

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION AGENDA - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2018
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA
6:00 PM**

A. ROLL CALL

B. OPENING PRESENTATION

[Development](#) Authority of Dawson County (DADC) Update- Brian Trapnell, DADC
Chairman

C. INVOCATION

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[Minutes](#) of the Special Called Meeting held on December 6, 2018
[Minutes](#) of the Voting Session held on December 6, 2018
[Minutes](#) of the Work Session held on December 13, 2018

G. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

I. ZONING

1. [ZA 18-06](#) - Corey Gutherie on behalf of Tanco Investments LLC has made a request for a rezoning subject to County Commission approval. He is seeking to change the current zoning of RA (Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban) to RSR (Residential Sub Rural) for the proposed use of a minor subdivision to three 1-acre residential lots on community water and septic. The subject property is zoned RA (Residential Sub-Rural) and is located at TMP L18 075.

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Annexations #C8-00209 and #C8-00210 (*discussed at the December 13, 2018, Work Session*)

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation and Consideration of Family Connection Fiscal Agent Request- Family Connection Director Nancy Stites
2. Consideration to Move Forward with a Public Hearing Regarding the Comprehensive Plan
3. Ratification of Geographic Information System Summer Intern Grant Application Request
4. Consideration of 2019 Georgia Forestry Commission Grant Application Request
5. Ratification of Georgia Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant Application Request

6. Consideration of IFBs #316-18 - Course Aggregate & Miscellaneous Items; and #318-18 - Hot Asphaltic Mix
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8. Consideration of GATEway Grant
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10. Consideration of Board Appointments:
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 - i. Jim Perdue- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2023)
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 - v. Neil Hornsey, District 4 appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)

L. PUBLIC COMMENT

M. ADJOURNMENT

Those with disabilities who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting, should contact the ADA Coordinator at 706-344-3666, extension 44514. The county will make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

Backup material for agenda item:

Development Authority of Dawson County (DADC) Update- Brian Trapnell, DADC Chairman

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**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA
5:30 PM**

ROLL CALL: Those present were Chairman Thurmond; Commissioner Fausett, District 1; Commissioner Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Hamby, District 3; Commissioner Nix, District 4; County Attorney Frey; County Clerk Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County. County Manager Headley was not present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Addition of Approval of Language Assistance Plan

Gaines/Hamby

PUBLIC HEARING:

Community Development Block Grant Program (1st of 1 hearing)

Restate Acceptance of Funds Vote of November 1, 2018

Chairman Thurmond restated the acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Funds Vote of November 1, 2018.

Approval of Usage of Funds Resolution

Chairman Thurmond read aloud the Community Development Block Grant Usage of Funds Resolution. He noted that a vote would be taken on the Resolution and the Language Assistance Plan following the public comment portion of the meeting.

Design Preview- Senior Services Director Dawn Pruett

Senior Services Director Pruett made a Design Preview presentation.

Procurement Process Summary- Purchasing Manager Melissa Hawk

Purchasing Manager Hawk made a Procurement Process Summary presentation.

Call for Public Comment

Chairman Thurmond opened the hearing by asking if there was anyone present who wished to be heard on the Community Development Block Grant Program.

The following spoke on the Community Development Block Grant Program:

- Hugh Stowers Jr.- Dawsonville, Georgia, questioned whether there would be an elevator in the proposed new Senior Center building, whether there would be a paved street in the rear of the building and whether that street would accommodate a fire truck and the necessary equipment and personnel in the event of an emergency.

Chairman Thurmond asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak on the Community Development Block Grant Program and, hearing none, closed the hearing.

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Community Development Block Grant Usage of Funds Resolution and the Language Assistance Plan. Nix/Fausett

ADJOURNMENT:

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk

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Backup material for agenda item:

Minutes of the Voting Session held on December 6, 2018

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VOTING SESSION MINUTES – DECEMBER 6, 2018
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INVOCATION: Chairman Thurmond

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman Thurmond

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Minutes of the Voting Session held on November 15, 2018. Fausett/Hamby

Motion passed 3-0 to approve the Minutes of the Work Session held on November 20, 2018. Nix/Fausett- Commissioner Gaines abstained

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion passed unanimously to approve the agenda with the following change:

- Addition of Executive Session for the purpose of litigation

Gaines/Hamby

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of Request for Sheriff's Office K9 Grant Extension

Motion passed unanimously to approve the Request for the Sheriff's Office K9 Grant Extension. Nix/Gaines

Ratification of Request to Apply for 2019 Grant Funding for North Georgia K9 Task Force

Motion passed unanimously to ratify the Request to Apply for 2019 Grant Funding for the North Georgia K9 Task Force. Hamby/Fausett

Consideration to Accept Georgia Emergency Management Agency K9 Grant Funds

Motion passed unanimously to approve to Accept Georgia Emergency Management Agency K9 Grant Funds. Fausett/Gaines

Consideration of Emergency Management Agency Director Appointment

Motion passed unanimously to appoint Dawson County Emergency Services Director Danny Thompson as the Emergency Management Agency Director. Gaines/Hamby

Consideration of IFB #328-18 - Heavy Equipment Maintenance & Repairs (Rebid)

Motion passed unanimously to approve IFB #328-18 - Heavy Equipment Maintenance & Repairs (Rebid); to accept the bids submitted and to award an annual contract for heavy equipment maintenance and repairs to Townley Construction, at prices offered, for one year beginning January 1, 2019, with two possible renewal-option years. Gaines/Hamby

Consideration of FY 2019 Legacy Link Addendum No. 1- Additional Funds for Respite Care

Motion passed unanimously to approve FY 2019 Legacy Link Addendum No. 1- Additional Funds for Respite Care. Fausett/Hamby

Ratification of FY 2020 Georgia Department of Transportation / Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Transit Contract

Motion passed unanimously to ratify the FY 2020 Georgia Department of Transportation / Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Transit Contract. Nix/Gaines

Consideration of Board Appointment:

- Development Authority
 - Gary Coates or Seanie Zappendorf- replacing Sherry Weeks (Term: December 2018 through December 2022)

Motion passed unanimously to appoint Gary Coates to the Development Authority with a term of December 2018 through December 2022. Nix/Fausett

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion passed unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss litigation. Gaines/Hamby

Motion passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session. Nix/Hamby

ADJOURNMENT:

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk

Backup material for agenda item:

Minutes of the Work Session held on December 13, 2018

**DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MINUTES – DECEMBER 13, 2018
DAWSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ASSEMBLY ROOM
25 JUSTICE WAY, DAWSONVILLE, GEORGIA
4:00PM**

Those present were Chairman Thurmond; Commissioner Fausett, District 1; Commissioner Gaines, District 2; Commissioner Hamby, District 3; Commissioner Nix, District 4; County Manager Headley; County Attorney Frey; County Clerk Cloud; and interested citizens of Dawson County.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Employee Retirement Plan- GEBCorp Regional Client Manager Ryan Reynolds
This item was for discussion purposes only.
2. Presentation of the Comprehensive Plan- Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley
This item will be placed on the December 20, 2018, Voting Session Agenda- to be considered to move forward with public hearings.
3. Presentation of Geographic Information System Summer Intern Grant Application Request- Planning & Development Director Jameson Kinley
Planning & Development Director Kinley requested the board ratify this item. This item will be placed on the December 20, 2018, Voting Session Agenda for ratification.
4. Presentation of 2019 Georgia Forestry Commission Grant Application Request- Emergency Services Director Danny Thompson
This item will be placed on the December 20, 2018, Voting Session Agenda.
5. Presentation of Georgia Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant Application Request- Emergency Services Director Danny Thompson
Emergency Services Director Thompson requested the board ratify this item. This item will be placed on the December 20, 2018, Voting Session Agenda for ratification.
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Chairman Thurmond announced that County Manager Headley was recognized on December 7, 2018, as the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission's Appointed Official of the Year.

11. County Manager Report

This item was for information only.

12. County Attorney Report

This item was for information only.

County Attorney Frey presented the following item and requested the board consider it:

Presentation and consideration of request to purchase a 2.5-acre parcel at 3145 Sweetwater Juno Road for use as a fire station to be built; approval of the expenditure, \$27,590, for that purpose; and authorization for the county attorney to execute settlement papers.

Motion passed unanimously to approve the purchase of a 2.5-acre parcel at 3145 Sweetwater Juno Road for use as a fire station to be built; approval of the expenditure, \$27,590, for that purpose; and authorization for the county attorney to execute settlement papers. Fausett/Nix

ADJOURNMENT:

Before adjourning the meeting for a reception honoring outgoing District 3 Commissioner Hamby, Chairman Thurmond called for any farewell remarks to Commissioner Hamby from the board, staff and public.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Billy Thurmond, Chairman

Kristen Cloud, County Clerk

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Backup material for agenda item:

1. ZA 18-06 - Corey Gutherie on behalf of Tanco Investments LLC has made a request for a rezoning subject to County Commission approval. He is seeking to change the current zoning of RA (Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban) to RSR (Residential Sub Rural) for the proposed use of a minor subdivision to three 1-acre residential lots on community water and septic. The subject property is zoned RA (Residential Sub-Rural) and is located at TMP L18 075.

DAWSON COUNTY REZONING APPLICATION

This portion to be completed by Zoning Administrator

ZA 18-06 Tax Map & Parcel # (TMP): L18 075
Submittal Date: 10-10-18 Time: 11:20 am / pm Received by: Uray (staff initials)
Fees Assessed: \$250 Paid: check Commission District: 3
Planning Commission Meeting Date: November 20, 2018
Board of Commissioners Meeting Date: December 20, 2018

APPLICANT INFORMATION (or Authorized Representative)

Printed Name: COREY GUTHERIE
Address: 3384 ELLIOTT FAMILY PARKWAY, DAWSONVILLE, GA 30534

Phone: Listed _____ Email: Business _____
Unlisted _____ Personal _____

Status: Owner Authorized Agent Lessee Option to purchase

Notice: If applicant is other than owner, enclosed Property Owner Authorization form must be completed.

I have /have not _____ participated in a Pre-application meeting with Planning Staff.

If not, I agree n/a /disagree _____ to schedule a meeting the week following the submittal deadline.

Meeting Date: _____ Applicant Signature: _____

PROPERTY OWNER/PROPERTY INFORMATION

Name: Lola Marie Pugh, Trustee of the Lola Marie Pugh Estate c/o Jerry Thompson

Street Address of Property being rezoned: War Hill Park Road, Dawsonville, GA 30534

Rezoning from: RA to: RSR Total acreage being rezoned: 3.0ac

Directions to Property: SR 53 to War Hill Park Road. Property is 1.0 mile on right, just past Liberty Church Road.

Subdivision Name (if applicable): n/a Lot(s) #: 3 (1ac)

Current Use of Property: undeveloped, with one small shed

Any prior rezoning requests for property? no if yes, please provide rezoning case #: ZA n/a

*****Please refer to Dawson County's Georgia 400 Corridor Guidelines and Maps to answer the following:**

Does the plan lie within the Georgia 400 Corridor? no (yes/no)

If yes, what section? n/a

SURROUNDING PROPERTY ZONING CLASSIFICATION:

North RA South RA East RA/RSR West RA

Future Land Use Map Designation: Sub Rural Residential

Access to the development will be provided from:

Road Name: War Hill Park Road Type of Surface: Asphalt

REQUESTED ACTION & DETAILS OF PROPOSED USE

Rezoning to: RSR Special Use Permit for: _____

Proposed Use: Minor Subdivision to three 1 ac residential lots on community water and septic

Existing Utilities: Water Sewer Gas Electric

Proposed Utilities: Water Sewer Gas Electric

RESIDENTIAL

No. of Lots: 3 Minimum Lot Size: 1.0 (acres) No. of Units: n/a

Minimum Heated Floor Area: 1,200 sq. ft. Density/Acre: 1 lot/ac

Type: Apartments Condominiums Townhomes Single-family Other

Is an Amenity Area proposed: no; if yes, what? n/a

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL

Building area: n/a No. of Parking Spaces: n/a

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I hereby request the action contained within this application relative to the property shown on the attached plats and site plan and further request that this item be placed on both the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners agenda(s) for a public hearing.

I understand that the Planning & Development staff may either accept or reject my request upon review. My request will be rejected if all the necessary data is not presented.

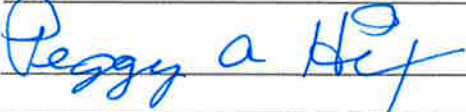
I understand that I have the obligation to present all data necessary and required by statute to enable the Planning Commission and the Board of Commissioners to make an informed determination on my request. I will seek the advice of an attorney if I am not familiar with the zoning and land use requirements.

I understand that my request will be acted upon at the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioner hearings and that I am required to be present or to be represented by someone able to present all facts. I understand that failure to appear at a public hearing may result in the postponement or denial of my rezoning of special use application. I further understand that it is my responsibility to be aware of relevant public hearing dates and times regardless of notification from Dawson County.

I hereby certify that I have read the above and that the above information as well as the attached information is true and correct.

Signature 

Date October 10, 2018

Witness 

Date October 10, 2018

WITHDRAWAL

Notice: This section only to be completed if application is being withdrawn.

I hereby withdraw application # _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Withdrawal of Application:

Withdrawals of any application may be accommodated within the Planning & Development Department if requested before the Planning Commission agenda is set. Therefore, withdrawals may not be made after ten (10) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission meeting hearing, unless accompanied by written request stating specific reasons for withdrawal. This withdrawal request is to be published in the legal organ prior to the meeting. Following the written request and publication the Planning Commission will vote to remove the item from the agenda at the scheduled hearing. Please note that should the withdrawal be denied, the item will receive deliberation and public hearing with a decision by the Planning Commission. Further, the applicant is encouraged to be present at the hearing to substantiate reasons for withdrawal. Please note that no refund of application fees may be made unless directed by the Board of Commissioners.

ZA 18.06

TMP#: L18 075

List of Adjacent Property Owners

It is the responsibility of the Applicant to provide a list of adjacent property owners. This list must include the name and mailing address of anyone who has property touching your property or who has property directly across the street from your property.

****Please note this information should be obtained using the Tax Map & Parcel (TMP) listing for any parcel(s) adjoining or adjacent to the parcel where a variance or rezone is being requested.**

Name

Address

- TMP L18 090 1. NVG LLLP; PO Box 1466, Flowery Branch< GA 30542
- TMP L18 080 2. Lola Marie Pugh Trustee; 1088 War Hill Park Road, Dawsonville, GA 30534
- TMP L18 081 026 3. George Wald; 140 Harbor Ridge Dr, Dawsonville, GA 30534
- TMP L18 081 025 4. William & Rhonda Kimbrell; 154 Harbour Ridge Dr, Dawsonville, GA 30534
- TMP L18 081 024 5. Michael Howard & Cindy Rich; 172 Harbour Ridge Dr, Dawsonville, GA 30534
- TMP _____ 6. _____
- TMP _____ 7. _____
- TMP _____ 8. _____
- TMP _____ 9. _____
- TMP _____ 10. _____
- TMP _____ 11. _____
- TMP _____ 12. _____
- TMP _____ 13. _____
- TMP _____ 14. _____
- TMP _____ 15. _____

Use additional sheets if necessary.

PROPERTY OWNER AUTHORIZATION

I/we, Kevin Tanel, Tanco Investments, LLC, hereby swear that I/we own the property located at (fill in address and/or tax map & parcel #):
L18 075 W. Hill Park Road

as shown in the tax maps and/or deed records of Dawson County, Georgia, and which parcel will be affected by this request.

I hereby authorize the person named below to act as the applicant or agent in pursuit of the rezoning requested on this property. I understand that any rezone granted, and/or conditions or stipulations placed on the property will be binding upon the property regardless of ownership. The under signer below is authorized to make this application. The under signer is aware that no application or reapplication affecting the same land shall be acted upon within six (6) months from the date of the last action by the Board of Commissioners.

Printed Name of applicant or agent: Corey Gatherer
Signature of applicant or agent: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name of Owner(s): Kevin Tanel Tanco Investments, LLC
Signature of Owner(s): _____ Date: 10/10/18
Mailing address: _____
City, State, Zip: Dawsonville, GA 30534
Telephone Number: Listed Unlisted

Sworn and subscribed before me this 10th day of October, 20 18.
Danielle Yarbrough
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 05/01/2022



{Notary Seal}

(The complete names of all owners must be listed; if the owner is a partnership, the names of all partners must be listed; if a joint venture, the names of all members must be listed. If a separate sheet is needed to list all names, please identify as applicant or owner and have the additional sheet notarized also.)

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Corey Guthrie, PE • 770-597-8813 • corey.guthrie@gmail.com

October 10, 2018

Dawson County

Department of Planning & Development

25 Justice Way, Suite 2322

Dawsonville, GA 30534

Attn: Jameson Kinley, Planning Director

Re: RZ for TMP L18 075 from
RA to RSR

Mr. Kinley,

It is our intention to apply to rezone TMP L18 075, a 3.0 ac parcel on War Hill Park Road, from Residential-Agriculture (RA) to Residential Sub-Rural (RSR). Once rezoned, it is our intent to subdivide the property into three one acre parcel by way of the minor plat process in accordance to Dawson County Subdivision Regulations. The property has available public water and power and is proposed to be on septic.

The parcel has historically been left undeveloped and unimproved with the exception of a shed. The current economic climate and the drive for more quality housing has motivated the property owner to utilize the 3.0 ac in the best use possible. It is noted the Dawson County Future Land Use Map identifies this property in a Sub – Rural Residential zoning classification, allowing for 1.0 ac lots on public water. It is our intention to be consistent with the Dawson County Future Land Use, and meet the Dawson County Land Use Resolution, and Subdivision Regulations with no variances requested.

Sincerely,



Corey Guthrie, PE



Corey Gutherie <corey.gutherie@gmail.com>

Rezoning request for parcel L018 075

Ringle, Bill <Bill.Ringle@dph.ga.gov>

Wed, Oct 10, 2018 at 8:35 AM

To: "Corey Gutherie, PE, CFM" <corey.gutherie@gmail.com>, "hgee@dawsoncounty.org" <hgee@dawsoncounty.org>, Diane Callahan <DCallahan@dawsoncounty.org>

Corey,

I'm not entirely certain what they need from me. The lots meet the minimum lot size, however, without soil and site evaluations, there is no way of knowing if the lots can be approved for a septic system construction permit. It has **not** been my experience that the soil and site evaluations have been required in the past for the creation of new parcels, except in the case of subdivisions that have 5 lots or more with any one lot 3 acres in size or less.

If the County requires an answer from our office on whether these lots can be approved for on-site sewage management, then a level III soil survey, and at least a pre-purchase evaluation must be performed. There is a \$100 fee per lot for our office to perform a pre-purchase evaluation. If they just need a letter confirming that they meet the minimum lot size requirement, perhaps this email will suffice.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,
Bill

George W. "Bill" Ringle

Environmental Health Manager

*Dawson County Environmental Health**189 Hwy 53 West**Suite 102**Dawsonville, GA 30534**phone 706-265-2930**fax 706-265-7529*

From: Corey Gutherie, PE, CFM <corey.gutherie@gmail.com>**Sent:** Wednesday, October 10, 2018 7:39:42 AM**To:** Ringle, Bill**Subject:** Rezoning request for parcel L018 075

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Owner Information

LOLA MARIE PUGH TRUSTEE OF THE LOLA MARI
 C/O JERRY THOMPSON
 308 PEBBLEBROOKE TRACE
 CANTON, GA 30115

Payment Information

Status	Paid
Last Payment Date	10/01/2018
Amount Paid	\$674.82

Property Information

Parcel Number	L18 075
District	1 DAWSON COUNTY UNINCORPORATED
Acres	3
Description	LL 464 LD 13-S
Property Address	WAR HILL PARK RD
Assessed Value	\$28,216
Appraised Value	\$70,540

Bill Information

Record Type	Property
Tax Year	2018
Bill Number	8545
Account Number	54524
Due Date	12/01/2018

Taxes

Base Taxes	\$674.82
Penalty	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.00
Total Due	\$0.00

**DAWSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
PLANNING STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

Applicant.....Corey Gutherie on behalf of Tanco Investments, LLC.

Amendment #ZA-18-06

Request.....Rezone Property from R-A (Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban) to RSR (Residential Sub-Rural)

Proposed UseMinor Subdivision to three 1 acre residential lots on community water and septic.

Current ZoningRA (Residential Agricultural/Residential Exurban)

Size.....3.0± acres

Location Approximately 1.5 miles on War Hill Park Rd. just past Liberty Church Rd. intersection on the right.

Tax Parcel.....L18 075

Planning Commission DateNovember 20, 2018

Staff RecommendationApproval

Applicant Proposal

The applicant is seeking to rezone the property from R-A (Residential Agricultural-Exurban) to RSR (Residential Sub-Rural) to allow for three 1 acre residential lots on community water and septic.

History and Existing Land Uses

The current use of the property is vacant land with one small shed.

Adjacent Land Uses	Existing zoning	Existing Use
North	R-A	Residential

South	R-A	Residential
East	RSR	Residential
West	R-A	Residential

Development Support and Constraints

As currently zoned, the land use resolution prohibits lots that are smaller than 1.5 acres.

Relationship to the Comprehensive Plan and FLUP (Future Land Use Plan)

According to the 2013-2033 comprehensive plan and accompanying FLUP (Future Land Use Plan), the subject property is identified as Sub Rural Residential.

Public Facilities/Impacts

Engineering Department – No comments necessary.

Environmental Health Department –

1. Will wells be permitted for the purpose of development? No, a site that utilizes a septic system and a well must meet the Dawson County Board of Health minimum lot size of 1.5 acres.
2. Does the proposed development warrant immediate sewerage? No. These sites would need a septic system.
3. Are there any health hazards in the area that would effect the proposed development? None of which we are aware.
4. If septic tanks are used, will adequate bodies of water be affected by the developer? This cannot be determined until a site evaluation has been performed by our office.

Emergency Services – “As described, will have minimal impact on Emergency Services ability to respond.”

Etowah Water & Sewer Authority – EWSA is available for the site but no expansion is planned for the future.

Dawson County Sheriff’s Office – No comments necessary.

Board of Education – No comments necessary.

Georgia Department of Transportation – No comments necessary.

Analysis

- It conforms to the future land use and surrounding areas.

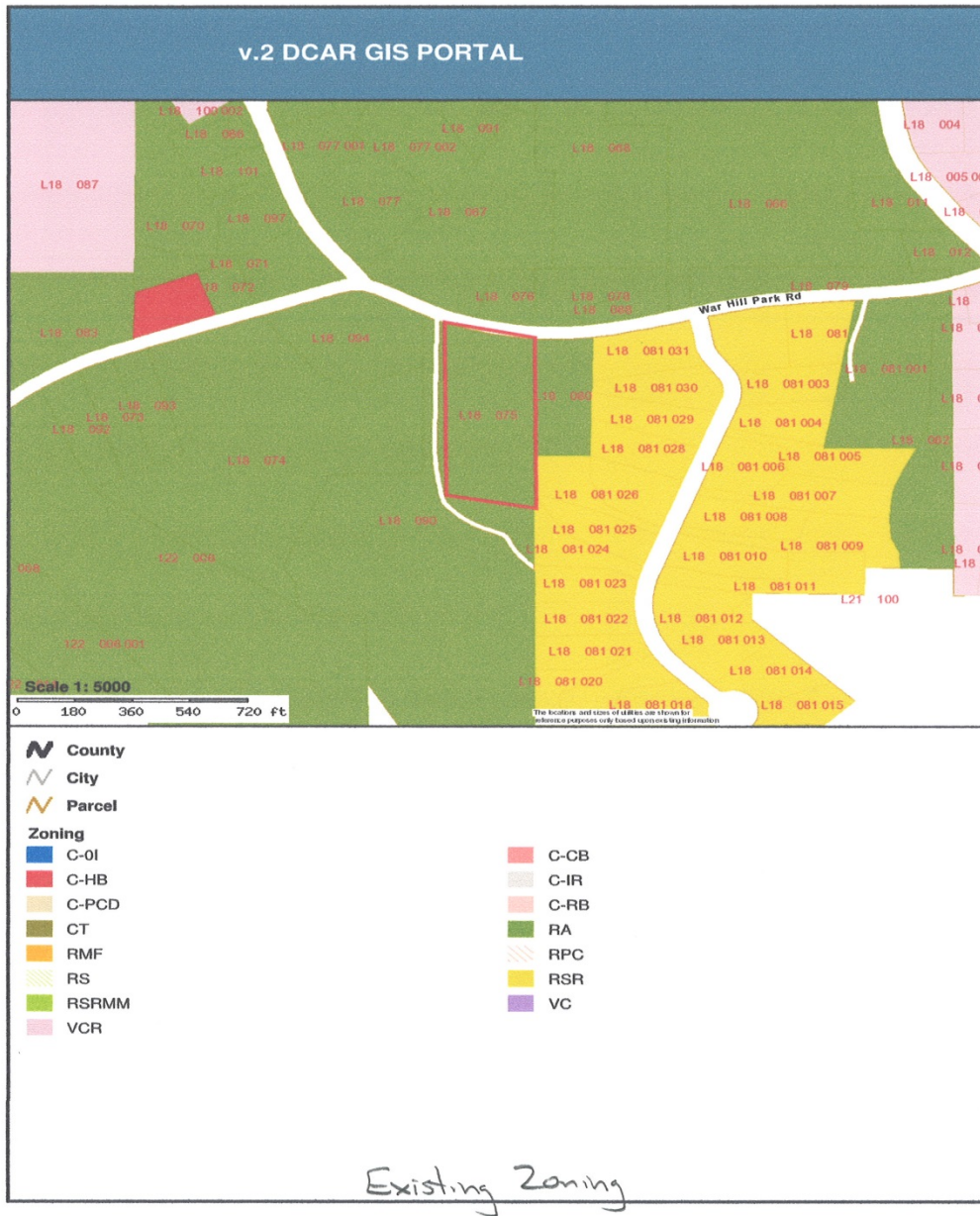
The following observations should be noted with respect to this request:

- A. The existing uses and classification of nearby property.**
Adjacent properties to the North, South, East, and West are residentially zoned and consistent with the proposed use of the subject property for residential purposes.
- B. The extent to which property values are diminished by the particular land use classification.**
There should be no diminishment of property values since the residential uses with this property are consistent with the adjacent residential uses of neighboring properties
- C. The extent to which the destruction of property values of the applicant promotes the health, safety, morals, or general welfare of the public.**
There should be no destruction of property values since the residential uses with this property are consistent with the adjacent residential uses of neighboring properties.
- D. The relative gain to the public, as compared to the hardship imposed upon the individual property owner.**
There should be no gain or loss to the public if approved.
- E. The suitability of the subject property for the proposed land use classification.**
The property is suitable for the purposed land use classification due to both being residential classifications.
- F. The length of time the property has been vacant under the present classification, considered in the context of land development in the area in the vicinity of the property.**
The property has been vacant for many years, it was previously attached to a parent parcel for 30 plus years.
- G. The specific, unusual, or unique facts of each case, which give rise to special hardships, incurred by the applicant and/or surrounding property owners.**
There are no hardships that are foreseeable at this time due to the rezoning of this property.

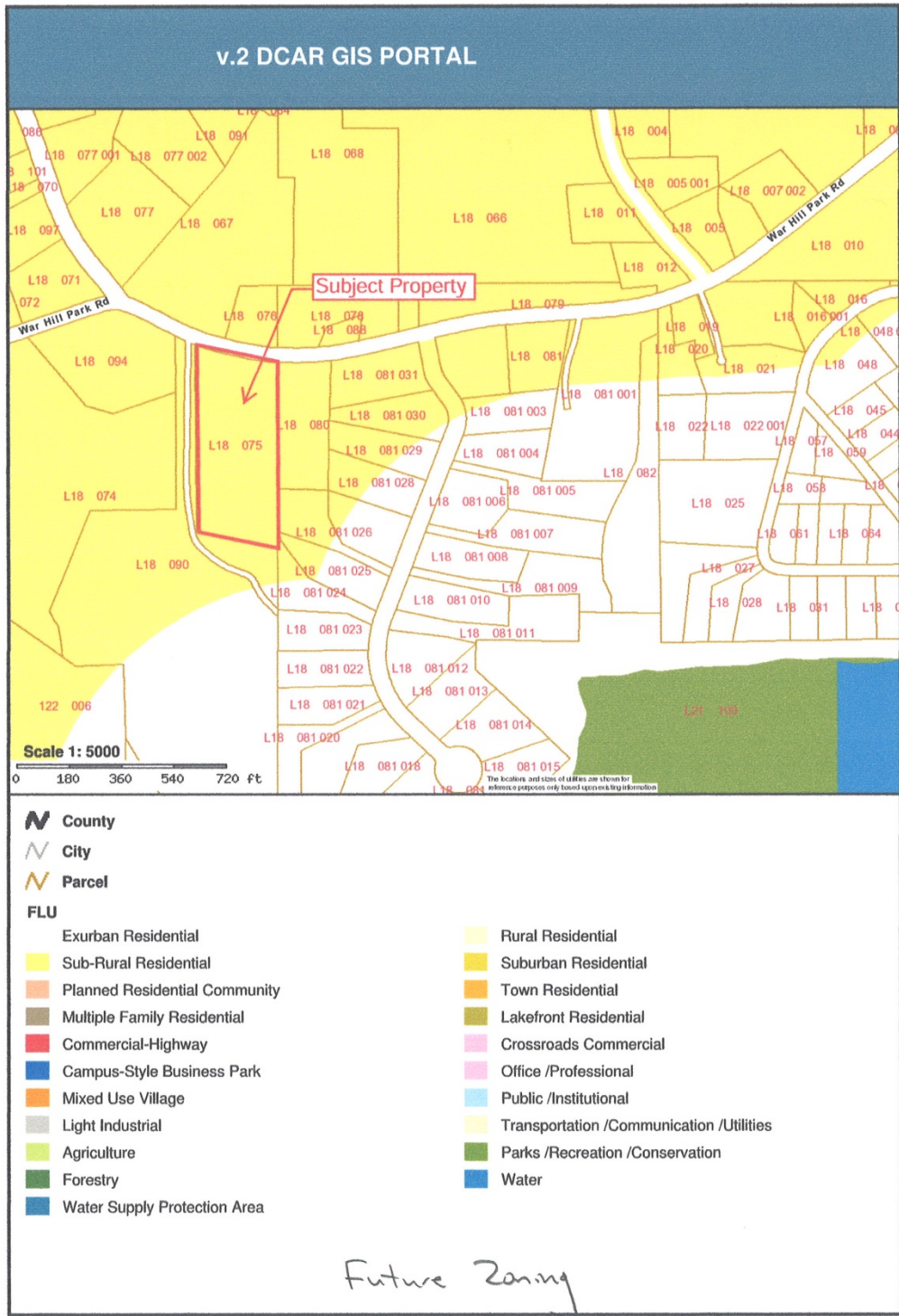
Staff Recommendation

Based on the above analysis and information provided, the planning department recommends **APPROVAL** with no stipulations.

Current Zoning Map:

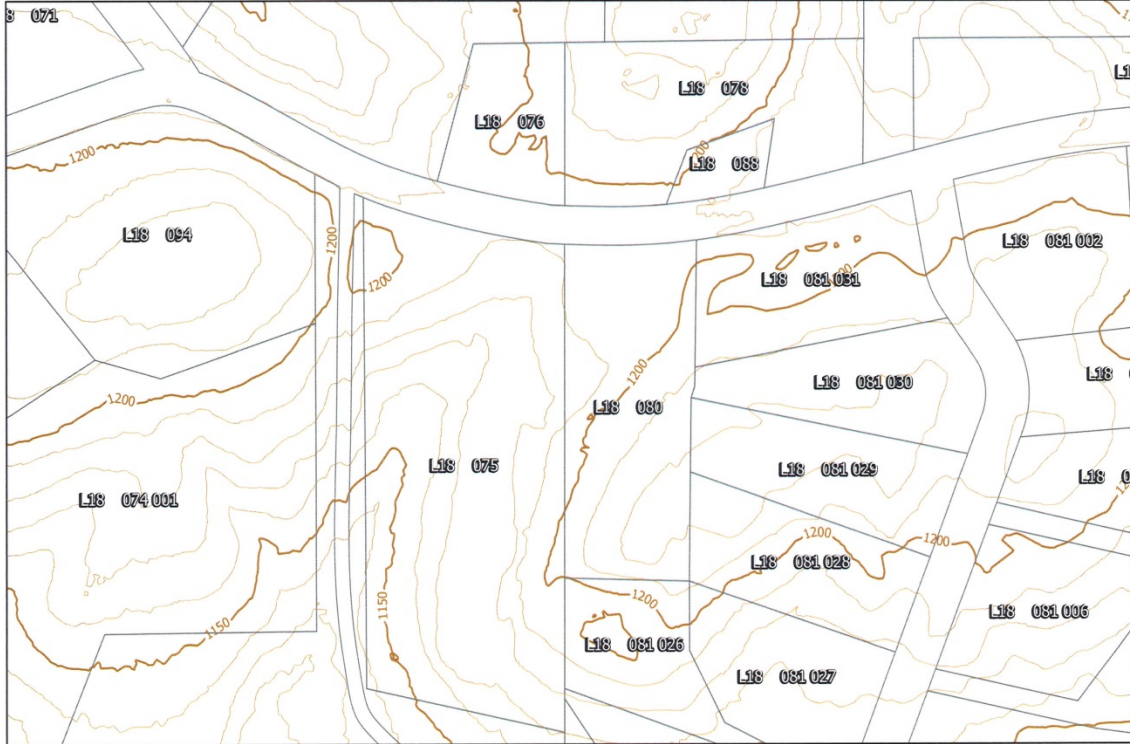


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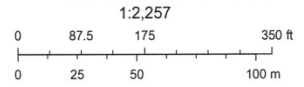


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Backup material for agenda item:

1. Consideration of Annexations #C8-00209 and #C8-00210 (*discussed at the December 13, 2018, Work Session*)

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September 18, 2018

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Mr. Billy Thurmond
Board of Commissioners
Dawson County
25 Justice Way, Suite 2313
Dawsonville, GA 30534

Re: Annexation of Property of Michael Turner, Executor for Kenneth K Turner Estate: ANX# C8-00209

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Sincerely,

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Annexation # 08-00209

FEE \$250.00 (NONREFUNDABLE) Date Paid _____ Cash /Ck # _____

Please Print Clearly ZONING AMENDMENT APPLICATION AND FEES RECEIVED ? YES NO

Applicant Name(s): Michael Turner Myles Montgomery

Mailing Address 7195 Shady Grove Rd City Cumming State GA Zip 30041

E-Mail Civilscapesdesign@yahoo.com

Applicant Telephone Number(s): (c) (678-513-9836)

Myles Montgomery

Property Owner's Name(s): Michael Turner

Mailing Address 1825 Barrett Lakes Blvd City Kennesaw State GA Zip 30144

E-Mail mturner@trusthss.com

Property Owner's Telephone Number(s): 770-261-7145

Address of Property to be Annexed: Intersection of Allen St & Perimeter Rd VACANT LOT

Tax Map & Parcel # Portion of 093 004 001 Property Size in Acres: 32 Survey Recorded in Plat Book # _____ Page # _____

Land Lot # 372, 373, 427, 428 District # 13th Section # 1st Legal Recorded in Deed Book # _____ Page # _____

Current Use of Property: Vacant

County Zoning Classification: R-A City Zoning Classification: R3

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Please answer the following questions to meet and comply with the United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Voting Section, Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

1. Intended Use of Land: Residential Commercial
 Existing Structure(s) Vacant
 Other (specify) _____

2. Number of persons currently residing on the property: _____; VACANT
 Number of persons 18 years or older: _____; Number of persons registered to vote: _____

3. The number of all residents occupying the property:

_____ American Indian	_____ Alaskan Native
_____ Asian	_____ Pacific Islander
_____ Black, not of Hispanic Origin	_____ Hispanic
_____ White, not of Hispanic Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VACANT

Please answer the following questions to meet and comply with the U. S. Department of Commerce, which requires this information to provide Population Estimates.

ARC Population Estimate Information

A. Number of existing housing units: 0

B. List of Addresses for each housing unit in the annexed area at the time of the annexation:
N/A

C. Disposition of existing structures (e.g. to stay the same, be demolished, moved or converted):
N/A

D. Names of affected Subdivision: N/A

E. Name of affected Multi-Family Complex: N/A

F. Names of Group Quarters (dormitories, nursing homes, jails, etc.):
N/A

G. Names of affected Duplexes: N/A

H. Names of Mobile Home Parks: N/A



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(1) [Signature] Exaltor
 Property Owner Signature

Kenneth K Turner Estate
 Property Owner Printed Name

(2) _____
 Property Owner Signature

 Property Owner Printed Name

(1) [Signature]
 Applicant Signature

Myles Montgomery
 Applicant Printed Name

(2) _____
 Applicant Signature

 Applicant Printed Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me
 this 10 day of September 2018.

