



Board of County Commissioners Pre-Commission Meeting

July 21, 2026 | 4:30 PM

City Hall
700 Poplar Street
Macon, GA 31201

Mayor Lester M. Miller
Mayor Pro Tem Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Paul Bronson
Commissioner Stanley Stewart
Commissioner Joey Hulett
Commissioner Andrea Cooke
Commissioner Raymond Wilder
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Donice Bryant
Commissioner Brendalyn Bailey

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lester M. Miller

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of minutes from the June 16, 2026 Pre-Commission Meeting
(Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

3. Macon-Bibb County Comprehensive Plan

- a. Planning and Zoning Presentation of the Macon-Bibb County Comprehensive Plan (Sponsored by:)

4. Appointment to Authorities, Boards and Commissions

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Appointing Willie Pitts, Margaret Rooyakkers And Shaneke Wooten To The Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Board; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

5. New Alcohol Beverage Licenses

- a. Fuel Haven Exxon located at 3004 Debra Allen Drive, Suite A, Macon, GA
Recommends Approval. (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- b. Dolgencorp LLC DBA Dollar General # 9814 at 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA
Recommends Approval (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

6. Agreements

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Williams Communications, Inc., For Radio Equipment In The Amount Of \$204,800.00, To Be Paid From The SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other – Property Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- b. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Williams Communications, Inc., For The Replacement Of Radio Equipment In The Amount Of \$137,277.52, To Be Paid From The SPLOST 2025 Fund – Public Safety – IT Upgrade – Property Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- c. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Williams Communications, Inc., For Post-Construction Drone Inspection Services In The Amount Of \$82,320.00, To Be Paid From The SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other – Property Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- d. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Vera Causa Group, LLC, For Public Information Officer And Strategic Advisor Services In The Amount Of \$54,000.00, To Be Paid From The District Attorney Budget – Other Services – Investigative/Informant Fees Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- e. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Heir Media Corp. D/B/A HM Strategic Consulting, In The Amount Of \$1,149,950.00, For IT Staffing Services, Payable From The Information Technology Budget – Contract Labor – Contractual Services Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- f. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Granicus, LLC For Government Experience Agent Setup, Configuration, And Software Services In The Amount Of \$48,750.00, To Be Paid From The Information Technology Budget – IT – Web Applications – Professional Services – Consulting Fees Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- g. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Gartner, Inc. In The Amount Of \$133,800.00, For Executive Programs Leadership Team Services, Payable From The Information Technology Budget – Professional Services – Consulting Fees Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- h. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Progressive Communications, LLC For Managed Network Services In The Amount Of \$37,032.00, To Be Paid From The General Fund – Non-Departmental – Repairs & Maintenance – Software License & Maintenance Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

- i. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Authorize The Mayor To Execute An Amendment To The Independent Contractor Agreement With Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart, Stewart & Associates For Professional Architectural, Engineering, & Design Services For The Phase Iv Improvements At The Macon City Auditorium In The Amount Of \$99,700.00, To Be Paid From 2018 Splost Funds – Culture & Recreation – Auditorium - Property; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- j. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Authorize The Mayor To Execute An Independent Contractor Agreement With Professional Paving Services, LLC, For Asphalt Paving & Resurfacing Services, In The Amount Of \$3,280,877.09, To Be Paid From 2026 LRA Grant Funds And 2018 SPLOST Funds – Road Work - Other; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- k. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Extension To The Professional Services Agreement With Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC At The Original Price Rate Of \$1000.00 Per Week, For The Provision Of Clinical Treatment Assessor Services For The State Court Of Bibb County Probation Office Through June 30, 2027, To Be Paid From The State Court Probation Budget – Professional Services, Other Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- l. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Enter Into A Professional Services Agreement With Bryant Engineering, LLC In The Amount Of \$117,000.00, For The Provision Of Engineering Design Services For The Heath Road Sidewalk Project, Payable From The Engineering Department Budget – Engineering Services – Professional Services – Consulting Fees Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- m. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute Component Change Orders # 1 And 2 To The Construction Manager-At-Risk Agreement With Barton Malow Builders LLC For Preliminary Work And Phase 1 Construction Services For The Macon Arena Project, In The Total Amount Of \$28,262,438.00, Payable From 2025 SPLOST Bond Proceeds; 2025 SPLOST Revenues; And 2026 Arena Bond Proceeds; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

