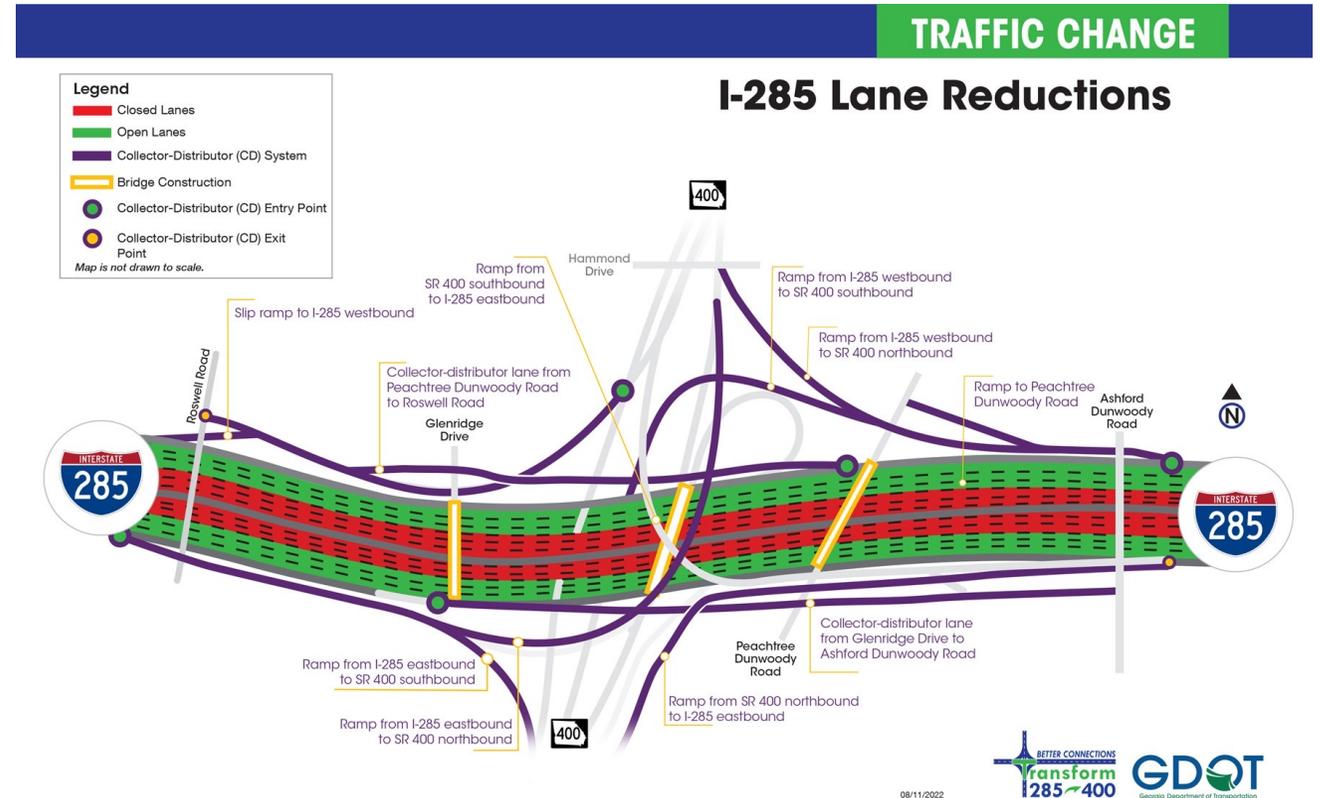
I-285 EB to Glenridge Drive and SR 400 NB & SB

- Opening September 19, 2022
(Weather permitting)
- This new exit point will place drivers into CD lanes and will allow access to Glenridge Drive, SR 400 NB and SR 400 SB (Exit 26-27)
- Motorists traveling EB on I-285 must make their decision to exit sooner just before the Roswell Road overpass



Upcoming I-285 Lane Reductions: Phase 1

- Limits: I-285 EB and WB from Roswell Road to Ashford Dunwoody Road
- Two inside lanes will close to traffic
- Crews will rebuild the I-285 bridges over Glenridge Drive, SR 400, and Peachtree Dunwoody Road
- Phase 1 implementation will be Fall 2022 – EB lanes will be closed first followed by WB lanes two weeks after
- This phase will take approximately four months



Glenridge Drive and Peachtree Dunwoody Road

- Lanes on Glenridge Drive and Peachtree Dunwoody Road will remain as they currently are
- The one-way couplet/pair that was discussed previously will not be utilized
- Full closures will be ongoing but limited to only one road at a time (nights and weekends only)



Project Milestones

- Opening elements of the project as they are complete, realizing safety and mobility benefits in real-time.
- Major openings of ramps, bridges, and CD Lanes will continue to open throughout 2022 and into 2023.
- Most work on I-285 mainline and on SR 400 is anticipated to be complete by the end of 2023.