Nalita Y. Copeland
 Notary Public, State of Georgia



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Planning Commission Meeting Date (if rezone): Oct 8, 2018 @ 5:30 pm

Dates Advertised: Sept 14th + Sept 24

1st City Council Reading Date: Oct 22 @ 7:00 pm

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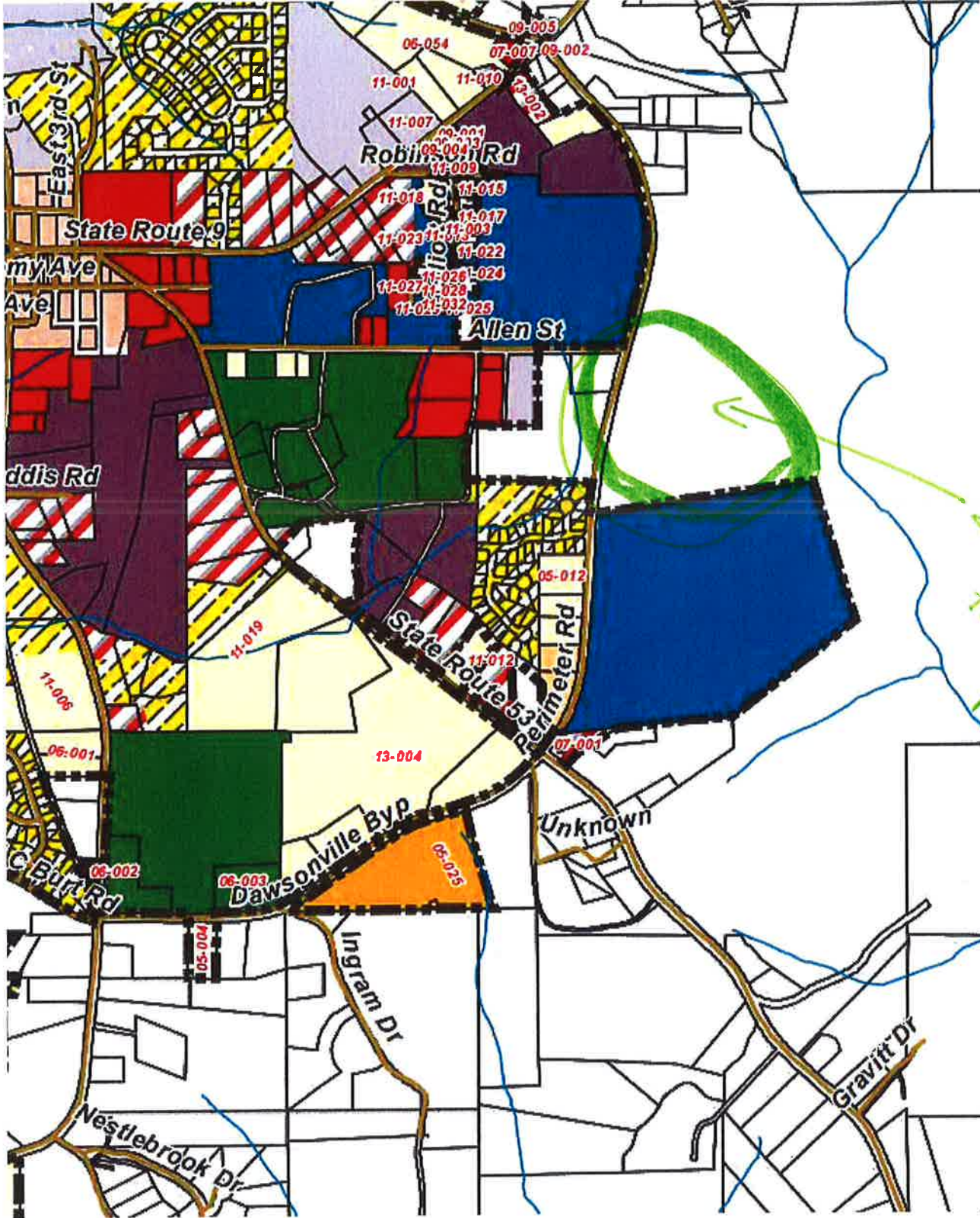
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Letter Received from Dawson County Date: _____

LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR:
Michael Turner 32-Acre Tract

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Beginning at a steel fence post found at the most south point along Perimeter Road which is the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence running north 04 degrees 44 minutes 29 seconds east for a distance of 180.04 feet to a point; thence running along a curve to the right an arc distance of 543.30 feet, said arc having a radius of 3887.63 feet being subtended by a chord bearing and distance north 09 degrees 55 minutes 15 seconds east 542.86 feet; thence running south 14 degrees 32 minutes 58 seconds west for a distance of 344.46 feet to a point; thence running south 72 degrees 50 minutes 57 seconds east for a distance of 9.10 feet to a point; thence running north 14 degrees 37 minutes 41 seconds west for a distance of 26.67 feet to a point; thence running north 77 degrees 50 minutes 21 seconds west for a distance of 9.37 feet to a point; thence running north 14 degrees 44 minutes 37 seconds east for a distance of 34.80 feet to a point; thence running south 89 degrees 48 minutes 30 seconds east for a distance of 1331.52 feet to a point; thence running south 02 degrees 28 minutes 58 seconds east for a distance of 947.91 feet to a point; thence running south 84 degrees 24 minutes 36 seconds west for a distance of 1589.38 feet to a point being the TERMINUS POINT of this description.



32 Acres
to Annex plat

City Zoning Map



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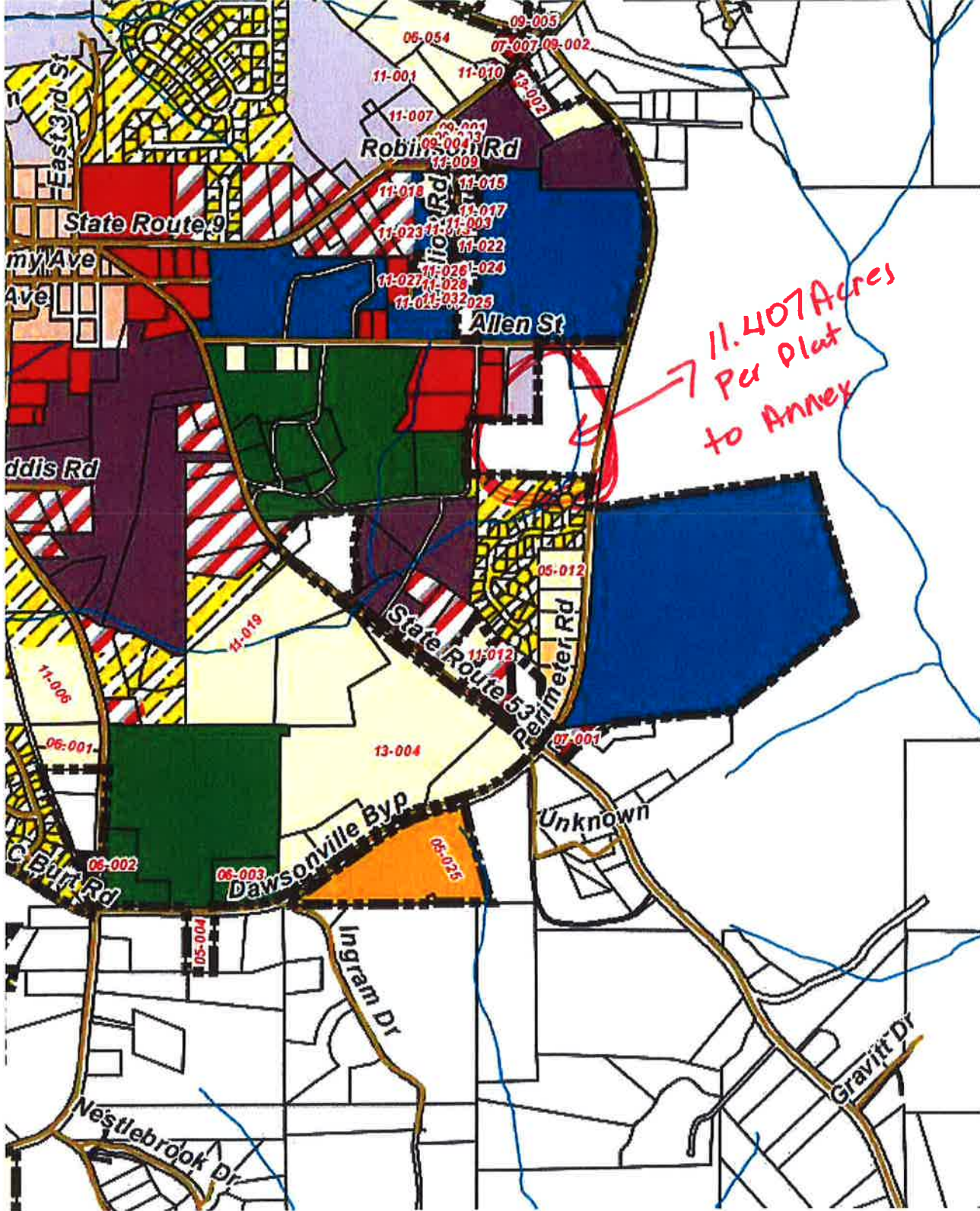
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Letter Received from Dawson County Date: _____

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SAID TRACT CONTAINS 14.175 ACRES.



Backup material for agenda item:

1. Presentation and Consideration of Family Connection Fiscal Agent Request- Family Connection Director Nancy Stites



DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Family Connection

Work Session:

Prepared By: Dawn Pruett, Board Chair

Voting Session: 12.20.18

Presenter: Nancy Stites

Public Hearing: Yes ___ No X

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of Family Connection Fiscal Agent Request

Background Information:

Dawson County Family Connection's mission is to provide leadership through collaboration with all segments of the community for the well-being of families and children. Having another entity serve as their fiscal agent makes it possible to accept state and federal funds that are reimbursable contracts that support a Coordinator and the work of the collaborative. Dawson County Family Connection was created in 1991 and became a non-profit in 1998. Dawson County Government has served as their fiscal agent since July 1, 1999.

Current Information:

Contract funding received and managed by the fiscal agent has allowed programs envisioned at the Family Connection table to come to fruition such as Mentoring, School-based Health Clinics, Stewards of Children, underage drinking prevention campaign and many other projects. Programs and activities have a focus and/or impact on school success and strengthening families and children in our community.

Budget Information: Applicable: ___ Not Applicable: X Budgeted: Yes X No ___

Fund	Dept.	Acct No.	Budget	Balance	Requested	Remaining
207						

Recommendation/Motion: ___

Department Head Authorization: ___

Date:

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/14/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/14/18

County Attorney Authorization: ___

Date: ___

Comments/Attachments:

Family Connection is requesting Dawson County Government contract for all fiscal activities relative to the operation of Dawson County Community Partnership, Inc./Family Connection for 2019.

Request approval/authorization for application submittal and the Chairman's signature upon acceptance of additional grant award contracts and donations received throughout 2019 as approved by the Family Connection board. If matching funds are required, a separate request will be brought before Dawson County Government for approval.

Attached is 1) Memorandum of Understanding 51 Family Connection 2019 Budget, 3) Fiscal Agent Agreement

Dawson County Family Connection
2019 Budget

Expense Type	Total	DHS Family Connection	Office Prevention	County Supplement	Fund-raising	United Way	Northside Hospital	Misc. Donations
General Operating								
Tax Preparation	750	750	0					
Audit	1,300	200	1,100					
Board Ins/Split Contents 50/50	1,670	1,420	250					
Postage	3,175	55	3,120					
Training & Conferences	1,600		1,600					
Supplies	4,380	505	3,875					
Meeting Expense	775	775	0					
Dues/fees/memberships	450	450	0					
Subscriptions	335	45	290					
Printing	7,000	0	7,000					
Advertising - billboard, ads	26,600		26,600					
sub total	48,035	4,200	43,835	0	0	0	0	0
Telecommunications								
Telephone & internet charges	1,625	800	825					
Travel								
	7,250	1,800	5,450					
Per Diem Fee & Contracts								
FC Coordinator- salary	49,395	29,210	20,185					
Fringe (Total cost: \$65,387)	15,542	13,740	1,802					
worker's comp	450	250	200					
FC Admin Assistant-salary \$14./hr	21,213			21,213				
fringe	1,623			1,623				
OPS Project Coord.	36,720		36,720					
Fringe	10,596		10,596					
OPS Evaluator	13,500		13,500					
Website maintenance	702		702					
Social media	990		990					
	0							
Marketing Design	12,988		12,988					
Copier lease	150			150				
sub total	163,869	43,200	97,683	22,986	0	0	0	0
<i>Total</i>	220,779	50,000	147,793	22,986	0	0	0	0
Initiatives & Special Projects								
School Youth health services	17,000					2,000	15,000	
Suicide Prevention								
Child abuse/neglect	1,500					1,500		
School supplies donation	1,500					1,000		500
Support for homeless students	2,500				2,500			
Substance Abuse Prevention	1,500					1,500		
Emergency Assistance	5,000				3,000	2,000		
Total	29,000	0	0	0	5,500	8,000	15,000	500
TOTAL	249,779	50,000	147,793	22,986	5,500	8,000	15,000	500

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding is hereby entered into this _____ day of _____, 2018 by and between Dawson County Community Partnership, Inc./Family Connection, hereinafter referenced as “Agency”, and the Board of Commissioners of Dawson County, hereinafter referenced as “Dawson County”.

1. Fiscal Agent/Financial Accounting.

Dawson County shall act as fiscal agent and provide financial accounting support to the Agency for programs supported by donations to the Agency and by the grants received by the Agency referenced in “Exhibit A”, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The grants referenced in Exhibit A may be amended during the term of this Memorandum of Understanding upon approval by Dawson County.

2. Agency Services.

The Agency shall furnish the following services, data and information to the Dawson County:

1) act as the liaison between the Agency and all vested community organizations, and 2) to provide appropriate administrative duties including, but not limited to, program development and contract deliverables implementation, resource development, coordinating public information, and 3) provide all grant applications, agreements or contracts and corresponding data required by the fiscal agent to fulfill the grant requirements and

3. Term.

The parties hereto agree that the term of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be as follows: January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019.

4. Records.

Dawson County shall maintain such records and accounts regarding property, personnel and financial records deemed necessary by the Agency and any grant or contract funding source to assure a proper accounting for all project funds for both federal and non-federal shares. Any such records shall be made available for audit purposes to the Agency, the grant or contract funding source, or the Controller General of the United States or any authorized representative and shall be retained for three years after the expiration of this Memorandum of Understanding unless permission to destroy such records is granted by both the Agency and the grant or contract funding source.

5. Mutual Cooperation.

Dawson County agrees to assist the Agency in complying with all of the conditions governing grants or contracts under current laws and regulations.

APPROVED, this _____ day of _____, 2019.

ATTEST:


DAWSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kristen Cloud, Clerk
Dawson County Commissioners


By: _____
Billy Thurmond, Chairman

ATTEST:

DAWSON COUNTY COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIP, INC.



Nancy Stites
Title: Coordinator, Family Connection



Dawn Pruett
Title: Chairman, Family Connection Board

Exhibit A

Department of Human Services

- Grant for approximately \$50,000 July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 with no match requirement
- Grant for approximately \$47,000 July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 with no match requirement

Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities – Office of Behavioral Health Prevention

- Grant for approximately \$147,793 October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019 with no match requirement
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Fiscal Agent Designation and Acceptance Agreement

COUNTY: Dawson

The Commissioner of Roads and Revenue-Dawson County agrees to serve
legal name of agency or board

as the Fiscal Agent for the Dawson County Community Partnership, Inc.
name of Georgia Family Connection collaborative

for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

The Fiscal Agent certifies they 1) understand this is a 12 month commitment, 2) understand expenses are reimbursable on a quarterly basis, 3) agree to receive all financial correspondence and payments relating to the funds, and make all records available for any required financial audit, 4) have appropriate accounting and financial systems to document costs incurred and claims made and 5) agree the local Family Connection collaborative board is the body responsible for all decisions associated with budgeting of these funds, but will ensure such decisions shall be in compliance with the Fiscal Agent's own policies and procedures.

Mail signed agreement with signed IRS W-9 form to: FY 2020 Fiscal Agent Information
Georgia Family Connection Partnership
235 Peachtree Street
Suite 1600
Atlanta, GA 30303-1422

Deadline: February 15, 2019

Family Connection Collaborative Chairperson:

(Signature in ink)

Dawn Pruett Dawn Pruett
(Print Name in Block Letters)

Date: 11-28-18

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**Family Connection Coordinator:**

Nancy F. Stites  
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Nancy F. Stites  
(Print Name in Block Letters)

Date: November 26, 2018

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(month and day): December 31st

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Backup material for agenda item:**

2. Consideration to Move Forward with a Public Hearing Regarding the Comprehensive Plan



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department:   P&D  

Work Session: 12.13.18

Prepared By:   hg  

Voting Session: 12.20.18

Presenter: J.Kinley                     

Public Hearing: Yes        No       

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of

**Background Information:**

We would like to present the COMP plan to the BOC for approval that would serve the county for the next 5 years.

**Current Information:**

The COMP Plan has been approved by the DCA and is ready to be reviewed and approved. Should the board want/need to make any changes then it is possible to amend the COMP Plan at any time.

Budget Information: Applicable:        Not Applicable:  Budgeted: Yes        No       

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Recommendation/Motion:       

Department Head Authorization:       

Date:

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Date: 12/6/18

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Date: 12/7/18

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Date:       

**Comments/Attachments:**

# 2018 Comprehensive Plan Dawson County



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SEPTEMBER, 2018

# *2018 Comprehensive Plan*

## **Dawson County**

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# INTRODUCTION

## Purpose

The purpose of planning and community development is to provide guidance for everyday decision-making by local government officials and other community leaders. This document, the *2018 Comprehensive Plan for Dawson County*, represents the culmination of the efforts to plan for the future well-being of the government, the residents and various stakeholders by identifying the critical, consensus issues and goals for the communities. Implementing the plan will help the community address those critical issues and opportunities while moving towards realization of the unique vision for its future. As outlined by Georgia's planning standards (see below):

### Statewide benefits of comprehensive planning

*(Local) comprehensive planning should be conducted in the context of Georgia's strong and vibrant intergovernmental system that clearly recognizes the important role cities and counties play in fostering the state's image as an attractive place to invest, conduct businesses and raise a family. City and county comprehensive planning enhances coordination at many levels.*

### Local benefits of comprehensive planning

*The highest and best use of comprehensive planning for local governments is to show important relationships between community issues. A local comprehensive plan is a fact-based resource for local constituents that tracks implementation of community-based policies. Furthermore, local comprehensive planning creates an environment of predictability for business and industry, investors, property owners, tax payers and the general public. In addition, the plan helps local governments to recognize and then implement important economic development and revitalization initiatives. For these reasons, the state finds that well-planned communities are better prepared to attract new growth in a highly competitive global market.*

*In short, local planning should recognize that:*

*Assets can be **accentuated** and **improved**;*

*Liabilities can be **mitigated** and **changed** over time; and*

*Potential can be **sought after** and **developed**.*

## Scope

This document addresses the local planning requirements and community development of Dawson County, Georgia. The City of Dawsonville is referenced within this document but only for analytical and narrative purposes as the City has their own comprehensive planning document. Some consideration has also been given to neighboring areas and political entities that influence conditions within the county but unless otherwise indicated all the issues, objectives and opportunities discussed herein are effective solely for Dawson County.



## Plan Elements

This comprehensive plan serves to meet the requirements and intent of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs's "Minimum Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning," as amended in 2013, and the Georgia Planning Act of 1989. It is essential that the plan be prepared in compliance with these rules and guidelines in order for the Dawson County to maintain its Qualified Local Government (QLG) status. Further, State law requires that the government update its comprehensive plan every 5 years.

*"The purpose of Minimum Standards is to provide a framework for the development, management and implementation of local comprehensive plans at the local, regional and state government level. They reflect an important state interest: healthy and economically vibrant cities and counties are vital to the state's economic prosperity."*

**(1) Community Goals.** *The purpose of the Community Goals element is to lay out a road map for the community's future, developed through a very public process of involving community leaders and stakeholders in making key decisions about the future of the community. The Community Goals are the most important part of the plan, for they identify the community's direction for the future, and are intended to generate local pride and enthusiasm about the future of the community, thereby leading citizens and leadership to act to ensure that the plan is implemented.*

**(2) Needs and Opportunities.** *This is the locally agreed upon list of Needs and Opportunities the community intends to address. Each of the needs or opportunities that the community identifies as high priority must be followed-up with corresponding implementation measures in the Community Work Program. The list must be developed by involving community stakeholders in carrying out a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) or similar analysis of the community.*

**(3) Community Work Program.** *This element of the comprehensive plan lays out the specific activities the community plans to undertake during the next five years to address the priority Needs and Opportunities, identified Target Areas (if applicable), or to achieve portions of the Community Goals. This includes any activities, initiatives, programs, ordinances, administrative systems (such as site plan review, design review, etc.) to be put in place to implement the plan.*

In addition to the required core elements local comprehensive plans in Georgia must also include 1) an assessment of compliance and consideration for the appropriate regional water plans for each community, and 2) an assessment of their broadband capacity. As of July, 2018 the standards for the broadband element have not been established by the State of Georgia. The intention of the measure, however, is to facilitate the "promotion of the deployment of broadband internet services" throughout each community in recognition of how vital this technology is for economic development. In an effort to provide advance compliance with this standard the County will provide a brief analysis of their needs and objectives regarding broadband technology.

**Consideration of the Regional Water Plan and the Environmental Planning Criteria.** *During the process of preparing its comprehensive plan, each community must review the Regional Water Plan(s) covering its area and the Rules for Environmental Planning Criteria... to determine if there is need to adapt local implementation practices or development regulations to address protection of these important natural resources. The community must certify that it has considered both the Regional*



*Water Plan and the Rules for Environmental Planning Criteria when it transmits the plan to the Regional Commission for review.*

This is to certify that as part of this planning process appropriate staff and decision-makers have reviewed the *Coosa-North Georgia Water Plan*, the *Georgie Mountains Regional Plan*, and the *Georgia State Rules for Environmental Planning Criteria* (O.C.G.A. 12-2-8) and taken them into consideration in formulating this local plan. No conflicts were identified between this document and the other documents

As a community that has adopted a form of development regulations, Dawson County must also include the necessary land use element within their plan to aid in the coordination of their development policies and capital improvement projects.

**Land Use Element.** *The Land Use Element, where required, must include at least one of the two components listed below:*

*(a) Character Areas Map and Defining Narrative. Identify and map the boundaries of existing or potential character areas (see definition in Chapter 110-12-1-.05) covering the entire community, including existing community sub-areas, districts, or neighborhoods.*

*(b) Future Land Use Map and Narrative. Prepare a Future Land Use Map that uses conventional categories or classifications to depict the location (typically parcel by parcel) of specific future land uses. If this option is chosen, prepare the Future Land Use Map using either of the land use classification schemes described below and include a narrative that explains how to interpret the map and each land use category.*

## Public Participation

As a part of the planning process each local government must provide and implement opportunities to encourage public participation. The purpose of this is to insure that citizens and other stakeholders are aware of the planning process, are provided opportunities to comment on the local plan elements, and have adequate access to the process of defining the community’s vision, priorities, goals, policies, and implementation strategies.





At a minimum, the public participation program must provide for: adequate notice to keep the general public informed of the emerging plan; opportunities for the public to provide written comments on the plan; hold the required public hearings; and, provide notice to property owners through advertisements in the newspaper (legal organ) of the planning effort soliciting participation and comments. In addition, the local government must provide opportunities for public participation through other means and methods to help articulate a community vision and develop associated goals and implementation program.

Dawson County’s planning process featured an Advisory Committee of 11 people, with various other staff and local officials participating throughout. The Committee met several times between the fall of 2017 and the summer of 2018, meeting almost monthly to discuss issues, consider updates to material from the existing comprehensive plan, and offering their thoughts on future development concerns. The Committee helped shape the questions and promotion for the online survey process, and engaged other area stakeholders to build the discussion about the plan update in general.

Dawson County also has a standing Long-Range Planning Committee which contributed to the plan update. This committee is responsible for continually assessing needs and issues facing the community well beyond the current horizon, ensuring that local leaders have a regular source for comments about the direction and broad objectives that must be considered as they set policy decisions. This Committee works with the standing Planning Commission and Planning Department staff to provide an additional layer of analysis and exploration to the issues facing Dawson County.

A key component of the public involvement process was an online survey opportunity. The survey was shared via web links and promoted on social media and in the local press by the County, the Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, and other local partners. The online survey featured 28 questions and asked respondents to indicate their thoughts and satisfaction levels with various government services, the prospects for growth and development in the area, and to prioritize local needs on matters such as housing, economic development and natural resource protection. In all the survey produced more than 500 unique responses, the information from which was shared with the Advisory Committee and contributed a great deal to the consideration of Dawson County’s values and priorities.

**Dawson County Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting  
February 20, 2018  
ATTENDANCE SHEET**

| PRINT NAME         | ADDRESS                                |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1. Jane Graves     | 224 Park Cove Rd D. GA 30534           |
| 2. Jameson Kinley  | 25 Justice Way                         |
| 3. Charlotte Allen | 115 Kellan Overlook Rd, Dawsonville    |
| 4. Tony Passarello | 180 Sunset Drive Dawsonville           |
| 5. Jason Hamby     | 1362 Baley Waters Rd. Dawsonville      |
| 6. Casey Projewski | 415 Highway 53, suite 100, Dawsonville |
| 7. John Maloney    | 9 Bear Ridge Dr Dawsonville            |
| 8. Chuck Stynes    | 55 Pearl Chambers Dr, Dawsonville      |
| 9.                 |                                        |
| 10.                |                                        |





General public meetings, promoted via social media and local news outlets, were also held throughout the process. All of these were held at the County Courthouse and promoted the opportunity for every citizen to comment on any plan element, giving them the chance to explore vital needs and suggest objectives for how the County should grow in the future.

## Advisory Committee

|                 |                                   |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Christie Haynes | Dawson County Chamber of Commerce |
| Tony Passarello | Citizen/Businessman               |
| Terri Tragesser | Citizen/ Former BOC member/LRPC   |
| Richard Scharf  | Citizen/ LRPC                     |
| Gary P. Pichon  | Citizen/ Former BOC member        |
| Mandy Power     | Banking/LRPC                      |
| Jane Graves     | Citizen/LRPC                      |
| Jo Brewer       | Education/LRPC                    |
| Hugh Stowers    | Citizen/LRPC                      |
| Tim Costley     | Citizen/LRPC                      |
| Charlie Tarver  | Citizen                           |

## Board of Commissioners

Billy Thurmond, Chair  
Sharon Fausett  
Chris Gaines  
Jimmy Hamby  
Julie Hughes-Nix

## Planning Commission

Jason Hamby, Chair  
Emory Dooley  
Tim Bennett  
Neil Hornsey  
John Maloney

## County Staff

|                 |                                      |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| David Headley   | County Manager                       |
| Lynn Frey       | County Attorney                      |
| Jameson Kinley  | GIS Analyst                          |
| David McKee     | Public Works Director                |
| Kristen Cloud   | County Clerk                         |
| Jason Streetman | Planning Director                    |
| Niki McCall     | Planning Staff/ Zoning Administrator |
| Lamar Adkins    | LRPC                                 |
| Jeff Johnson    | Sheriff                              |

BOC = Board of Commissioners

LRPC = Long Range Planning Committee



# COMMUNITY VISION

The Minimum Standards and Requirements for Local Comprehensive Planning defines a community vision as something “... intended to paint a picture of what the community desires to become, providing a complete description of the development patterns to be encouraged within the jurisdiction.” It is required as an element of the comprehensive plan so that communities can truly establish a pure and simple ideal for themselves in a format that is easily expressed and understood.

Visioning provides communities with an opportunity to pause and consider the “big picture” as well as to attempt to clearly define their ideal future. Developing a vision means that community has at least tried to identify current values, describe how they’re to be realized in the future and use that image as a foundation for short and long-term planning. As a process this also requires the community to develop a consensus on what conditions to change or to preserve.

## Community Profile

Dawson County is a political jurisdiction of north Georgia encompassing some 200+ square miles. Historically land populated by the Cherokee, Dawson County was founded in 1857 and its County seat (and only municipality) is the City of Dawsonville. As retold on the County’s web site:

*“For the first hundred years of its existence Dawson County remained primarily an agricultural economy, largely due to the lack of railroads or major highways in the area. Dawson County was however a significant source of illegal corn whiskey (known as 'moonshine') for Atlanta during and after the prohibition era. During prohibition, many bootleggers would modify their cars for better speed and handling in order to evade police when delivering their illegal cargo. Even after prohibition the trend continued, as bootleggers were on the run from state revenue agents who sought to tax their illicit operations. Eventually these cars were raced for entertainment (and profit), leading to the birth of modern stock car racing and NASCAR.*

*In 1957, the Appalachian Trail was re-routed to a new endpoint about 8 miles north of Amicalola Falls State Park, establishing the county as a major destination for hikers. At the same time the flooding of the Chattahoochee River plain to form nearby Lake Lanier was completed, resulting in Georgia's largest lake at 39,000 acres. The lake forms the southern end of Dawson County.*

*With the construction of the Georgia 400 highway to Atlanta in the 1980's, the county finally had the major highway that it had lacked for a hundred and twenty years. This transportation route, combined with Lake Lanier, Amicalola Falls and the recent development of the North Georgia Premium Outlets have helped Dawson County transition from a quiet mountain enclave to one of Georgia's fastest growing communities.”*

|                       | 2010          | 2011          | 2012          | 2013          | 2014          | 2015          | 2016          |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Dawson County</b>  | <b>22,330</b> | <b>22,209</b> | <b>22,371</b> | <b>22,574</b> | <b>22,891</b> | <b>23,256</b> | <b>23,604</b> |
| Dawsonville           | 2,536         | 2,318         | 2,291         | 2,453         | 2,491         | 2,520         | 2,634         |
| Balance of Dawson Co. | 19,794        | 19,891        | 20,080        | 20,121        | 20,400        | 20,736        | 20,970        |



## Quality Community Objectives Assessment

In 1999 the Board of the Department of Community Affairs adopted the Quality Community Objectives (QCOs) as a statement of the development patterns and options that will help Georgia preserve its unique cultural, natural and historic resources while looking to the future and developing to its fullest potential. This assessment should be used a tool by a community to compare how it is progressing toward the sustainable and livable objectives, but no community will be judged on its progress. The questions focus on local ordinances, policies, and organizational strategies intended to create and expand quality growth principles. A majority of positive responses for a particular objective may indicate that the community has in place many of the governmental options for managing development patterns. Negative responses may provide guidance as to how to focus planning and implementation efforts for those governments seeking to achieve these Quality Community Objectives. Should a community decide to pursue a particular objective it may consider this assessment a means of monitoring progress towards achievement.

### 1. Economic Prosperity

Encourage development or expansion of businesses and industries that are suitable for the community. Factors to consider when determining suitability include job skills required; long-term sustainability; linkages to other economic activities in the region; impact on the resources of the area; or prospects for creating job opportunities that meet the needs of a diverse local workforce.

*The County and its partners recognize the importance of a strategic approach to sustaining their strong economy and maintaining the area's vital character. The County supports the Dawson County Chamber of Commerce and the Industrial Building Authority as part of ongoing efforts to support economic development for the community. The County also maintains contact with the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission and the State for pursuit of assistance and outside funding opportunities in support of economic development opportunities.*

### 2. Resource Management

Promote the efficient use of natural resources and identify and protect environmentally sensitive areas of the community. This may be achieved by promoting energy efficiency and renewable energy generation; encouraging green building construction and renovation; utilizing appropriate waste management techniques; fostering water conservation and reuse; or setting environmentally sensitive areas aside as green space or conservation reserves.

*The County maintains contact with the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission and the Department of Natural Resources to work for the protection and promotion of cultural resources in the area. The County also works with the local Extension Service and Natural Resource Conservation Service to assist in local resource protection, as well as employing policies and practices related to State Vital Areas, soil and water conservation, National Wetland Inventory (FIRM) data and other applicable sources to monitor and enforce the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas.*

### 3. Efficient Land Use

Maximize the use of existing infrastructure and minimize the costly conversion of undeveloped land at the periphery of the community. This may be achieved by encouraging development or redevelopment of sites closer to the traditional core of the community; designing new development to minimize the amount of land consumed; carefully planning expansion of public infrastructure; or maintaining open space in agricultural, forestry, or conservation uses.



*Through this planning process, ongoing efforts to update area mapping, and regular communication with Dawsonville, the County worked to ensure local policies support sustainable development that enables economic growth while managing local resources, utilities and infrastructure.*

#### **4. Local Preparedness**

Identify and put in place the prerequisites for the type of future the community seeks to achieve. These prerequisites might include infrastructure (roads, water, sewer) to support or direct new growth; ordinances and regulations to manage growth as desired; leadership and staff capable of responding to opportunities and managing new challenges; or undertaking an all-hazards approach to disaster preparedness and response.

*Through this planning process and ongoing coordination among emergency responders, and through regular communication with other stakeholders (such as the local hospital), the County worked to ensure the community is properly poised to prevent, manage and respond to growth pressures and natural and man-made hazards.*

#### **5. Sense of Place**

Protect and enhance the community's unique qualities. This may be achieved by maintaining the downtown as focal point of the community; fostering compact, walkable, mixed-use development; protecting and revitalizing historic areas of the community; encouraging new development that is compatible with the traditional features of the community; or protecting scenic and natural features that are important to defining the community's character.

*The County will regularly identify and inventory historical sites and structures, and regularly monitor development trends and local land use policies to ensure all is being done to maintain the historic sense of community that defines Dawson County.*

#### **6. Regional Cooperation**

Cooperate with neighboring jurisdictions to address shared needs. This may be achieved by actively participating in regional organizations; identifying joint projects that will result in greater efficiency and less cost to the taxpayer; or developing collaborative solutions for regional issues such as protection of shared natural resources, development of the transportation network, or creation of a tourism plan.

*Dawson County actively coordinates with Dawsonville in maintaining their local Service Delivery Strategy and SPLOST program, and participates with the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission and other appropriate regional organizations. The County also maintains regular contact with various State Departments to ensure knowledge of, and access to, their programs and resources. The County is considered an active partner in regional activities and does not feel threatened or adversely impacted by any regional partners.*

#### **7. Housing Options**

Promote an adequate range of safe, affordable, inclusive, and resource efficient housing in the community. This may be achieved by encouraging development of a variety of housing types, sizes, costs, and densities in each neighborhood; promoting programs to provide housing for residents of all socioeconomic backgrounds, including affordable mortgage finance options; instituting programs to address homelessness issues in the community; or coordinating with local economic development programs to ensure availability of adequate workforce housing in the community.



*Through this and ongoing planning processes the County is actively working to monitor local housing needs and work to enforce policies that promote quality, affordable housing options as needed.*

## **8. Transportation Options**

Address the transportation needs, challenges and opportunities of all community residents. This may be achieved by fostering alternatives to transportation by automobile, including walking, cycling, and transit; employing traffic calming measures throughout the community; requiring adequate connectivity between adjoining developments; or coordinating transportation and land use decision-making within the community.

*A small portion of Dawson County currently receives some oversight through the Atlanta Regional Commission as part of its State mandated responsibilities as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for metropolitan Atlanta. Beyond that Dawson County does not have an active, comprehensive transportation planning program but does communicate their concerns and issues to the regional GDOT office and all communities do participate in the public involvement process for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) as able. As the region grows additional transportation planning would be considered a benefit, if not a necessity.*

## **9. Educational Opportunities**

Make educational and training opportunities readily available to enable all community residents to improve their job skills, adapt to technological advances, manage their finances, or pursue life ambitions. This can be achieved by expanding and improving local educational institutions or programs; providing access to other institutions in the region; instituting programs to improve local graduation rates; expanding vocational education programs; or coordinating with local economic development programs to ensure an adequately trained and skilled workforce.

*The County works with the Dawson County School Board and private institutions to ensure access for quality primary and secondary educational facilities and programs for area residents. The County also works with other partners to ensure access to viable post-secondary resources such as the University of North Georgia, Lanier Technical College, and other area educational institutions.*

## **10. Community Health**

Ensure that all community residents, regardless of age, ability, or income, have access to critical goods and services, safe and clean neighborhoods, and good work opportunities. This may be achieved by providing services to support the basic needs of disadvantaged residents, including the disabled; instituting programs to improve public safety; promoting programs that foster better health and fitness; or otherwise providing all residents the opportunity to improve their circumstances in life and to fully participate in the community.

*There are primary care facilities within Dawson County but as yet no emergency medical care. However the County works with facilities in three adjoining counties and with the Dawson County Department of Public Health to ensure access for quality health care facilities and programs for area residents. The governments also work with other partners to monitor residents' needs and requests in providing access to these services as the area grows.*



## Vision Statement

A vision for the community’s future must be included in the comprehensive plan. The community vision is intended to provide a complete picture of what the community desires to become. The community vision must be based on public input, the assessment of current and future needs and be supported by the goals, policies and objectives in the comprehensive plan. In addition, there must be consistency between the community vision and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs Quality Community Objectives as well as consistency with the community visions of other communities within the region.

The following vision statements were derived from the various comments and suggestions raised during public meetings and through the available survey process. They reflect the consistent themes and issues cited in discussions about prioritizing the local residents over pursuit of change and the strong desire to retain the current level of “*small town charm*” that so many people used to affectionately describe their hometown. To the extent that the local governments pursue major projects and policies the citizens participating in the planning process stressed the need to remain focused on the well-being of current residents and to not sacrifice too much of the existing character of the community, as established by the prevailing scale and rustic nature of local development and the strong academic, civic, and other institutions that help bond the community.

For Dawson County, the prevailing theme from respondents was the desire to refine their sense of place and not “*fall victim to metro Atlanta.*” To this end the biggest concern was preserving the landscape and rural nature that defines so much of the county today. Some growth was expected and encouraged but planning process participants expressed a hope that the scale and character of that change would embrace the stark contrast between Dawson and Forsyth County to the south. Effort should be made to protect the scenic areas and agricultural lands from too quickly turning over into bland subdivisions, and new development should seek ways to evoke a more rural, almost Appalachian theme to their design.

*“My community's biggest asset that should be preserved is...”*

| <u>Count</u> | <u>Word</u>     |
|--------------|-----------------|
| 42           | Small (town)    |
| 36           | Natural/ Nature |
| 20           | Beauty          |
| 19           | Forest          |
| 19           | Rural           |
| 15           | Lake Lanier     |
| 15           | Community       |
| 11           | Downtown        |
| 10           | Trees           |
| 8            | Agriculture     |
| 7            | Greenspace      |

Steps like these, it was said, would help “*keep Dawson Dawson.*” It would also allow the community to grow organically, serving the interests of existing residents first before devoting too many resources chasing new residents. Dawson is evolving as a hometown and has realized many improvements among County and City projects that add to the appeal of living here. Participants wanted to build on this progress and envisioned a community that can grow at a pace modest enough to enable quality by not outpacing capital improvements.

These sentiments meant the general vision for Dawson County had no need for major change at this time. Support was expressed for the statement as capturing the priorities and values for the community, seeking first to preserve the existing character and then working to foster continued progress.

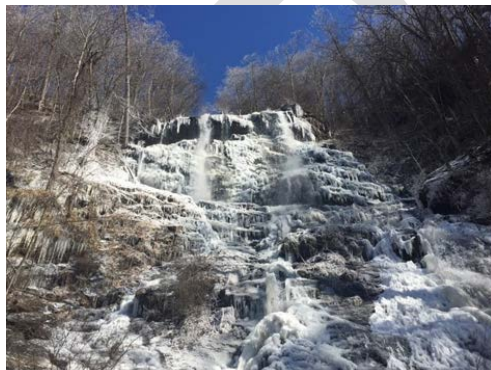


## VISION STATEMENT DAWSON COUNTY

Dawson County, Georgia, envisions a future where residents and visitors feel welcome. The county will be a place that preserves and celebrates special places, scenery, and cultural resources and directs commercial and residential growth to select areas that are prepared with proper infrastructure, and where urban growth is guided to select areas that are economical and efficient to serve with infrastructure and utilities.

Dawson County will maintain its unique character, which includes a mountain heritage, rich scenic beauty, specialty farms, friendly people, and a small town, rural feel. The county will prioritize the protection of natural resources for the use and enjoyment of future generations.

Dawson County will also seek to continually improve as a community by investing wisely in those facilities and services desired by local residents and always striving to provide an affordable, safe, and quality hometown.