7. Purchase Orders and Change Orders

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Change Order With H.E. Hodge Company, Inc., For The Removal And Replacement Of Basketball Backboards At Kings Park, In The Amount Of \$11,450.00, To Be Paid From The Splost 2018 Fund – Recreation – Other – Property Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- b. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Issuance Of A Purchase Order, In The Amount Of \$300,000.00, To Liberty Disposal, Inc., For Services Related To The Disposal Of Waste On Behalf Of Macon-Bibb County, To Be Paid From The Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste Landfill – Other Services – Landfill Tipping Fees Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

- c. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Approve A Change Order, In The Amount Of \$93,000.00, To The Purchase Order For Liberty Disposal, Inc., To Be Paid From The Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste Landfill – Other Services - Landfill Tipping Fees Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- d. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Issuance Of A Purchase Order To Direct Technologies, Inc., In The Amount Of \$130,000.00 For Postage Database Services For Solid Waste Bill Mailings, To Be Paid From Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste And Recycling Administration – Communications – Postage Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- e. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Issuance Of A Purchase Order In The Amount Of \$160,812.27 To SHI International Corp. For The Annual Renewal Of Managed Microsoft Azure And Arcgis Cloud Services For The IT Department, To Be Paid From The Information Technology Budget – IT-GIS – Professional Services – Consulting Fees Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- f. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Authorize A Supplemental Appropriation, In The Amount Of \$52,795.00 From General Fund – Fund Balance To The GDOT – Ocmulgee Heritage Trail Grant Fund – Professional Services - Engineering Line Item, To Provide Funding For Additional Engineering Services For The Ocmulgee Heritage Trail Project; Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Change Order With Cranston Engineering Group. P.C., For Additional Engineering Services, In The Amount Of \$52,795.00 (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

8. Grants

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Council Of Accountability Courts Judges State Of Georgia Grant Award From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2027, In The Amount Of \$299,679.00, With Matching Funds In The Amount Of \$52,885.00, Payable In Kind As Existing Employee Salaries, Awarded To Fund The Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court And Mental Health Court Programs; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- b. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Council Of Accountability Courts Judges State Of Georgia Grant Award From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2027, In The Amount Of \$169,074.20, With Matching Funds In The Amount Of \$29,837.00, Payable In Kind As Existing Employee Salaries, Awarded To Fund The Macon Judicial Circuit Family Treatment Court Program; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- c. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant From The State Of Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council For Fiscal Year 2027, In The Amount Of

\$365,114.00, With No Local Match, Awarded To The Bibb County Juvenile Court;
(Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

9. Code Of Ordinances

- a. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Amend The Definition Of “Commodity” In Section 19-1 Of The Macon-Bibb County Code Of Ordinances, So As To Include Software Products Or Services; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
- b. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Amend Chapter 4 Of The Macon-Bibb County Code Of Ordinances To Prohibit The Filing Of Successive Alcohol License Applications For Business Locations With Two Or More Failed Applications In The Preceding Three Years; And For Other Lawful Purposes. (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

10. Amendment to the IT Organizational Chart

- a. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Amend The Macon-Bibb County Information Technology Department’s Organizational Chart As Provided Herein; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

11. Resolution of Support

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing And Supporting Macon-Bibb County’s Application To Participate In The Georgia Initiative For Community Housing’s 2027 Cohort, With A Focus On Affordable Housing In The South Macon/Houston Avenue Area; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

12. Bragg Jam

- a. A Resolution Of Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing Bragg Jam, Inc., A Nonprofit Organization, To Hold Its 2026 Concert Crawl In Downtown Macon, Georgia, On Saturday, July 25, 2026; To Permit Festival Goers To Carry And Consume Alcoholic Beverages In And About The Designated Streets Of Downtown Macon Under Specified Conditions; To Require Bragg Jam, Inc. To Provide For And/Or Reimburse Macon-Bibb County For All Expenses Incurred For Security And Clean-Up (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

