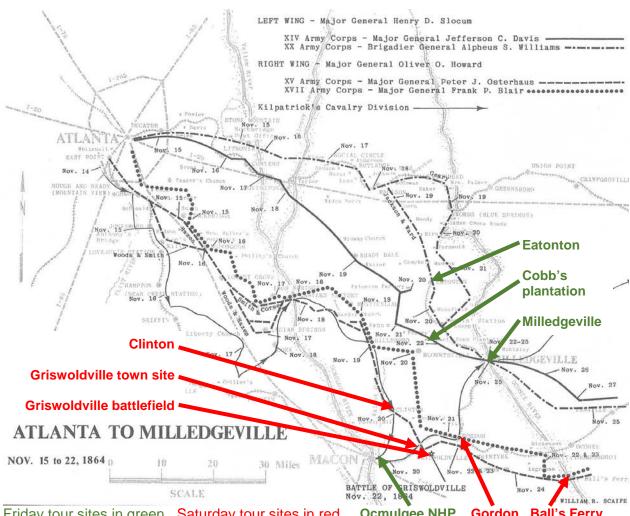
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GBA tour set for 7-10 October in Macon

Dates: 7-10 October 2021. We'll be joined by our friend Jim Ogden on this year's tour. Sites: Early days of the March to the Sea. On Friday, the Left Wing: Eatonton, Cobb Plantation, and Milledgeville, followed by a stop at Ocmulgee National Historical Park (NHP) to cover cavalry actions of July and November 1864. Dinner at Michael's on Mulberry in Macon. On Saturday, the Right Wing: Old Clinton, Griswoldville, Griswoldville battlefield, Gordon, and Ball's Ferry. Dinner at Cannonball House in Macon. On Sunday, Rose Hill Cemetery and downtown Macon sites relating to the town's significance and Jefferson Davis' capture. Hotel: Springhill Suites at 4630 Sheraton Drive. www.marriott.com/MCNSH. The hotel is at I-75 exit 171 and is visible from the interstate. Phone the hotel at 478 803 9100 to get the GBA rate of \$99 per night, which with the unavoidable taxes is about \$119. We'll begin as usual with a Thursday evening reception at the hotel. We'll start setting up around 5 p.m., hand out maps near 6 p.m., and conclude by 7 p.m. so you can head for dinner on your own. Typically, people renew acquaintances and head for dinner in small groups. A selection of restaurants is available at I-75 exit 169, two miles south on Sheraton Drive or I-75. Cost & Registration: \$430. Register online at www.georgiabattlefields.org/tours.aspx, or mail check payable to Georgia Battlefields Association to PO Box 669953, Marietta GA 30066.



Friday tour sites in green. Saturday tour sites in red. Ocmulgee NHP Gordon Ball's Ferry Map by Bill Scaife using Atlas to Accompany the Official Records, Plate 101/21.

GBA tours for 2022 and 2023

We've had discussions about next year and beyond. For 2022, we'll go back to touring in the spring, most likely April. We originally chose March to accommodate Ed Bearss' schedule, but historian Jim Ogden has agreed to become our primary tour guide for coming years, and his schedule tends to be more flexible in April. We plan to go to Savannah in 2022, ten years since our last visit. For 2023, we're considering the actions of October and November 1863, namely Brown's Ferry, Wauhatchie, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, and Ringgold.

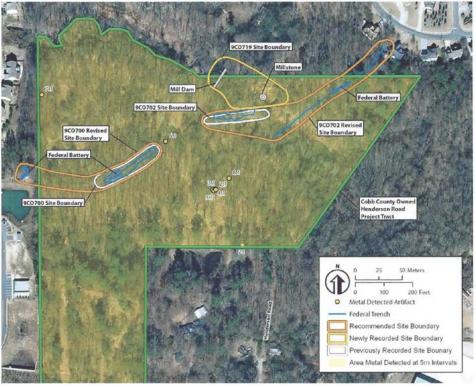
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GBA consulting on Georgia Department of Transportation projects

Georgia Battlefields Association has frequently been a consulting party on Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) projects, and we provide our opinion on the section 106 requirement to evaluate the impact of road work on historic sites. While summer is usually the time for road work, especially on interstate highways, we're currently consulting on eight projects, which our records indicate is the most with which we've been involved at one time. The sites the projects could affect are:

- Ringgold Gap and Old Stone Church
- Cassville
- Dallas (two projects)
- Kennesaw Mountain
- Cobb County earthworks get additional protection

We've found that sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) aren't protected as much as the designation would imply. https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nationalregister/what-is-the-national-register.htm. A listing on a county register of historic places sometimes carries more weight with county government when it comes to preservation. Consequently, GBA readily supported the listing of a site that is commonly referred to as the Henderson Road property on the Cobb County Register of Historic Places. https://www.cobbcounty.org/community-development/planning/historic-preservation/designating-history. The property contains the remnants of two U.S. Army artillery positions and the associated infantry trenches, and the county had already acquired the property several years ago using park bond funds. Both the River Line Historic Area's Roberta Cook and a GBA representative spoke in favor of the site's addition to the county register at a historic preservation planning commission meeting in May and again at an 8 June meeting of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners. We're glad to report the commissioners approved adding the site to the county register by a 5-0 vote.



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