Public Information



Connect with Transform 285/400

Visit us online!

- Access Traffic Impact Reports
- Find project information and resources
 - View project maps
 - Read project newsletters
- Check out the image gallery of the project
 - Subscribe to receive regular updates

Email: transform285400@dot.ga.gov

Hotline: 404-609-4609

Website: <https://transform285400-gdot.hub.arcgis.com/>

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Social Media:

- Follow us on Instagram [@gadeptoftrans](https://www.instagram.com/gadeptoftrans)
 - #Transform285400
- Follow our **NEW** TikTok channel to stay up to date with project progress and fun updates.

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AN ODE TO TRAFFIC

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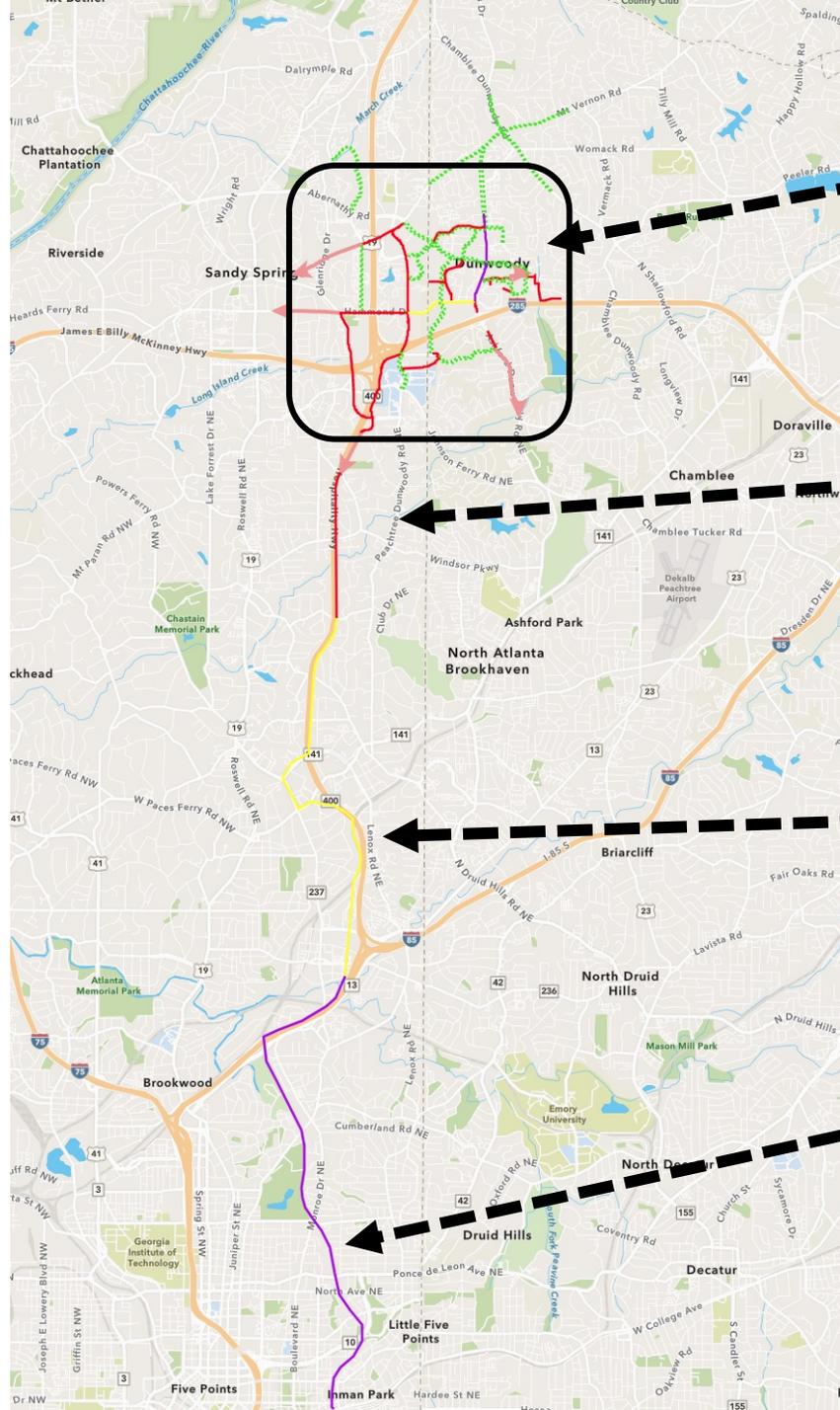
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City of Sandy Springs, PCID, PATH

- PATH 400 bike path connection
- MSE Walls
- Bridge enhancements
- Roadway and pedestrian lighting
- Signal mast arms and lighted street name signs
- Landscaping