13. Ocmulgee Mounds Strategic Plan

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Endorsing Ocmulgee National Park And Preserve Initiative, Inc.’s Ocmulgee Mounds National Park And Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan And Adopting The Plan Into The Local Comprehensive Plan; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

14. Executive Session

Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against Macon-Bibb County or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided

in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1); Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E); and Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);

**MINUTES OF THE
MACON-BIBB PRE-COMMISSION MEETING MEETING
June 16, 2026 – 5:00 PM
City Hall
Commission Chamber**

The Pre-Commission Meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Commission was held on June 16, 2026 at 5:00 PM in the Commission Chamber at City Hall.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Lester M. Miller
Mayor Pro Tem Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Paul Bronson-On Phone
Commissioner Stanley Stewart
Commissioner Joey Hulett
Commissioner Andrea Cooke
Commissioner Raymond Wilder-On Phone
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Donice Bryant
Commissioner Brendalyn Bailey

GUESTS PRESENT

David Cole, Macon-Bibb Fire
Michael Stone, Macon-Bibb Fire

STAFF PRESENT

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Julie Moore, Assistant County Manager
Alex Morrison, Dir. Planning & Public Spaces
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Sara Davis, Sr. Asst. Co. Attorney
Adrianna Beavers, Asst. Co. Attorney
Anna Kersey-Weckstein, Asst. Co. Attorney
Wanzina Jackson, Manager, ECD
Charlotte Woody, ECD
Sherita Jones, Budget and Grants
Lashonda Fowler, Budget and Grants
Shantese Thomas, Budget and Grants
Chris Floore, Chief Communication Officer
Olivia Water, Communication Specialist
Edna Adams, Communication Specialist
Emily Wilson, Communication Specialist

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lester M. Miller

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of the June 2, 2026 Pre-Commission, Public Hearing and Commission meeting minutes (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
On motion of Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the minutes from the June 2, 2026 Pre-Commission, Public Hearing and Commission meeting were approved.

3. Appointment to Authorities, Boards and Commissions

- a. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission appointing David Cole to serve as a member of the Macon-Bibb County Defined Contribution and Deferred Compensation Plan Administrative Board (Sponsored by: Lester

M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Howell, seconded by Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn and carried unanimously, the A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission appointing David Cole to serve as a member of the Macon-Bibb County Defined Contribution and Deferred Compensation Plan Administrative Board was approved.

4. New Alcohol Beverage Licenses

- a. Jois Pick and Scratch located at 3691 Spencer Circle, Macon, GA
Legal recommends denial. Business self identifies as a food mart. After inspection by Code Enforcement, they are operating as a vice mart.
(Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
On motion of Commissioner Cooke, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the New Alcohol Beverage License for Jois Pick and Scratch located at 3691 Spencer Circle, Macon, GA was denied based on the inspection by Code Enforcement that the business is operating as a vice mart.
Legal recommends denial. Business self identifies as a food mart. After inspection by Code Enforcement, they are operating as a vice mart..
- b. Texaco Food Mart located at 2893 Napier Avenue, Macon, GA
Legal recommends approval (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
On motion of Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn and Passed by a vote of 8 to 1 with Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn, Commissioner Bronson, Commissioner Hulett, Commissioner Cooke, Commissioner Wilder, Commissioner Howell, Commissioner Bryant, Commissioner Bailey casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Stewart casting the dissenting vote, the New Alcohol Beverage License for Texaco Food Mart located at 2893 Napier Avenue, Macon, GA was approved.
Legal recommends approval.
- c. Vida Latin Kitchen located at 3267 Vineville Avenue, Macon, GA
Legal recommends approval (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
On motion of Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Cooke and carried unanimously, the New Alcohol Beverage License for Vida Latin Kitchen located at 3267 Vineville Avenue, Macon, GA was approved.
Legal recommends approval.
- d. Extra Mile located at 2630 Emory Highway, suite A, Macon, GA
Legal recommends approval (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)
On motion of Commissioner Howell, seconded by Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn and carried unanimously, the New Alcohol Beverage License for Extra Mile located at 2630 Emory Highway, suite A, Macon, GA was approved.
Legal recommends approval.
- e. A1 Stop and Shop located at 1433 Eisenhower Parkway, Suite R, Macon, GA
Legal recommends approval (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Commissioner Hulett and carried unanimously, the New Alcohol Beverage License for A1 Stop and Shop located at 1433 Eisenhower Parkway, Suite R, Macon, GA was approved.