## Needs & Opportunities

To achieve its stated vision a community must understand those obstacles and issues that must be addressed in order to reach the goals implied. The comprehensive planning process asks communities to assess the information outlined in an effort to identify issues and opportunities that should be considered when trying to plan for the future. In doing so the communities can more effectively define their objectives and actions to as to better achieve the desired vision.

The following represents a refined listing of Issues and Opportunities for Dawson County. Some may have carried over from the previous plan, but the list has been confirmed and/or refined based on the discussions and analyses throughout the current planning process.

### ➤ *Land Use Management*

With the expectation of continued growth and development, and with the demand from residents to preserve the area’s predominantly rural character, the County must ensure its land use policies are applied in such a way that will concentrate development to areas better suited for more intensive activity. This will include planning and zoning policies, using more resource material to promote preferred development types, an update of greenspace and conservation planning, and working to ensure capital improvements are directed in coordination with an overarching land use and development strategy.

| Needs & Opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                | Mitigation Strategies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to manage the potential volume of expected growth, via efficient use of utilities and capital improvements.</li> </ul>                                   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update long-term water and sewer plans (2020)</li> <li>Develop road improvement plan (2019)</li> <li>Revise facility and vehicle assessment for fire depts. and law enforcement. (2019)</li> <li>Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2021)</li> <li>Update Future Development Strategy (2022)</li> </ol> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to manage development’s impact on the County’s character of by coordinating land use policies to concentrate growth and preserve rural areas.</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update long-term water and sewer plans (2020)</li> <li>Update Future Development Strategy (2022)</li> <li>Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations (2019)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to protect the area’s natural resources in manner that supports the local ecology and Dawson County’s rural character.</li> </ul>                        | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations (2019)</li> <li>Maintain State Environmental Planning Criteria (Policy)</li> <li>Support the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper and Upper Etowah River Alliance (Policy)</li> </ol>                                                                            |





➤ *Refining our Identity and Sense of Place*

Area residents and stakeholders wish to see Dawson County aspire for a stronger, unique identity and a sense of community by fostering complementary development forms, increased visual cues that define and unify the community, and coordinated use of capital improvements that will enhance the residential appeal of Dawson County.

| Needs & Opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Mitigation Strategies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong demand to preserve the area’s rural character through measures that protect natural resources, support agricultural activity, and concentrates growth and development.</li> </ul>                                                  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain State Environmental Planning Criteria (Policy)</li> <li>Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations (2019)</li> <li>Support the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper and Upper Etowah River Alliance (Policy)</li> <li>Support the Friends of Amicalola Falls, Appalachian Trail Conservancy, and other natural resource advocates. (Policy)</li> <li>Survey county to identify prime agricultural areas (2019)</li> <li>Establish policy to protect prime agricultural areas from urban scale utilities. (2020)</li> <li>Seek to concentrate development around existing urbanized areas. (Policy)</li> </ol> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong demand to seek an improving quality of development coming into the county, with an emphasis on styles that maintain rural character.</li> </ul>                                                                                    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop/Obtain reference material for architectural design guidelines to promote desired forms among developers. (2019)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need to review and possibly amend property maintenance policies to protect against properties falling into blight and unsafe conditions that adversely impact property values and deter private investment into the community.</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Survey code enforcement performance (2019)</li> <li>Hold workshop to review code enforcement practices (2019)</li> <li>Initialize annual report on code enforcement, tracking site visits and violations. (2020)</li> <li>Identify resources to assist homeowners with property revitalization (2020)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dawson County should pursue parks and public facilities that present a sense of quality and unique brand/identity to the community, and that support and enhance the area’s rural character.</li> </ul>                                   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2021)</li> <li>Develop preferred design elements for County and School Board facilities (2020)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |



➤ *Having a Comprehensive Strategy for Housing*

As part of the demand to strengthen the community as a premier hometown and rural residential destination for families there is a need to ensure Dawson County will attract and sustain quality housing at all economic levels. Efforts must be made to ensure quality workforce housing is available, to ensure the market is viable for reinvestment and maintenance of properties, that there is a plan to attract and accommodate more higher-end housing, and that all residential areas are/feel rooted in the community.

| Needs & Opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Mitigation Strategies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dawson County currently does not have sufficient housing to meet projected demands for various special needs housing, such as senior housing (dependent and independent) and entry-level housing.</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop/ Obtain a market study for senior housing in Dawson Area (2020)</li> <li>Identify target sites best suited for senior housing (based on market study) (2021)</li> <li>Convene forum with builders and banks to discuss entry level housing (2019)</li> </ol> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The County must work to improve the quality of distressed and aging housing units by seeking to foster reinvestment and maintenance and providing a climate that attracts better new development.</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convene forum with builders and banks to discuss entry level housing (2019)</li> <li>Identify resources to assist homeowners with property revitalization (2020)</li> </ol>                                                                                          |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dawson County needs a strategy to lure higher grade housing units that will increase the variety of local options and improve the prevailing property tax conditions.</li> </ul>                             | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations (2019)</li> <li>Survey realtors re: potential for high-end housing in Dawson (2019)</li> </ol>                                                                                                                     |



➤ ***Coordinating Economic Development***

In an effort to attract business and industry types that are desired and a best fit for Dawson County, there should be an intentional and coordinated strategy among local economic development stakeholders to ensure the best use of area resources. The County must work with Dawsonville and neighboring jurisdictions to identify suitable land that works with prevailing infrastructure and utilities, while simultaneously coordinating capital improvements as part of a comprehensive land use strategy. The County must also support efforts to improve local education and training resources as well as fostering conditions that make the community attractive as a hometown to employees.

| Needs & Opportunities                                                                                                                                       | Mitigation Strategies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| <p>The County lacks a formal plan for where to locate and best sustain new and existing industrial development.</p>                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>25. Develop freight traffic study for the county (2020)</li> <li>26. Develop conceptual site plans and funding options for spec industrial parks (2020)</li> <li>27. Develop target industry recruitment strategy in conjunction with Development Authority (2020)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p>The County needs a plan that matches utility, infrastructure, and housing development designed specifically to support economic development.</p>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Update long-term water and sewer plans (2020)</li> <li>2. Develop road improvement plan (2019)</li> <li>3. Develop facility and vehicle assessment for fire depts. and law enforcement. (2019)</li> <li>4. Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2021)</li> <li>5. Update Future Development Strategy (2022)</li> <li>28. Develop Broadband and Telecom Plan Utility (2020)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                      |
| <p>The County needs to develop a strategy for increased cooperation with regional partners in attracting and sustaining desirable economic development.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>29. Develop inventory of regional assets; Create marketing tool promoting same. (2019)</li> <li>30. Sustain and expand network of regional economic development partners; Convene regular meetings (Policy)</li> <li>31. Continue to support economic development through partnership with Development Authority of Dawson County, Industrial Building Authority of Dawson County, Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, and the Joint Development Authority of Lumpkin, White, Dawson Counties. (Policy)</li> </ul> |



➤ ***Continued Capital Improvement Planning and Coordination***

The County needs to ensure that all capital improvement projects, such as roads, utilities, and public facilities, are pursued in a manner that is both fiscally responsible and designed in a manner that best supports the overall development strategy for the community. Improvements should be limited in areas where high intensity development is less compatible, and should be done so as to yield efficient returns in more populated areas.

| <b>Needs &amp; Opportunities</b>                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Mitigation Strategies</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <p>Planning for all capital improvements must be done in a way that respects other Comp Plan goals, such as regarding the County’s rural character and sustaining new business and industry.</p>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations (2019)</li> <li>10. Survey county to identify prime agricultural areas (2019)</li> <li>11. Establish policy to protect prime agricultural areas from urban scale utilities. (2020)</li> <li>32. Implement 2050 Master Plan for water and sewer (Policy)</li> <li>33. Utilize SPLOST (and comparable measures) to support investment in infrastructure (Policy)</li> <li>12. Seek to concentrate development around existing urbanized areas. (Policy)</li> <li>26. Develop conceptual site plans and funding options for spec industrial parks (2020)</li> </ul> |
| <p>Dawson County must maintain efforts to ensure fiscal responsibility in the pursuit of, and development of, capital projects.</p>                                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>34. Identify/establish a fiscal standard or benchmark for County operations; Promote County performance (2019)</li> <li>35. Establish long-term capital improvement budgets for all departments (2019)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p>The plan for all capital improvement projects must be coordinated with other land use goals to ensure they support the protection of natural resources and the rural character of the county.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>36. Include review of Comprehensive Plan in site location studies for all new County facilities (Policy)</li> <li>37. Develop catalog of funding resources for capital improvement projects (2019)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <p>Opportunity to expand parks and recreation opportunities</p>                                                                                                                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan (2021)</li> <li>38. Report outlining Lake Lanier park opportunities with Army Corps of Engineers. (2020)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |



➤ **Current Capital Improvement Plans**

| <b>Needs &amp; Opportunities</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Mitigation Strategies</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <p><u>Parks and Recreation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need new park land throughout the County</li> <li>• Need 2 new FT maintenance staff</li> <li>• Need 2 new vehicles</li> <li>• Demand for indoor aquatic facility</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>39. Survey identifying potential properties or target areas for parks/ aquatic facility. (2019)</li> <li>40. Seek funding to increase staff &amp; vehicles (2020)</li> <li>41. Develop preferred specs and budget for indoor aquatic facility (2020)</li> </ul>                             |
| <p><u>Etowah Water and Sewer Authority</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase water storage and treatment capacity</li> <li>• Continue upgrade of service lines</li> <li>• Maintain compliance with State water plans</li> </ul>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>32. Implement 2050 Master Plan for water and sewer (Policy)</li> <li>42. Complete the Russell Creek Reservoir, water treatment plant expansion and water reclamation facility expansion (2020)</li> <li>43. Maintain participation with North Georgia Water Partnership (Policy)</li> </ul> |
| <p><u>Fire Department</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replace worn out vehicles</li> <li>• Need to replace radio equipment</li> </ul>                                                                                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>44. Replace vehicles in accordance with Fire Department Assessment (Policy) (See CIE)</li> <li>45. Upgrade radio and communications equipment (2020)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                             |
| <p><u>Public Works</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need additional staff for field work, road and bridge dept., transfer station</li> <li>• Need equipment and commercial vehicles replaced</li> </ul>                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>40. Seek funding to increase staff &amp; vehicles (2020)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



# DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

## Broadband Assessment

As communities move forward the importance of access to reliable and high-speed, high capacity internet connections cannot be overestimated. Unserved and underserved areas of Georgia will not remain economically competitive without sufficient internet infrastructure, as this technology becomes the default utility for all manners of communication.

To address this issue in 2018 the Georgia General Assembly amended the provisions of local planning in Georgia by passing the "Achieving Connectivity Everywhere (ACE) Act," intended to facilitate the enhancement and extension of high-speed internet access in communities that lack such infrastructure and the vast resources it provides. In time the State will support programs and initiatives aimed at delivering the community improvement and empowerment potential that reliable, high-speed internet access can provide to even the most difficult-to-serve citizens, schools, and businesses. As the first step in planning for this critical, potentially catalytic infrastructure, the "Ace" Act requires all local governments to incorporate the "*promotion of the deployment of broadband internet services*" into their local plan.

In assessing the Dawson County's 2018 access to higher grade broadband technology stakeholders were asked to rate the general satisfaction of existing internet service providers and the County provided information about the general distribution of high capacity lines throughout the area. The majority provider within the area (based on geographic area) is Windstream, for which service ratings were considered below average. Both Windstream and Comcast provide major commercial service in the GA 400 corridor, along arterial roads leading westward into the county and to Dawsonville, and along various roads throughout the unincorporated County. There are, however, several gaps in "last-mile" connectivity along more remote rural roads, particularly with regard to higher speed and higher capacity lines.

The County does have access to the North Georgia Network (NGN), an incorporated cooperative providing a regional fiber optic system with over 1,600 linear miles of infrastructure. The NGN was conceived as part of visions for a more prosperous rural Georgia, with the knowledge that a fiber optic network that is fast, reliable and affordable is vital to modern economic development. The NGN provides infrastructure that loops through the northeast Georgia mountains with 100 gigabit core line and connects to almost all the schools and colleges in the region as well as reaching many government structures and prominent business parks.

Based on survey results, public comments, and stakeholder input, there remains a strong need for improved internet access in rural Dawson County. The County, likewise, supports improvement programs that will expand local network connectivity and enhance network capacity with an eye toward significantly greater growth (and therefore increased demand for internet services) within the areas between Dawsonville, Forsyth County and Lake Lanier.

### Priorities for Future Network Enhancements

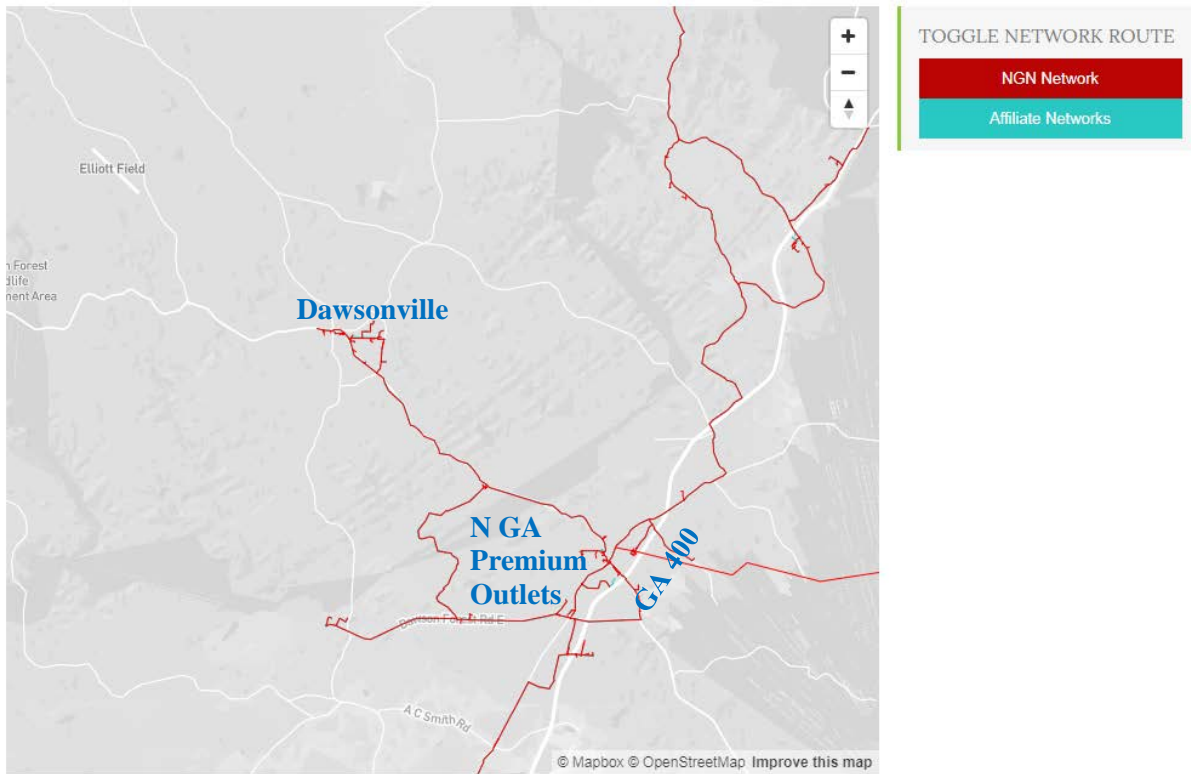
- Ability to increase "last-mile" connections
- Higher-capacity trunk lines westward from NGN
- Expansion of NGN north of Dawsonville



## North Georgia Network Lines in Dawson County

# Network Map

HOME » NETWORK MAP



## Transportation

Transportation concerns the level of accessibility of sites and development, and the demands for transportation facilities and services vary by land use, demographics and other factors. The dynamic nature of accessibility and the various factors that determine functional performance in infrastructure suggest transportation planning requires special attention.

### *Transportation Planning*

After each decennial Census, the Census Bureau updates the designations of urbanized and metropolitan areas, designations that bring with them federal requirement for transportation planning in order to ensure efficient infrastructure networks and to combat air pollution. After the 2010 Census a portion of Dawson County was deemed part of an urbanized area connected with Forsyth County and metro Atlanta, meaning Dawson County was mandated to participate in a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for transportation modeling and assessment. In Georgia compliance with Federal policy establishing an



MPO rests with the State, which assigned Dawson County to the metropolitan Atlanta region, for which transportation planning is directed by the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC).

The ARC's *Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)* is the long-range transportation strategy for the 20-county MPO area. The plan is financially constrained, meaning project costs and revenue streams are balanced and therefore eligible for federal assistance. Projects identified within the RTP are then listed as part of the Georgia Department of Transportation's *Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)*. Last updated in 2018, the RTP does not yet identify any capital projects for Dawson County. Part of this is due to the current grade of roads within the urbanized portion, which is largely the GA 400 corridor that has seen recent improvements. Part of this also is the location of the area on the fringe of the metro district, where congestion relief demands priorities lie in other areas. The table below denotes transportation planning priorities for Dawson.

*The portion of Dawson within the MPO*



(MPO materials and reports can be found at [www.atlantaregional.org](http://www.atlantaregional.org))

|                   |                                                                         |              |                            |          |                                              |         |     |              |     |              |                          |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------------------------|---------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|--------------------------|
| <b>AR-5307-DA</b> | <b>FTA SECTION 5307/5340 FORMULA FUNDS ALLOCATION FOR DAWSON COUNTY</b> | Jurisdiction | Dawson County              | Existing |                                              | Planned |     | Length (mi.) |     | Network Year | TBD                      |
| N/A               |                                                                         | Sponsor      | Dawson County              |          | N/A                                          |         | N/A |              | N/A |              |                          |
| Programmed        |                                                                         | Service Type | Transit / Formula Lump Sum | Analysis | Exempt from Air Quality Analysis (40 CFR 93) |         |     |              |     | LCI          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                   |                                                                         |              |                            |          |                                              |         |     |              |     | Flex         | <input type="checkbox"/> |

| Status | Year | Fund Type | State                                  | Local            | Bonds          | Total           |                |                  |
|--------|------|-----------|----------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| CST    | AUTH | 2013      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,386         | \$0,000        | \$3,347         | \$0,000        | \$16,733         |
| CST    | AUTH | 2014      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$14,189         | \$0,000        | \$3,547         | \$0,000        | \$17,736         |
| CST    | AUTH | 2015      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$14,081         | \$0,000        | \$3,520         | \$0,000        | \$17,601         |
| CST    | AUTH | 2016      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,955         | \$0,000        | \$3,409         | \$0,000        | \$17,444         |
| CST    | AUTH | 2017      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$14,864         | \$0,000        | \$3,716         | \$0,000        | \$18,580         |
| CST    |      | 2018      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$12,671         | \$0,000        | \$3,168         | \$0,000        | \$15,839         |
| CST    |      | 2019      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$14,864         | \$0,000        | \$3,716         | \$0,000        | \$18,580         |
| CST    |      | 2020      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,400         | \$0,000        | \$3,350         | \$0,000        | \$16,750         |
| CST    |      | 2021      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,400         | \$0,000        | \$3,350         | \$0,000        | \$16,750         |
| CST    |      | 2022      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,400         | \$0,000        | \$3,350         | \$0,000        | \$16,750         |
| CST    |      | 2023      | Transit Urbanized Area Formula Program | \$13,400         | \$0,000        | \$3,350         | \$0,000        | \$16,750         |
|        |      |           |                                        | <b>\$151,610</b> | <b>\$0,000</b> | <b>\$37,903</b> | <b>\$0,000</b> | <b>\$189,513</b> |

## Roads

Assessment of roadway infrastructure involves an inventory of roads by functional classification, a process by which streets and highways are grouped according to the character of service they are intended to provide. Individual roads and streets do not all serve the same function, nor do they manage travel independently but rather as part of a cohesive network. Transportation planning for roads, then, is used to determine how this travel can most efficiently move within the network, and functional classification assists with this process by defining the part that any particular road or street should play in serving the flow of trips through a roadway network.





Dawson County is traversed by several rural arterial roads that provide the critical connections to neighboring communities, medical facilities, and regional economic centers. GA 400, a north-south roadway on the eastern side of the county, is the most critical roadway both for accessing job centers and medical facilities to the south but also for bringing tourists to the mountains and the North Georgia Premium Outlets. The road recently saw an upgraded intersection with SR 53 and is considered functional for the planning time frame. The east-west arterials of SR 53 and SR 136, however, will need monitoring for needed improvements as the county grows. SR 53, in particular, provides access across Lake Lanier, Gainesville, I-985/ GA 365, and further east I-85. This is a critical corridor for freight and tourism traffic and widening this road is currently a long-term project for GDOT.



### *Pedestrian Accessibility*

Pedestrian accessibility refers to the level of connections available within a community to people via walking, biking or other non-motorized means. Traditionally this is provided through sidewalks and trails. At the moment there is little demand for sidewalks outside of Dawsonville. There are some sidewalks available throughout the GA 400 corridor but it varies from development to development. Likewise, some subdivisions within the county have subdivisions but there are no major connections between suburban residential areas and other destinations. There is, however, a growing desire to see trails in the county that might serve both as recreational destinations and as possible point-to-point connectors between population centers and key destinations in the area, such as parks or retail areas. The County will pursue a trails plan within the next 5 years to identify possible routes and funding options.

### *Alternate Transportation*

Dawson Transit has provided residents with public transportation services since the spring of 2001. Dawson Transit currently operates four buses, all ADA compatible and equipped with wheelchair lifts, for use in dial-a-ride transit services. Buses operate on an advanced reservation basis, and on a first come, first serve basis. Buses run from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday, and do not operate on weekends or on special holidays. To date transit services are considered adequate, however as the population grows additional vehicles and/or the possibility of expanded service times may experience more demand.

### *Airports and Rail Service*

Dawsonville and Dawson County are not served by passenger rail service within the County. Amtrak provides the closest passenger rail service along the Norfolk Southern route, which runs northeasterly to Greenville, S.C., and southwesterly to Atlanta. Located east of the County, City of Gainesville is the nearest passenger depot to Dawson County.



Dawsonville and Dawson County are not served by a public-use airport. A privately owned airstrip, Elliot Field, is located within the city. Public use airports in proximity to Dawsonville include Gainesville, Blairsville, Dahlonega, Canton and Jasper.

| <u>County</u> | <u>City</u> | <u>ID</u> | <u>Runway Length (ft.)</u> | <u>Runway Width (ft.)</u> | <u>Level*</u> |
|---------------|-------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Hall          | Gainesville | GVL       | 5,500                      | 100                       | III           |
| Lumpkin       | Dahlonega   | 9A0       | 3,090                      | 50                        | I             |
| Pickens       | Jasper      | JZP       | 5,000                      | 100                       | II            |

Source: Georgia Airport Association

\* Georgia Aviation System (20-year) Plan - all public use airports in Georgia are assigned one of three functional levels as relates to the state's transportation and economic needs:

## Development Trends and Influences

Land use management policies and programs represent guidelines for shaping development patterns that provide for efficient growth while also protecting sensitive social and environmental areas. As such communities should take into account their current and immediately projected conditions and assess the identified needs and issues regarding the built landscape and community services for the area. This section presents an inventory of existing land use patterns and development trends for the community, allowing the local government to produce the most effective policies needed to manage the demands from projected development.

Immediately south of Dawson is Forsyth County, which has routinely been among the fastest growing counties in the US since 2005. Forsyth has doubled in population since 2000 to now more than 200,000 estimated residents. While this has not yet produced huge spillover effects in Dawson County the early signs are showing and most folks in the real estate fields expect Dawson and other parts of northern metro Atlanta to see their share of the suburban and urban expansion within the next few years. Some subdivision development has occurred, both realized and proposed. It has been concentrated along the 400 corridor, Forsyth-Dawson County line, and the City of Dawsonville. The school system has prepared for potential growth and has the capacity to add another 2,000 students without building another school.

Because of the traffic volumes on GA 400 fostering strong commuter ties southward Dawson has seen new residential and retail development along this corridor as part of the early waves coming in, with the outlet mall area now surrounded by additional shopping centers, big box retail stores and varieties of chain dining and shopping options. Particularly at the intersection with Hwy 53, the east/west arterial that leads into Dawsonville and across the lake to Gainesville, this stretch of the GA 400 corridor is the busiest roadway in the county and the hub of current and projected economic activity. Should the County succeed with efforts to foster some minor industrial, technical, or goods production uses in the area then it will serve as a nodal magnet for supporting residential activity.

Dawsonville itself may serve as a center attracting additional development. The City is embracing more urban development forms, has plans for a new park, and is pursuing other downtown attractions. When these factors are combined with the County and School Board's efforts to improve the caliber of civic investments in the area it's possible to better envision Dawsonville growing into a stronger city that may attract residents looking for the small urban form within a rural setting.



North of Dawsonville is a large tract of property that has been available for development since the recession. A former piece of larger timber interests, this property has been proposed for a possible 2,500 unit development. Former plans envisioned this area becoming a form of uptown Dawsonville, featuring a minor commercial and civic center about 3 miles north of downtown Dawsonville. Current plans seem to be leaning towards conservation instead of development.

## Environmental Assessment

The following is provided as a simplified assessment of critical environmental conditions in effect in Dawson County. The locations for any identified conditions can be found on the correlating map.

### Clean Water Act Compliance

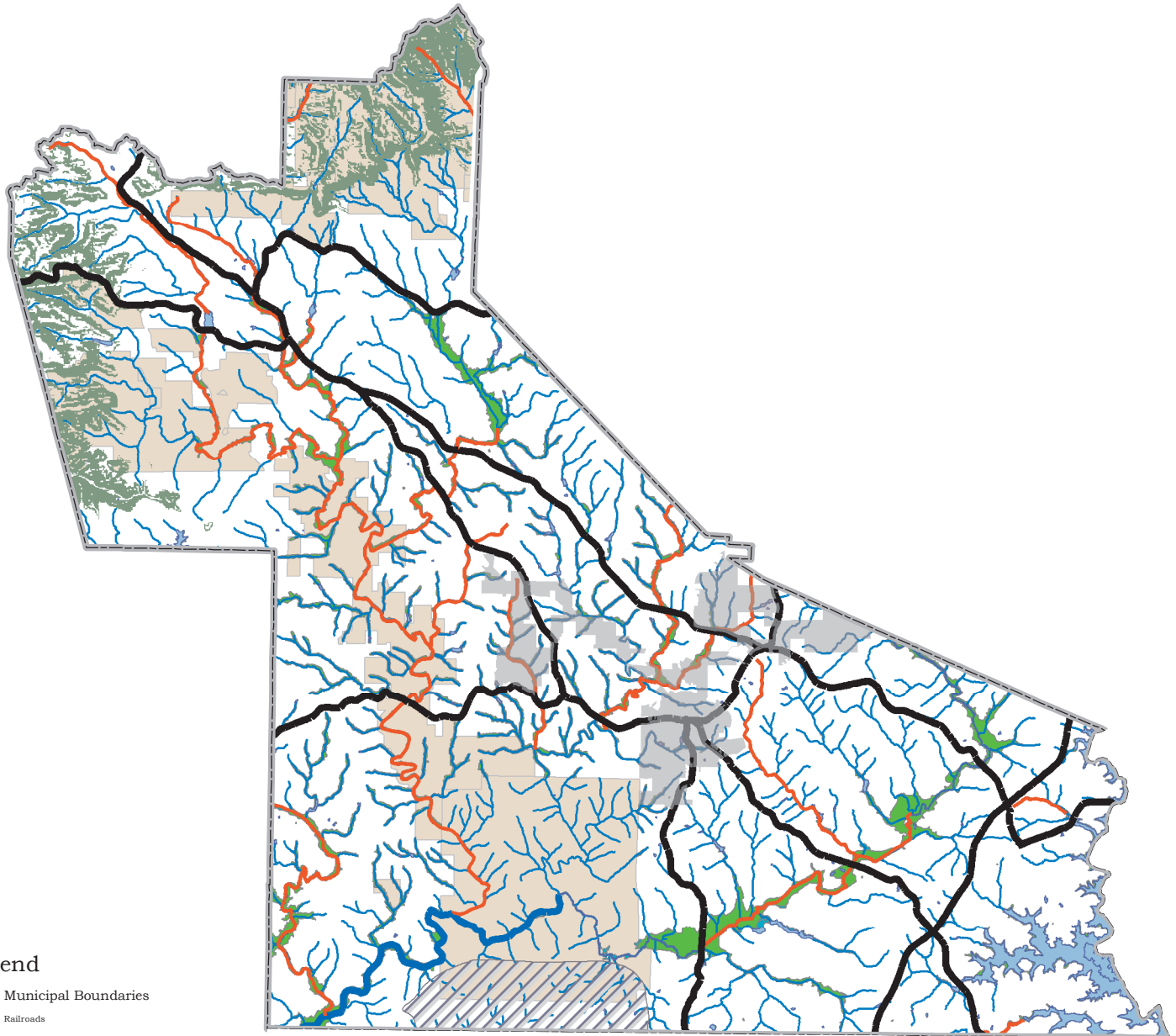
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| <b>Y</b> | Any “not supporting” 303(d) listed waterbodies?<br>If yes, these waterbodies have been found contaminated to the extent that they are not considered supporting their designated use. As such the local community should seek to manage land uses within the watershed so as to yield healthier water quality. |
| <b>Y</b> | Any 305(b) listed waterbodies?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>N</b> | If yes, do the Implementation Plans/Watershed Management Plans require any outstanding actions from the local government? If so, please include these actions within the Implementation Program.                                                                                                               |

There are several listed stream segments within Dawson County, predominantly for fecal coliform (bacteria) and for sedimentation, however the County, the City of Dawsonville, and other area stakeholders have worked hard to greatly improve water resource stewardship practices and water quality standards. Regional partners such as the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, Upper Etowah River Alliance, and North Georgia Water Partnership can assist the County with monitoring best management practices needed and/or employed in the area and aid in local resource management. The County must work with these entities, the Etowah Water and Sewer Authority, and others in working to address the water quality of local streams and rivers, as well as Lake Lanier.

### Environmental Planning Criteria

|          |                            |                               |           |
|----------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Y</b> | Water Supply Watersheds    | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>Y</b>  |
| <b>Y</b> | Wetlands                   | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>Y</b>  |
| <b>Y</b> | Groundwater Recharge Areas | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>Y</b>  |
| <b>Y</b> | Protected River Corridors  | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>Y</b>  |
| <b>N</b> | Steep Slopes               | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>NA</b> |
| <b>N</b> | Protected Mountains        | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>NA</b> |
| <b>N</b> | Coastal Areas              | Minimum regulations in place? | <b>NA</b> |

If any required regulations have not yet been established, please list any action items for achieving compliance within the Implementation Program.



**Legend**

- Municipal Boundaries
- Railroads
- Major Roads
- Dawson County Flood Areas
- Ground Water Recharge Areas
- 305b 303d Streams
- Protected Rivers
- Protected Mountains
- Ponds and Lakes
- Streams and Rivers
- National Wetlands Inventory
- Conservation Lands

**Dawson County  
Environmentally Sensitive Areas**





## Areas Requiring Special Attention

Analysis of prevailing trends assists in identifying preferred patterns of growth for the future. Such analyses can identify those areas requiring special attention with regard to management policies, such as natural or cultural resources likely to be intruded upon or otherwise impacted by development.

- *Areas where rapid development or change of land uses is likely to occur*

The area subject to the most immediate and rapidly growing pace of development is the GA 400 corridor and the southern portion of the county along the Forsyth County boundary. This is due to the presence of the outlet mall and the proximity to, and arterial access to, all the other regional economic centers available for commuters. The area is rapidly becoming suburban and features several roadway corridors that are lined with regional shops and offices, driving the local economy and attracting more of the same style of development.

- *Areas where the pace of development has and/or may outpace the availability of community facilities and services, including transportation*

While the GA 400 corridor is growing the area is expected to match or exceed utility demand for the foreseeable future. With recent road improvements to GA 400 itself and the intersection with SR 53, the greatest infrastructure improvements needed are the eventual widening of the east-west connector along GA 53 and the completion of the Dawsonville perimeter road. The Georgia DOT is currently assessing route options for the perimeter road and has long-term plans regarding GA 53.

Broadband capacity, meanwhile, was addressed in its own section.

The other standard questions for Areas Requiring Special Attention (listed below) do not have applicability in Dawson at this time. The county lacks the volume or concentration of impoverished areas or areas targeted for redevelopment. There are select properties scattered across the county that could and will be promoted for adaptive reuse, infill, or revitalization, but these are not clustered so as to form a particular district or target area for a comprehensive effort.

- *Areas in need of redevelopment and/or significant improvements to aesthetics or attractiveness (including strip commercial corridors)*
- *Large abandoned structures or sites, including possible environmental contamination.*
- *Areas with significant infill development opportunities (scattered vacant sites).*
- *Areas of significant disinvestment, levels of poverty, and/or unemployment substantially higher than average levels for the community as a whole*



## Recommended Character Areas

Character area planning is designed to focus on the physical appearance (aesthetics) and function of a particular area. Development strategies are tailored and applied to each individual area. The goal is to enhance the existing character/function or promote a new, more desirable character for the future. Character areas identify portions of the community that have a unique or special character that needs to be preserved or require special attention because of unique development issues

A key component of the comprehensive planning process is the development of a Character Area Map that reflects the community's vision for future growth and development during the course of the planning period. This vision was developed through an extensive public visioning process and expresses the unique character of various portions of the community. The various character areas, then, are intended to support the overall future development strategy by organizing common themes of development patterns throughout the community. They promote the desired development patterns and provide a framework for coordination of capital improvement projects that may impact development.