PATH 400 Bike Path connection



Perimeter CID Trail Network

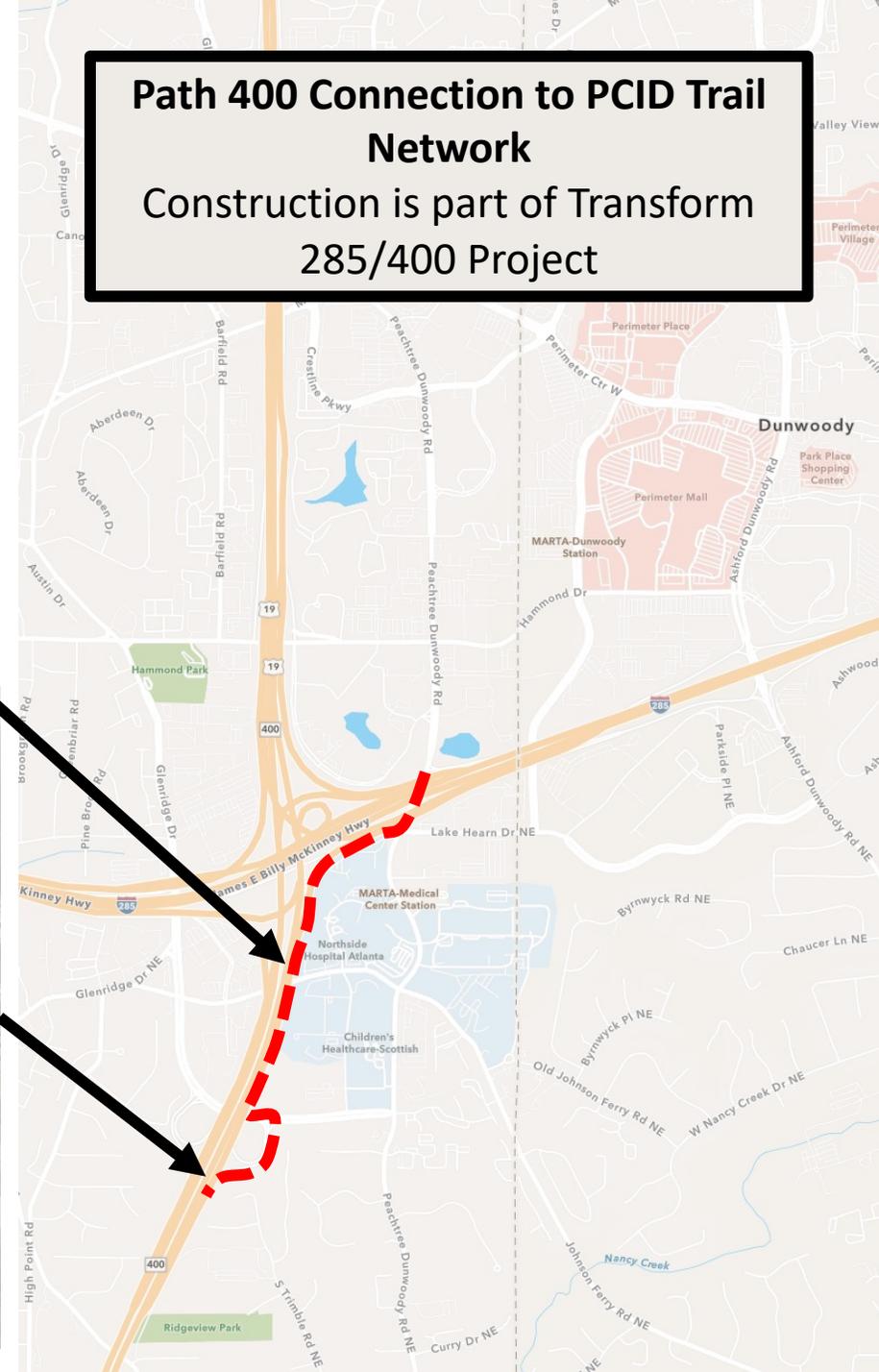
Path 400 ext.
Connection to PCID Trail System
(Sandy Springs Project)

Path 400
(Existing)