Legal recommends approval.

5. Contracts and Purchase Orders for Approval

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Munnerlyn Pyrotechnics, LLC, For A Fireworks Show At Lake Tobesofkee On July 4, 2026, In The Amount Of \$27,500.00 For The First Year, For A Term Of Up To Five Years, To Be Paid From The Lake Tobesofkee Fund – Professional Services – Promotions/Public Relations Line Item; (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Professional Services Agreement With Munnerlyn Pyrotechnics, LLC, For A Fireworks Show At Lake Tobesofkee On July 4, 2026, In The Amount Of \$27,500.00 For The First Year, For A Term Of Up To Five Years, To Be Paid From The Lake Tobesofkee Fund – Professional Services – Promotions/Public Relations Line Item was approved.

- b. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Advent Business Interiors, Inc., In The Amount Of \$148,913.49, For The Purchase Of Furniture For Code Enforcement Offices, To Be Paid From The SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other – Machinery & Equipment Line Item (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Bailey, seconded by Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn and carried unanimously, the Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Advent Business Interiors, Inc., In The Amount Of \$148,913.49, For The Purchase Of Furniture For Code Enforcement Offices, To Be Paid From The SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other – Machinery & Equipment Line Item was approved.

6. Grants

- a. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Fy2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant From The Georgia Emergency Management And Homeland Security Agency, In The Amount Of \$50,000.00, With A \$50,000.00 Local Match To Be Met Through The Provision Of In-Kind Services, To Be Used By Macon-Bibb County Ema To Purchase A Vehicle To Transport And Deliver Sheltering Supplies And Equipment (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller,

Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Stewart, seconded by Commissioner Hulett and carried unanimously, the Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Fy2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant From The Georgia Emergency Management And Homeland Security Agency, In The Amount Of \$50,000.00, With A \$50,000.00 Local Match To Be Met Through The Provision Of In-Kind Services, To Be Used By Macon-Bibb County Ema To Purchase A Vehicle To Transport And Deliver Sheltering Supplies And Equipment was approved.

- b. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of The Judicial Council Of Georgia American Rescue Plan Act Grant For Additional 2026 Funding, In The Amount Of \$119,365.00, With No Local Match Required, Awarded To The Macon Judicial Circuit Superior Court (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Mayor Pro Mayor Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Stewart and carried unanimously, the Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of The Judicial Council Of Georgia American Rescue Plan Act Grant For Additional 2026 Funding, In The Amount Of \$119,365.00, With No Local Match Required, Awarded To The Macon Judicial Circuit Superior Court was approved.

- c. A Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Fifa World Cup Subrecipient Grant, In The Amount Of \$59,320.00, Awarded To The Bibb County Sheriff's Office To Provide Assistance To Enhance Security During Fifa Events (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Hulett, seconded by Commissioner Bryant and carried unanimously, the Resolution Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing The Acceptance Of A Fifa World Cup Subrecipient Grant, In The Amount Of \$59,320.00, Awarded To The Bibb County Sheriff's Office To Provide Assistance To Enhance Security During FIFA Events was approved.

7. Proposed Budgets for FY2027

- a. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Adopt The Economic And Community Development Department ESG, Home, And CDBG Proposed Budgets For Fiscal Year 2027 (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Cooke, seconded by Commissioner Stewart and carried unanimously, the Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Adopt The Economic And Community Development Department ESG, Home, And CDBG Proposed Budgets For Fiscal Year 2027 was approved.

- b. An Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Adopt The Fy 2027 Budget Of 2025 SPLOST Proceeds And Authorize Appropriations

(Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Cooke, seconded by Commissioner Bailey and carried unanimously, the Ordinance Of The Macon-Bibb County Commission To Adopt The Fy 2027 Budget Of 2025 SPLOST Proceeds And Authorize Appropriations was approved.