The following pages present the map and narratives of each Character Area associated with Dawson County. Each identified character area outlines a specific vision or plan that includes the following:

- Written description and pictures or illustrations that identify the patterns and scales of development encouraged in that area.
- Identification of implementation measures to achieve the desired development patterns for the area, including more detailed sub-area planning, new or revised local development regulations, incentives, public investments, and infrastructure improvements.



| <b>Rural</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <p>The development pattern for this character area consists of rural, undeveloped land likely to face development pressures for lower density (one unit per two plus acres) residential development. These areas typically have limited water/sewer infrastructure and rely on septic systems. In addition, they typically have low pedestrian orientation and access, very large lots, open space, pastoral views and high degree of building separation. Sidewalks, curbs and gutters generally are not compatible with this character area, but conservation subdivisions located here should include pedestrian and bicycle networks and connect to regional multi-use trails. The desired development pattern should seek to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permit rural cluster or conservation subdivision design that incorporates significant amount of open space</li> <li>• Limit extension of public utilities in these areas</li> <li>• Limit parking in front of properties</li> <li>• Connect to regional network of greenspace and trails, available to pedestrians, bicyclists, and equestrians for both tourism and recreational purposes</li> <li>• Consider the use of drainage swales on paved roads in lieu of curb and gutter</li> <li>• Ensure safe and direct access to major thoroughfares</li> <li>• Provide at least one access point from a County road for a minimum number of homes</li> <li>• Allow unpaved roads and shared driveways that provide access for up to six residences</li> <li>• Support and encourage agricultural industries</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rural Residential</li> <li>• Sub-rural Residential</li> <li>• Parks, Recreation and Conservation</li> <li>• Forestry</li> <li>• Agriculture</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RSR (for Sub-Rural Residential with 1.5 acre lot minimum on septic and well; one acre on septic and public water)</li> <li>• RRE (lot min. of 1.5 acres or three acres in sbdv.)</li> <li>• Residential Agritulture</li> </ul> |
| <i>Strategies</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop Greenspace Master Plan</li> <li>• Develop Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan</li> <li>• Adopt conservation subdivision regulations</li> <li>• Adopt Best Management Practices (BMP) for stormwater run-off</li> <li>• Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |







## Rural Corridor

The development pattern for this character area consists of developed or undeveloped land paralleling the route of a major thoroughfare that has significant natural, historic or cultural features, and scenic or pastoral views with a distinct rural character. Rural Corridor character area covers 300 feet of property on each side of these major thoroughfares (i.e. Georgia 53, 9 and 136). Small nodes of commercial development with small, enclosed retail trade and service are appropriate at important intersections. These nodes maintain the rural character with appropriate building designs. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Limit extension of public utilities in these areas
- Enact guidelines for new development that enhance the scenic value of the corridor and addresses landscaping and architectural design
- Consider the use of drainage swales for paved roads in lieu of curb and gutter
- Encourage compatible architectural styles that maintain the regional rural character and do not include franchise or corporate architecture
- Limit parking in front of commercial properties
- Ensure major commercial or employment centers do not encroach on residential development
- Connect to regional network of greenspace and trails, available to pedestrians, bicyclists, and equestrians for both tourism and recreational purposes
- Provide pedestrian linkages to adjacent and nearby residential or commercial districts
- Provide bicycle accommodations
- Consolidate driveways and use directional signage to clustered developments
- Institute driveway controls and access management standards to facilitate traffic flow
- Separate through-traffic from local traffic
- Plan for future expansion as the surrounding area grows
- Allow unpaved roads and shared driveways that provide access for up to six residences

| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                                                                                                               |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parks, Recreation and Conservation</li> <li>• Forestry</li> <li>• Agriculture</li> <li>• Exurban Residential</li> <li>• Rural Residential</li> <li>• Suburban and Lakefront Residential</li> <li>• Office Professional</li> <li>• Crossroads Commercial</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C-RB, C-CB (for Crossroads Commercial)</li> <li>• Other Scenic Corridors Overlay Districts needed</li> </ul> |

### *Strategies*

- Adopt regulations for Scenic Corridors
- Adopt Georgia 53 Corridor Overlay
- Develop Master Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Plan
- Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements





## Planned Community

The development pattern of this character area may consist of the resort variety, like Big Canoe, which has increasingly become home to permanent as well as seasonal residents and golf course communities such as Chestatee and Crystal Falls. Planned residential communities provide unique, flexible, creative and imaginative arrangements and site plans that result in predominantly single family residential development. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Encourage higher density housing types within walking distance of services and amenities within and adjacent to the community
- Emphasize connectivity with adjacent subdivisions and/or commercial developments in the layout of new developments
- Design for walkability throughout, encouraging creative pedestrian networks
- Create interconnected pattern of streets and trails extending into surrounding neighborhoods for cars, bikes, golf carts, and pedestrians
- Limit truck traffic in congested areas by redirecting it to higher capacity roads
- Separate through-traffic from local traffic
- Examine potential for traffic calming techniques on major corridors to facilitate enhanced pedestrian use (including safe crossings)
- Encourage strong connectivity and continuity between each master planned development
- Use access management strategies in appropriate locations e.g. requiring new subdivisions to be developed with an internal street system and no private driveways accessing the highway; for lots adjacent to arterial streets, encourage alley access to allow the building to
- face highway with automobile access to the rear

| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                                                    | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planned Community</li> <li>• Residential</li> <li>• Parks/ Amenity Areas</li> <li>• Conservation</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R-PC</li> </ul> |

## Strategies

- Adopt a gateway and signage master plan for planned communities
- Adopt a circulation master plan that defines how the street, sidewalk, and path network will look and how it will connect to surrounding neighborhoods
- Update county's regulations to require interconnected streets, parking, driveways, sidewalks, greenways, and trails for planned communities
- Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm





## Lakeside Residential

The development pattern of this character area consists of suburban residential subdivision development surrounding Lake Lanier. Stormwater runoff becomes an issue in this area because it drains into the lake that provides drinking water for Metropolitan Atlanta and supports the habitat of a variety of species. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Employ stringent requirements for water quality enhancement measures on individual sites
- Incorporate regional (i.e., serving multiple sites) water quality enhancement areas to intercept stormwater and improve water quality as it flows from development areas into the lake. These regional facilities would be located along the tributaries between Georgia 400 and the lake's shoreline and would likely consist of wetlands, retention ponds, biofiltration swales, and other best management practices for water quality protection
- Set aside land for a network of greenways/trails for use by non-motorized users that link to similar character areas
- Connect to regional network of greenspace and trails, available to pedestrians, bicyclists, and equestrians for both tourism and recreational purposes
- Encourage strong connectivity and continuity between each master planned development
- Develop vehicular and pedestrian/bike connections to retail/commercial serves (where possible) as well as internal street connectivity, connectivity to adjacent
- properties/subdivisions and multiple site access points
- Promote street design that fosters traffic calming such as narrower residential streets, on- street parking and addition of bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Minimize impervious surfaces in environmentally sensitive areas
- Encourage County/GDOT to follow best management practices for erosion and sedimentation, as defined in the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act
- Encourage use of pervious materials for driveways and other hard surface areas
- Reduce or eliminate parking space requirements; encourage pervious surfaces where possible
- Set acceptable environmental and fiscal impacts for extension of streets and utilities

### *Future Land Use Categories*

- Suburban and Lakeside Residential

### *Zoning Districts*

- RL (Min. lot sizes: 1.5 acres on well; .75 acres public water)

### *Strategies*

- Adopt Best Mgmt Practices to protect water quality from stormwater runoff and sedimentation
- Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements
- Develop Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan
- Investigate establishing a local government stormwater utility
- Implement strategies, studies, and plans that call for water quality protection on a regional basis (i.e., all counties in the Lake Lanier basin)
- Set specific time frames for adding additional staff (e.g., water quality engineer) to
- Implement water quality enhancement projects and enforce water quality standards during the development plans review process





## Suburban Residential

The development pattern of this character area consists of locations where pressures for the typical types of suburban residential subdivision development are greatest (due to availability of water and sewer service). Guidelines are needed to encourage pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods that are accessible to transit (when it becomes available), adequate open space, strategically placed civic buildings, a connected system of streets and housing choices. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Incorporate regional (i.e., serving multiple sites) water quality enhancement areas to intercept stormwater and improve water quality as it flows from development areas into the lake. These regional facilities would be located along the tributaries of the Etowah River and would likely consist of wetlands, retention ponds, biofiltration swales, and other best management practices for water quality protection
- Incorporate master planned mixed-uses blending residential development with schools, parks, recreation, retail businesses and services, linked in a compact pattern that encourages walking and minimizes the need for auto trips within the subdivision
- Locate schools, community centers, or well-designed small commercial activity centers at suitable locations within walking distance of residence
- Promote moderate density, traditional neighborhood development (TND) style residential subdivisions
- Employ design features that encourage safe, accessible streets such as narrower streets, on-street parking, sidewalks, street trees and landscaped raised medians for minor collectors and wider streets
- Encourage comparable architectural styles that maintain the regional character and do not include franchise or corporate architecture
- Establish strong connectivity within, and continuity between, each master planned development to disperse traffic and shorten trips (may include minimizing or prohibiting cul-de-sacs) to disperse traffic in a more traditional grid pattern and to shorten walking/biking trips
- Provide safe facilities for pedestrians, school buses, and bicyclists using the road right-of-way
- Enhance the pedestrian-friendly environment by adding sidewalks and creating other pedestrian-friendly multi-use trail/bike routes linking neighboring communities and major destinations such as libraries, neighborhood centers, health facilities, commercial clusters, parks, schools, etc.
- Add traffic calming improvements, sidewalks and increased street interconnections to improve walkability within existing neighborhoods
- Separate through-traffic from local traffic
- Use access management strategies in appropriate locations
- Limit truck traffic in congested areas by redirecting it to higher capacity roads and designating truck routes where appropriate
- Encourage on-street parking and shared parking
- Limit driveway spacing along the highway frontage and align driveways where needed to improve traffic flow
- Require residential subdivisions accessing the highway to be interconnected
- Ensure that residential development does not encroach on major employment centers
- Require traffic studies for developments with more than 200,000 square feet



| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parks, Recreation and Conservation</li> <li>• Suburban and Lakefront Residential</li> <li>• Crossroads Commercial</li> <li>• Village Activity Center</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C-RB and C-CB (for Crossroads Commercial)</li> <li>• RS (lot size minimum of 1.50 acres on septic and well; 1 acre on septic and public water; 1 acre on public water and sewer)</li> <li>• MUV (2.8 Units per acre overall density neutral)</li> </ul> |
| <i>Strategies</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt Traditional Neighborhood Development ordinance</li> <li>• Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm</li> <li>• Adopt a collector street plan</li> <li>• Adopt sidewalk requirements</li> <li>• Develop Greenspace Master Plan</li> <li>• Update traffic study requirements</li> <li>• Develop Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan</li> <li>• Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements</li> </ul> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |







### Cultural Mixed Use

The development pattern for this character area consists of sites of local cultural significance that will experience growth related to the cultural resources. These areas in the future will include a mixture of uses that support the cultural resources. This character area includes Southern Catholic College, Dawson County Park and Bowen Arts Center as well as vacant property located near each. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Require developments accessing the highway to be interconnected
- Encourage shared driveways and inter-parcel access for adjacent commercial uses
- Limit driveway spacing along the highway frontage and align driveways wherever possible
- Examine potential for traffic calming techniques on major corridors to facilitate enhanced pedestrian use (including safe crossings)
- Provide safe facilities for pedestrians, school buses, and bicyclists using the road right-of-way
- Create safe, convenient pedestrian and bicycle connections to the adjacent neighborhoods and subdivisions
- Create a network of interconnected streets and parking lots
- Incorporate sidewalks, crosswalks, and bike paths

### Future Land Use Categories

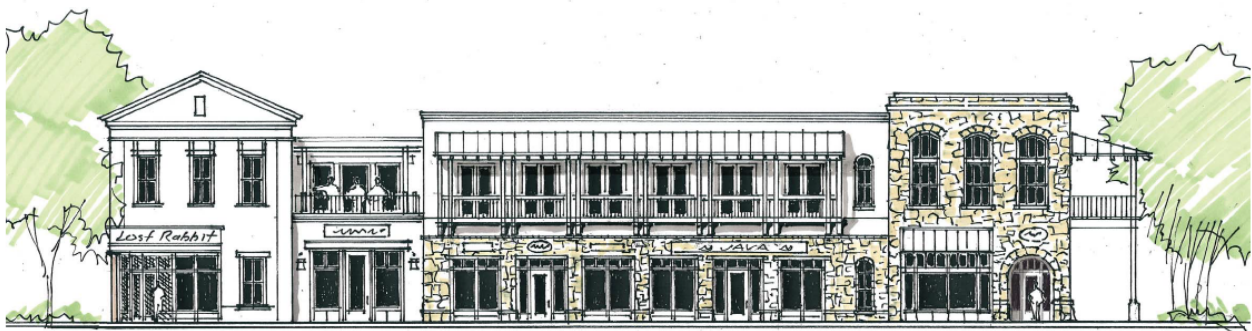
- Parks, Recreation and Conservation
- Sub-rural Residential
- Suburban and Lakefront Residential
- Village Activity Center

### Zoning Districts

- Zoning Districts
- MUV (2.8 Units per acre overall density neutral)
- Traditional Neighborhood
- Sense of Place

### Strategies

- Develop an Access Management Plan for the corridor
- Develop a Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan
- Adopt ordinance for shared parking, inter-parcel access and driveway requirements







### Mixed Use Corridor

The development pattern for this character area includes developed or undeveloped land on both sides of lands designated along Georgia 9 and 400. This area includes retail centers, office and employment areas usually located on large tracts of land with campus or unified development, mixed use activity centers, multi-family development, light industrial and other associated uses. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Locate employment centers in areas with ample sewer capacity, with direct access to major arterials
- Provide suitable transitions to surrounding residential uses
- Establish a grid pattern of public streets with block lengths between 300 and 600 feet
- Locate employment centers on land that has good access to GA 400 and other high-capacity highways, utilities and infrastructure
- Emphasize connectivity with adjacent subdivisions and/or commercial developments in the layout of new developments
- Create a network of interconnected streets and parking lots
- Provide safe facilities for pedestrians, school buses, and bicyclists using the road right-of-way
- Create safe, convenient pedestrian and bicycle connections to neighborhoods and subdivisions that are adjacent to the commercial corridors
- Incorporate sidewalks, crosswalks and bike paths
- Require dedicated right-of-way
- Limit driveway spacing along the highway frontage and align driveways where needed to improve traffic flow
- Encourage shared driveways and inter-parcel access for adjacent commercial uses
- Require residential subdivisions accessing the highway to be interconnected and to provide at least two entrances
- Encourage shared parking lots between uses
- Relate road alignment to topography
- Ensure environmental protection

### Future Land Use Categories

- Parks, Recreation and Conservation
- Urban Residential
- Multi-family Residential
- Office Professional
- Commercial Highway
- Light Industrial
- Campus-style Business Park
- Urban Activity Center

### Zoning Districts

- RMF (multi-family residential 6 units per acre density neutral)
- C-OI (Office Professional)
- C-HB; C-PCD (Commercial)
- C-IR (Light Industrial)
- Georgia 400 Corridor Design Overlay
- New district needed for Campus Style Business Park
- MUV (2.8 Units per acre overall density neutral)
- New overlay needed for Georgia 53 corridor RT (1.5 Acre lot minimum on septic and well; .75 acres on septic and public water; .40 acre on public water and public sewer)



## Strategies

- Adopt ordinance for shared parking, inter-parcel access and driveway requirements
- Adopt Campus Style Business Park zoning district
- Adopt Urban Activity Center zoning district
- Adopt Georgia 53 overlay zoning district
- Create an access management and driveway control master plan for corridors that allow signalized intersections every 600 to 1,200 feet without intervening curb cuts





**Industrial**

Industrial districts are established where some light industrial operations such as warehousing and low-intensity manufacturing can occur without objectionable impacts such as noise, vibration, smoke, dust, gas, fumes, odors, and radiation and that do not create fire or explosion hazards or other objectionable conditions. They are to be located in areas with close proximity to arterial highways and/or adjacent access roads, with particular attention paid to traffic patterns and schedules for any heavy freight vehicles. Where possible, these uses should include compatible passive use greenspaces and possible pedestrian connections to adjacent development if appropriate. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Locate employment centers in areas with ample sewer capacity, with direct access to major arterials
- Provide suitable transitions to surrounding residential uses
- Locate employment centers on land that has good access to GA 400 and other high-capacity highways, utilities and infrastructure
- Create a network of interconnected streets and parking lots
- Incorporate sidewalks, crosswalks and bike paths as appropriate
- Require dedicated right-of-way
- Limit driveway spacing along the highway frontage and align driveways where needed to improve traffic flow
- Encourage shared driveways and inter-parcel access for adjacent commercial uses
- Encourage shared parking lots between uses
- Ensure environmental protection

| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                                         | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                                             |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Light Industrial</li> <li>• Warehousing</li> <li>• Research &amp; Development Centers</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industrial</li> <li>• Warehouse</li> </ul> |

**Strategies**

- Adopt ordinance for shared parking, inter-parcel access and driveway requirements
- Adopt Campus Style Business Park zoning district
- Adopt Georgia 53 overlay zoning district
- Create an access management and driveway control master plan for corridors that allow signalized intersections every 600 to 1,200 feet without intervening curb cuts





## Conservation

Undeveloped natural lands, agricultural lands, forest lands and environmentally sensitive lands not suitable for suburban development make up the bulk of the Conservation character area. These areas include river corridors, scenic views, steep slopes, flood plains, wetlands, watersheds, wildlife management areas and other environmentally sensitive areas. Development in the Conservation character area may include very low density residential development served by septic systems. Sidewalks, curbs and gutters are not compatible, but pedestrian access and connectivity can take place with multi-use trails. The desired development pattern should seek to:

- Promote the use of conservation easements
- Maintain large lot sizes to protect farmland, open space and environmentally-sensitive areas
- Follow best management practices for erosion and sedimentation, as defined in the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act
- Minimize impervious surfaces in environmentally sensitive areas
- Discourage extension of public utilities, especially sewer, that would encourage development in these areas
- Support only the extensions of streets and utilities based on acceptable environmental and fiscal impacts and planned uses
- Widen roads only when absolutely necessary and only with designs that will minimize the visual impact
- Limit truck traffic in congested areas by redirecting it to higher capacity roads
- Set aside land for a network of greenways/trails for use by non-motorized users that link to similar character areas
- Interconnect adjacent trails, recreation areas, and greenspace where possible
- Provide appropriate way finding along trails
- Limit the amount of curb-cuts
- Require paved roads to use drainage swales in lieu of curb and gutter

| <i>Future Land Use Categories</i>                                                                                  | <i>Zoning Districts</i>                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forestry</li> <li>• Agriculture</li> <li>• Exurban Residential</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• R-A (lot size minimum of 1.5 acres or five acres in subdivisions)</li> <li>• RRE (lot size minimum of 1.5 acres or three acres in subdivisions)</li> </ul> |

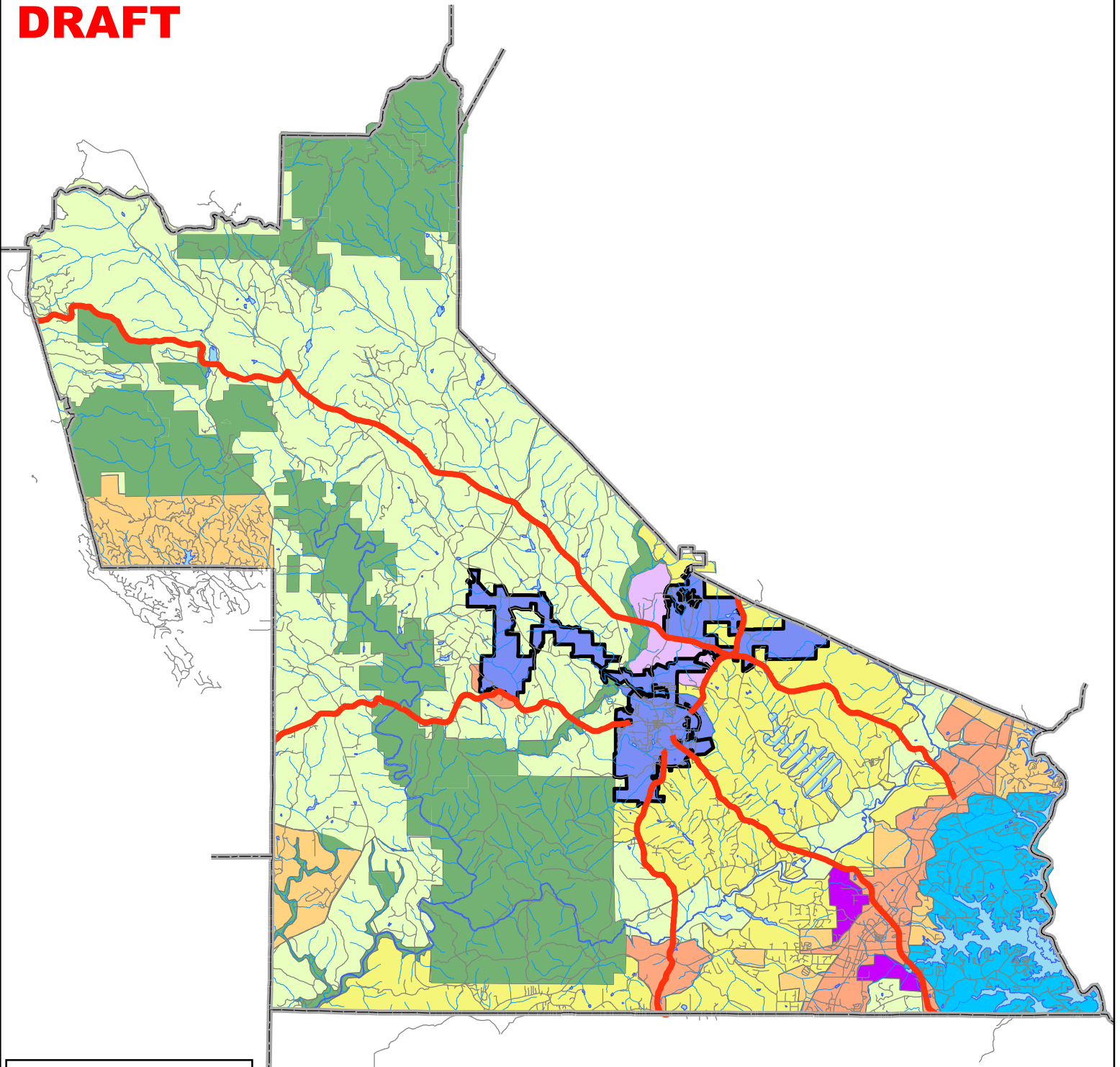
### *Strategies*

- Adopt Scenic Corridor Overlay zoning
- Adopt Best Management Practices (BMP) for addressing storm water run-off
- Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm
- Designate historic and scenic corridors, and provide for a thorough impact assessment process in these designated areas
- Prepare a Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan
- Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements





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- Legend**
- RuralCorridor
  - Reservoir
- Character Areas**
- Rural Residential
  - Suburban Residential
  - Lake Residential
  - Planned Community
  - Mixed-Use Corridor
  - City of Dawsonville and Growth Area
  - Mixed Use Cultural
  - Light Industrial
  - Conservation

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**Dawson County  
Character Areas**



## IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

The Implementation Program is the overall strategy for achieving the Community Vision and for addressing each of the Community Needs and Opportunities. It identifies specific measures, both short and long-term, that must be undertaken by the community in order realize the community's goals. Identifying these items helps the community organize their actions

Because Dawson County employs an Impact fee ordinance they have a Capital Improvement Element that is updated every year. This includes their financial reports, the required capital improvement schedule, and the Community Work Program. For Dawson County, this update was originally produced in conjunction with an independent consultant, Ross and Associates, and is presented here in full as an appendix.

### Policies, Long-Term Activities and Ongoing Programs

One type of action a community can establish to achieve its vision is the establishment of policy. These are those ongoing principles and practices that the community will observe in order to realize specific objectives. Some policies may compliment single action-items while others may provide ongoing guidance and direction to local government officials for making decisions consistent with achieving the Community Vision or addressing Community Issues and Opportunities.

In addition, communities may also establish long-term or ongoing programs and activities that support identified objectives. These measures may compliment policies or may simply be action items that must be employed more than once. These are recognized here so as to distinguish their need and conditions apart from the single-action items and to identify any required special terms or context.

The following items have been identified as policies, general objections and directions for Dawson County that will be used as guidelines for general, long-term practices for the respective government.

*Note: Identifying numbers, if applicable, corresponds to the item as referenced in the Needs and Opportunities section or Implementation Strategies for Character Areas.*

7. Maintain State Environmental Planning Criteria
8. Support the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper and Upper Etowah River Alliance
9. Support the Friends of Amicalola Falls, Appalachian Trail Conservancy, and other natural resource advocates.
12. Seek to concentrate development around existing urbanized areas.
30. Sustain and expand network of regional economic development partners; Convene regular meetings
31. Continue to support economic development through partnership with Development Authority of Dawson County, Industrial Building Authority of Dawson County, Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, and the Joint Development Authority of Lumpkin, White, Dawson Counties.
32. Implement 2050 Master Plan for water and sewer
33. Utilize SPLOST (and comparable measures) to support investment in infrastructure
36. Include review of Comprehensive Plan in site location studies for all new County facilities



43. Maintain participation with North Georgia Water Partnership
44. Replace vehicles in accordance with Fire Department Assessment (See CIE)
  - Continue to support the School Board and local post-secondary education institutions
  - Work with the Army Corps of Engineers and Georgia DNR to maintain the integrity and capacity of Lake Lanier

## **Community Work Program**

The third forward-thinking element of the Implementation Program is the Community Work Program (STWP). This identifies specific implementation actions the local government or other entities intend to take during the first five-year time frame of the planning period. This can include any ordinances, administrative systems, community improvements or investments, financing arrangements, or other programs or initiatives to be put in place to realize the plan goals.

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| Action                                                                                            | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | Responsible Agency               | Projected Cost | Funding Options            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Impact Fee Eligible Projects</b>                                                               |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| <b>Library Services</b>                                                                           |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| Purchase collection materials                                                                     | X    | X    | X    | X    | X    | Dawson Co. Library               | \$195,503      | 99.5% impact fees; SPLOST  |
| <b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>                                                                     |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| Acquire park land                                                                                 |      |      |      |      |      | Parks & Rec. Dept.               | \$800,000      | 84.76% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Senior Rec Center                                                                                 |      |      |      |      |      | Senior Services                  | \$401,251      | 100% impact fees           |
| <b>Law Enforcement</b>                                                                            |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| New Jail                                                                                          |      |      |      |      |      | Sherriff's Office                | \$45,715.05    | 100% impact fees           |
| <b>Fire Protection</b>                                                                            |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| Purchase fire engine for Stn 4                                                                    |      |      |      |      |      | Emergency Services               | \$400,000      | 100% impact fees           |
| Purchase medic vehicle for Stn 4                                                                  |      |      |      |      |      | Emergency Services               | \$250,000      | 100% impact fees           |
| Purchase medic vehicle for Stn 5                                                                  |      |      |      |      |      | Emergency Services               | \$250,000      | 100% impact fees           |
| Purchase fire engine for Stn. 10                                                                  |      |      |      |      |      | Emergency Services               | \$400,000      | 100% impact fees           |
| Purchase tender for Stn. 10                                                                       |      |      |      |      |      | Emergency Services               | \$300,000      | 100% impact fees           |
| Install fire hydrants                                                                             | X    | X    | X    | X    | X    | Etowah Water and Sewer Authority | \$237,900      | 100% impact fees           |
| <b>Road Improvements</b>                                                                          |      |      |      |      |      |                                  |                |                            |
| Kelly Bridge Road, full depth reclamation and widening both lanes                                 | X    |      |      |      |      | Public Works                     | \$2,200,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Lumpkin Campground Road, lane addition and lane widening                                          |      | X    |      |      |      | Public Works                     | \$4,000,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Red Rider Road, right-of-way acquisition and road widening                                        |      | X    |      |      |      | Public Works                     | \$1,200,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Sweetwater Juno Road, road widening and resurfacing                                               |      | X    |      |      |      | Public Works                     | \$1,300,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Couch Road, road widening and resurfacing                                                         |      |      | X    |      |      | Public Works                     | \$3,500,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Grant Road East, up-grade dirt to pavement and road widening                                      |      |      | X    |      |      | Public Works                     | \$800,000      | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Shoal Creek – Road & Bridge, replacement w/ additional lanes and weight limit increase            |      |      | X    |      |      | Public Works                     | \$2,500,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |
| Amicalola River – Goshen Church Bridge, replacement w/ additional lanes and weight limit increase |      |      |      | X    |      | Public Works                     | \$1,500,000    | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST |



|                                                                                                                      |   |   |   |   |                                  |           |                              |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Whitmire Drive West, add third (center turn) lane.                                                                   |   |   |   | X | Public Works                     | \$800,000 | 44.68% impact fees; SPLOST   |
| Transportation Plan                                                                                                  | X | X | X |   | Public Works                     | NA        | Prepared by staff            |
| Update impact fee Capital Improvements Element with road improvements                                                |   |   | X | X | Public Works                     | TBD       | General Fund                 |
| <b>Items from Needs and Opportunities Section</b>                                                                    |   |   |   |   |                                  |           |                              |
| 1. Update long-term water and sewer plans                                                                            |   | X |   |   | Etowah Water and Sewer Authority | \$10,000  | General Fund; Grants & Loans |
| 2. Develop road improvement plan                                                                                     | X |   |   |   | Public Works                     | \$5,000   | General Fund; GDOT           |
| 3. Revise facility and vehicle assessment for fire depts. and law enforcement.                                       | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$5,000   | General Fund; DCA            |
| 4. Update Parks and Recreation Master Plan                                                                           |   |   | X |   | Parks & Rec. Dept.               | \$5,000   | General Fund; DCA            |
| 5. Update Future Development Strategy                                                                                |   |   |   | X | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund; DCA            |
| 6. Adopt conservation design subdivision regulations                                                                 | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund; DCA            |
| 10. Survey county to identify prime agricultural areas                                                               | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |
| 11. Establish policy to protect prime agricultural areas from urban scale utilities.                                 |   | X |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |
| 13. Develop/Obtain reference material for architectural design guidelines to promote desired forms among developers. | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |
| 14. Survey code enforcement performance                                                                              | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$3,000   | General Fund                 |
| 15. Hold workshop to review code enforcement practices                                                               | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | NA        | NA                           |
| 16. Initialize annual report on code enforcement, tracking site visits and violations.                               |   | X |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | NA        | NA                           |
| 17. Identify resources to assist homeowners with property revitalization                                             |   | X |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |
| 18. Develop preferred design elements for County and School Board facilities                                         |   | X |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |
| 19. Develop/ Obtain a market study for senior housing in Dawson Area                                                 |   | X |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$3,000   | General Fund                 |
| 20. Identify target sites best suited for senior housing (based on market study)                                     |   |   | X |   | Planning Dept.                   | NA        | NA                           |
| 21. Convene forum with builders and banks to discuss entry level housing                                             | X |   |   |   | Planning Dept.                   | \$1,000   | General Fund                 |



|                                                                                                                    |   |   |  |  |                                        |           |                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|----------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| 22. Convene forum with builders and banks to discuss entry level housing                                           | X |   |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$1,000   | General Fund                    |
| 23. Identify resources to assist homeowners with property revitalization                                           |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$1,000   | General Fund;<br>DCA            |
| 24. Survey realtors re: potential for high-end housing in Dawson                                                   | X |   |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$1,000   | General Fund                    |
| 25. Develop freight traffic study for the county                                                                   |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$10,000  | General Fund;<br>GDOT           |
| 26. Develop conceptual site plans and funding options for spec industrial parks                                    |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$10,000  | General Fund                    |
| 27. Develop target industry recruitment strategy in conjunction with Development Authority                         |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$5,000   | General Fund                    |
| 28. Develop Broadband and Telecom Plan Utility                                                                     |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$5,000   | General Fund                    |
| 29. Develop inventory of regional assets; Create marketing tool promoting same.                                    | X |   |  |  | Dev. Authority                         | \$1,000   | General Fund                    |
| 34. Identify/establish a fiscal standard or benchmark for County operations; Promote County performance            | X |   |  |  | Administration                         | NA        | NA                              |
| 35. Establish long-term capital improvement budgets for all departments                                            | X |   |  |  | Administration                         | \$3,000   | General Fund                    |
| 37. Develop catalog of funding resources for capital improvement projects                                          | X |   |  |  | Administration                         | \$1,000   | General Fund                    |
| 38. Report outlining Lake Lanier park opportunities with Army Corps of Engineers.                                  |   | X |  |  | Planning Dept.                         | \$10,000  | General Fund                    |
| 39. Survey identifying potential properties or target areas for parks/ aquatic facility.                           | X |   |  |  | Parks & Rec.<br>Dept.                  | \$3,000   | General Fund                    |
| 40. Seek funding to increase staff & vehicles                                                                      |   | X |  |  | Administration                         | TBD       | General Fund;<br>Grants & Loans |
| 41. Develop preferred specs and budget for indoor aquatic facility                                                 |   | X |  |  | Parks & Rec.<br>Dept.                  | \$3,000   | General Fund                    |
| 42. Complete the Russell Creek Reservoir, water treatment plant expansion and water reclamation facility expansion |   | X |  |  | Etowah Water<br>and Sewer<br>Authority | TBD       | TBD                             |
| 45. Upgrade radio and communications equipment                                                                     |   | X |  |  | Emergency<br>Services                  | \$100,000 | General Fund;<br>Grants & Loans |



- Develop Greenspace Master Plan
- Develop Bike/Pedestrian/Greenways Master Plan
- Adopt conservation subdivision regulations
- Adopt Best Management Practices (BMP) for stormwater run-off
- Adopt regulations for Scenic Corridors
- Adopt Georgia 53 Corridor Overlay
- Adopt a gateway and signage master plan for planned communities
- Adopt a circulation master plan that defines how the street, sidewalk, and path network will look and how it will connect to surrounding neighborhoods
- Update county's regulations to require interconnected streets, parking, driveways, sidewalks, greenways, and trails for planned communities
- Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm
- Adopt Best Mgmt Practices to protect water quality from stormwater runoff and sedimentation
- Investigate establishing a local government stormwater utility
- Implement strategies, studies, and plans that call for water quality protection on a regional basis (i.e., all counties in the Lake Lanier basin)
- Set specific time frames for adding additional staff (e.g., water quality engineer) to implement water quality enhancement projects and enforce water quality standards during the development plans review process
- Adopt Traditional Neighborhood Development ordinance
- Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm
- Adopt a collector street plan
- Adopt sidewalk requirements
- Update traffic study requirements
- Develop an Access Management Plan for the Cultural mixed Use corridor
- Adopt ordinance for shared parking, inter-parcel access and driveway requirements
- Adopt Campus Style Business Park zoning district
- Adopt Urban Activity Center zoning district
- Create an access management and driveway control master plan for corridors that allow signalized intersections every 600 to 1,200 feet without intervening curb cuts
- Adopt Scenic Corridor Overlay zoning
- Adopt Best Management Practices (BMP) for addressing storm water run-off
- Adopt a policy framework to prevent encroachment of inappropriate automobile-oriented development that would adversely affect the quality of life and public realm
- Designate historic and scenic corridors, and provide for a thorough impact assessment process in these designated areas
- Update development regulations to address drainage and impervious surface requirements



# **APPENDICES**

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**County Data Sheet**

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## DAWSON COUNTY, GEORGIA

### TOTAL POPULATION

|                       | 2010      | 2016       | CHANGE  |       |                                                                                     |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------|---------|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                       |           |            | #       | %     |                                                                                     |
| Georgia               | 9,713,521 | 10,310,371 | 596,850 | 6.1%  | <b>AGE DISTRIBUTION</b><br><b>2016</b><br>< 18 yo 21.4%<br>18-64 60.4%<br>65+ 18.2% |
| GMRC Region           | 601,216   | 670,327    | 69,111  | 11.5% |                                                                                     |
| Dawson County         | 22,287    | 23,604     | 1,317   | 5.9%  |                                                                                     |
| Dawsonville city      | 2,383     | 2,634      | 251     | 10.5% |                                                                                     |
| Balance of Dawson Co. | 19,904    | 20,970     | 1,066   | 5.4%  |                                                                                     |

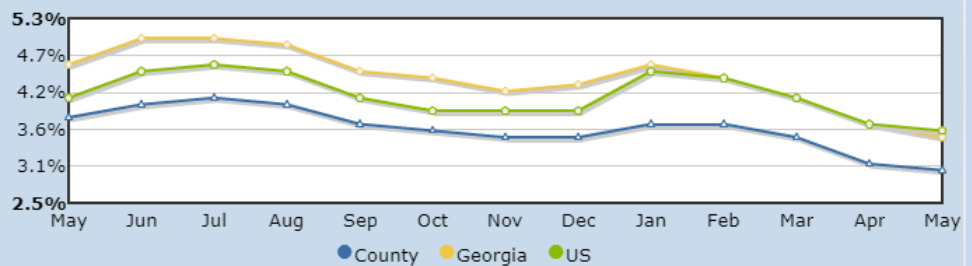
### MINIMAL EDUCATION

#### Adults age 25+ - 2016

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| < 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade            | 4.5%  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> | 9.0%  |
| HS Graduate                        | 29.0% |
| Some College                       | 21.9% |
| Assoc. Degree                      | 5.7%  |
| Bach. Degree                       | 19.2% |
| Grad. Degree                       | 10.6% |

### UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

2017 - 2018 Local Unemployment Rate (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



### COMMUTING PATTERNS - 2010

| Origination of Dawson Co. Employees |    |              | Destination of Dawson Co. Residents |    |               |
|-------------------------------------|----|--------------|-------------------------------------|----|---------------|
| Origin                              |    | Share        | Destination                         |    | Share         |
| Dawson Co.                          | GA | 48.1%        | Dawson Co.                          | GA | 36.2%         |
| Lumpkin Co.                         | GA | 16.4%        | Forsyth Co.                         | GA | 24.5%         |
| Forsyth Co.                         | GA | 12.8%        | Fulton Co.                          | GA | 12.2%         |
| Hall Co.                            | GA | 9.6%         | Hall Co.                            | GA | 7.0%          |
| Fulton Co.                          | GA | 3.1%         | Gwinnett Co.                        | GA | 6.1%          |
| White Co.                           | GA | 2.7%         | Lumpkin Co.                         | GA | 5.3%          |
| Gwinnett Co.                        | GA | 1.8%         | Pickens Co.                         | GA | 1.6%          |
| Cherokee Co.                        | GA | 1.7%         | Cobb Co.                            | GA | 1.5%          |
| Pickens Co.                         | GA | 1.0%         | DeKalb Co.                          | GA | 1.4%          |
| Other                               |    | 3.0%         | Other                               |    | 4.3%          |
| <b>Total Trips</b>                  |    | <b>7,583</b> | <b>Total Trips</b>                  |    | <b>10,071</b> |

Demographic data courtesy of the US Bureau of the Census  
 Unemployment Rate courtesy Georgia Department of Labor



**Area Labor Profile for Dawson County**

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# Dawson

## County



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### Area Labor Profile

## Labor Force Activity - 2017

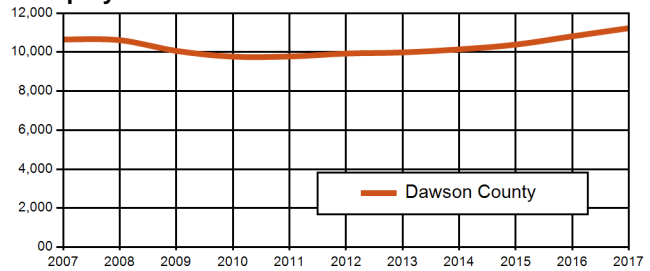
### 2017 ANNUAL AVERAGES

|                    | Labor Force    | Employed       | Unemployed    | Rate        |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Dawson             | 11,688         | 11,231         | 457           | 3.9%        |
| Cherokee           | 129,987        | 125,131        | 4,856         | 3.7%        |
| Fannin             | 11,006         | 10,481         | 525           | 4.8%        |
| Forsyth            | 114,728        | 110,421        | 4,307         | 3.8%        |
| Gilmer             | 11,988         | 11,387         | 601           | 5.0%        |
| Hall               | 100,338        | 96,413         | 3,925         | 3.9%        |
| Lumpkin            | 16,756         | 16,083         | 673           | 4.0%        |
| Pickens            | 14,857         | 14,220         | 637           | 4.3%        |
| <b>Dawson Area</b> | <b>411,348</b> | <b>395,367</b> | <b>15,981</b> | <b>3.9%</b> |
| Georgia            | 5,061,399      | 4,821,622      | 239,777       | 4.7%        |
| United States      | 160,320,000    | 153,337,000    | 6,982,000     | 4.4%        |

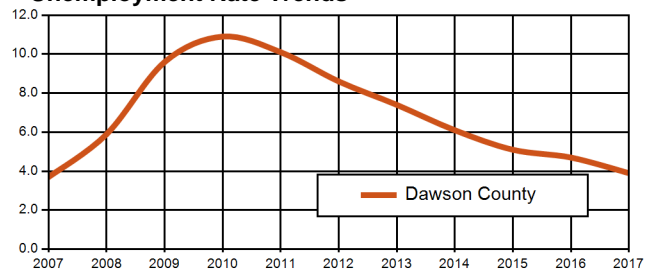
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

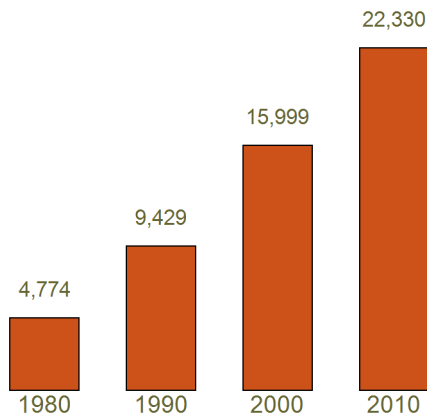
### Employment Trends



### Unemployment Rate Trends



### Population Estimates



### Population

|                     | 2010 Census    | 2017 Rank | 2017 Estimate  | % Change 2000-2017 | 2025 Projected* | % Change 2010-2025 |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Dawson</b>       | <b>22,330</b>  | <b>76</b> | <b>24,379</b>  | <b>9.2</b>         | <b>27,977</b>   | <b>25.3</b>        |
| City of Dawsonville | 2,536          |           |                |                    |                 |                    |
| <b>Dawson Area</b>  | <b>703,242</b> |           | <b>819,711</b> | <b>16.6</b>        | <b>963,039</b>  | <b>36.9</b>        |
| Georgia             | 9,687,653      |           | 10,429,379     | 7.7                | 11,538,707      | 19.1               |
| United States       | 308,745,538    |           | 325,719,178    | 5.5                | 349,439,199     | 13.2               |

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, \*Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

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# Industry Mix - annual averages of 2017