BeltLine

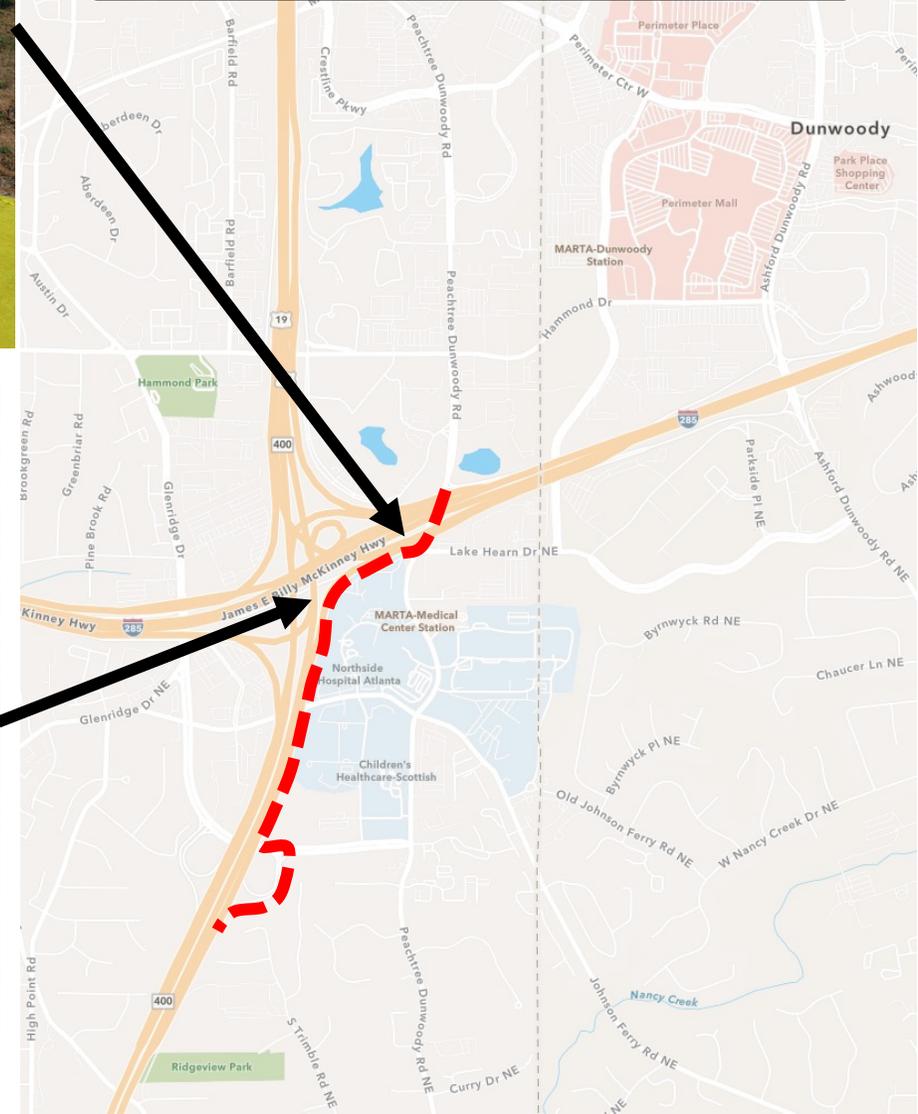


Path 400 Connection to PCID Trail Network
Construction is part of Transform 285/400 Project





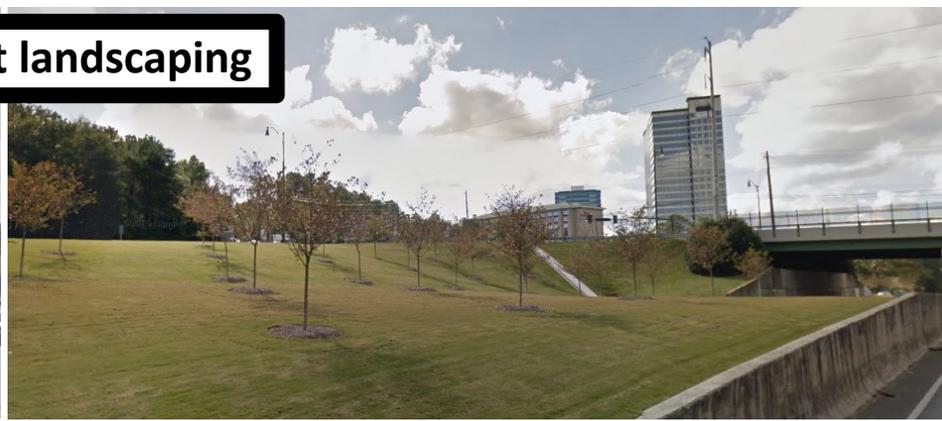
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Path 400 Example



Replacement landscaping



MSE Wall



PCID illuminated Street Sign

PCID Pedestrian Light



PCID Street Light

Texas Rail



PCID Standards



PCID Mast Arm

285 East Bound On-Ramp Ashford Dunwoody RD



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SOME GOOD NEWS

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285 LANE CLOSURES

RESOURCES

3 THINGS YOU CAN DO



Plan Ahead and Skip the Red

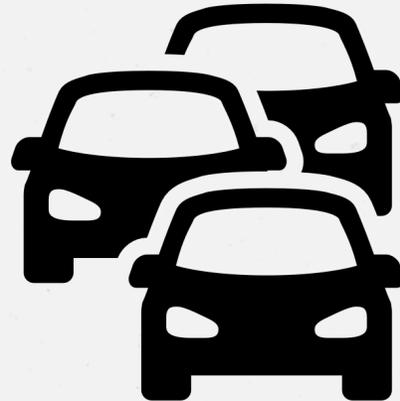


Ask for Options – Reach out and we'll help you explore all alternative commutes based on where you live and work.