- c. An Ordinance To Adopt A Budget And Appropriate Sums For The Operation Of The Macon-Bibb County Government For Fiscal Year 2027; To Provide For Repeal Of Conflicting Ordinances (Sponsored by: Lester M. Miller, Mayor)

On motion of Commissioner Hulett, seconded by Commissioner Bryant and carried unanimously, the Ordinance To Adopt A Budget And Appropriate Sums For The Operation Of The Macon-Bibb County Government For Fiscal Year 2027; To Provide For Repeal Of Conflicting Ordinances was approved.

8. Executive Session

Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against Macon-Bibb County or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1); Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E); and Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);

Mayor Miller stated there was no need for an Executive Session.

9. Recognition and Introductions

Mayor Miller thanked Boy Scout Troop 100 for attending the meeting as part of their scout training.

Mayor Miller asked Chris Floore to introduce his intern. Mr. Floore introduced Dexter Whidby who is a student at Mercer and interning in the Communications Department for the summer.

Respectfully Submitted:

Janice S. Ross
Clerk of the Commission



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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| ☒ MAYOR LESTER M. MILLER | ☐ MAYOR PRO TEMPORE VALERIE WYNN |
| ☐ COMMISSIONER PAUL BRONSON | ☐ COMMISSIONER STANLEY B. STEWART |
| ☐ COMMISSIONER JOEY HULETT | ☐ COMMISSIONER ANDREA COOKE |
| ☐ COMMISSIONER RAYMOND WILDER | ☐ COMMISSIONER BILL HOWELL |
| ☐ COMMISSIONER DONICE BRYANT-CATO | ☐ COMMISSIONER BRENDA LYN BAILEY |
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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTING WILLIE PITTS, MARGARET ROOYAKKERS AND SHANEKE WOOTEN TO THE KEEP MACON-BIBB BEAUTIFUL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Board has been established pursuant to Section 2-736 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, and has a stated mission to promote public interest in the general improvement of the environment of Macon-Bibb County through litter prevention, recycling, and beautification; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 2-739 and 2-740 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Board consists of no more than twenty-eight (28) members appointed by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, who shall be residents of Macon-Bibb County, and each said member shall serve a term of three (3) years; and

WHEREAS, Willie Pitts has been recommended for appointment to fulfill the unexpired term of Jill Peavy, which is set to expire October 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Willie Pitts has been recommended for reappointment to serve on the Board for a term of three years, with said term to begin October 19, 2026, and expire October 18, 2029; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Rooyakkers has been recommended for appointment to succeed Kaye Hlavaty, whose term expired August 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Shaneke Wooten has been recommended for appointment to succeed Hope McMahon, whose term expired July 17, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Willie Pitts, Margaret Rooyakkers and Shaneke Wooten have expressed their interest and willingness to serve on the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Board, meet all requirements

necessary for appointment, and have submitted their resumes and Certificates of Good Standing, all attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that Willie Pitts, Margaret Rooyakkers and Shaneke Wooten are hereby appointed to serve as members of the Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful Board, with said terms to begin effective date of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this

Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

*Q:\RES MACON-BIBB\2026 Miller Appointing Willie Pitts, Margaret Rooyakkers and Shaneke Wooten to Keep
Macon Bibb Beautiful Board 7-2-2026.docx*

EXHIBIT A

Willie Pitts



willieapitts@gmail.com

Work Experience

Code Enforcement Specialist

Macon-Bibb County Government - Macon, GA

September 2021 to Present

- Certified ICC Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector
- Present public nuisance cases or provide testimony to designated municipal judge or other court official as needed or required.
- Perform systematic site inspections of properties and buildings structures to ensure compliance with all applicable codes and regulatory requirements.
- Investigate citizen complaints of code violations; investigate obvious code violations observed during site investigations; determine appropriate action to be taken; locate property ownership information and County Assessor's parcel information; research legal information for property owners, mortgage holders, and interested parties; issue warnings, letters, and citations as appropriate; conduct follow-up investigations until case is resolved and closed.
- Develop and maintain detail case files with a numbering system and case log; maintain complete records of all cases including ownership information, all communications and action taken with dates and times, and before and after photos as needed.
- Develop legal cases with legal staff in code enforcement proceedings.
- Develops procedural remedies with legal staff to effectively use the legal system when dealing with repeat code offender.
- Prepares case files for court including written reports, maintaining inspection files, preparing chronologies and violation explanation.
- Provides information and answers questions from the public, other agencies, and city/county departments regarding codes and enforcement issues.