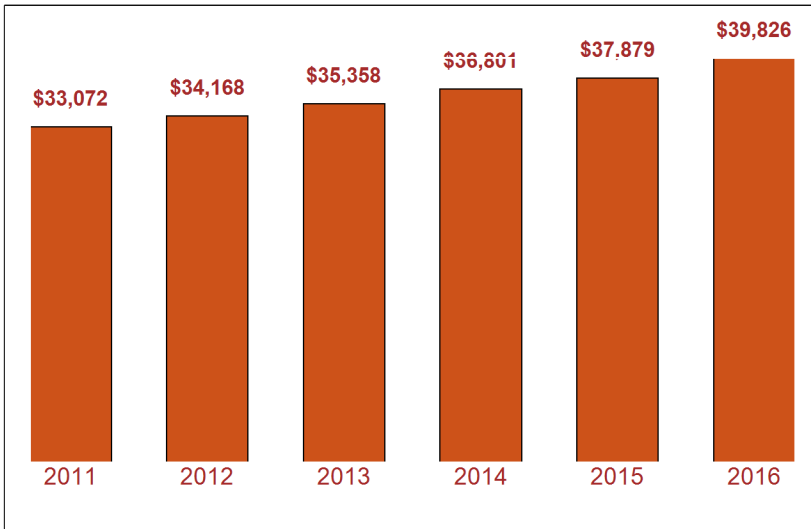
| INDUSTRY                                                                 | Dawson             |              |              |                | Dawson Area        |                  |              |                |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
|                                                                          | NUMBER<br>OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT   |              | WEEKLY<br>WAGE | NUMBER<br>OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT       |              | WEEKLY<br>WAGE |
|                                                                          |                    | NUMBER       | PERCENT      |                |                    | NUMBER           | PERCENT      |                |
| <b>Goods-Producing</b>                                                   | <b>95</b>          | <b>1,244</b> | <b>13.8</b>  | <b>808</b>     | <b>3,101</b>       | <b>54,741</b>    | <b>21.5</b>  | <b>941</b>     |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting                               | 7                  | 18           | 0.2          | 508            | 90                 | 632              | 0.2          | 664            |
| Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction                            | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 16                 | 452              | 0.2          | 1,434          |
| Construction                                                             | 64                 | 231          | 2.6          | 877            | 2,138              | 16,680           | 6.6          | 1,045          |
| Manufacturing                                                            | 24                 | 995          | 11.0         | 798            | 857                | 36,978           | 14.5         | 893            |
| Food                                                                     | 3                  | *            | *            | *              | 83                 | 15,189           | 6.0          | 697            |
| Beverage and Tobacco Product                                             | 1                  | *            | *            | *              | 25                 | 494              | 0.2          | 848            |
| Printing and Related Support Activities                                  | 1                  | *            | *            | *              | 57                 | 1,267            | 0.5          | 1,023          |
| Chemical                                                                 | 1                  | *            | *            | *              | 51                 | 1,417            | 0.6          | 1,220          |
| Plastics and Rubber Products                                             | 2                  | *            | *            | *              | 36                 | 1,786            | 0.7          | 840            |
| Nonmetallic Mineral Product                                              | 5                  | 36           | 0.4          | 692            | 59                 | 635              | 0.2          | 973            |
| Fabricated Metal Product                                                 | 8                  | 328          | 3.6          | 904            | 127                | 3,088            | 1.2          | 1,076          |
| Furniture and Related Product                                            | 1                  | *            | *            | *              | 52                 | 706              | 0.3          | 907            |
| Miscellaneous                                                            | 2                  | *            | *            | *              | 87                 | 1,292            | 0.5          | 916            |
| Leather and Allied Product                                               | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 3                  | 35               | 0.0          | 941            |
| Petroleum and Coal Products                                              | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 5                  | 21               | 0.0          | 1,103          |
| Paper                                                                    | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 5                  | 84               | 0.0          | 847            |
| Apparel                                                                  | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 8                  | 291              | 0.1          | 1,003          |
| Textile Mills                                                            | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 10                 | 481              | 0.2          | 778            |
| Primary Metal                                                            | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 10                 | 1,101            | 0.4          | 1,088          |
| Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component                           | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 22                 | 1,099            | 0.4          | 1,210          |
| Transportation Equipment                                                 | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 31                 | 2,275            | 0.9          | 948            |
| Textile Product Mills                                                    | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 36                 | 506              | 0.2          | 688            |
| Computer and Electronic Product                                          | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 41                 | 1,532            | 0.6          | 1,499          |
| Wood Product                                                             | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 49                 | 1,048            | 0.4          | 682            |
| Machinery                                                                | 0                  | 0            | 0.0          | 0              | 60                 | 2,636            | 1.0          | 1,096          |
| <b>Service-Providing</b>                                                 | <b>536</b>         | <b>6,551</b> | <b>72.5</b>  | <b>495</b>     | <b>15,425</b>      | <b>165,941</b>   | <b>65.3</b>  | <b>826</b>     |
| Utilities                                                                | 2                  | *            | *            | *              | 26                 | 810              | 0.3          | 1,502          |
| Wholesale Trade                                                          | 27                 | 160          | 1.8          | 747            | 1,335              | 12,887           | 5.1          | 1,343          |
| Retail Trade                                                             | 175                | 3,332        | 36.9         | 411            | 2,181              | 35,460           | 13.9         | 531            |
| Transportation and Warehousing                                           | 12                 | 35           | 0.4          | 872            | 397                | 4,800            | 1.9          | 943            |
| Information                                                              | 6                  | 43           | 0.5          | 532            | 259                | 2,365            | 0.9          | 1,290          |
| Finance and Insurance                                                    | 29                 | 154          | 1.7          | 1,092          | 1,056              | 6,267            | 2.5          | 1,276          |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing                                       | 24                 | 121          | 1.3          | 781            | 807                | 2,474            | 1.0          | 865            |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services                         | 56                 | 152          | 1.7          | 849            | 2,590              | 11,629           | 4.6          | 1,335          |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises                                  | 1                  | *            | *            | *              | 67                 | 1,492            | 0.6          | 1,825          |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 31                 | 193          | 2.1          | 547            | 1,152              | 15,532           | 6.1          | 692            |
| Educational Services                                                     | 4                  | *            | *            | *              | 225                | 2,671            | 1.1          | 606            |
| Health Care and Social Assistance                                        | 54                 | 681          | 7.5          | 860            | 1,765              | 32,214           | 12.7         | 997            |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation                                      | 13                 | 159          | 1.8          | 417            | 289                | 3,715            | 1.5          | 1,599          |
| Accommodation and Food Services                                          | 59                 | 1,318        | 14.6         | 337            | 1,217              | 26,448           | 10.4         | 321            |
| Other Services (except Public Administration)                            | 43                 | 190          | 2.1          | 501            | 1,155              | 6,398            | 2.5          | 613            |
| <b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>                              | <b>30</b>          | <b>23</b>    | <b>0.3</b>   | <b>1,067</b>   | <b>903</b>         | <b>788</b>       | <b>0.3</b>   | <b>1,204</b>   |
| <b>Total - Private Sector</b>                                            | <b>661</b>         | <b>7,818</b> | <b>86.5</b>  | <b>546</b>     | <b>18,526</b>      | <b>220,682</b>   | <b>86.8</b>  | <b>855</b>     |
| <b>Total - Government</b>                                                | <b>23</b>          | <b>1,218</b> | <b>13.5</b>  | <b>681</b>     | <b>425</b>         | <b>33,613</b>    | <b>13.2</b>  | <b>807</b>     |
| Federal Government                                                       | 1                  | 43           | 0.5          | 909            | 59                 | 1,317            | 0.5          | 1,149          |
| State Government                                                         | 10                 | 183          | 2.0          | 641            | 141                | 4,877            | 1.9          | 764            |
| Local Government                                                         | 12                 | 992          | 11.0         | 678            | 225                | 27,419           | 10.8         | 798            |
| <b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>                                                    | <b>684</b>         | <b>9,035</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>565</b>     | <b>18,951</b>      | <b>254,295</b>   | <b>100.0</b> | <b>848</b>     |
| <b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>                                          |                    |              |              |                | <b>274,910</b>     | <b>4,346,073</b> |              | <b>1,003</b>   |

Note: \*Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average number of employees who had earnings; average earnings are then divided by the number of weeks in a reporting period to obtain weekly figures. Figures in other columns may not sum accurately due to rounding. All figures are annual averages of 2017.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. These data represent jobs that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

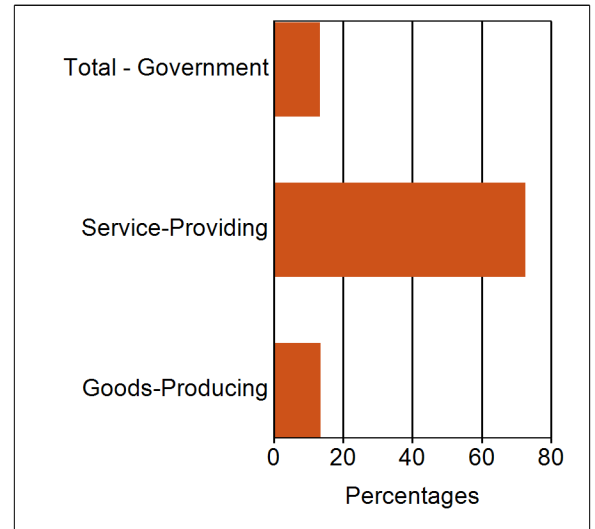
## Dawson Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Dawson Industry Mix 2017

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Ten Largest Employers - 2017\*

### Dawson

Btd Manufacturing, Inc.  
 Caretenders Visiting Services  
 Fort Dearborn Company  
 Gold Creek Processing, LLC  
 Michael Kors Retail, Inc.  
 Publix Super Market, Inc.  
 The Home Depot  
 The Kroger Company  
 Under Armour Retail, Inc.  
 Walmart

\*Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance excluding all government agencies except correctional institutions, state and local hospitals, state colleges and universities. Data shown for the Fourth Quarter of 2017. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

### Dawson Area

| Employer                                    | COUNTY   |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|
| Fieldale Farms Corporation                  | Hall     |
| Kubota Manufacturing of America Corporation | Hall     |
| Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.      | Hall     |
| Northside Hospital                          | Forsyth  |
| Northside Hospital                          | Cherokee |
| Pilgrim's Pride Corporation                 | Hall     |
| Tyson Poultry, Inc.                         | Forsyth  |
| University of North Georgia                 | Lumpkin  |
| Victory Processing, LLC                     | Hall     |
| Walmart                                     | Cherokee |

## Education of the Labor Force

### Dawson Area

#### PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

|                       | PERCENT OF TOTAL | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE |        |        |        |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                       |                  | 18-24                       | 25-34  | 35-44  | 45-64  | 65+    |
| Elementary            | 6.5%             | 4.5%                        | 7.6%   | 5.7%   | 4.6%   | 12.3%  |
| Some High School      | 10.2%            | 19.6%                       | 10.7%  | 7.8%   | 7.3%   | 13.3%  |
| High School Grad/GED  | 28.1%            | 33.3%                       | 25.9%  | 24.1%  | 28.9%  | 31.3%  |
| Some College          | 21.9%            | 33.3%                       | 22.0%  | 20.1%  | 21.4%  | 17.3%  |
| College Grad 2 Yr     | 6.3%             | 3.3%                        | 6.0%   | 6.9%   | 7.8%   | 4.1%   |
| College Grad 4 Yr     | 19.0%            | 5.5%                        | 20.9%  | 25.9%  | 20.0%  | 13.8%  |
| Post Graduate Studies | 8.0%             | 0.5%                        | 6.9%   | 9.6%   | 9.9%   | 7.9%   |
| Totals                | 100.0%           | 100.0%                      | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

Note: Totals are based on the portion of the labor force between ages 18 - 65+. The "Some College" category represents workers with less than two years of college and no degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 Decennial Census.

# High School Graduates - 2017



|                    | <b>PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b> | <b>PRIVATE SCHOOLS*</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Cherokee           | 2,645                 | --                      | 2,645        |
| Dawson             | 247                   | --                      | 247          |
| Fannin             | 165                   | --                      | 165          |
| Forsyth            | 2,703                 | --                      | 2,703        |
| Gilmer             | 238                   | --                      | 238          |
| Hall               | 2,062                 | --                      | 2,062        |
| Lumpkin            | 222                   | --                      | 222          |
| Pickens            | 267                   | --                      | 267          |
| <b>Dawson Area</b> | <b>8,549</b>          | <b>--</b>               | <b>8,549</b> |

Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems.

\* Private schools data is not available for 2017 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Source: The Governor's Office of Student Achievement of Georgia.

# Colleges and Universities

## Dawson Area

### Dawson

|                                                              |                                                                                 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Southern Catholic College                                    | <a href="http://www.southerncatholic.org/">http://www.southerncatholic.org/</a> |
| Dawson Campus (Satellite campus of Lanier Technical College) | <a href="http://www.laniertech.edu">www.laniertech.edu</a>                      |
| Southern Catholic College                                    | <a href="http://www.southerncatholic.org">www.southerncatholic.org</a>          |

### Hall

|                                                               |                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Brenau University                                             | <a href="http://www.brenau.edu">www.brenau.edu</a>         |
| University of North Georgia                                   | <a href="http://www.gsc.edu">www.gsc.edu</a>               |
| Lanier Technical College                                      | <a href="http://www.laniertech.edu">www.laniertech.edu</a> |
| Oakwood Campus (Satellite campus of Lanier Technical College) | <a href="http://www.laniertech.edu">www.laniertech.edu</a> |

### Cherokee

|                                                                        |                                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Canton Campus (Satellite campus of Chattahoochee Technical College)    | <a href="http://www.chattahoocheetech.edu">www.chattahoocheetech.edu</a> |
| Woodstock Campus (Satellite campus of Chattahoochee Technical College) | <a href="http://www.chattahoocheetech.edu">www.chattahoocheetech.edu</a> |
| Reinhardt University                                                   | <a href="http://www.reinhardt.edu">www.reinhardt.edu</a>                 |

### Pickens

|                                                                          |                                                                          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Appalachian Campus (Satellite campus of Chattahoochee Technical College) | <a href="http://www.chattahoocheetech.edu">www.chattahoocheetech.edu</a> |
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### Forsyth

|                                                               |                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Forsyth Campus (Satellite campus of Lanier Technical College) | <a href="http://www.laniertech.edu">www.laniertech.edu</a> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|

### Lumpkin

|                             |                                                                |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| University of North Georgia | <a href="http://www.northgeorgia.edu">www.northgeorgia.edu</a> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|

Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions. This list is updated periodically as information becomes available.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

# Technical College Graduates - 2017\*

| PROGRAMS                                                  | TOTAL GRADUATES |      |      | PERCENT CHANGE |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|
|                                                           | 2015            | 2016 | 2017 | 2015-2016      | 2016-2017 |
| Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°         | 91              | 99   | 126  | 8.8            | 27.3      |
| Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General | 18              | 20   | 25   | 11.1           | 25.0      |
| Aesthetics/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist°          | 2               | 119  | 36   | 80.0           | -13.9     |

# Technical College Graduates - 2017\*

| PROGRAMS                                                                          | TOTAL GRADUATES |      |      | PERCENT CHANGE |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|
|                                                                                   | 2015            | 2016 | 2017 | 2015-2016      | 2016-2017 |
| Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°                              | 13              | 24   | 17   | 84.6           | -29.2     |
| Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°                              | 26              | 26   | 59   | 0.0            | 126.9     |
| Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°                            | 89              | 253  | 182  | 184.3          | -28.1     |
| Business Administration and Management, General°                                  | 63              | 56   | 109  | -11.1          | 94.6      |
| CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician°                            | 6               | 29   | 20   | 383.3          | -31.0     |
| Child Care and Support Services Management°                                       | 1               | 5    | 4    | 400.0          | -20.0     |
| Child Care Provider/Assistant°                                                    | 81              | 135  | 105  | 66.7           | -22.2     |
| Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician                                            | 5               | 3    | 1    | -40.0          | -66.7     |
| Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°                           | 25              | 44   | 76   | 76.0           | 72.7      |
| Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°                                               | 131             | 100  | 112  | -23.7          | 12.0      |
| Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°                                                  | 41              | 46   | 43   | 12.2           | -6.5      |
| Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°                                   | 24              | 19   | 69   | -20.8          | 263.2     |
| Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°                        | 13              | 32   | 33   | 146.2          | 3.1       |
| Dental Assisting/Assistant                                                        | 14              | 14   | 9    | 0.0            | -35.7     |
| Design and Visual Communications, General°                                        | 12              | 24   | 26   | 100.0          | 8.3       |
| Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°                               | 6               | 24   | 29   | 300.0          | 20.8      |
| Early Childhood Education and Teaching°                                           | 27              | 39   | 35   | 44.4           | -10.3     |
| Electrical and Power Transmission Installation/Installer, General°                | 14              | 10   | 16   | -28.6          | 60.0      |
| Electrician°                                                                      | 15              | 10   | 19   | -33.3          | 90.0      |
| Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°                          | 59              | 130  | 144  | 120.3          | 10.8      |
| Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies°                                         | 5               | 3    | 11   | -40.0          | 266.7     |
| Fire Prevention and Safety Technology/Technician°                                 | 4               | 3    | 3    | -25.0          | 0.0       |
| Fire Science/Fire-fighting°                                                       | 12              | 11   | 28   | -8.3           | 154.5     |
| Fire Services Administration                                                      | 7               | 2    | 5    | -71.4          | 150.0     |
| Graphic Design°                                                                   | 1               | 12   | 13   | 1100.0         | 8.3       |
| Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°                           | 20              | 83   | 75   | 315.0          | -9.6      |
| Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/° | 29              | 38   | 54   | 31.0           | 42.1      |
| Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°                                  | 62              | 99   | 127  | 59.7           | 28.3      |
| Interior Design°                                                                  | 34              | 11   | 43   | -67.6          | 290.9     |
| Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training                                      | 46              | 21   | 38   | -54.3          | 81.0      |
| Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°                                                | 38              | 40   | 54   | 5.3            | 35.0      |
| Marketing/Marketing Management, General                                           | 6               | 6    | 9    | 0.0            | 50.0      |
| Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other                               | 5               | 1    | 6    | -80.0          | 500.0     |
| Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°                                        | 3               | 2    | 9    | -33.3          | 350.0     |
| Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°                                              | 17              | 8    | 10   | -52.9          | 25.0      |
| Medical Office Management/Administration                                          | 1               | 11   | 13   | -26.7          | 18.2      |
| Medical/Clinical Assistant                                                        | 8               | 120  | 71   | -15.1          | -2.7      |



# Technical College Graduates - 2017\*

| PROGRAMS                                                       | TOTAL GRADUATES |      |      | PERCENT CHANGE |           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|
|                                                                | 2015            | 2016 | 2017 | 2015-2016      | 2016-2017 |
| Network and System Administration/Administrator°               | 30              | 46   | 36   | 53.3           | -21.7     |
| Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°        | 117             | 54   | 28   | -53.8          | -48.1     |
| Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°                            | 13              | 15   | 18   | 15.4           | 20.0      |
| Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°     | 5               | 6    | 4    | 20.0           | -33.3     |
| Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer                   | 13              | 13   | 19   | 0.0            | 46.2      |
| Retailing and Retail Operations°                               | 4               | 1    | 4    | -75.0          | 300.0     |
| Selling Skills and Sales Operations°                           | 6               | 5    | 7    | -16.7          | 40.0      |
| Surgical Technology/Technologist                               | 8               | 25   | 13   | 212.5          | -48.0     |
| Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design° | 2               | 13   | 8    | 550.0          | -38.5     |
| Welding Technology/Welder°                                     | 127             | 198  | 220  | 55.9           | 11.1      |

Definition: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates(°) are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length. Duplication may occur due to graduates with multiple awards.

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

\*Data shown represents Annual 2015, 2016, and 2017.

Note: Please visit TCSG website for any college configuration changes.

## Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

### Career Center(s)

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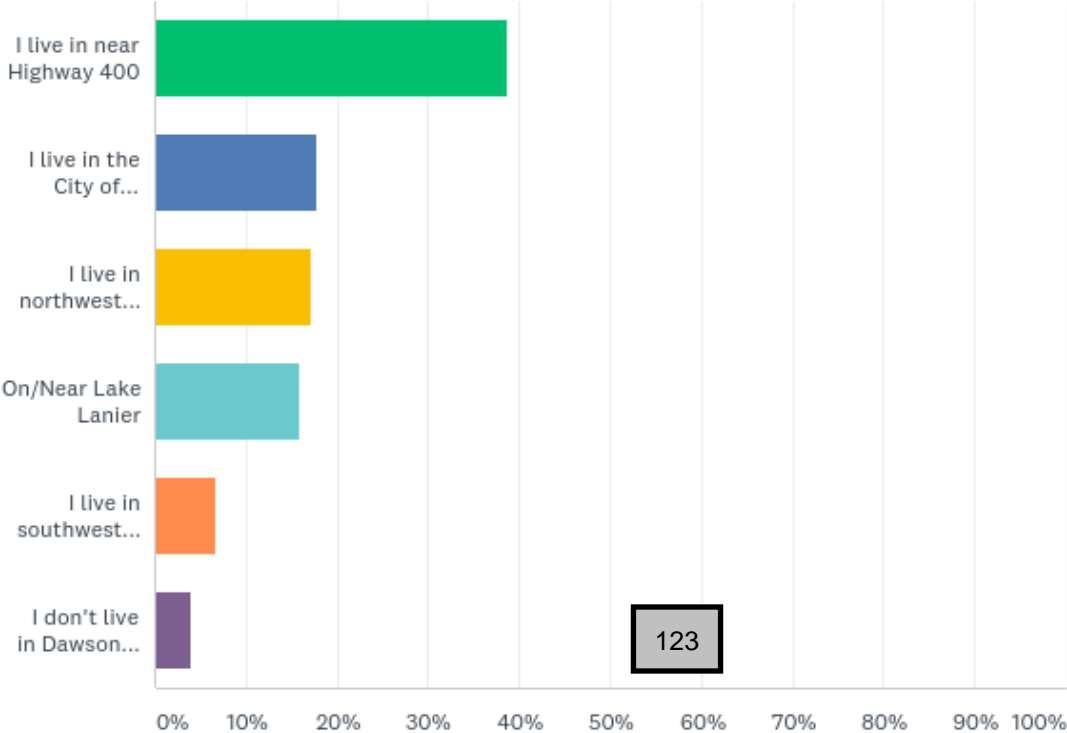


**Summary of Comprehensive Plan Survey Results**

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# Q1: In which part of Dawson County do you live?

Answered: 509 Skipped: 3



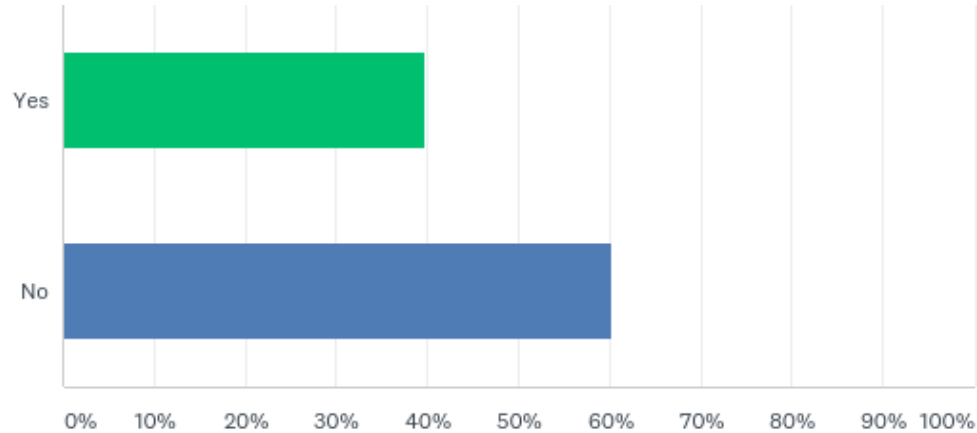
# Q1: In which part of Dawson County do you live?

Answered: 509 Skipped: 3

| ANSWER CHOICES                    | RESPONSES |            |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| I live in near Highway 400        | 38.70%    | 197        |
| I live in the City of Dawsonville | 17.68%    | 90         |
| I live in northwest Dawson County | 17.09%    | 87         |
| On/Near Lake Lanier               | 15.91%    | 81         |
| I live in southwest Dawson County | 6.68%     | 34         |
| I don't live in Dawson County     | 3.93%     | 20         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      |           | <b>509</b> |

## Q2: Does your household have any children under age 18?

Answered: 505 Skipped: 7



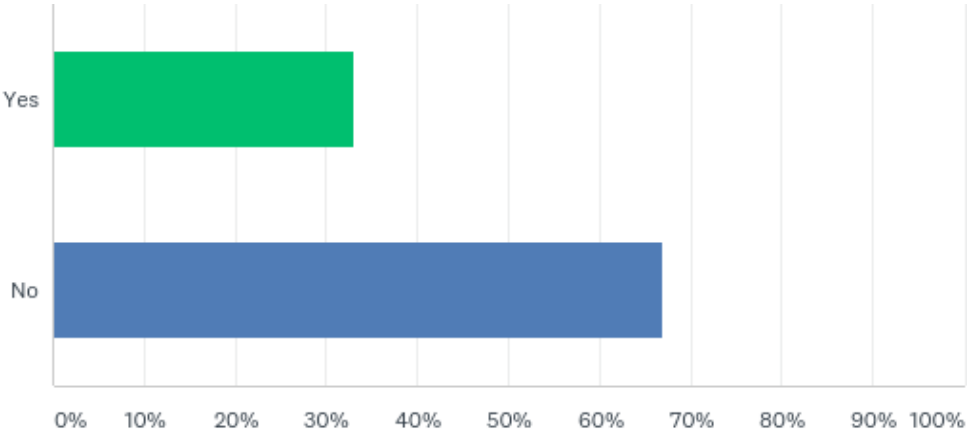
## Q2: Does your household have any children under age 18?

Answered: 505 Skipped: 7

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 39.80%    | 201 |
| No             | 60.20%    | 304 |
| TOTAL          |           | 505 |

# Q3: Does your household have any seniors age 65 or older?

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4



### Q3: Does your household have any seniors age 65 or older?

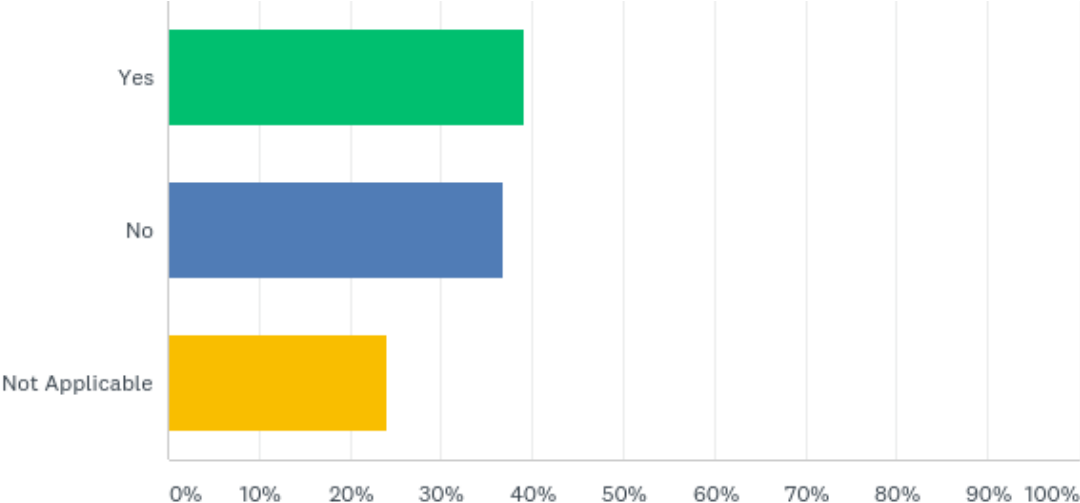
Answered: 508 Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 33.07%    | 168 |
| No             | 66.93%    | 340 |
| TOTAL          |           | 508 |



# Q4: Is your place of employment within Dawson County?

Answered: 510 Skipped: 2



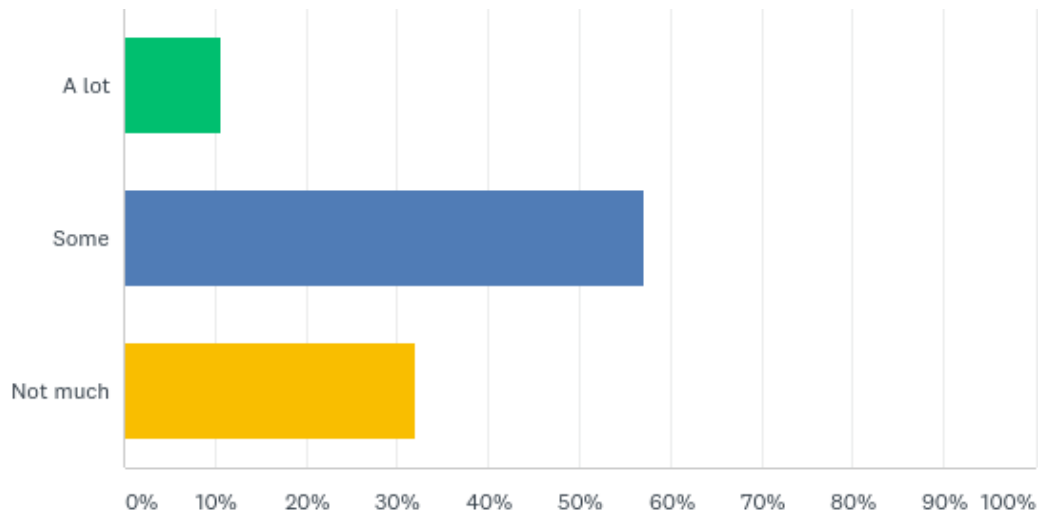
# Q4: Is your place of employment within Dawson County?

Answered: 510 Skipped: 2

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 39.02%    | 199 |
| No             | 36.86%    | 188 |
| Not Applicable | 24.12%    | 123 |
| TOTAL          |           | 510 |

# RESIDENTIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

Answered: 511 Skipped: 1



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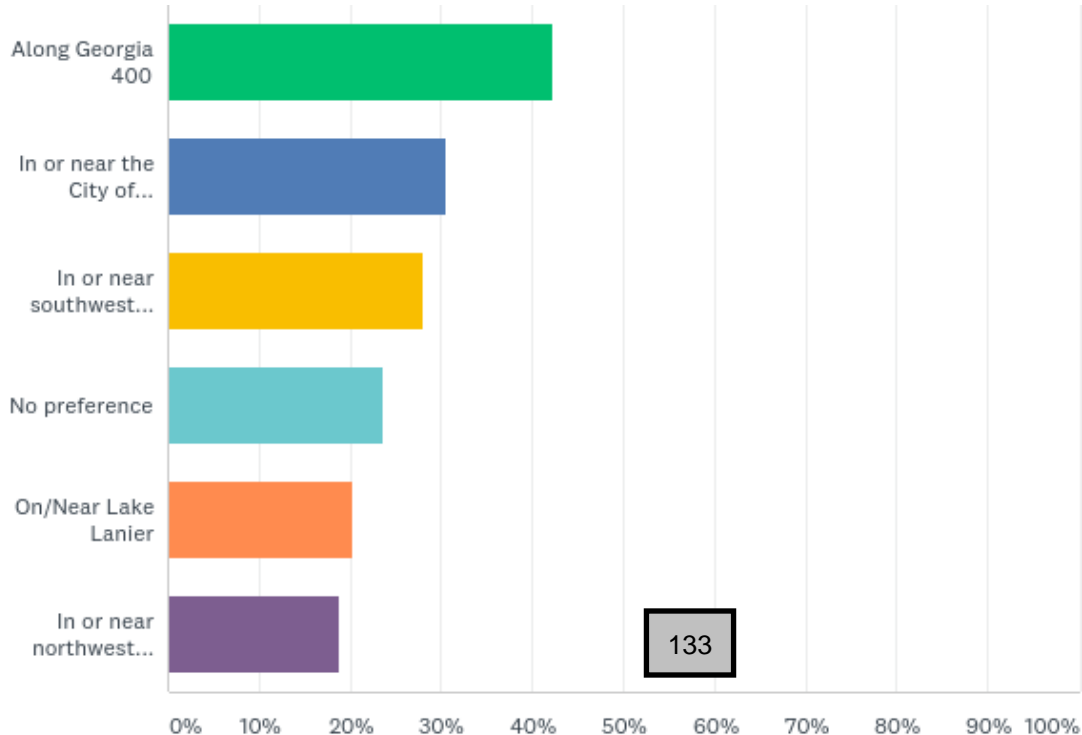
# RESIDENTIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

Answered: 511 Skipped: 1

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| A lot          | 10.76%    | 55  |
| Some           | 57.14%    | 292 |
| Not much       | 32.09%    | 164 |
| TOTAL          |           | 511 |

# ...and if you think that growth should be directed to certain areas, which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 509 Skipped: 3



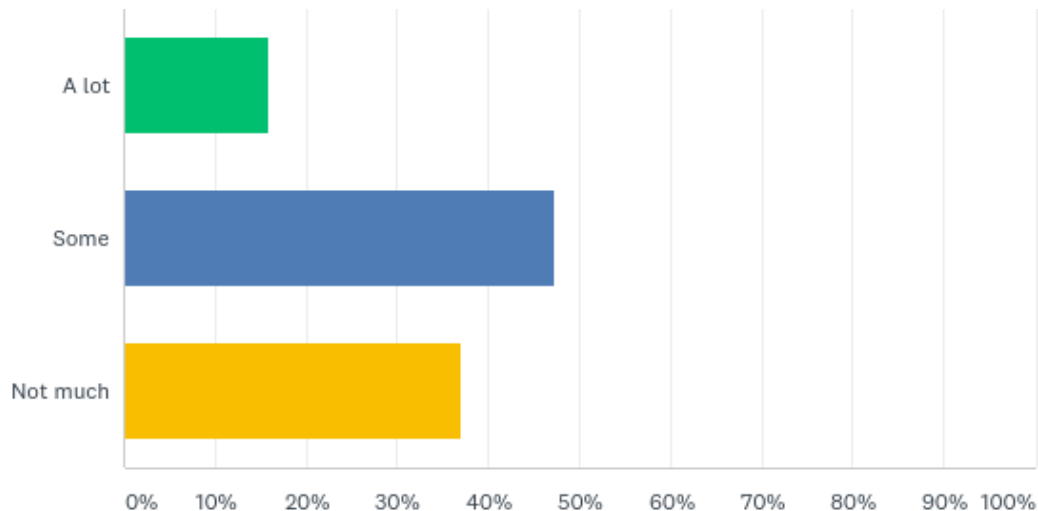
# Which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 509 Skipped: 3

| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Along Georgia 400                  | 42.24%    | 215 |
| In or near the City of Dawsonville | 30.65%    | 156 |
| In or near southwest Dawson County | 28.09%    | 143 |
| No preference                      | 23.58%    | 120 |
| On/Near Lake Lanier                | 20.24%    | 103 |
| In or near northwest Dawson County | 18.86%    | 96  |
| Total Respondents: 509             |           |     |

# Q7: How much new COMMERCIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

Answered: 506 Skipped: 6



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# Q7: How much new COMMERCIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

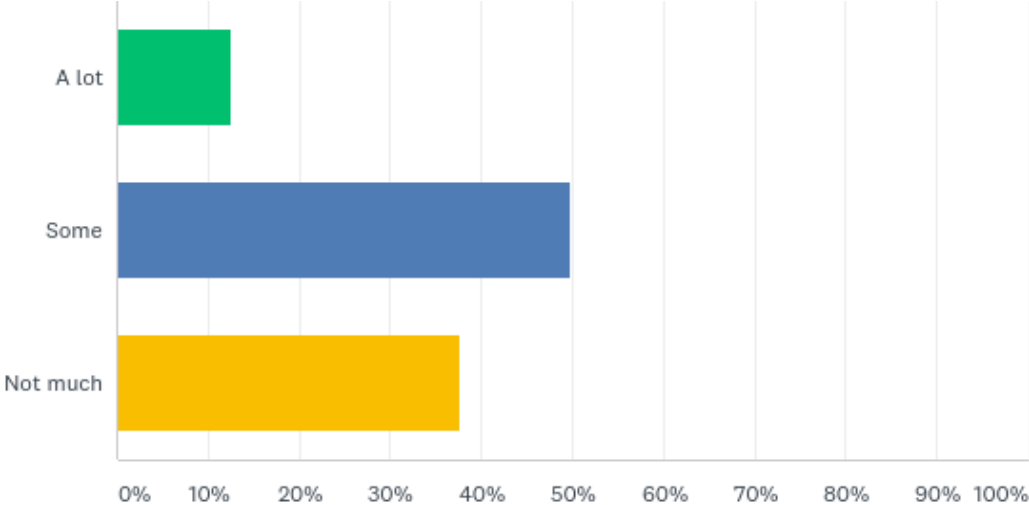
Answered: 506 Skipped: 6

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| A lot          | 15.81%    | 80  |
| Some           | 47.23%    | 239 |
| Not much       | 36.96%    | 187 |
| TOTAL          |           | 506 |



# Q8: How much new INDUSTRIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4



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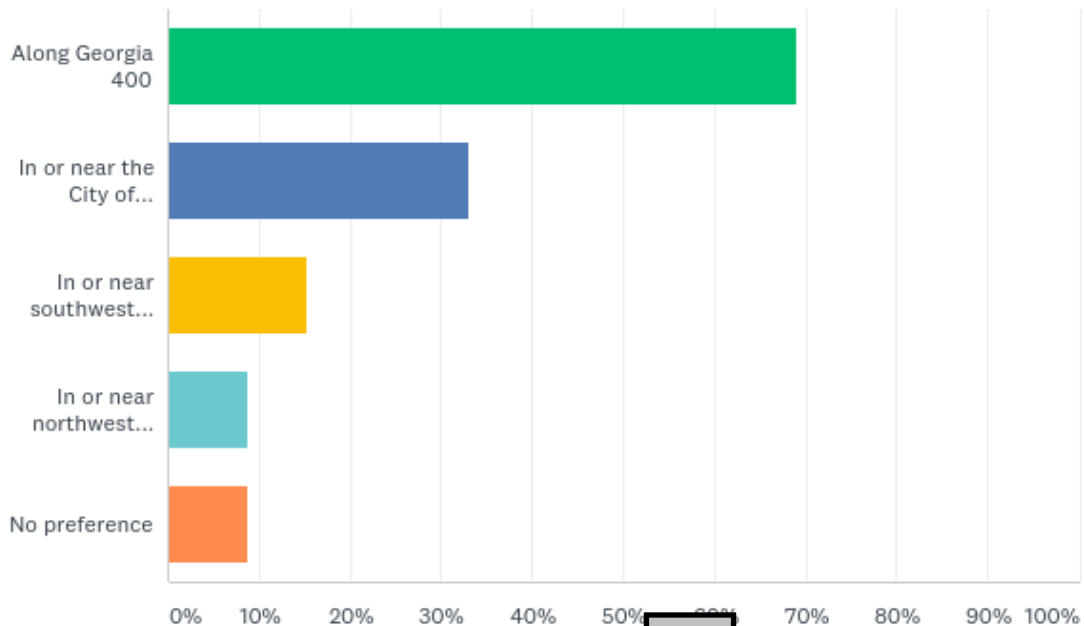
# Q8: How much new INDUSTRIAL development would you like to see come to Dawson County?