Don't Waste Time – Swap a stressful solo drive for collaboration or social time by carpooling

ASK FOR OPTIONS



Anything is better than misery in traffic. We'll explore all the available options for you to get to and from work, and provide you personal recommendations.

We wish Google knew as much about commuting as we do!

I hate traffic

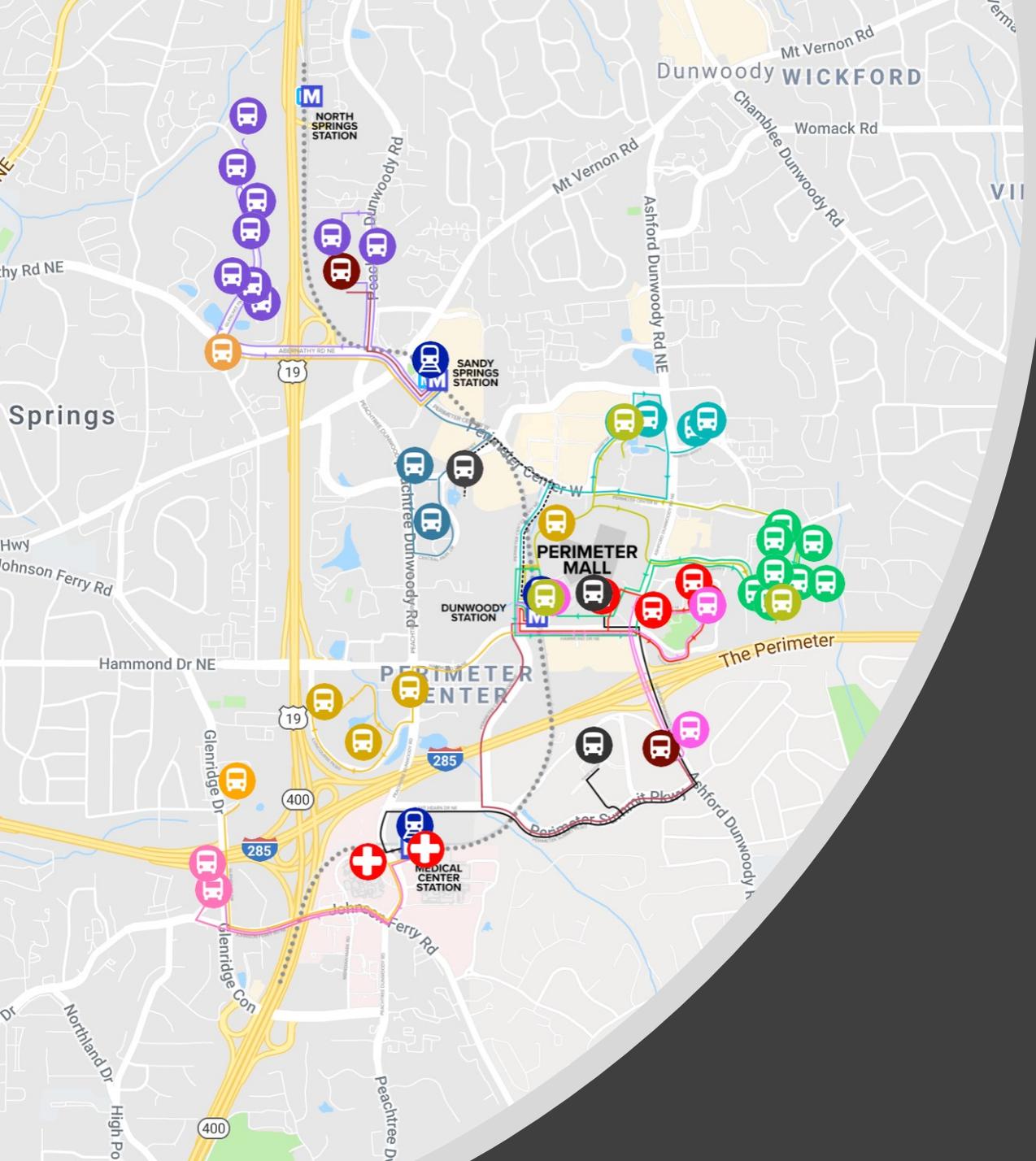
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WHAT SORT OF OPTIONS?