- Communicate information regarding violations, code requirements, and necessary steps to correct for compliance.
- Consults with owners and occupants regarding provisions of city code.
- Communicate clear information with all persons regarding code requirements.

Manager

Walmart Inc - Macon, GA

November 2014 to September 2021

- Recruit, hire, and develop the best talent to create a high performing team that takes care of the consumers and grows the business.
- Inspire and motivate associates by teaching, training, accountability, and empowering them to own their business.
- Complete daily cash management audits for accurate financial reporting and provide solutions for any inaccuracies.
- Dissect P&L to determine the financial health of the facility and ways to reduce expenses, losses, and increase profit.
- Use Wicklander/Zulawski certification to interview associates who have possibly committed internal theft resulting in a financial loss to the facility.
- Control the unexplained loss of merchandise and improve profitability by monitoring the receiving and product handling process for shrinkage.
- Manage claims and receiving operations by ensuring proper policies and procedures are followed, ensuring timely processing of claims, and merchandise deliveries.
- Coordinate, complete, and delegate job-related activities and assignments for the facility to operate above standard.
- Provide a great consumer experience with a smiling team, excellent service, available product, and a safe, and clean facility.
- Detect, deter, investigate, and resolve violations of company policies and criminal activities.
- Follow company policies and procedures and support company mission, values, and standards of ethics and integrity.

- Manage training and execution of asset protection, safety, and risk control within the facility to reduce theft, shrink, injuries, and accident cost.

Education

- Master of Business Administration

University of Phoenix

- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Morris Brown College

- Associate of Arts in Business Administration

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Certifications and Licenses

- ICC Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector - September 2021
- Interviewer/Interrogator – Wicklander/Zulawski - October 2018

Skills

- Smiling, Teaching, Training, and Accountability
- Leading, Inspiring, Motivating, and Building Relationships
- Management, Customer Service, Team Building

Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name and Title of the applicant:

Willie Pitts

2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant:

3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

☐ Building Permit	☐ Plat Approval	☐ Building Inspection Report	☐ Certificate of Occupancy
☐ Alcohol License (Any)	☐ Privilege License (Any other than alcohol)	☐ Political Appointment	☐ Competitive Contract Bid or Proposal
☐ Non-Competitive Contract over \$50,000	☐ Registering to Bid on Real Property	☒ Other: Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful	

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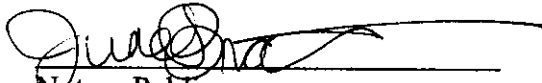
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Willie Pitts

Print and Sign Name



Sworn to and subscribed before me this
5th day of June, 2025.



Notary Public

My commission expires: Apr. 25, 2027

Margaret Rooyakkers

1501 Mercer University Dr. Campus Life Macon, GA 31201 • Phone: [REDACTED] • MargaretRooyakkers@gmail.com

Education

PhD in Educational Leadership, Higher Education Leadership

Mercer University, Macon, GA; Anticipated 2028

Masters of Education, Higher Education Leadership

Mercer University, Macon, GA; December 2020; GPA: 4.0

Bachelor of Science, Public Health

Mercer University, Macon, GA; May 2019; GPA: 3.382, Major GPA: 3.825

Professional Experience

Assistant Director of Service and Civic Engagement, Center for Engaged Learning & Office of Campus Life and Student Involvement