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| A lot          | 12.60%    | 64  |
| Some           | 49.80%    | 253 |
| Not much       | 37.60%    | 191 |
| TOTAL          |           | 508 |

# ... areas, which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4



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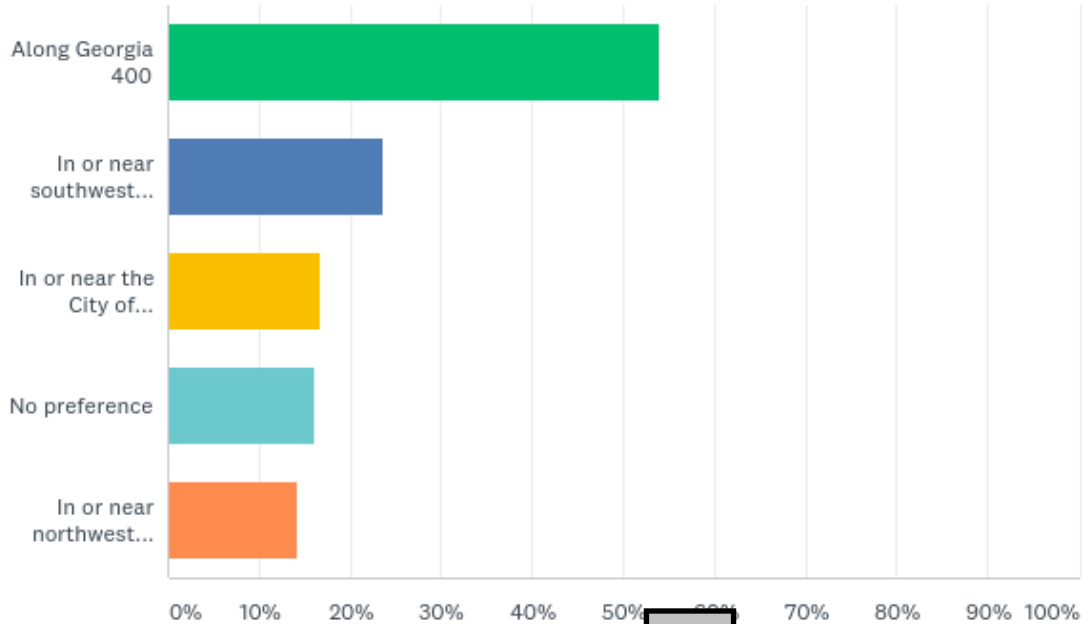
# areas, which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Along Georgia 400                  | 69.09%    | 351 |
| In or near the City of Dawsonville | 33.07%    | 168 |
| In or near southwest Dawson County | 15.35%    | 78  |
| In or near northwest Dawson County | 8.86%     | 45  |
| No preference                      | 8.86%     | 45  |
| Total Respondents: 508             |           |     |

# Question: How can the County best manage growth in certain areas, which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 505 Skipped: 7



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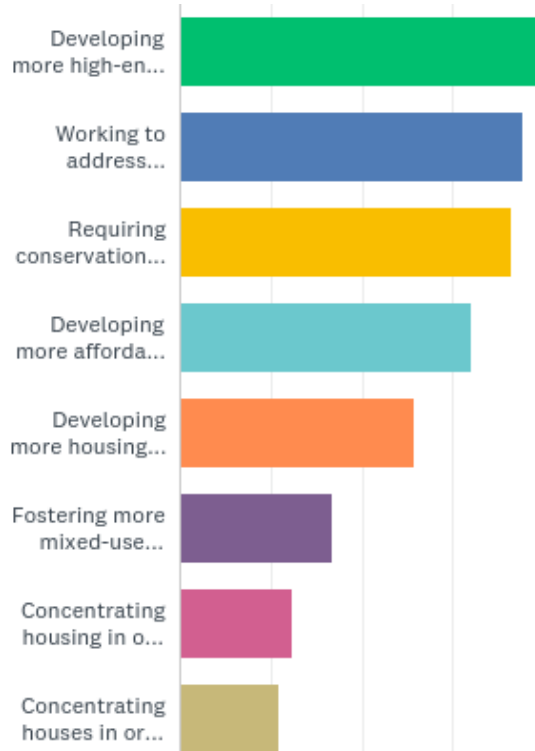
# Question: Dawson County can attract more growth to certain areas, which parts of the County should receive that growth? (Choose all that apply)

Answered: 505 Skipped: 7

| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Along Georgia 400                  | 54.06%    | 273 |
| In or near southwest Dawson County | 23.56%    | 119 |
| In or near the City of Dawsonville | 16.63%    | 84  |
| No preference                      | 16.04%    | 81  |
| In or near northwest Dawson County | 14.26%    | 72  |
| Total Respondents: 505             |           |     |

# Q11: Our top two priorities with regard to housing should be...

Answered: 511 Skipped: 1



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# Q11: Our top two priorities with regard to housing should be...

Answered: 511 Skipped: 1

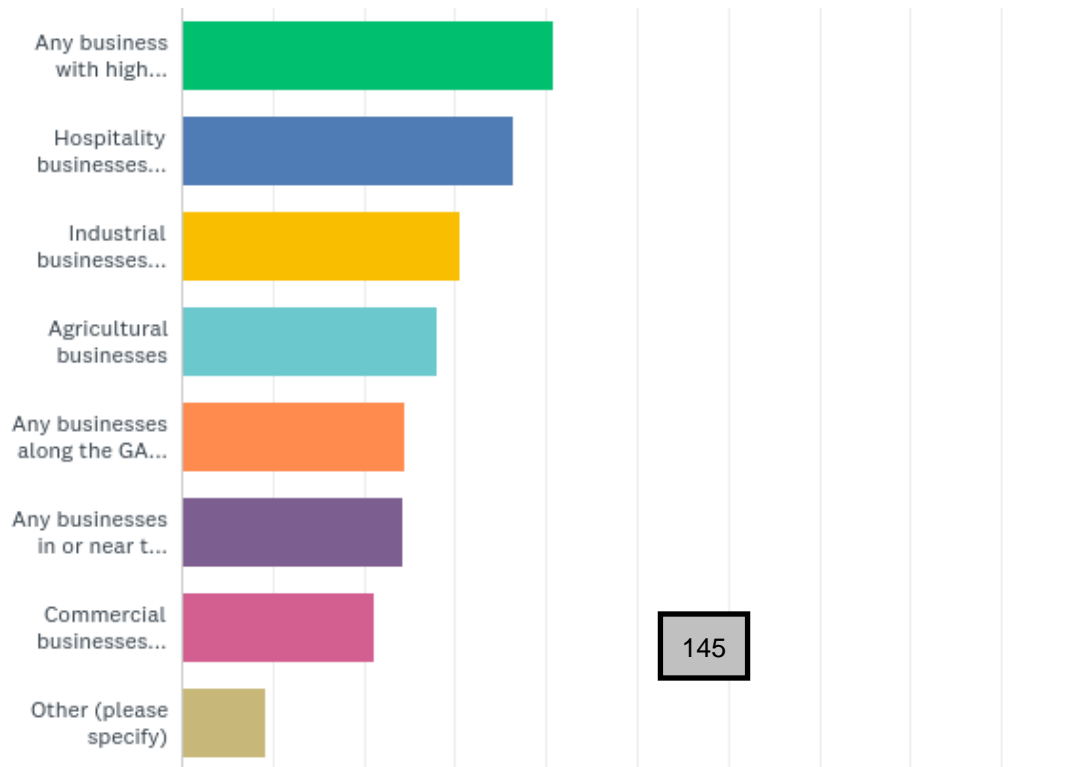
| ANSWER CHOICES                                                  | RESPONSES |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Developing more high-end housing ( > \$300,000)                 | 39.53%    | 202 |
| Working to address dilapidated properties                       | 37.57%    | 192 |
| Requiring conservation design subdivisions                      | 36.40%    | 186 |
| Developing more affordable single family housing ( < \$180,000) | 32.09%    | 164 |
| Developing more housing options for seniors                     | 25.64%    | 131 |
| Fostering more mixed-use development                            | 16.83%    | 86  |
| Concentrating housing in or near GA 400                         | 12.33%    | 63  |
| Concentrating houses in or near the City of Dawsonville         | 10.96%    | 56  |
| Other (please specify)                                          | 9.78%     | 50  |
| Developing more rental options                                  | 8.22%     | 42  |
| Developing more apartments                                      | 3.33%     | 17  |
| Total Respondents: 511                                          |           |     |

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# Q12: Our top two priorities with regard to economic development should be attracting or sustaining...

Answered: 507 Skipped: 5



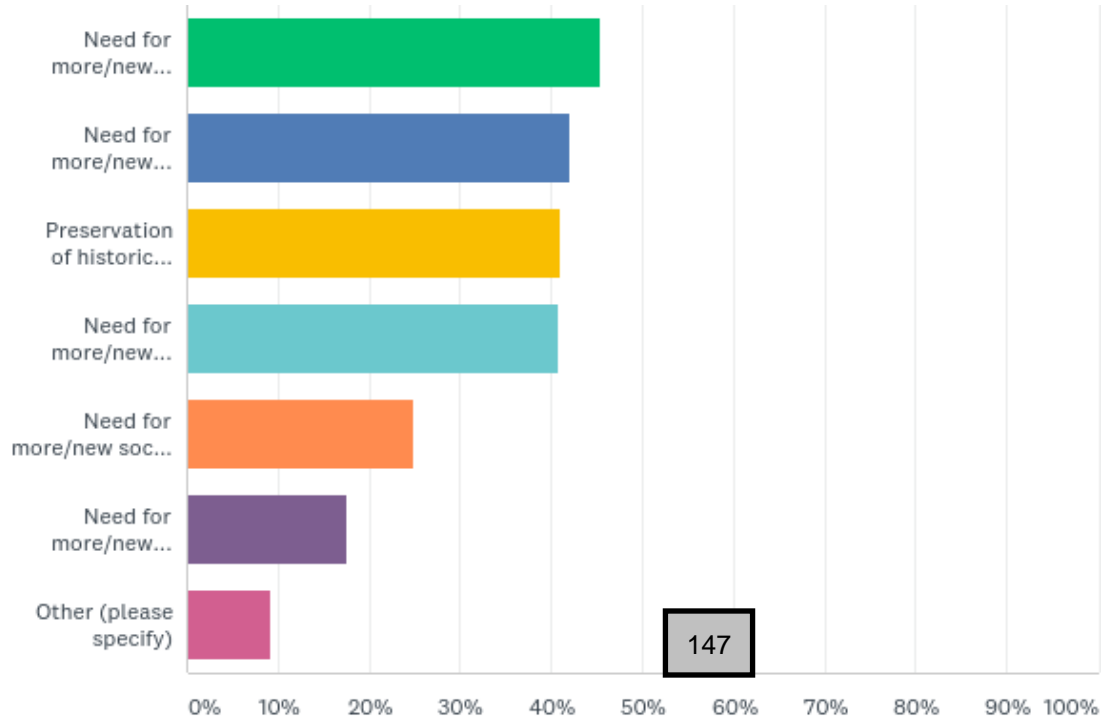
# Q12: Our top two priorities with regard to economic development should be attracting or sustaining...

Answered: 507 Skipped: 5

| ANSWER CHOICES                                            | RESPONSES |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Any business with high paying jobs                        | 40.83%    | 207 |
| Hospitality businesses (hotels, dining, attractions, etc) | 36.49%    | 185 |
| Industrial businesses (manufacturing, warehousing, etc)   | 30.57%    | 155 |
| Agricultural businesses                                   | 28.01%    | 142 |
| Any businesses along the GA 400 corridor                  | 24.46%    | 124 |
| Any businesses in or near the City of Dawsonville         | 24.26%    | 123 |
| Commercial businesses (retail, services, etc)             | 21.10%    | 107 |
| Other (please specify)                                    | 9.27%     | 47  |
| Total Respondents: 507                                    |           |     |

# Q13: Our top two priorities regarding cultural amenities should be...

Answered: 506 Skipped: 6



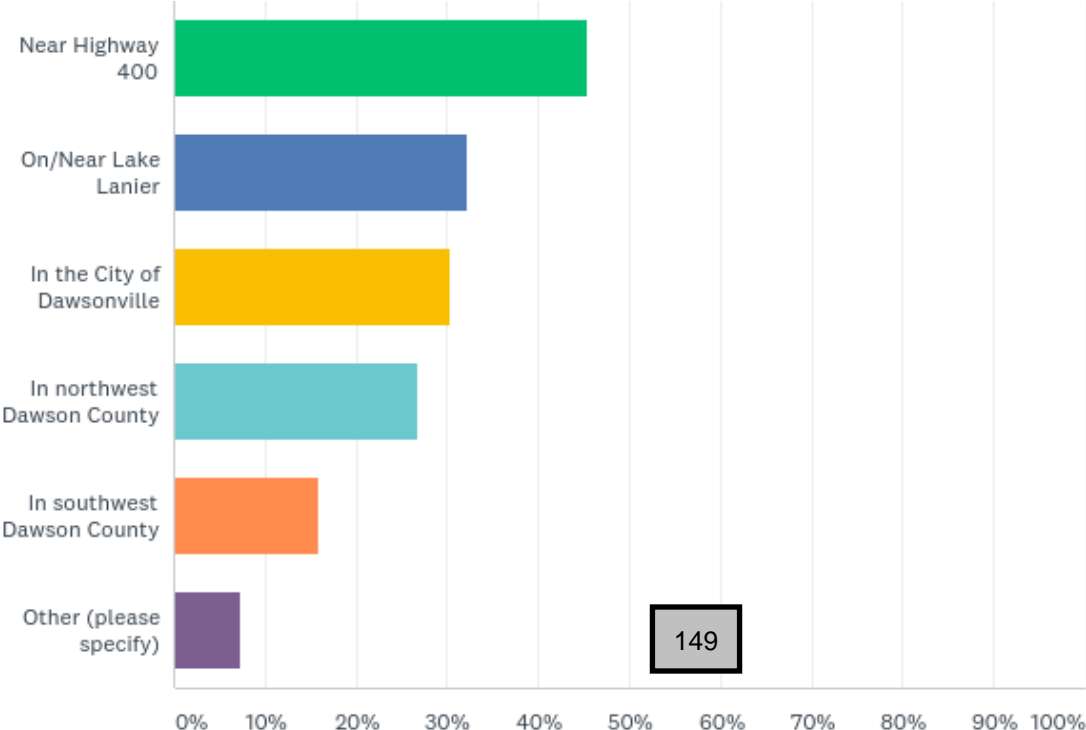
# Q13: Our top two priorities regarding cultural amenities should be...

Answered: 506 Skipped: 6

| ANSWER CHOICES                                           | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Need for more/new passive use parks and recreation areas | 45.45%    | 230 |
| Need for more/new entertainment options                  | 42.09%    | 213 |
| Preservation of historic sites and resources             | 40.91%    | 207 |
| Need for more/new recreational trails                    | 40.71%    | 206 |
| Need for more/new social events in our community         | 24.90%    | 126 |
| Need for more/new athletic facilities                    | 17.59%    | 89  |
| Other (please specify)                                   | 9.29%     | 47  |
| Total Respondents: 506                                   |           |     |

# Q14: Which parts of Dawson County need more/new parks?

Answered: 484 Skipped: 28



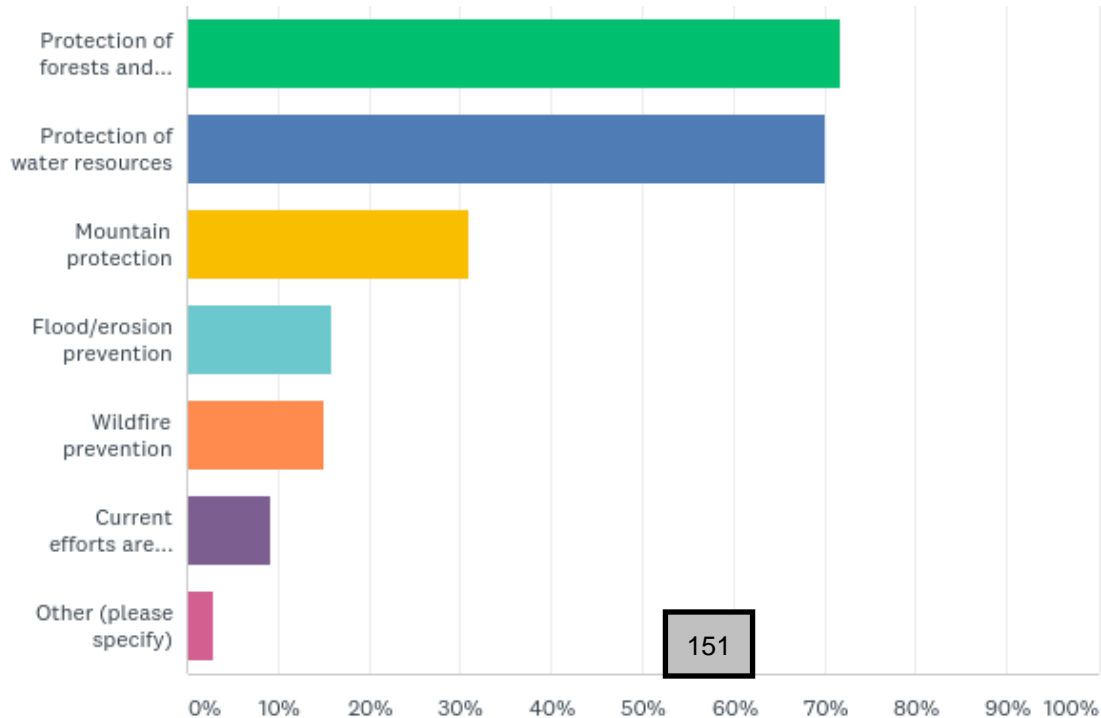
# Q14: Which parts of Dawson County need more/new parks?

Answered: 484 Skipped: 28

| ANSWER CHOICES             | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Near Highway 400           | 45.45%    | 220 |
| On/Near Lake Lanier        | 32.23%    | 156 |
| In the City of Dawsonville | 30.37%    | 147 |
| In northwest Dawson County | 26.86%    | 130 |
| In southwest Dawson County | 15.91%    | 77  |
| Other (please specify)     | 7.23%     | 35  |
| Total Respondents: 484     |           |     |

# Q15: Our top two priorities regarding natural resources should be...

Answered: 508 Skipped: 4



# Q15: Our top two priorities regarding natural resources should be...

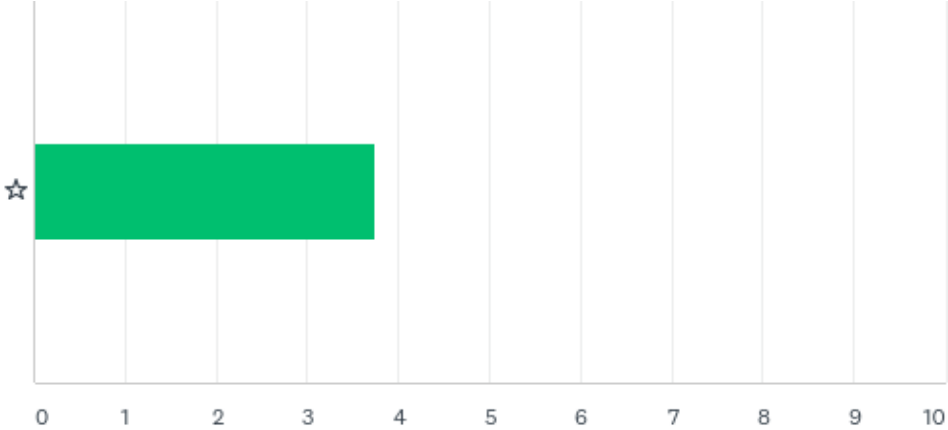
Answered: 508 Skipped: 4

| ANSWER CHOICES                           | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Protection of forests and wildlife areas | 71.65%    | 364 |
| Protection of water resources            | 70.08%    | 356 |
| Mountain protection                      | 30.91%    | 157 |
| Flood/erosion prevention                 | 15.94%    | 81  |
| Wildfire prevention                      | 14.96%    | 76  |
| Current efforts are sufficient           | 9.25%     | 47  |
| Other (please specify)                   | 2.95%     | 15  |
| Total Respondents: 508                   |           |     |



# Q18: Please rate the quality of your public water service. (Leave blank if you do not use public water.)

Answered: 377 Skipped: 135



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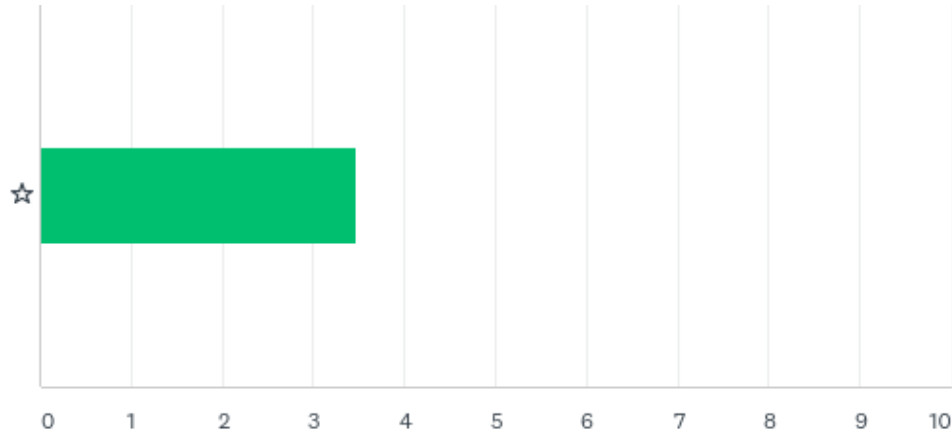
# Q18: Please rate the quality of your public water service. (Leave blank if you do not use public water.)

Answered: 377 Skipped: 135

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)  | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELLENT     | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------------------|
| ☆ | 2.65%<br>10 | 4.77%<br>18 | 36.07%<br>136 | 28.38%<br>107 | 28.12%<br>106 | 377   | 3.75             |

# Q19: Please rate the quality of your public sewer service. (Leave blank if you do not use public sewer.)

Answered: 175 Skipped: 337



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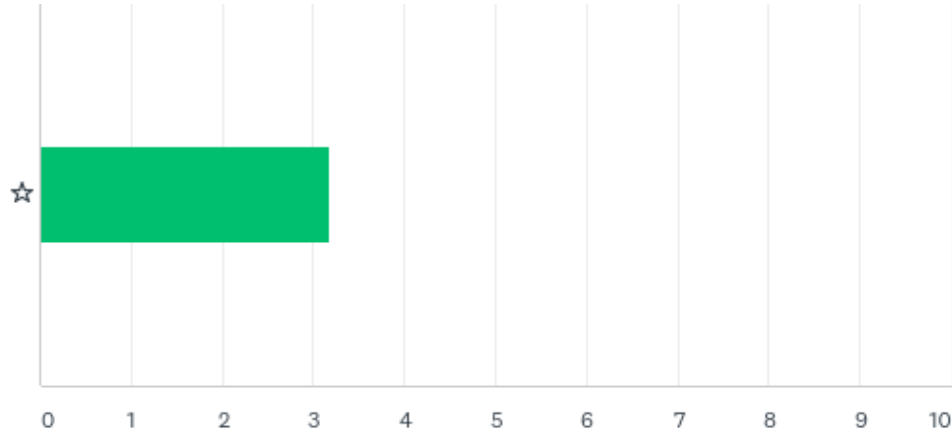
# Q19: Please rate the quality of your public sewer service. (Leave blank if you do not use public sewer.)

Answered: 175 Skipped: 337

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)  | AVERAGE      | (NO LABEL)   | EXCELLENT    | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|------------------|
| ☆ | 8.00%<br>14 | 6.29%<br>11 | 42.29%<br>74 | 17.71%<br>31 | 25.71%<br>45 | 175   | 3.47             |

# Q20: Please rate the quality of your parks and recreation facilities and services.

Answered: 488 Skipped: 24



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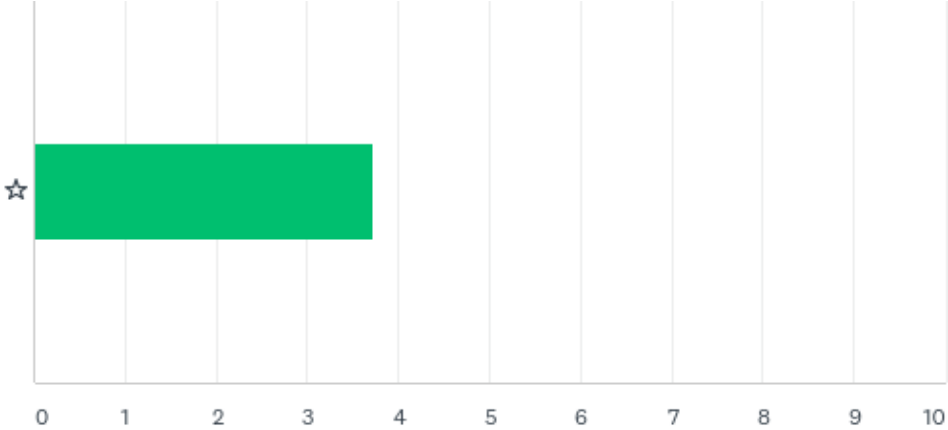
# Q20: Please rate the quality of your parks and recreation facilities and services.

Answered: 488 Skipped: 24

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)   | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELLENT    | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------|------------------|
| ☆ | 6.56%<br>32 | 13.73%<br>67 | 47.13%<br>230 | 21.72%<br>106 | 10.86%<br>53 | 488   | 3.17             |

# Q21: Please rate the quality of your law enforcement services.

Answered: 495 Skipped: 17



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## Q21: Please rate the quality of your law enforcement services.

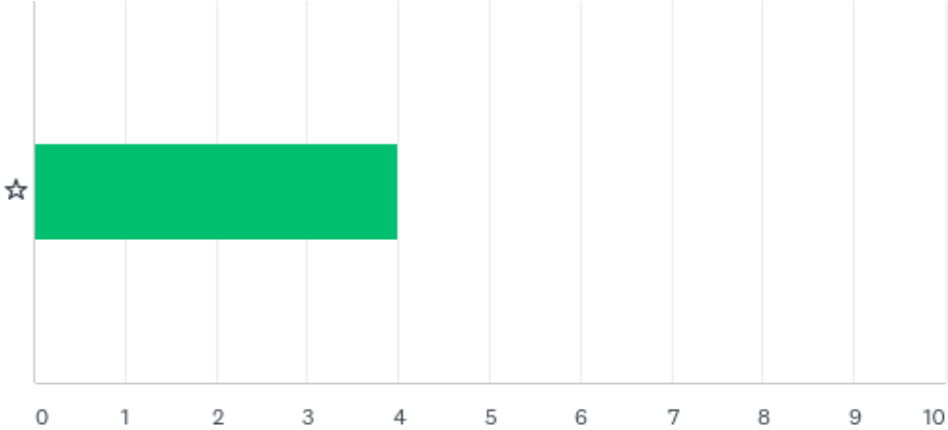
Answered: 495 Skipped: 17

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)  | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELLENT     | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
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| ☆ | 2.22%<br>11 | 8.28%<br>41 | 29.09%<br>144 | 34.95%<br>173 | 25.45%<br>126 | 495   | 3.73             |



# Q22: Please rate the quality of your fire protection/ EMS services.

Answered: 493 Skipped: 19



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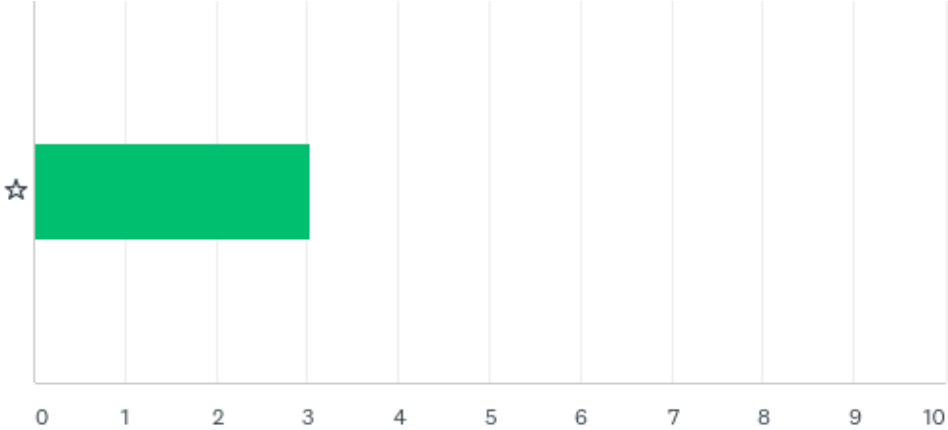
## Q22: Please rate the quality of your fire protection/ EMS services.

Answered: 493 Skipped: 19

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)  | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELLENT     | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
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| ☆ | 2.03%<br>10 | 2.64%<br>13 | 24.75%<br>122 | 35.29%<br>174 | 35.29%<br>174 | 493   | 3.99             |

# Q23: Please rate the quality of your local roads.

Answered: 501 Skipped: 11



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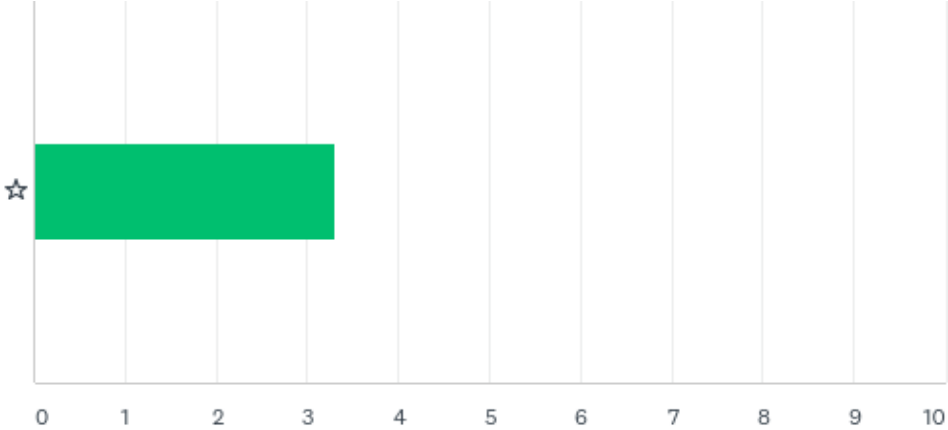
## Q23: Please rate the quality of your local roads.

Answered: 501 Skipped: 11

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)   | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELENT    | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---|-------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------|------------------|
| ☆ | 7.19%<br>36 | 14.37%<br>72 | 49.70%<br>249 | 24.75%<br>124 | 3.99%<br>20 | 501   | 3.04             |

# Q24: Please rate the quality of your general government services.

Answered: 497 Skipped: 15



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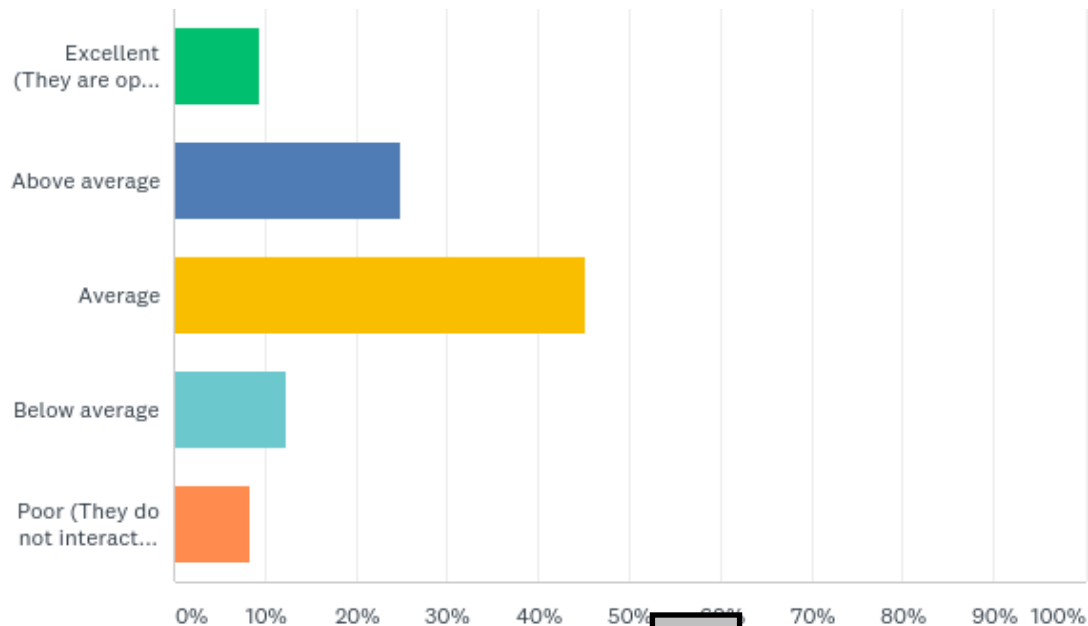
# Q24: Please rate the quality of your general government services.

Answered: 497 Skipped: 15

|   | POOR        | (NO LABEL)  | AVERAGE       | (NO LABEL)    | EXCELLENT    | TOTAL | WEIGHTED AVERAGE |
|---|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------|------------------|
| ☆ | 5.03%<br>25 | 9.46%<br>47 | 44.87%<br>223 | 30.38%<br>151 | 10.26%<br>51 | 497   | 3.31             |

# Q25: How well do you rate your local government with regards to openness and communicating with the public?

Answered: 496 Skipped: 16



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# Q25: How well do you rate your local government with regards to openness and communicating with the public?

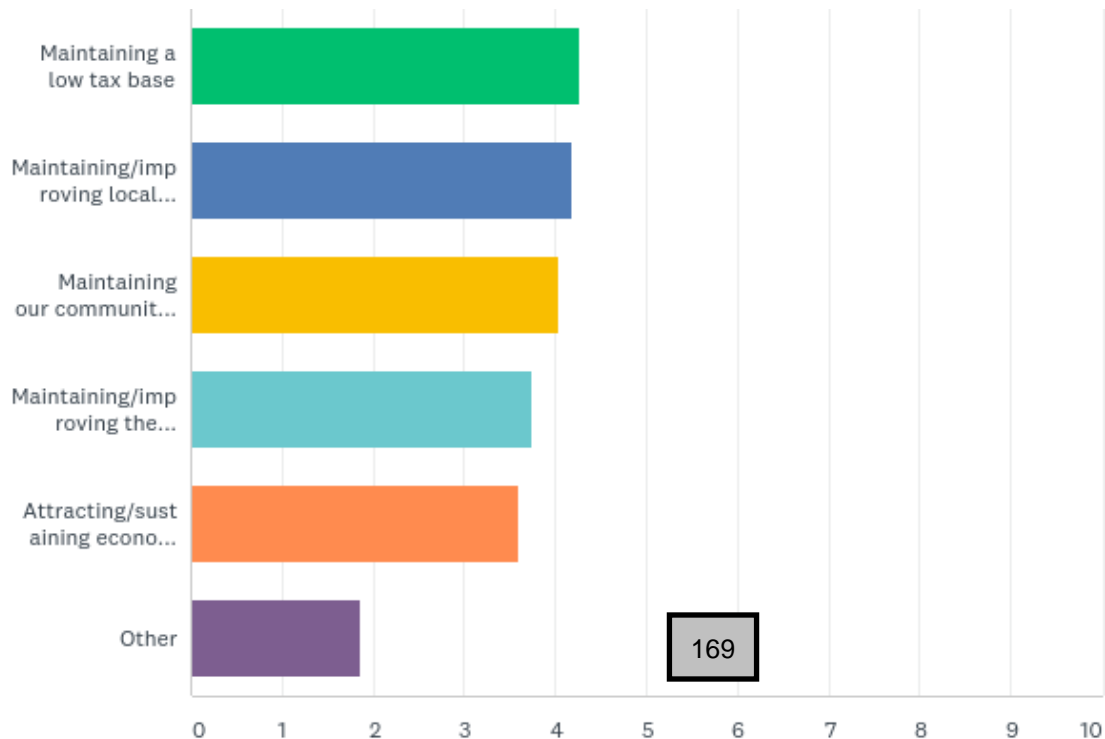
Answered: 496 Skipped: 16

| ANSWER CHOICES                                                                 | RESPONSES |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Excellent (They are open to requests and responsive to needs.)                 | 9.48%     | 47         |
| Above average                                                                  | 24.80%    | 123        |
| Average                                                                        | 45.16%    | 224        |
| Below average                                                                  | 12.30%    | 61         |
| Poor (They do not interact well with the public and I feel they don't listen.) | 8.27%     | 41         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                                   |           | <b>496</b> |



# Q27: For your local government, please rank the following objectives in terms of priority, with 1 being most important.

Answered: 495 Skipped: 17



## Q27: For your local government, please rank the following objectives in terms of priority, with 1 being most important.