PERIMETER OPTIONS: MARTA



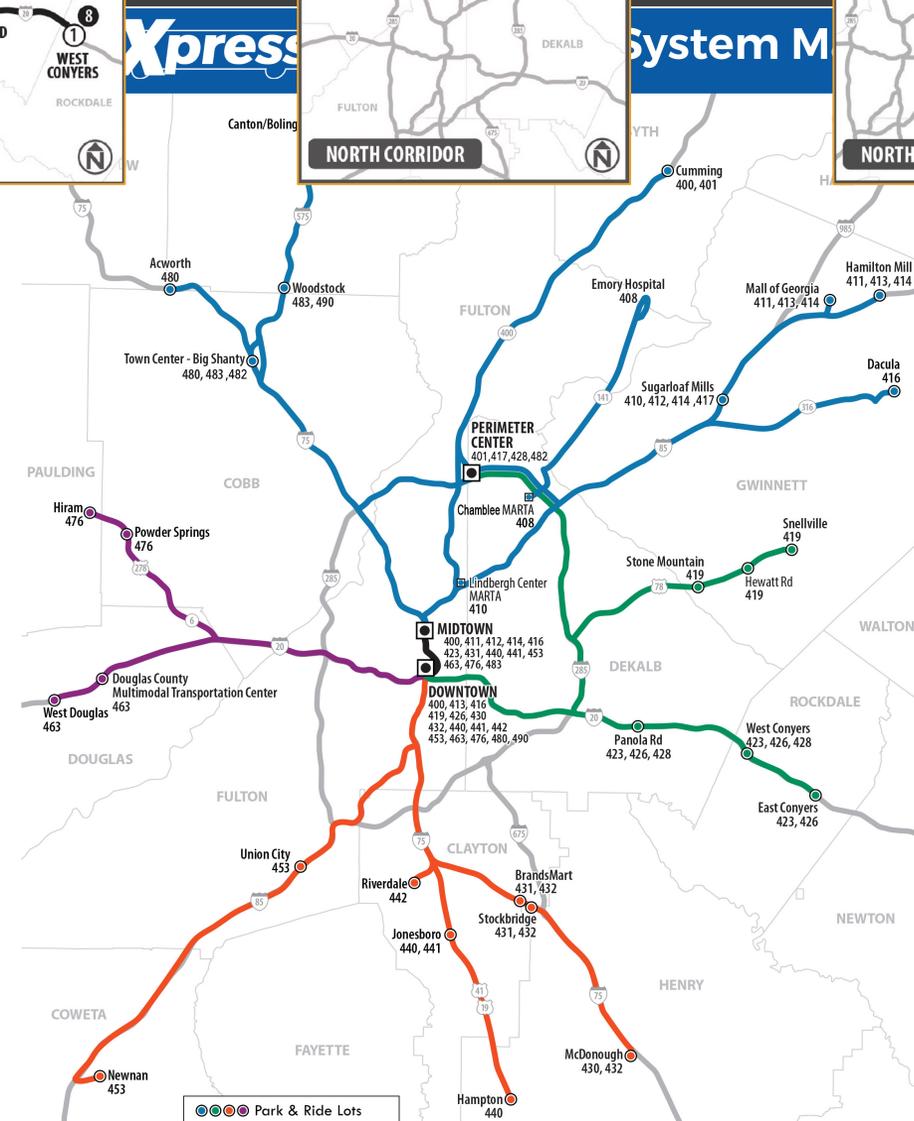
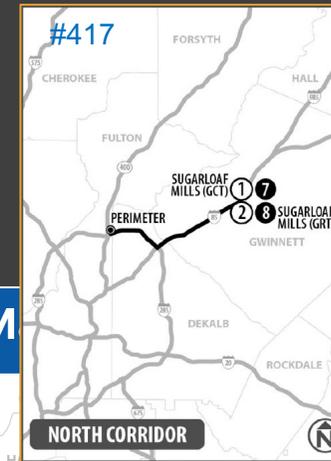
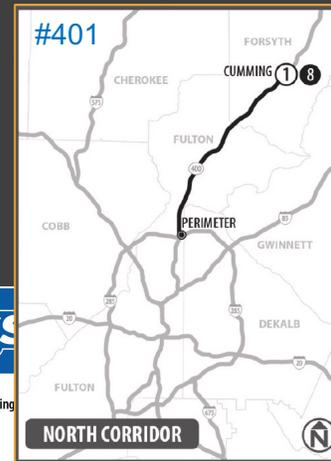


PERIMETER OPTIONS: SHUTTLES



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●●●● Park & Ride Lots



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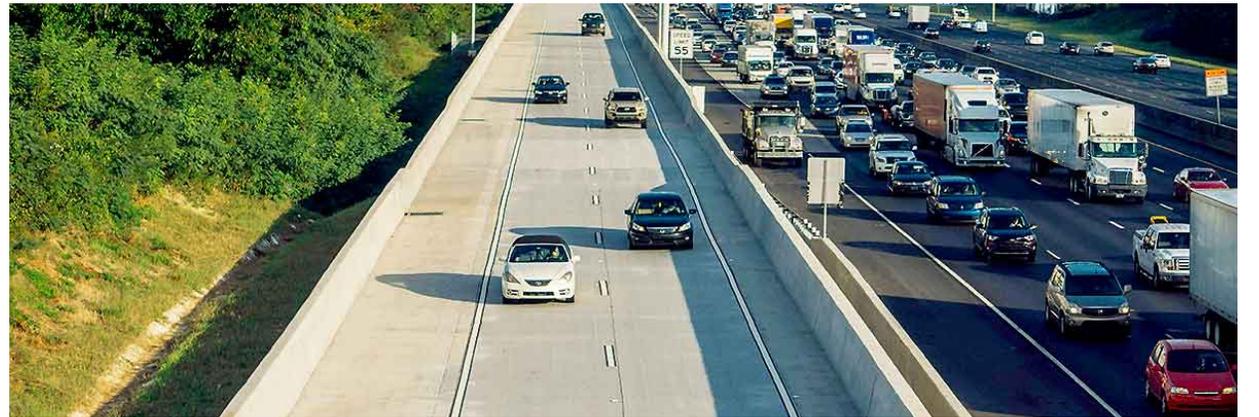
DON'T WASTE TIME

