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**Subject:** A Response From Johnny Isakson



# Johnny Isakson

United States Senate  Georgia

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding interstate study legislation. I appreciate hearing from you and I appreciate the opportunity to respond to you.

As you may be aware, the 2005 surface transportation authorization legislation contained a provision to study preliminary proposals to build Interstate-3 from Savannah, GA to Knoxville, TN, and Interstate-14 from Augusta, GA to Natchez, MS. These studies would have determined whether sufficient demand existed to create such interstates, as well as which route provides access to the greatest number of people. The studies would also include ample opportunity for public comments such as yours. As you may know the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is not conducting any activities related to these studies, and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is finalizing their report on a potential I-3 study to Congress and focusing on the public comments they have received from my constituents along the proposed route. If the FHWA report indicates that there is no strong support for moving forward with I-3, then the highway will not be built. As I have repeatedly said, if my constituents in the communities along the proposed route do not want an interstate then I will support their wishes.

Thank you again for contacting me. Please visit my webpage at <http://isakson.senate.gov/> for more information on the issues important to you and to sign up for my [e-newsletter](#).

Sincerely,  
Johnny Isakson  
United States Senator

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