Answered: 495 Skipped: 17

|                                                                    | 1             | 2             | 3             | 4             | 5             | 6             | TOTAL | SCORE |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| Maintaining a low tax base                                         | 28.34%<br>123 | 20.51%<br>89  | 18.20%<br>79  | 17.97%<br>78  | 11.75%<br>51  | 3.23%<br>14   | 434   | 4.26  |
| Maintaining/improving local safety                                 | 23.19%<br>109 | 25.96%<br>122 | 17.87%<br>84  | 14.68%<br>69  | 15.32%<br>72  | 2.98%<br>14   | 470   | 4.18  |
| Maintaining our community's rural character                        | 27.10%<br>126 | 19.78%<br>92  | 12.26%<br>57  | 16.13%<br>75  | 20.00%<br>93  | 4.73%<br>22   | 465   | 4.04  |
| Maintaining/improving the quality of local facilities and services | 8.87%<br>40   | 16.19%<br>73  | 32.37%<br>146 | 27.72%<br>125 | 13.53%<br>61  | 1.33%<br>6    | 451   | 3.75  |
| Attracting/sustaining economic development                         | 15.77%<br>70  | 16.89%<br>75  | 16.89%<br>75  | 18.24%<br>81  | 25.90%<br>115 | 6.31%<br>28   | 444   | 3.59  |
| Other                                                              | 9.77%<br>17   | 2.30%<br>4    | 4.60%<br>8    | 2.87%<br>5    | 9.77%<br>17   | 70.69%<br>123 | 174   | 1.87  |

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**Committee/ Public Forum Sign-in Sheets**

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Dawson County Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting

February 20, 2018

ATTENDANCE SHEET

| PRINT NAME            | ADDRESS                                              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Jane Graves        | 224 Park Cove Rd. D. GA 30534                        |
| 2. Jameson Kinley     | 25 Justice Way                                       |
| 3. Charlotte A. Aiken | 115 Kivon Overlook Rd, Dawsonville                   |
| 4. Tony Passarello    | 180 Sunset Drive Dawsonville                         |
| 5. Jason Hamby        | 1362 Bailey Waters Rd. Dawsonville                   |
| 6. Casey Mrozowski    | 415 Highway 53 <del>W</del> , suite 100, Dawsonville |
| 7. John Maloney       | 9 River Point Dr Dawsonville                         |
| 8. Chuck Slagter      | 55 Pearl Chambers Pr. Dawsonville                    |
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Dawson County Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting

March 19, 2018

ATTENDANCE SHEET

| PRINT NAME         | ADDRESS            |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Tony Passarello | 180 Sweet Dr       |
| 2. Alire Dean      | Dawson County News |
| 3. Steve Lawler    | old Hwy 60 rd      |
| 4. Sherrill Turner | Bailey Waters Rd   |
| 5. Lisa Johnson    | Hwy 136            |
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Dawson County Comprehensive Update Meeting

July 23, 2018

ATTENDANCE SHEET

| PRINT NAME         | ADDRESS               |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Tony Passarello | 180 Sunset Drive      |
| 2. Hugh Stowers    | 800 Hugh Stowers Road |
| 3. Terri Traylor   |                       |
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**Backup material for agenda item:**

3. Ratification of Geographic Information System Summer Intern Grant Application Request





## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department:   P&D  

Work Session: 12.13.18

Prepared By:   hg  

Voting Session: 12.20.18

Presenter: J.Kinley                     

Public Hearing: Yes        No       

Agenda Item Title: Presentation of

**Background Information:**

We are looking to bring on a summer intern to P&D; the position will be 100% funded by ACCG. Our plan is to have them working on GIS needs for the department.

**Current Information:**

Grant application is due December 14, 2018.

Budget Information: Applicable:        Not Applicable:  Budgeted: Yes        No       

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
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Recommendation/Motion:       

Department Head Authorization:       

Date:

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/3/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/3/18

County Attorney Authorization:       

Date:       

**Comments/Attachments:**

**Backup material for agenda item:**

4. Consideration of 2019 Georgia Forestry Commission Grant Application Request



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: **Emergency Services**

Work Session: **12.13.18**

Prepared By: **Danny Thompson**

Voting Session: **12.20.18**

Presenter: **Danny Thompson**

Public Hearing: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

Agenda Item Title: **VFA 50/50 Grant**

Background Information:

The Georgia Forestry Commission annually opens up a 50/50 grant program to smaller rural communities in Georgia. The maximum allowed on this grant is \$10,000.00. The grant period closes on December 31, 2018.

Current Information:

Dawson County Fire/EMS is seeking permission to apply to the Forestry Grant. We were awarded this grant last year and this year seek to purchase replacement fire hose, nozzles and scene lights for our apparatus. This grant will not be awarded until Spring of 2019. We have funds available to meet the match.

Budget Information: Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable: **X** Budgeted: Yes **X** No \_\_\_\_\_

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
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Recommendation/Motion: **Approve agenda item**

Department Head Authorization: FDI

Date: 11-19-2018

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/3/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/3/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Attachments:



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**November 15, 2018**

**TO:** Chuck Williams, Gary White, Frank Sorrells, David Epps, Bo Chesser, Area FMO's, and Chief Rangers  
**FROM:** Emily Hamilton  
**SUBJECT:** NFP/VFA Grant Program Announcement

Please share the following information with fire departments serving communities with populations of less than 10,000 in your counties

We will begin accepting requests for the NFP/VFA grant, which allows purchases from the options listed below on November 15, 2018. The attached grant application will be utilized to establish priority awards. Cooperating Fire Departments should return a completed application to RFD offices in Macon by mail or fax no later than 4:30 P.M. December 31, 2018. (See attached mail / fax information) **Remember, a grant application is not valid unless signed by the appropriate head of the Government entity requesting assistance.**

**Options**

1. Table 512.A and 544.A items allowed for purchase under this grant are shown online at ISOmitigation.com  
**Note: Breathing Apparatus and Radios are not available for purchase under this grant!**
2. Fire Department pump test equipment such as PTO gauges, Vacuum/pressure test gauges, deluge gun with nozzle tips, and RPM counters.
3. Emergency red lights and scene lighting.
4. Wildland PPE and hand tools.
5. Class A and/or B foam systems and foam.
6. This year we are also funding 50% of the cost of slip-on units with a maximum of \$5,000 VFA Funding!

**Non-Awardees will be notified of their status by mail.**

**Awardees will be forwarded an information packet to include grant documentation instructions.**

Grant parameters require awarded applicants to obtain 3 bids minimum on option and items purchased, with the exception of option 6, if RFD fabrication services are utilized.

**This is a 50/50 matching grant! Fire Departments may qualify for reimbursement of up to 50% of \$10,000.00 or \$5,000.00 maximum per government entity. The 50/50 matching rule will apply to all amounts less than the maximum.**

I am available to answer any questions you may have regarding the current NFP/VFA Grant.

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**Backup material for agenda item:**

5. Ratification of Georgia Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant Application Request



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: **Emergency Services**

Work Session: **12.13.18**

Prepared By: **Danny Thompson**

Voting Session: **12.20.18**

Presenter: **Chris Archer**

Public Hearing: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

Agenda Item Title: **Child Passenger Safety Mini Grant**

Background Information:

Georgia Department of Public Health, Injury Prevention Program is designed to provide funding to public safety agencies in Georgia. This funding is to provide agencies support for injury reduction programs. Dawson County has had this grant for two years.

Current Information:

The Department of Public Health provides Dawson Fire/EMS with six convertible and four high-back booster child safety seats monthly to issue to citizens. The grant period runs from December 31, 2018, to December 31, 2019. This is a zero-match grant and, due to Department of Public Health sending it out late, we would ask for a vote/permission to apply tonight. The grant is due December 14, 2018, at 5 p.m.

Budget Information: Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable: \_\_\_\_\_ Budgeted: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **X**

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
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Recommendation/Motion: **Approve agenda item**

Department Head Authorization: FDI

Date: 12/6/18

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/6/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/7/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/Attachments:



**2019**  
**CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY MINI-GRANT**  
**THIS GRANT OPPORTUNITY IS FUNDED THROUGH**  
**THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY**

**RELEASE DATE: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2018**  
**CLOSING DATE: MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018**

**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM – CHILD OCCUPANT SAFETY PROJECT**  
**2 PEACHTREE STREET NW**  
**SUITE 9-465**  
**ATLANTA, GA 30303**  
**PHONE: 404-463-1487**  
**E-MAIL: [injury@dph.ga.gov](mailto:injury@dph.ga.gov)**

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| REQUESTED ITEM                                                                                                                              | QUANTITY   | CHECK BOX                |
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| 2018 Educational Curriculum Presentation and Booster Seat Presentation (provided in English) – Full Length version (with Instructor notes). | 1          | X                        |
| 2018 Shortened Education Curriculum Presentation (provided in English) – Less slides, condensed version (with Instructor notes)             | 1          | X                        |
| 2018 Educational Curriculum (Spanish Version with notes). Emailed upon request                                                              | 1          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sammy's Safety Coloring Books - English                                                                                                     | 25         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sammy's Safety Coloring Books - Spanish                                                                                                     | 25         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| GA CPS Law brochure (English)                                                                                                               | 25         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| GA CPS Law brochure (Spanish)                                                                                                               | 25         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| You Don't Have to Bear It - Teddy Bear Stickers <b>(to be placed on each child restraint prior to distribution)</b>                         | 100 / roll | X                        |
| General Safety Stickers                                                                                                                     | 100 / roll | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Silver Permanent Marker <b>(Used to mark CRs with agency name, identification #s, and/or "Not for resale")</b>                              | 1          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pre-cut Pool Noodles                                                                                                                        | 12         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Child Safety Seat Check Forms (50 sheets - Padded) <input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish                        | 1 set      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Child Passenger Safety Healthcare Pocket Cards<br><b><i>NOTE: These are for staff use ONLY; not for public distribution</i></b>             | 5          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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**PROGRAM ADHERENCE, DOCUMENTATION, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

In consideration for the sponsoring agency ("Agency")'s participation in the Georgia Department of Public Health ("DPH")'s Child Passenger Safety Mini-Grant program ("Program"), the Agency agrees with the following terms and conditions:

1. Agency agrees to adhere to all program guidelines, including the guidelines outlined in the document titled "Mini-Grant Guidelines" and "Mini-Grant Application" ("Application and Grant Guidelines").
2. Agency agrees to provide an educational class, individual appointment, or inspection station as described in the Application and Grant Guidelines with each child safety seat distributed.
3. Agency agrees to complete and submit all required documentation outlined in the Application and Grant Guidelines by the required deadlines. This documentation includes the required monthly report and the supplemental seat request form or Teddy Bear Sticker form.
4. Agency agrees to complete and retain on file at the Agency a child passenger safety checklist and waiver form for each seat checked and distributed and documentation on how each client met financial eligibility requirements to receive a child safety seat.
5. Agency agrees to store and maintain the confidentiality of client financial eligibility data and all other protected health information in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA").
6. Agency agrees that it has obtained all of the necessary letters to support this application and have demonstrated an ability to reach high-risk populations and facilitate an effective child passenger safety program prior to submitting this application.
7. Agency agrees not to accept any compensation in exchange for services.
8. Agency understands and agrees that the DPH is providing a public service in the interest of safety, is not a dealer or manufacturer of the child safety seats, and makes no warranty of any kind, express or implied, including, without limitation, any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose or any warranty as to the quality, safety, or condition of the child safety seat. In no respect shall DPH incur any liability for any damages or injury, including, but not limited to, direct, indirect, special, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or in any way connected to the use of the child safety seat.
9. Agency agrees to release and hold harmless DPH and its officers, employees, agents, and assigns, from any and all costs, expenses, losses, claims, damages, liabilities, settlements, and judgments related to or arising from the Program.

Agency understands and agrees that a violation of this agreement could affect Agency's participation or eligibility for the Program. By signing below, the undersigned certifies that he or she has read this document, fully understands its contents, and signs it of his or her own free will. The individual who is responsible for implementing this program and their supervisor must sign this application in order for the application to be considered.

**ALL SIGNATURES MUST BE COMPLETED EVEN IF THE SAME PERSON**

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| <b>COORDINATING AGENCY (IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLYING AGENCY)</b> |              |
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| <b>COORDINATING REPRESENTATIVE NAME PRINTED:</b>               |              |

## RESOURCE GUIDE CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY MINI GRANT

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS – Mini Grantee Responsibilities

#### Implementation Strategies

Mini Grantees may choose to use any of the following methods:

- 1) Child Passenger Safety Educational Class and child safety seat distribution in vehicle
- 2) Child Safety Seat Inspection Station and child safety seat distribution in vehicle
- 3) Individual Appointments and child safety seat distribution in vehicle

#### Child Passenger Safety Educational Class

- 1) CPS education classes should be a minimum of 60 minutes. This strategy should incorporate all of the following:
  - a) Use of one of the standardized curriculums developed and distributed by the COSP. The COSP will provide instructor notes and an electronic copy of the curriculum to all Mini-Grantees. The COSP **does not** support using the "Don't Risk Your Child's Life Video" or any other video as a primary means to educate families.
  - b) If time is limited, experienced CPS technician may provide instruction via the shortened presentation.
  - c) If there are Spanish-speaking families, a Spanish version of the curriculum may be provided to assist with education.
- 2) Curriculums available as of January 2019 include:
  - a. CPS Best Practice Overview / English Mini Grant Presentation – Includes detailed slides and lecture notes for presenters.
  - b. CPS Best Practice Overview / Spanish Mini Grant Presentation – Spanish language slides with detailed lecture notes in Spanish; content/translation has been approved by GA DPH Communications. NOTE: This is only available to counties who indicate Minority Outreach on the application.
- 3) If Grantees are aware of any non-English speaking minority groups within their community that could benefit from the program, but have not reached out due to a lack of resources in the clients' language(s), they are encouraged to contact the Minority Outreach Program Specialist. The Program Specialist can assist with providing resources and technical assistance, up to and including onsite visits and teaching classes when possible.
- 4) Parents and caregivers must install the child safety seat - not the technician. The CPS Technician should be there to instruct/guide and assist as needed; the parent or caregiver must be the last one to touch the seat.
- 5) CPS Technicians should spend enough time with the parent to ensure they have reviewed not only best practice for the infant or child, but also next steps for the child(ren).
- 6) The COSP Child Safety Seat Check Form **must** be used for all child safety seat distribution and vehicle instruction.

#### Child Safety Seat Inspection Station or Individual Appointments

The COSP fully supports inspection stations and individual appointments as a strategy to educate and distribute the child safety seats. This strategy should incorporate a minimum of 45 minutes with clients and bullets 3-6 as listed above.

#### Child Safety Seat Distribution Guidelines

- 1) Child **MUST BE PRESENT** to receive a child safety seat.
- 2) If the child already has a child safety seat, a replacement with a grant funded child safety seat cannot be offered unless the child has outgrown the current seat or it is considered unsafe. \*Note: If a seat is deemed

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- to be unsafe because it is expired, recalled, missing pieces, etc. and it will be replaced, grantees are encouraged to keep the unsafe seat and dispose of it.\*
- 3) Child safety seats must be distributed to parents or caregivers who otherwise could not afford a seat and do not have a seat for their child.
  - 4) Agencies must use a standard protocol for determining client eligibility, (e.g., WIC, Medicaid, Peach Care, or other standard financial eligibility criteria used by the health agency). It is recommended that eligibility be determined at the start of the training.
  - 5) If parent is pregnant, child safety seat distribution should occur no earlier than the 7<sup>th</sup> month of pregnancy to ensure they have enough time to receive education and vehicle instruction before infant arrives. If the parent does not want to use a convertible seat because they will receive an infant carrier, perhaps as a shower gift, then a child safety seat should not be distributed until infant outgrows their seat. Parent can still be educated on the use of the seat they have for the infant.
  - 6) Child safety seats provided through the grant may not be distributed at checkup events or road checks.
  - 7) In support of the child safety seat program evaluation, grantees must place a "You Don't Have to Bear It" Teddy Bear Sticker on each child safety seat received through this program before giving the child safety seat to an eligible parent or caregiver.

#### Use of Teddy Bear Sticker (TBS) and TBS Program

Participating agencies are encouraged to work within their community to ensure that at least one local emergency response agency (i.e. law enforcement, EMS, or fire department) is participating in the Teddy Bear Sticker program.

Reporting when a child safety seat has been involved in a crash, helps the COSP document serious injuries prevented and children's lives saved as a result of this program. Collecting this data is essential to justify future funding for this program.



- Agencies can participate in the TBS Program by completing the TBS form for each motor vehicle crash involving a stickered child safety seat.
- Complete separate forms for each stickered seat and mail or email the form(s) back to the COSP.
- Child safety seats with Teddy Bear Stickers are eligible for replacement through the TBS Program.
- The COSP also provides safety items to the reporting agency.

#### Program Communication, Reporting, and Documentation

- 1) **Ownership and/or responsibilities of the grant cannot be changed or delegated to another agency without first contacting COSP.** Further, it is the responsibility of the applying agency to notify the CPS coordinating agency of any changes in designation.
- 2) An e-mail address and phone number for the CPS Coordinator must be provided. E-mail will be the primary method of communication concerning grant activities. **The COSP office must be notified of any changes to the CPS Coordinator contact information (current certification card should be submitted at time of change).**
- 3) Each agency will be provided with static links to Google Forms for reporting monthly activity and ordering seats. All participating organizations will use these links submit brief monthly reports and requests for additional child safety seats. **Monthly reports and seat orders are due by 12 Noon on the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month.**
  - Monthly reports document the number of child safety seats distributed, the number of classes held, inspection station or one-on-one appointments, and any public information and educational materials disseminated. This includes any media outreach both formal and informal. Copies of media (links to articles, copies of social media posts, etc.) should be provided.

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- If the agency was unable to conduct any activity during a month, the reason for this should be documented in the monthly report. The monthly reports permit the COSP to provide additional resources or assistance, or both based on communicated needs.
- 4) The program clients and the certified CPS Technician must complete a Child Safety Seat Check Form for each seat that is checked. The check forms are available by filling out the Public Information and Education and Tools Order Form (See page 10).
- 5) The participating agency must also maintain records documenting each client's eligibility (i.e., WIC, PeachCare, Medicaid, etc.) and must store and keep confidential in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).
- 6) The COSP develops talking points to increase awareness of life-saving benefits of child safety seats, booster seats, and safety belts. These are approved by DPH Communications and are disseminated to all Mini-Grantees. All mini-grant awardees are encouraged to utilize the talking points and share on social media as applicable and available.
- 7) COSP can request an audit of equipment, forms, class information, or any other mini-grant related items to verify compliance. Failure to respond to requests or lack of compliance can result in suspension of grant activities or removal of the grant.

#### MINI GRANT RESOURCES

Agencies selected to participate in this program will receive the following:

- Child safety seats;
- Technical assistance with program implementation, administration, and reporting;
- Additional help with building local coalitions, program improvement, and CPS Technician support.
- Training or referral to training for staff interested in becoming a certified CPS Technician and also for staff needing to recertify to maintain CPS Technician status
- Supporting program items, such as educational materials, forms, etc.
- Training or referral to training

#### DEFINITIONS

##### **Applying Agency**

Local health agencies are eligible to apply for the CPS Mini-Grant. For the purpose of this Mini-Grant, local health agencies are defined as public health departments, emergency medical services, and district public health offices. *Another community agency or organization may coordinate the local CPS program as the CPS Coordinator, but one of the above-mentioned health agencies must sponsor and sign the application as the Applying Agency.*

##### **Authorized Representative**

This is the person authorized by the Applying Agency to enter into the Mini-Grant and sign the application.

##### **CPS Coordinator**

The CPS Coordinator is the person who will receive all correspondence for the program and implement the information, regulations, and program goals. An email address and phone number must be provided for the CPS Coordinator. The CPS Coordinator may also be the CPS Technician who teaches the education classes.

##### **CPS Technician(s)**

Applicants must have a certified Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) on staff or a certified CPST within their community that will conduct the educational classes or inspection station (one on one appointment) and distribute the car seats. Only a CPST can distribute car seats.

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#### **Community Collaboration**

Applicants are encouraged to collaborate with other organizations in their community that have certified CPSTs available to check child safety seats after the educational classes and during inspection station hours. These collaborative partners could include individuals from community organizations such as health departments, law enforcement, emergency medical services (EMS), fire departments, hospitals, and others, but may also include any other CPS Technician currently certified by Safe Kids Worldwide.

#### **CPS MINI-GRANT AWARDS**

Mini-Grant awards will be announced by December 28, 2018. New awardees will receive an initial supply of child safety seats within four to six weeks.

- **Maximum initial allotment for new Grantees is a total of up to 10 Convertible and 4 High Back Booster child safety seats (depends on awardees' facility storage capacity). Current grantees may order what is needed to bring their current inventory to 6 convertibles and 4 High Back Boosters up to level. All Grantees will order their initial and subsequent seats via the Google Form. If you do not have links to the Forms, please contact the COSP team at [injury@dph.ga.gov](mailto:injury@dph.ga.gov). The COSP may adjust the number of seats awarded based on the agency's reported inventory or the number of counties participating in the program.**
- **Each organization receiving seats as part of the Mini-Grant must confirm receipt of the seats by sending an e-mail to [injury@dph.ga.gov](mailto:injury@dph.ga.gov) that includes the quantity of each type of child safety seat received.**

Each month supplemental child safety seats can be requested as a participating agency distributes their initial supply of child safety seats.

- The agency must submit a Supplemental Seat Request via the Google Form which indicates the number(s) and type(s) of additional seats requested. **The request must be submitted by 12 noon on the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month in order to receive seats by the end of that month.**
- The agency must be in compliance with the monthly reporting requirement (i.e., reports must be current) in order to request supplemental seats. If a county is more than one month behind on reporting, child safety seats will be not distributed.

#### **RESTRICTIONS ON CHILD SAFETY SEATS:**

- 1) The COSP continues to seek additional funding for child safety seats to support the growth of this program. The child safety seat maximum inventory for counties each month is restricted to 6 convertibles and 4 High Back Boosters.
- 2) If you have seats in inventory that are approaching 1 year of age, you must notify the COSP office immediately for pick-up and redistribution to a county in need.
- 3) Please refrain from providing child safety seats to a family who already has a seat for a child or who could put a younger child in the older child's seat (reference Child Safety Seat Distribution guidelines).
- 4) The child **MUST** be present in order to receive a seat and be properly fitted.
- 5) Child safety seats should not be replaced due to being dirty or if the family needs a seat for their second vehicle or other caregiver.

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#### RESOURCES

- 1) Child safety seat resources are limited. It is important to be good stewards of the program procedures. This should be a supplemental program, supporting existing efforts in the community. The grant is not intended to fully meet the community need and it is expected that additional seats/funding for program will be needed.
  - o A supplemental resource packet is available, including information on possible grant opportunities.
- 2) All workers (both full time and volunteers) are considered mandated reporters and should complete the state appropriate mandate reporter training. <https://oca.georgia.gov/mandated-reporting>
- 3) Certification for CPS Technicians is valid for two years. CPS Technicians should refer to <http://cert.safekids.org/> for details about the recertification requirements and process. Briefly, CPS Technicians must complete the following during the two-year cycle in order to recertify.
  - o Five (5) verified seat checks by a certified CPS Technician Instructor or Proxy
  - o Community education (one two-hour checkup event or four hours of community education). A Community Event does include your CPS classes held for the Mini Grant Purposes (category 4 hours of Community Education).
  - o Six (6) CPS continuing education units (CEUs). Online and in-person courses are available to assist CPS Technicians in obtaining the required CEUs. More information can be found at [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org) and <http://cert.safekids.org/>
  - o Register and pay recertification fee before current certification expiration date.
  - o The Child Occupant Safety Project will offer CPS Technician Recertification and Renewal classes. For more information please contact the COSP office.
- 4) The Child Occupant Safety Project regularly offers the CPS Technician Certification class. More information on CPS Technician Certification classes offered by other organizations, please visit <http://cert.safekids.org/> and click on "Find a Course".
- 5) *The COSP is committed to helping CPS Technicians maintain their certification. If you need assistance with completing the recertification requirements or with logging your information into the Safe Kids Certification Management Web site, please call 404-463-1487 or email at [injury@dph.ga.gov](mailto:injury@dph.ga.gov). Additionally, there is some funding available to assist with recertification fees if local CPS Technicians are in need of assistance.*

**Backup material for agenda item:**

6. Consideration of IFBs #316-18 - Course Aggregate & Miscellaneous Items; and #318-18 - Hot Asphaltic Mix



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Public Works

Work Session: 12/13/2018

Prepared By: Melissa Hawk

Voting Session: 12/20/2018

Presenter: David McKee/Melissa Hawk

Public Hearing: Yes  No

Agenda Item Title: IFB #316-18 Course Aggregate and Miscellaneous Items Presentation

**Background Information:**

The Dawson County Public Works, Roads Department has a full-time paving crew on staff which performs all of the LMIG funds work and several miles annually of other road work and parking lot repairs. Materials purchased from a local course aggregate contract. Current contract exhausted all renewal year options.

**Current Information:**

An IFB was released on October 4, 2018 for the aforementioned items. Two bids were received. The lowest, most responsive bid was submitted by Vulcan Materials.

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget    | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
|------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| 100  | 4220  | 531116   | \$161,664 |         |           |           |

Recommendation/Motion: To accept the bids submitted and to award an annual contract to Vulcan Materials for course aggregate, for one (1) year beginning January 1, 2019, with two (2) possible renewal option years.

Department Head Authorization: David McKee

Date: 10/29/2018

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/3/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/3/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments/Attachments:**

Presentation





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Public Hearing: Yes  No

Agenda Item Title: IFB #318-18 Hot Asphaltic Mix Presentation

### Background Information:

The Dawson County Public Works, Roads Department has a full-time paving crew on staff which performs all of the LMIG funds work and several miles annually of other road work and parking lot repairs. Materials purchased from a local hot asphaltic mix contract. Current contract exhausted all renewal year options.

### Current Information:

An IFB was released on October 4, 2018 for the aforementioned items. Bids were received from Baldwin Paving, Blunt Construction and CW Matthews Contracting on October 18, 2018. Each company offered low bids on different items.

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget    | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
|------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| 100  | 4220  | 531110   | \$205,000 |         |           |           |

Recommendation/Motion: To accept the bids submitted and to award an annual contract or hot asphaltic mix to each bidder for their respective lowest priced items, for one (1) year beginning January 1, 2019, with two (2) possible renewal option years.

Department Head Authorization: David McKee

Date: 10/29/2018

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/3/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/3/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Comments/Attachments:

Presentation



War Hill Park

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**IFB #316-18  
COURSE AGGREGATES &  
MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS  
AND  
IFB #318-18 HOT ASPHALTIC MIX**

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# Background and Overview



- ❖ The Dawson County Public Works, Roads Department completed 21 miles of LMIG funds and General Funds roadway work in 2017 as well as repair work to parking lots in the County.
- ❖ Materials for these projects are historically purchased from local course aggregate & hot asphaltic contracts.
- ❖ Current course aggregate annual contract approved May, 21, 2015.
- ❖ Current hot asphaltic mix annual contract approved September 18, 2014.
  - Both contracts have initial contract date of January 1, 2016.
  - All renewals for both contracts exhausted on December 31, 2018.
- ❖ Bid separately to facilitate smoother award due to the Georgia Department of Transportation, Quality Product Source List.

# Procurement Approach and Procedure




- ✓ Advertised in Legal Organ
- ✓ Posted on County Website
- ✓ Posted on Georgia Procurement Registry
- ✓ Emailed notification through vendor registry
- ✓ Notification through County's Facebook and Twitter accounts
- ✓ Notification through Chamber of Commerce
- ✓ Notified previous vendors
- ❑ **2 Bids received for course aggregate**
- ❑ **3 Bids received for hot asphaltic**

# Scope of Services for Both IFBs



- ❖ All products are to meet the GDOT 2013 standard specifications and all updates.
- ❖ Products are to be manufactured at locations on the approved GDOT standard source list.
- ❖ Quantities ordered to be based on needs of the County. No maximum or minimum limit required.

# Offers Received – Course Aggregate

| Gravel Type                                                                               | Unit of Measure | Green Dream International  |                                       | Vulcan Materials - Cherokee                                                                  |                                   | Vulcan Materials - Dahlonega                                                                 |                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                                                                           |                 | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per                                                                          | Recycled Material Total Price Per Ton | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton                                                      | Recycled Material Total Price Per | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per                                                          | Recycled Material Total Price Per Ton |
| Rip Rap Type 1                                                                            | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$19.30                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$19.30                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Rip Rap Type 3                                                                            |                 | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$19.30                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$19.30                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Surge                                                                                     | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$17.80                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$17.80                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Baby Surge                                                                                | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$17.80                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$17.80                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Graded Aggregates Base                                                                    | per ton         | \$14.44                                                                                                      | No Bid                                | \$11.55                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$11.55                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| #34 Stone                                                                                 | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$16.05                                                                                      | N/A                               | N/a                                                                                          | N/A                                   |
| #4 Stone                                                                                  | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | N/A                                                                                          | N/A                               | \$16.05                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| #57 Stone                                                                                 | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$16.30                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$16.30                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| #89 Stone                                                                                 | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$18.05                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$18.05                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| M-10 Screenings                                                                           | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$14.05                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$14.05                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Sand                                                                                      | per ton         | No Bid                                                                                                       | No Bid                                | \$15.05                                                                                      | N/A                               | \$15.05                                                                                      | N/A                                   |
| Percentage (%) discount for other products not specifically listed in this IFB but may be |                 | N/A                                                                                                          |                                       | 0                                                                                            |                                   | 0                                                                                            |                                       |
| Vendor will accept invoice payment (net/30)?                                              |                 | Yes                                                                                                          |                                       | Yes                                                                                          |                                   | Yes                                                                                          |                                       |
| Vendor's order processing time?                                                           |                 | One Day After Order                                                                                          |                                       | Two Days After Order                                                                         |                                   | Two Days After Order                                                                         |                                       |
| Vendor's Delivery Fee:                                                                    |                 | \$8.10/Ton                                                                                                   |                                       | \$6.50/Ton (GAB, 34, 4, 57,89, M-10, sand, surge and baby surge) Rip Rap Type 3 - \$8.50/Ton |                                   | \$6.25/Ton (GAB, 34, 4, 57,89, M-10, sand, surge and baby surge) Rip Rap Type 3 - \$8.00/Ton |                                       |
| Rock Quarry Source Name and Number per GDOT's QPL #2:                                     |                 | Martin Marietta Ball Ground Quarry                                                                           |                                       | Cherokee - QPL Source #143C                                                                  |                                   | Dahlonega Quarry - QPL Source #141C                                                          |                                       |
| Mileage Distance from Plant to 946 Burt Creek Rd, Dawsonville                             |                 | 21. Miles                                                                                                    |                                       | 18.4 Miles                                                                                   |                                   | 15.6 Miles                                                                                   |                                       |

# Offers Received - Hot Asphaltic Mix

| Gravel Type                                                                                                  | Unit of Measure | Baldwin Paving Co                            |                                           | Blount Construction Co                  |                                           | C W Matthews - Cumming Plant                |                                           | C W Matthews - Long Branch Plant              |                                           | C W Matthews - Ball Ground Plant             |                                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                              |                 | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton      | Recycled Material Total Bid Price Per Ton | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton | Recycled Material Total Bid Price Per Ton | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton     | Recycled Material Total Bid Price Per Ton | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton       | Recycled Material Total Bid Price Per Ton | Virgin Material Total Bid Price Per Ton      | Recycled Material Total Bid Price Per Ton |
| 25mm/19mm Base/Binder                                                                                        | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$50.88                                   | \$56.50                                 | No Bid                                    | \$61.30                                     | \$51.40                                   | \$61.73                                       | \$51.81                                   | \$63.57                                      | \$53.97                                   |
| B-Mod                                                                                                        | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$54.67                                   | No Bid                                  | No Bid                                    | \$66.68                                     | \$56.25                                   | \$66.71                                       | \$56.47                                   | \$69.00                                      | \$58.56                                   |
| 12.5mm (65) E Mix                                                                                            | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$56.02                                   | \$59.75                                 | No Bid                                    | \$66.68                                     | \$56.25                                   | \$66.71                                       | \$56.47                                   | \$69.00                                      | \$58.56                                   |
| 9.5mm (65-2) F Mix                                                                                           | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$57.62                                   | \$60.50                                 | No Bid                                    | \$67.95                                     | \$56.21                                   | \$70.99                                       | \$58.37                                   | \$70.13                                      | \$62.79                                   |
| 9.5mm (65-2) F Mix with Lime                                                                                 | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$61.23                                   | \$62.50                                 | No Bid                                    | \$67.95                                     | \$56.21                                   | \$70.99                                       | \$58.37                                   | \$70.13                                      | \$62.79                                   |
| 9.5mm (65-10) H Mix                                                                                          | per ton         | N/A                                          | \$59.90                                   | No Bid                                  | No Bid                                    | \$69.59                                     | \$58.97                                   | \$72.80                                       | \$60.10                                   | \$71.80                                      | \$61.77                                   |
| Percentage (%) discount for other products not specifically listed in this IFB but may be needed. Percentage |                 | 5% Off of List Price                         |                                           | \$1.00 Off of List Price                |                                           | 0%                                          |                                           | 0%                                            |                                           | 0%                                           |                                           |
| Vendor will accept invoice payment (net/30)?                                                                 |                 | Yes                                          |                                           | Yes                                     |                                           | No                                          |                                           | No                                            |                                           | No                                           |                                           |
| Vendor's order processing time?                                                                              |                 | 24 Hours                                     |                                           | 1 Day                                   |                                           | 1 Hour                                      |                                           | 1 Hour                                        |                                           | 1 Hour                                       |                                           |
| Plant Location                                                                                               |                 | 1535 Ronald Reagan Blvd<br>Cumming, GA 30041 |                                           | 911 Canton Highway<br>Cumming, GA 30040 |                                           | 475 Ronald Reagan Blvd<br>Cumming, GA 30140 |                                           | 1149 Red Oaks Flats Rd<br>Dahlonega, GA 30533 |                                           | 950 Old Nelson Road<br>Ball Ground, GA 30153 |                                           |
| Mileage from Dawsonville, GA                                                                                 |                 | 21 Miles                                     |                                           | 19.9 Mile                               | 199                                       | 22 Miles                                    |                                           | 17 Miles                                      |                                           | 24 Miles                                     |                                           |

# Staff Recommendation



Staff respectfully requests the Board to accept the bids submitted and to award an annual contract for course aggregate to Vulcan Materials and an annual contract for hot asphaltic mix to each bidder for their respective best priced items. All contracts will be for one (1) year beginning January 1, 2019, with two (2) possible renewal option years separately.

THANK YOU



**Backup material for agenda item:**

7. Consideration of IFB #329-18 - Lumpkin Campground / State Route 53 Curb Contractor Approval Request



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Public Works

Work Session: 12-13-18

Prepared By: David McKee

Voting Session: 12-20-2018

Presenter: David McKee

Public Hearing: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Agenda Item Title: IFB #329-18 Lumpkin Campground SR 53 Curbing approval

**Background Information:**

Dawson County has partnered with GDOT to address the growing traffic issues at the Lumpkin Campground / SR 53 intersection. A right-hand turn lane is being constructed along the Lumpkin Campground mainline. SR 53 traffic will not be changed. Upon completion, GDOT will adjust all traffic signals.

**Current Information:**

Staff has met with several contractors to receive quotes on the curb and gutter replacement. Bid documents have been released according to policy and bids will be received after the work session; however, prior to the voting session. Staff requests approval of the most qualified contractor. The project qualifies for SPLOST VI funds, Impact Fee funds or General Fund.

Budget Information: Applicable:  Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

| Fund                                | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget    | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| SPLOST VI or Impact Fee Collections |       |          | \$100,000 |         |           |           |

Recommendation/Motion: Approval of the curb and gutter contractor for the curb replacement

Department Head Authorization: David McKee

Date: 12-5-18

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/6/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/7/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments/Attachments:**

Power Point attached



War Hill Park

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# **IFB #329-18DAWSON COUNTY SR53 @ LUMPKIN CAMPGROUND CURB AND GUTTER CONTRACTOR APPROVAL**

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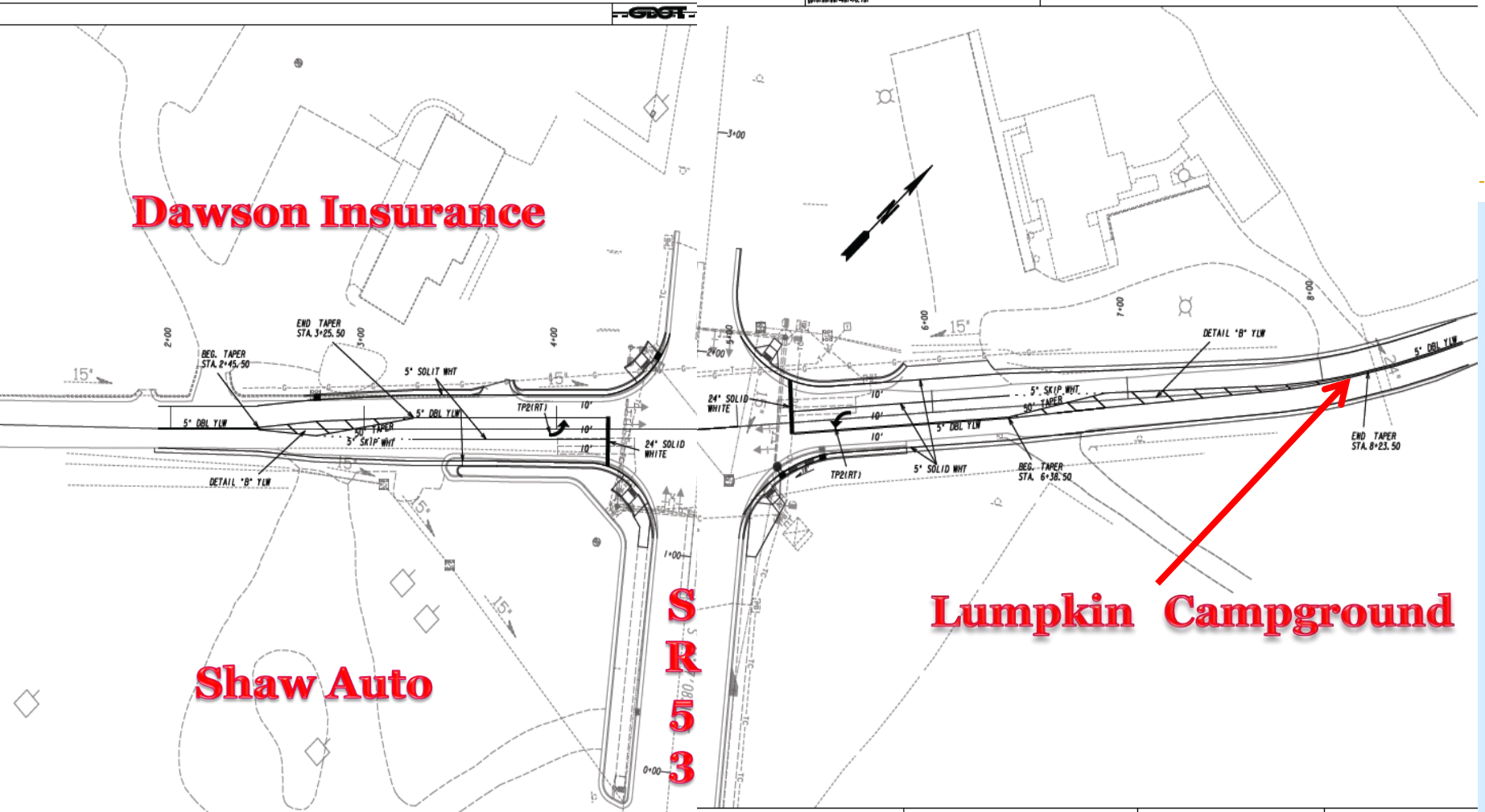


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**Shaw Auto**

**SR 53**

**Lumpkin Campground**

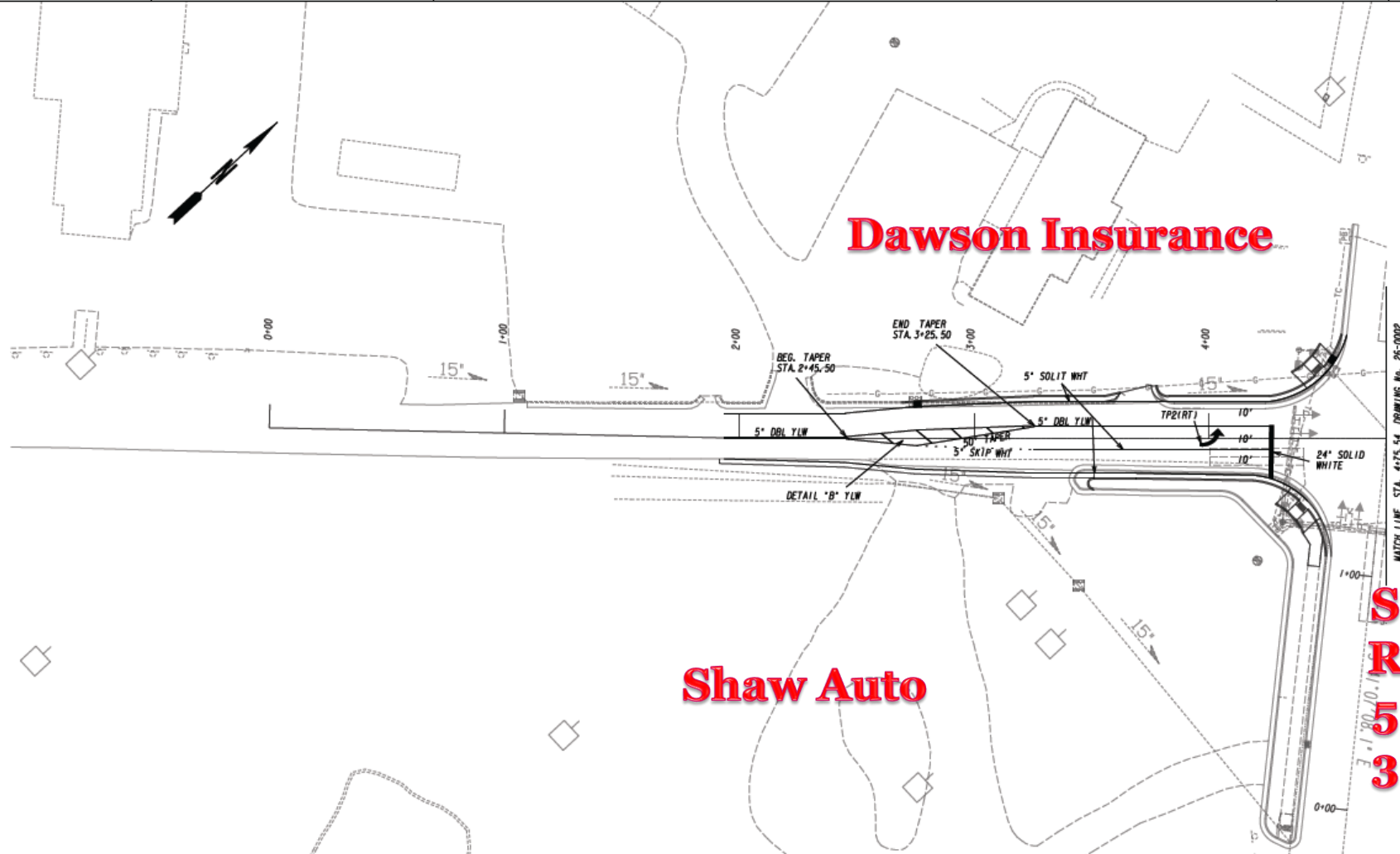


| REVISION DATES |  |
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SIGNING AND MARKING PLAN  
 DAWSON COUNTY  
 LUMPKIN CAMPGROUND RD AT SR5.