Make drive time fun or productive

- You could spend the time talking through work ideas or making a friend

Perks

- Carpoolers get \$5 per day, up to \$150 total
- Carpools with 3+ people get \$40 gas cards every month for up to 12 months
- Guaranteed ride home



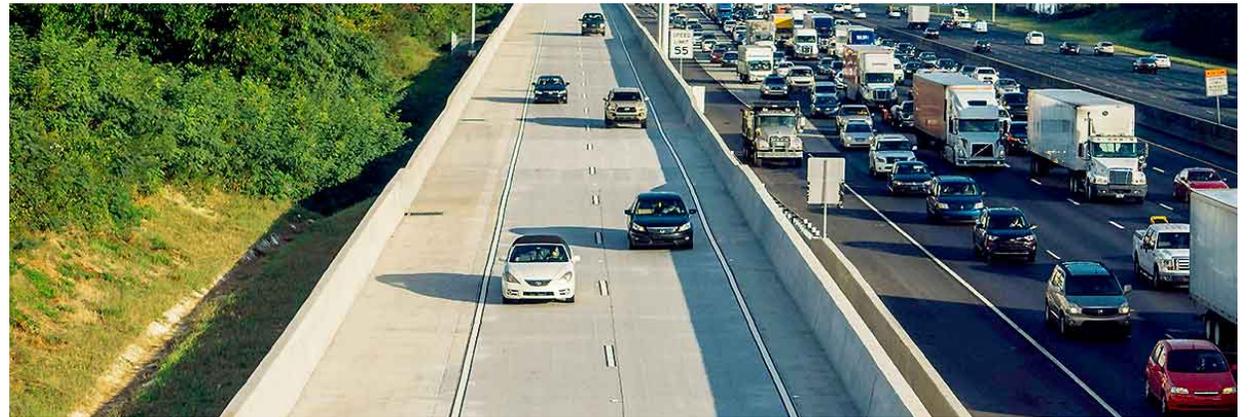
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- **\$50 gift card after your first trip**



3 THINGS YOUR ORGANIZATION CAN DO



Inform Employees in Advance - Give them time to plan ahead, or have a plan for frustrated people



Balance your work days – Everyone coming in on Tues/Wed/Thurs? So is everyone else. Use your flexibility.



Talk about carpooling - Help them connect with colleagues and/or promote the Ask for Options form

I-285 Lane Closures

The reconstruction of I-285 at GA-400 is getting closer to finished, but there's one last major step — and it's going to impact a lot of folks.

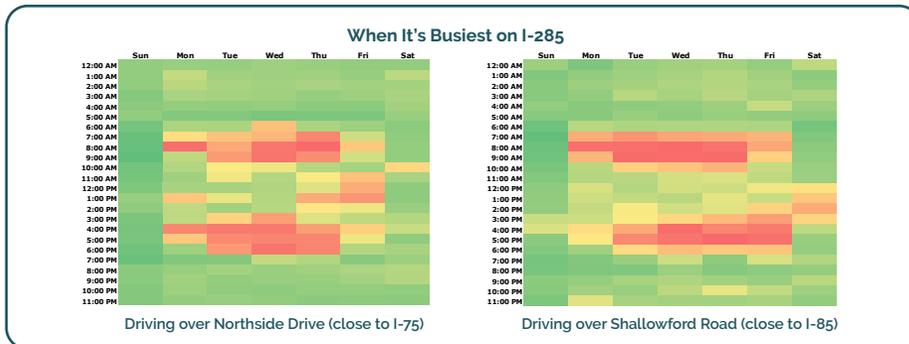
Starting in late October, the Georgia Department of Transportation will close two lanes in each direction of I-285 until late 2023. These closures will be 24/7. These are the affected areas:



3 Tools for Navigating I-285 Traffic

1 Plan Ahead and Skip the Red

Traffic isn't the same at all hours - here's a handy guide to when I-285 is the busiest so you can adjust your plans accordingly:



2

Ask for Options

Reach out via the link or QR code below and we'll explore every possible alternative commute for you, based on where you live and work. There may be a comfy coach bus, easy vanpool, or carpooling coworker you didn't know about.

3

Shared the Ride - and Get Paid

If you carpool with a colleague or friend, we'll give you a \$50 gas card. Take that time on 285 and make it fly by. Hit up our link and we'll handle the hard work of finding you a carpool.



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Take 2 minutes to ask our team for a carpool introduction. If we find someone who lives close enough to you, we'll introduce you to each other—and give you \$50 for gas after the first time you carpool!

Have specific questions about the lane closures or other construction impacts? Contact the Transform 285/400 team at transform285400@dot.ga.gov

RESOURCES FOR YOUR PEOPLE

TEMPLATES & SAMPLE COPY

Employee Email

Community Email

Social Media Posts

OTHER RESOURCES

Lane Closure Details

Maps and Visual Resources

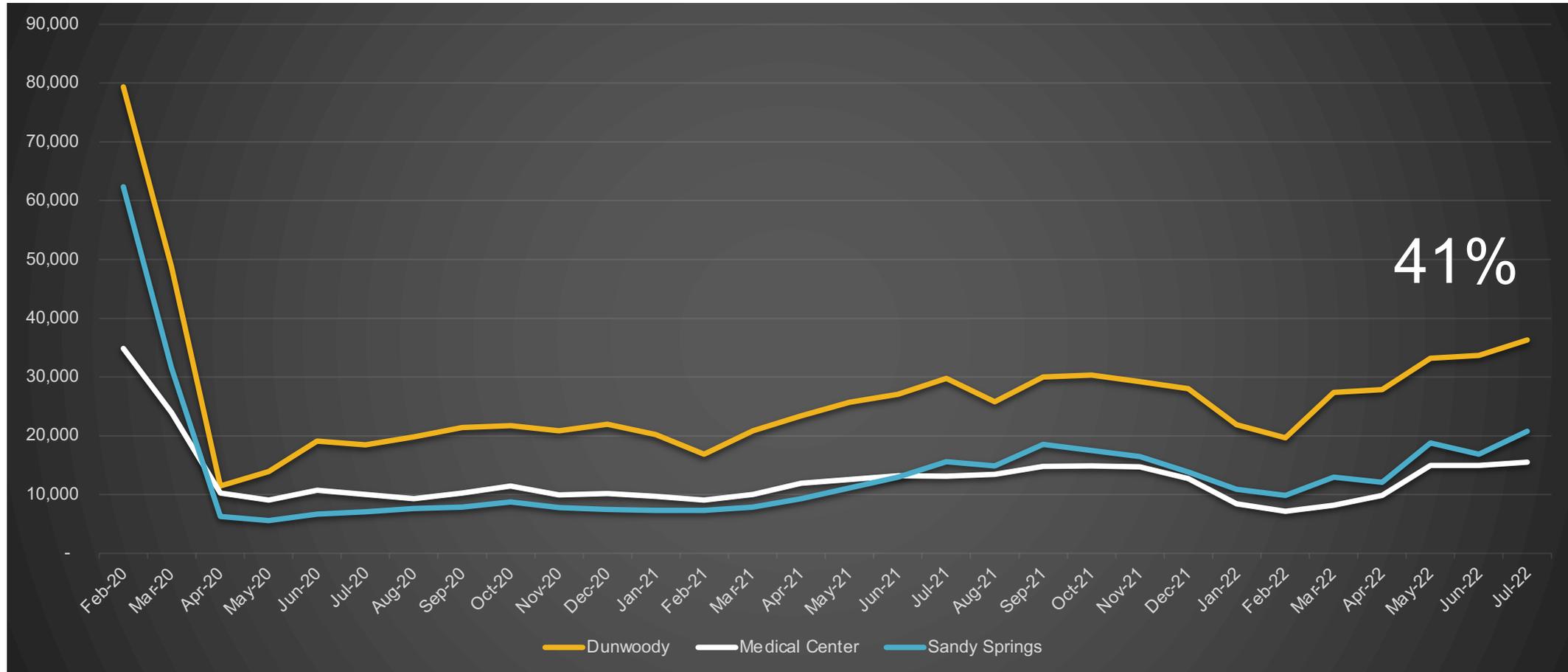
Employee Flyer

LOCAL DATA

TRAFFIC

Ashford Dunwoody @ Ravinia	NB Through
Feb 2020	17,527 (1,757 VPH @ peak)
April 2020	5,019 (543 @ peak) -71%
November 2020	19,737 (2,536 @ peak) +12%
Mar 2021	13,640 (1,651 @ peak) -22%
July 2021	18,604 (2,131 @ peak) +6%
November 2021	18,894 (1,945 @ peak) +7%
February 2022	18,380 (1,776 @ peak) +5%
June 2022	17,718 (1,702 @ peak)
Sept 13, 2022	15,659 (1,820 @ peak)

MARTA RAIL RIDERSHIP



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ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS



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