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| CHECKED:    | DATE: | OR<br>26-0 |
| DESIGNED:   | DATE: |            |
| CONTRACTED: | DATE: |            |
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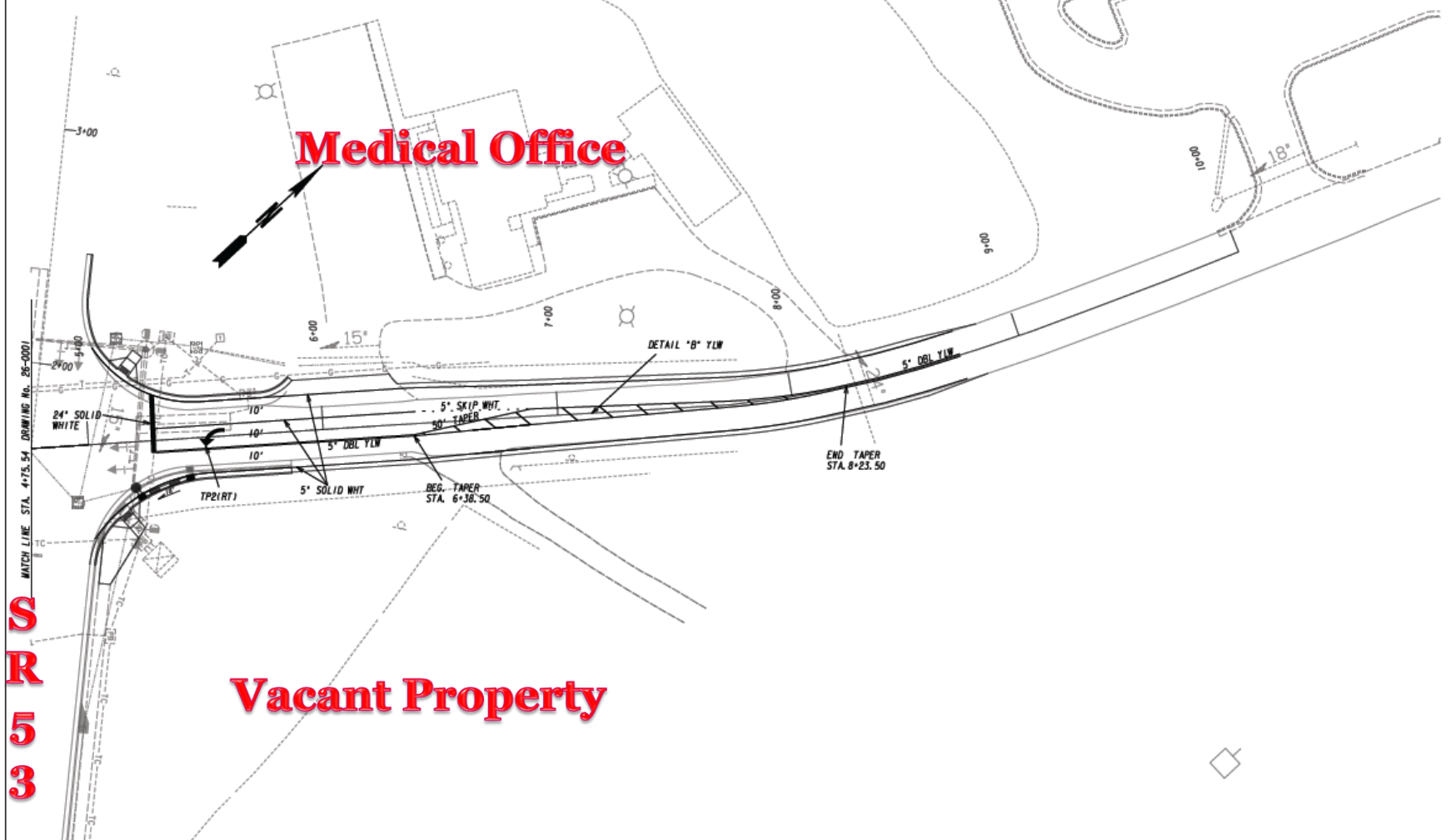
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**SR 53**

**Vacant Property**

**GDOT**  
DISTRICT 1



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# Recommendation



Upon receipt and review of the bid documents staff recommends that we approve the most qualified contractor to install the curb and gutter as drafted. Final bids will be received and submitted to the BOC prior to the voting session on 12-20-2018

Funded through SPLOST V 207 or Impact fees

**State Route 53 @ Lumpkin Campground**

|                        |                                                          | Vertical Earth, Inc               |             |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Item No.               | Description                                              | Unit of Measure                   | Total Cost  |
| 1                      | Roadway Improvement - Lumpkin Campground Road S & Hwy 53 | Lump Sum                          | \$58,624.44 |
| Warranty (Circle One): |                                                          | Will Comply                       |             |
| Estimated Start Date:  |                                                          | 01/07/19 - dependent upon weather |             |



**Backup material for agenda item:**

8. Consideration of GATEway Grant



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Public Works

Work Session: 12-13-18

Prepared By: David McKee

Voting Session: 12-20-2018

Presenter: David McKee

Public Hearing: Yes  No

Agenda Item Title: Discussion of GATEway Grant Feasibility

**Background Information:**

For the past 10 years, Dawson County has been looking for ways in which to landscape areas along the GA 400 Corridor. The area is within the GDOT ROW and would require special encroachment permits, and a MOU with GDOT on the long-term maintenance of this corridor. In 2014 staff applied for a GATEway grant for funding to start a portion of the ROW landscaping. The grant application was approved; however, staff determined that the project was not viable until the developers completed the improvements as to alleviate any removal of plantings. The grant was awarded in the amount of \$46,690.

**Current Information:**

In September 2018 the project was bid according to the approved plans, and county policy. Dawson County purchasing received 2 bids - the total bid cost was \$116,246.85, which is \$69,556.85 over the total grant amount. The project is not SPLOST VI eligible, and additional funding shall come from another source such as general fund. If completed, Dawson County is responsible for the long-term maintenance of the GDOT ROW where the plantings are installed. Staff is requesting direction on this project.

Budget Information: Applicable:  Not Applicable:  Budgeted: Yes  No

| Fund          | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget   | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
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| GATEway Grant |       |          | \$46,690 |         |           |           |

Recommendation/Motion: Discussion of the feasibility of moving the project forward.

Department Head Authorization: David McKee

Date: 12-4-18

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/6/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/7/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments/Attachments:**

PowerPoint attached



War Hill Park

Photo by: Michelle Wittmer Grabowski



# IFB #323-18 DAWSON COUNTY GATEWAY LANDSCAPE PROJECT

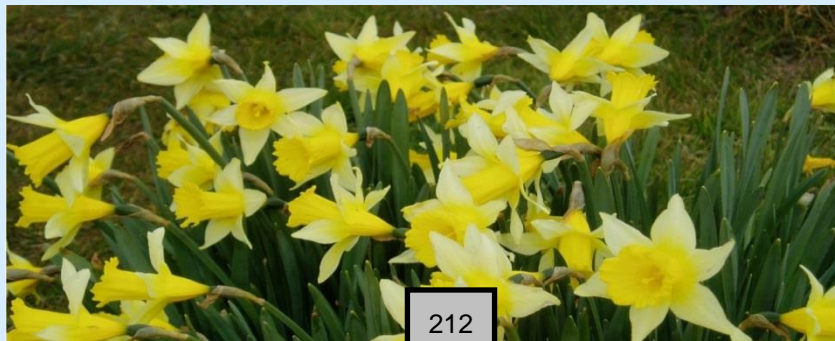
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# Background and Overview



- ❖ Project has been discussed in various forms since 2006.
- ❖ Many different concepts have been developed and presented to the BOC.
  - Challenges
    - Funding
    - Long term maintenance cost
- ❖ Staff has continued to look for ways to fund portions of the overall corridor improvements concept.
  - Long term maintenance has been discussed as funded by businesses along the improvement area.



# Background and Overview



# GATEway Grant



- ❖ GDOT program formed with the funds collected by the State from billboard permits.
- ❖ Created as a transportation enhancement program intended for the entryway to counties or cities and or exit ramps along divided highways.
- ❖ These funds must be used for landscape plant material and installation for road side enhancement/beautification projects. The design space will be at the intersection of 400 and Carlisle Road between John Meigel Chevrolet and Applebee's.

# Grant Requirements



- ❖ Some of the requirements of the grant include:
  - No plant will grow over 30” tall
  - Use native tree species
  - No median planting
  - Clear zone (area near the traveled way - determined by the design speed and ADT)
  - Horizontal clearance (closeness of plantings to traveled area – determined by speed limit)
  - Sight distance triangles (minimum line of sight for left-handed turn intersections – determined by number of lanes and speed limit).





# GATEway LANDSCAPE PLAN

## DAWSON COUNTY, GDOT DISTRICT ONE

APPROVED  
Department of Transportation  
*Paul S. Cole*  
STATE ENGINEER  
SEVERELY DISABLED

Project Safety Engineering  
PA-1117-12

NOTES:  
1. ALL PLANTING SHALL BE PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LATEST EDITION OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, DIVISION 300, PART 300.01, AND THE LATEST EDITION OF THE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY BRIDGES, DIVISION 300, PART 300.02.  
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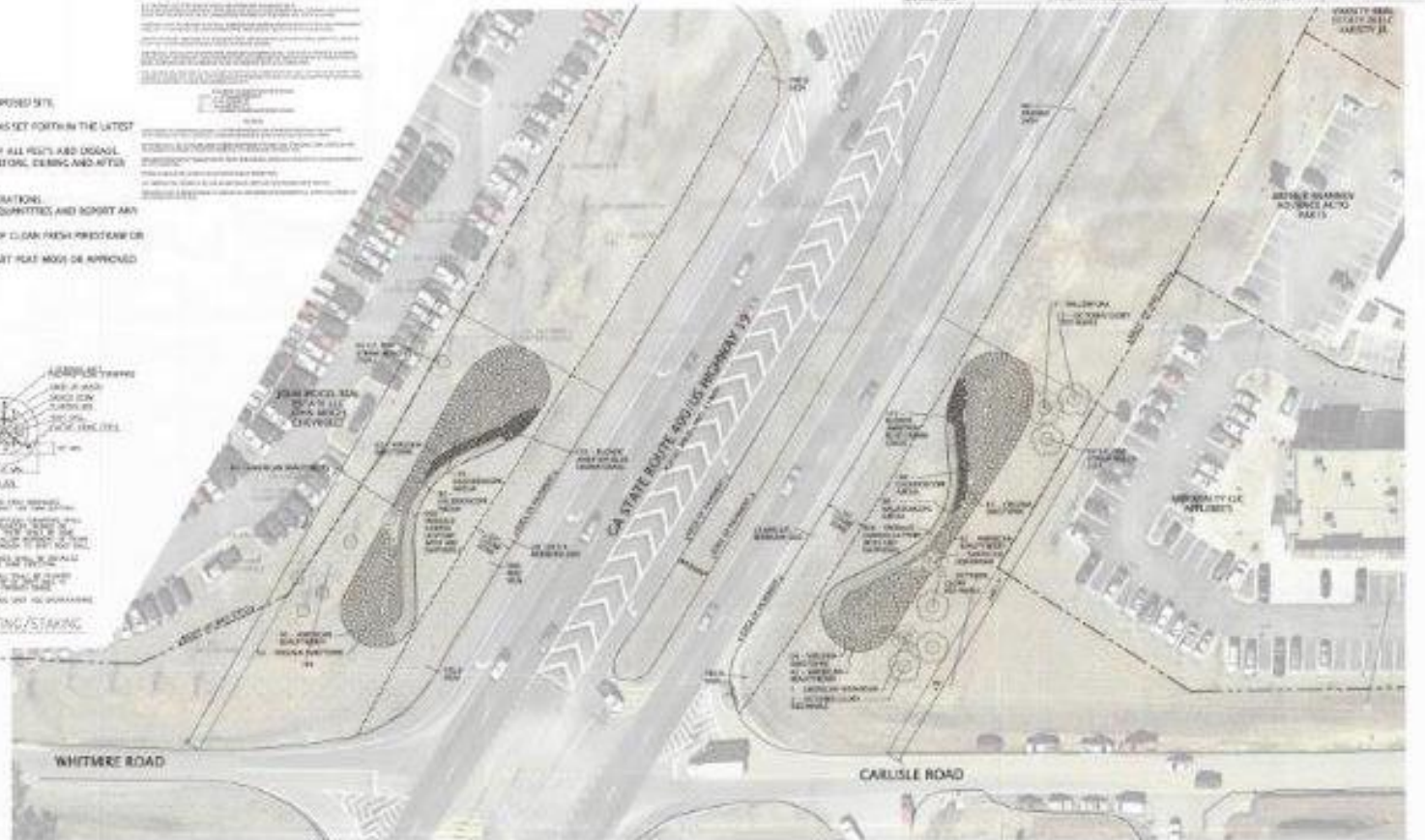
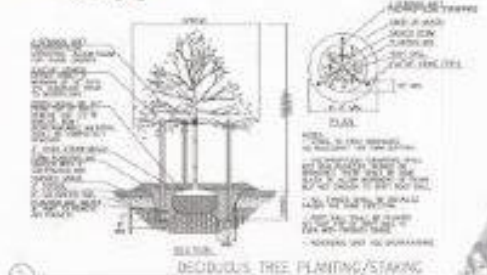
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| 2         | WILLOW DOGWOOD (10' DIA. POT)            | 2        | PLANT | 100% 100% 100% |
| 3         | FLORIDA YACONIA (10' DIA. POT)           | 2        | PLANT | 100% 100% 100% |
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### NOTES:

- NO REBARCASTS ARE WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE SITE.
- EXIST. MAINTENANCE IS LOCATED AT THE CENTER OF THE PROPOSED SITE.
- NO IRRIGATION IS PROPOSED FOR THE SITE.
- ALL PLANT MATERIALS SHALL MEET MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE LATEST EDITION OF AMERICAN STANDARDS FOR HURDLEY STOCK.
- ALL PLANTS SHALL BE HEALTHY, VIGOROUS SPECIMENS FULL OF ALL ROOTS AND DRAINAGE.
- ALL PLANTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE OWNER BEFORE DELIVERY AND AFTER INSTALLATION.
- IMMEDIATELY SOAK NEW PLANTINGS WITH WATER.
- ALL UTILITIES SHALL BE FIELD VERIFIED PRIOR TO BEGINNING OPERATIONS.
- CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OWN TRAFFIC QUANTITIES AND REPORT ANY DISCREPANCIES TO THE DESIGNER.
- ALL PLANTING SHALL BE FIELD VERIFIED WITH A MINIMUM OF 2" OF CLEAR FRESH FRESH OR BROWN OF OWNER'S CHOICE.
- PLANTING AND 1 PARTS TOPSOIL, 1 PART COARSE SAND, 1 PART PLANT MOSS OR APPROVED SUBSTITUTE.



Call before you dig  
Call 811



OWNER:  
DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
75 BENTLEY WAY, SUITE 2110  
CAROLSVILLE, GEORGIA 30034

24-HOUR CONTACT:  
RACON EASTON  
706-344-2300 EXT. 4017

DATE: 4/2011



# Current Information



- Dawson County was awarded the GATEway grant funds in 2014 in the amount of \$46,690.00.
- November 2015 Right of Way Mowing and Maintenance Agreement approved by both, GDOT and Dawson County BOC (50 year term).
- November 2015 GDOT approved a Special Encroachment permit to perform the construction as proposed in the GATEway application.
- Staff determined the most feasible option for moving the project forward was to allow for the intersection improvements to be completed then bid the project for completion.

# Procurement Approach and Procedure



## BID ACCORDING TO POLICY

- ✓ Advertised in Legal Organ
- ✓ Posted on County Website
- ✓ Posted on Georgia Procurement Registry
- ✓ Emailed notification through Vendor Registry
- ✓ Notification through County's Facebook and Twitter accounts
- ✓ Notification through Chamber of Commerce



❖ **IFB opened on September 28, 2018 with 2 responses received.**

# Scope of Services



- ❖ Contractor is to:
  - Use the planting list and plans as approved for the special encroachment permit by the GA Department of Transportation District Engineer.
  - Provide watering as needed to ensure plant health during the full one-year warranty period.
  
- ❖ Contractor is NOT required to install an irrigation mechanism.



# Bids Received



|          |                                                  |            |          | 4 SEASONS LANDSCAPE             | TRI SCAPES INC      |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Item No. | Description                                      | Quantity   | UOM      | TOTAL COST                      | TOTAL COST          |
| 1        | Dawson County<br>GATEway<br>Landscape<br>Project | 1          | Lump Sum | <b>\$120,323.00</b>             | <b>\$116,246.85</b> |
| 2        | Estimated Start Date:                            |            |          | Within 2 weeks of<br>acceptance | 11/16/2018          |
| 3        | Warranty for                                     | Labor:     |          | 1 year                          | 1 YEAR              |
| 4        | Warranty for                                     | Materials: |          | 1 year                          | 1 YEAR              |



# Discussion



Staff recommendation is to have the Board give direction on the project moving forward. If staff is directed to move forward there is a \$69,556.85 shortfall. This project is not SPLOST VI eligible. Additional funding shall come from General fund.

**Backup material for agenda item:**

9. Consideration of FY 2019 Department of Human Services / Deanna Specialty Transportation Inc. Contract



## DAWSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA FORM

Department: Senior Services-Transit

Work Session: 12-13-2018

Prepared By: Dawn Pruett

Voting Session: 12-20-2018

Presenter: Dawn Pruett

Public Hearing: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

Agenda Item Title: Request to approve FY19 DHS/Deanna Specialty Transportation, Inc. Contract.

**Background Information:**

Deanna Specialty, Inc. reimburses Dawson County for senior client rides. Deanna Specialty contracts with DHS to oversee funding.

**Current Information:**

Reimbursement rates: Regular \$7.75; Wheelchair \$11.75; Hourly \$35.00; Daily Field Trip \$200.00

Budget Information: Applicable: Not Applicable: Budgeted: Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

| Fund | Dept. | Acct No. | Budget | Balance | Requested | Remaining |
|------|-------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|
|      | 5540  |          |        |         |           |           |

Recommendation/Motion: Approve FY19 DHS/Deanna Specialty Transportation, Inc. Contract.

Department Head Authorization: Dawn Pruett

Date: 11-27-18

Finance Dept. Authorization: Vickie Neikirk

Date: 12/3/18

County Manager Authorization: DH

Date: 12/3/18

County Attorney Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments/Attachments:**

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**AGREEMENT**  
**for Department of Human Services (DHS) Coordinated Transportation Services**

AGREEMENT BETWEEN:

Dawson County Senior Center, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia acting by and through its governing authority, the Dawson County Board of Commissioners; hereinafter referred to as Contractor; and Deanna Specialty Transportation, Inc., a Georgia corporation; hereinafter referred to as the DST, agree:

This Agreement has an effective beginning date of the 1st day of July, 2018 shall terminate on the 30th day of June, 2019 unless terminated earlier under other provisions of this Agreement.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the DST has a need for, and desires to purchase transportation services for eligible DHS consumers as needed;

AND

WHEREAS, the Contractor has represented to the DST it is available to provide transportation services for the described population;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein set forth, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto to abide by the conditions set forth in the remainder of this Agreement.

1. Purpose:

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide transportation services to eligible DHS consumers.

2. Agreement Term:

The term of this agreement shall be from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 unless terminated earlier in accordance with this Agreement.

3. Services to Be Provided:

- a) The Contractor is solely engaging to provide congregate (senior) meal transportation for seniors receiving services at the Dawson County Senior Center. Transportation provided will be to and from the Senior Center. Any other services performed by the Contractor are outside the scope of this Agreement. Contractor agrees to provide sufficient personnel and vehicles, as necessary, to render congregate meal transportation for seniors receiving services at the Dawson County Senior Center during the hours required by the Senior Center and per GADHS policies and procedures.
- b) The parties expect that authorized DHS Human Service Contractors will notify the Regional Transportation Office, Region 2, as to which consumers are eligible. This notification is done via a completed client registration and trip order entered on the TRIP\$ System. Contractor



shall deliver transportation services to individuals registered with the Regional Transportation Office TRIP\$ System in accordance to regulations administered by the Georgia Department of Human Services.

- c) Contractor shall be solely responsible for the maintenance of the vehicles and shall maintain said vehicles in accordance with the vehicle standards established by the Georgia Department of Human Services to ensure safe operation and to comply with all federal, state and local laws and codes and/or required inspections. Contractor will be responsible for providing vehicle insurance on those vehicles owned by the Contractor. Contractor shall be responsible for purchasing new vehicles to replace those that are not repairable or those that do not comply with DHS safety requirements.
- d) Drivers shall comply with regulations set forth by the Georgia Department of Public Safety and the Georgia Department of Human Services. Drivers shall possess such licenses and permits as required by law.
- e) Contractor agrees to provide the DST certification/proof of workers' compensation insurance coverage on all Contractor's employees, upon request of the DST.

4. Training:

Drivers and dispatchers employed by Contractor shall undergo such training as required by the Georgia Department of Human Services including on the subject of client rights and confidentiality; accessibility; drug free workplace; sexual harassment; CPR/First-aid; Defensive Driving; and Universal Precautions for STD's, HIV/Aids and Infectious Disease. Drivers will also be trained in use of all auxiliary equipment including radios, fire extinguishers, and wheelchair lifts.

5. Drug and Alcohol Testing:

Contractor shall be responsible for complying with all requirements of the Federal Transit Administration regarding the testing of safety-sensitive employees for drug and alcohol use. The cost of compliance will be the sole responsibility of Contractor.

6. Information:

The Contractor agrees to make vehicles, vehicle files, and driver files available for DHS site visits, to the extent permitted by law. Contractor agrees to provide information and reports as requested by the Regional Transportation Coordinator.

7. Monitoring and Inspection

The DST and Regional Transportation Office/DHS may review trip documents, logs, driver logs, vehicle maintenance records, driver qualification records and may inspect vehicles. Contractor will cooperate with The DST and Regional Transportation Office/DHS in making these and other documents and vehicles available to the extent permitted by law.

8. Payment:

The DST agrees to remit payment for approved transportation services rendered by Contractor when DST receives reimbursement from the Georgia Department of Human Services.

9. Fee Schedule:

Each trip will be billed at the following rates: Aging \$7.75 per trip; Hourly \$35.00; Field Trip Daily \$200, Wheelchairs \$11.75

10. Invoicing:

- a) The Contractor shall invoice using TRIP\$ on a per client/per trip basis. Invoicing will be completed by the eighth of the month following the activity.
- b) Contractor shall provide the DST with completed billing summaries which will include the name of each client transported, the date transported, trip type and the number of approved trips provided. This can include the TRIP\$ Invoice Backup Report and/or Invoice Summary Report. Contractor shall provide said billing summary on a monthly basis no later than the eighth day of the month following the activity.

11. Termination Without Cause:

Either party may terminate this agreement without cause upon sixty (60) days written notice to the other party. Upon such termination without cause, Contractor shall be entitled to payment, in accordance with Agreement provisions, for services rendered up to the termination date. Contractor shall be obligated to continue performance of contract services, in accordance with this Agreement, until the termination date.

12. Amendments

Any change, alteration, deletion, or addition to the terms set forth in this agreement must be in the form of a written amendment signed by both parties.

13. Compliance With Law:

Contractor shall perform all services required by this contract in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Contractor shall use only licensed personnel to perform work required by law or regulation to be performed by such personnel.

14. Equal Opportunity:

During the performance of this contract, Contractor agrees that it will, in good faith, afford equal opportunity required by applicable federal, state, or local law to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, disability or national origin.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and all other provisions of Federal law, the parties agree that, during performance of this Agreement, they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment, any subcontractor, or any supplier because of race, color, creed, national origin, gender, age or disability.

15. Non Availability of Funds:

This Agreement is subject to the condition that funds be made available by the Congress of the United States, by the General Assembly of Georgia, or other sources, and by the proper budget authority for carrying out the functions which this Agreement implements. If DST becomes aware of funding issues jeopardizing its ability to reimburse Contractor, it shall immediately provide notice of same to Contractor.

16. Force Majeure:

Each party will be excused from performance under this contract to the extent that it is prevented from performing, in whole or in substantial part, due to delays caused by any cause beyond their reasonable control, an act of God, civil or military authority, war, court order, acts of public enemy, and such nonperformance will not be default under this contract nor a basis for termination for cause.

17. Entire Agreement:

This Agreement constitutes the complete agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. No other agreement, statement or promise relating to the subject matter of this Agreement not contained in this Agreement shall be valid or binding. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written document signed by representatives of both parties with appropriate authorization.

18. Applicable Law:

If any action at law or in equity is brought to enforce or interpret the provision of this Agreement, the rules, regulations, statutes and laws of the State of Georgia will control.

19. Severability:

Should any article(s) or section(s) of this Agreement, or any part thereof, later be deemed unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the offending portion of the Agreement should be severed, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect to the extent possible.

20. Waiver of Agreement:

No failure by either party to enforce any right or power granted under this Agreement, or to insist upon strict compliance with this Agreement, and no custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall constitute a general waiver of any future breach or default or affect the parties' right to demand exact and strict compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

21. No Third Party Rights:

This Agreement shall be exclusively for the benefit of the parties and shall not provide any third parties with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action or other right.

22. Sovereign Immunity:

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to be a waiver of the Contractor's sovereign immunity or any individual's qualified good faith or official immunities.

23. Notices:

All notices, requests, demands writings, or correspondence, as required by this Agreement, shall be in writing and shall be deemed received, and shall be effective, when: (1) personally delivered, or (2) on the third day after the postmark date when mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or (3) upon actual delivery when sent via national overnight commercial carrier to the parties at the address given below, or to a substitute address previously furnished to the other party by written notice in accordance herewith:

**Contractor's Address for Official Correspondence**

Dawson County Board of Commissioners  
25 Justice Way Suite 2204 Dawsonville, GA 30534  
Contact Person: Dawn Pruitt  
Email:  
Telephone: (706) 344-3501

**DST's Address for Official Correspondence**

Deanna Specialty Transportation, Inc.  
211 Sand Bar Rd  
Augusta, GA, 30901

Contact Person: Shawn Thomas  
Email: [shawn.thomas@waytogotrans.com](mailto:shawn.thomas@waytogotrans.com)  
Telephone: (706) 722-7030

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

**Dawson County, Georgia**

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Signature

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Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

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Date

**Attest:**

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Signature

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Print Name

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County Clerk  
Title

[COUNTY SEAL]

**Deanna Specialty Transportation, Inc.**

*Shawn Thomas*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

*Shawn Thomas*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

*CEO*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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*3/19/18*  
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**Attest:**

*Belinda Smith*  
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Signature

*Belinda Smith*  
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Corporate Secretary  
Title

[CORPORATE SEAL]

Ratified and agreed to for purposes of complying with Art. IX. Sec. II. Par. III(b)(1) of the Georgia Constitution:

**City of Dawsonville, Georgia**

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Signature

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Print Name

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**Attest:**

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City Clerk  
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[CITY SEAL]

**Backup material for agenda item:**

10. Consideration of Board Appointments:

**a. Tax Assessors**

- i. Jim Perdue- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2023)

**b. Department of Family and Children Services**

- i. Nancy Stites- *replacing Vickie Porter* (Term: December 2018 through July 2019)

**c. Planning Commission**

- i. John Dooley, Chairman appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
- ii. Jason Hamby, District 1 appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
- iii. John Maloney, District 2 appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
- iv. Tim Bennett, District 3 appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)
- v. Neil Hornsey, District 4 appointee- *reappointment* (Term: January 2019 through December 2020)

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Board or Authority Applied for Tax Assessors Board

Name James M. Perdue

Home Address 69 Dunroven Way

City, State, Zip Dawsonville, GA 30534

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number Land: 706.265.2157

Fax Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information you would like to provide:

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Signature James M. Perdue Date 12/3/18

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James M. Perdue  
69 Dunroven Way  
Dawsonville, GA 30534

Born 5/29/1942; Louisburg, N C – Franklin County

Education History:

Graduated from Edward Best High School 1960.

Attended Louisburg Junior College 1960 – 1962.

Graduated from East Carolina University (Greenville, N C) 1965.

Military Service:

United States Marine Corps 1965 – 1966; Honorably discharged.

Employment History:

Colonial Stores Incorporated (Atlanta, GA) 1966 – 1975 (Employee Relations Mgr.).

Gold Kist, Inc. (Atlanta, GA) 1975 – 2003 (Director, Employee & Labor Relations Mgr.).

Forsyth County (GA) Tax Commissioner 2005 – 2011 (Delinquent Tax Field Agent).

Where I have lived:

Moved from N C to GA (Clayton County) in 1970. Moved to Forsyth County in 1981. Moved to Dawson County in 2005.

Church Affiliation

Concord Baptist Church in Forsyth County since 1981.

Criminal History:

None whatsoever.

(I have been retired 15 years and have no resume and haven't had one in 30 years. I have never been discharged from a job. I have nothing to hide in my past and will answer any questions about my background at any time but am not inclined to construct a complete resume at this time.)



RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE  
\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY BOARD OF TAX ASSESSORS

**WHEREAS**, there is a vacancy on the Board of Assessors; and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires the County Commission must appoint a successor when a vacancy occurs; and

**WHEREAS**, the person appointed will serve a term of \_\_\_\_\_ years;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Commissioners appoints \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Tax Assessors with this term of office to begin on \_\_\_\_\_ and expire on \_\_\_\_\_.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Clerk

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**Board or Authority Applied for** Dawson County Division of Family & Children Services

**Name** Nancy F. Stites

**Home Address** 287 Shadow Lane

**City, State, Zip** Dawsonville, GA 30534

**Mailing Address (if different)** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Alternate Number** Work: 706-265-1981 ext 60080

**Fax Telephone Number** none

**E-Mail Address** nstites@DawsonFamilyConnection.org

**Additional information you would like to provide:**

I have worked closely with the Director and staff at Dawson County DFCS in an effort to reduce child abuse and neglect in Dawson County. We continue to identify ways to work together in order for children to grow up in a stable, healthy, nurturing environment. Serving on the DFCS board would increase my understanding of their services and guidelines, allow me to serve as a liaison with other agencies serving Dawson County and strengthen relationships.

**Signature** Nancy F Stites **Date** 11-28-18

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# Nancy F. Stites

287 Shadow Lane Dawsonville, Georgia 30534

Non-profit Director promoting collaborative action and providing leadership that addresses community-driven priorities for the well-being of families and children

## Highlights/Qualifications

- Interacts respectfully and effectively with individuals across the spectrum of social and economic backgrounds and cultures.
- Ten years' experience in managing budget and deliverables of government-funded contracts
- Team leader with supervisory experience that promotes team's personal development and productivity
- Successful history of rallying communities around a good cause

## Experience

*Director, non-profit* July 2006 - Current

Dawson County Family Connection - Dawsonville, GA

- Conducts community assessment to identify priority needs of community
- Develops and implements strategic plans, annual plans and evaluation plans
- Develops and control annual budgets
- Promotes collaboration among agencies and organizations for creative problem solving and effective programs
- Implementation evidence-based programs and services
- Generate community awareness of the state of families and children in Dawson County through guest speaking at community meetings

*Administrative Assistant*

August 1997-2003

- Provided administrative and bookkeeping support to Director and initiatives of the Collaborative

*Office Manager*

August 2003 – 2006

Impact Medical Technologies - Alpharetta, GA

- Developed procedures for purchasing, receiving, and accounts payable
- Prepared payroll and state and federal payroll liability reporting
- Conducted daily operational and administrative functions

*Office Manager*

July 1977-1990

Owens-Corning Fiberglas - Atlanta, GA

- Supervised office staff and administrative functions for Southeast Sales office assuring effective work utilization and distribution
- National Account Administrator -Liaison between major customer and Corporate Headquarters for pricing and promotion of marketing incentive programs

## Education

Bachelor of Science in Business Education, West Georgia College

## Certifications

Prevention Apprentice – Prevention Credentialing Consortium of Georgia; 2013

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Board or Authority Applied for Planning Commission

Name John Emory Dooley

Home Address 2677 Grizzle RD

City, State, Zip Dawsonville, GA 30534

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ .ternate Number \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information you would like to provide:  
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Signature [Handwritten Signature] Date 1/11/2017

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**Board or Authority Applied for** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name** John Maloney

**Home Address** 9 Bent Ridge Drive N

**City, State, Zip** Dawsonville, Ga. 30534

**Mailing Address (if different)** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Alternate Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax Telephone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional information you would like to provide:**

Involved in traffic related activities for City of Alpharetta since 1989. Served as a Police Officer in a traffic capacity. Left Alpharetta Police Department and moved into Traffic Engineering for the City of Alpharetta where my main job focus was reviewing development plans. I am currently serving the City as the Traffic Operations Manager. I work closely with Community Development on assessing new development's impact to the City's roadways and infrastructure. Resume upon request.

**Signature** *J. E. Maloney* **Date** 1-8-17

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Board or Authority Applied for Planning & Zoning

Name Tim Bennett

Home Address 327 Couch Rd. Dawsonville

City, State, Zip Dawsonville, GA. 30534

Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Area Number 706-216-1784

Fax Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address tim.bennett@bennettlandscapeinc.com

Additional information you would like to provide:

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Signature  Date 12-11-16

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**TIM BENNETT**  
1728 War Hill Park Rd  
Dawsonville GA 30534

tim.bennett@bennettlandscapeinc.com

## SUMMARY

DAWSON COUNTY NATIVE  
CURRENTLY LIVING AND RAISING MY CHILDREN WITH MY WIFE KIM,  
PRINCIPAL AT ROBINSION ELEMENTARY  
OWNER OF BENNETT LANDSCAPE INC LOCATED IN DAWSON COUNTY  
PASTOR OF HARBOR WORSHIP CENTER LOCATED IN DAWSON COUNTY

## WORK EXPERIENCE

I WAS RAISED ON A FARM IN DAWSON COUNTY AND LEARNED WHAT IT  
MEANS TO WORK HARD AT A YOUNG AGE  
MANAGED 300 EMPLOYEES IN THE POUTY INDUSTRY IN GAINESVILLE, GA  
STARTED BENNETT LANDSCAPE INC IN 2005  
I HAVE SERVED AS SENIOR PASTOR OF THE HARBOR WORSHIP CENTER FOR  
11 YEARS

## EDUCATION

1989 GRADUATE OF DAWSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL  
2 YEARS STUDING BUSINESS AT GAINESVILLE COLLEGE  
2 YEARS MINISTERIAL STUDIES LEE COLLEGE IN CLEVELAND TENNESSEE

## SKILLS

PEOPLE AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS DEVELOPED FROM YEARS OF  
MANAGING AND PASTORING  
EXCELENT AT TEAM WORK AND TEAM BUILDING

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Board or Authority Applied for Planning Commission

Name Neil E. Hornsey

Home Address 1061 Goodson Road

City, State, Zip Dawsonville, GA 30534

Mailing Address (if different) P.O. Box 1776

City, State, Zip Dawsonville, GA 30534

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number 706-265-6415

Fax Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information you would like to provide:

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Signature Neil E. Hornsey Date 1/6/17

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