Mercer University, Macon, GA August 2022-Present

- Oversees 40-plus service opportunities with around 4,000 volunteer hours annually in the Macon-Bibb and Mercer communities
- Proficient in areas of Service and Civic Engagement in both extracurricular and academic settings
- Manages all areas of Mercer's America Reads/America Counts Tutoring Program for 120 plus federal work-study students and 100 service-learning students with 14 school-based programs and 6 after-school programs annually
- Provides leadership and programming for Mercer University and Macon-Bibb community partners including service-learning initiatives, community & civic engagement activities, and service-based research
- Supervises MerServe, student lead programming board for service with 20 general board members and 3 executive board
- Co-supervises Mercer Votes, nonpartisan voter engagement, education, and registration student programming board
- Collaborates with partners across campus and community partners as the primary contact for small and large-scale service and civic engagement programming
- Coordinates community-based activities such as Be a Good NeighBear, MLK Day of Service, Civic Engagement Week, Homelessness & Hunger Week, and Alternative Spring Break
- Assess and track the Center for Engaged Learning and Office of Campus Life student participation in service events and prepare assessment reports for OIE
- Assist with Center for Engaged Learning events and supporting service-learning course
- Manages three budgets totaling \$15,000 annually for MerServe, Mercer Votes, and Service & Civic Engagement
- Proficient in systems including Mercury, Common Spot, Ready Education, Maxient, Microsoft Teams, and GivePulse
- Conducts marketing and public relations regarding community engagement events and programs to promote all volunteer/civic engagement opportunities to the student body and Macon-Bibb Community
- Coordinates marketing for service and civic engagement including print and digital marketing, social media management, and website maintenance
- Serves in the Housing and Residence Life professional duty rotation and responds to mental health concerns, maintenance issues, campus emergencies, and more
- Serves as a campus life administrator (secondary) for GivePulse, the community engagement tracking platform
- Guest lecturer for service learning and academic classes

Coordinator of Community Engagement, Student Leadership, Involvement, and Community Engagement Office

Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA August 2021-July 2022

- Oversaw 69 service opportunities with over 900 volunteers and 2000 plus hours served in the Ellensburg and CWU communities
- Proficient in areas of Leadership, campus activities, student organizations (RSOs), and civic engagement
- Managed and provides leadership to establish, develop and implement programs, activities, and events to facilitate students overall development and leadership training in areas of leadership and community engagement
- Created curriculum for advocacy-based workshops on topics such as Break the Stigma: BIPOC and Mental Health Panel and white savior complex: when helping hurts
- Headed the planning of Cat Camp, a first-year leadership camp for incoming students
- Assisted in the establishment and creation of service learning onto the CWU campus
- Collaborated with partners across campus on large and small programming, such as Haunting at Central, Show up Speak out, Day of Action, Wildfest, and the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards
- Evaluated programs and implements data driven decisions to promote student success
- Recruited, hired, supervised, and evaluated SLICE student staff of 16 students

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- Assisted with operations of the on campus centralized food pantry
- Supported with budget tracking by managing individual program budget and budget status
- Managed the tracking of service hours, liability, and contracts for MOUs with 50 plus community partners
- Planned and executed the Student Leadership and Involvement Awards

Graduate Assistant of Leadership and Development, Office of Campus Life and Student Involvement

Mercer University, Macon, GA August 2019-May 2021

- Served as advisor and primary staff support to the Mercer University Freshman leadership experience, National Society of Leadership and Success
- Advised Mercer's year-long sophomore leadership program, Leadership Mercer and plan monthly large group, small groups, final project and large banquet
- Advised the Multicultural Greek Council, and two chapters Sigma Sigma Rho Sorority, Inc. and Delta Epsilon Psi Fraternity, Inc.
- Provided guidance to 189 student organizations in the development of social, educational, and cultural programs
- Served in the Housing and Residence Life professional duty rotation on a weekly basis and respond to mental health concerns, COVID cases, campus emergencies, and more
- Maintained the departments social media accounts including Facebook, Instagram, and the Mercer App
- Managed a budget of \$17,000
- Assisted the coordination of major campus-wide events such as Family weekend, Bear Fair, Be a Good Neighbear, Homecoming Week and BearStock, a spring concert and festival
- Coordinated the leadership committee aiding in changes and improvements to leadership programs
- Executed campus Leadership Awards and Fraternity/Sorority Awards, including coordinating the Leadership committee, gathering nominations, creating a script, ordering awards, and videography using Movavi and Canva
- Maximized leadership workshops aimed at student development, including StrengthsQuest, Enneagram, and personal development
- Facilitated poverty simulations for the Macon-Bibb and Mercer community

Resident Director Summer School, Office of Housing and Residence Life

Mercer University, Macon, GA Summer 2020

- Supervised a staff of 6 Resident Assistants (RA)
- Facilitated weekly Resident Assistant staff meetings and conducted one-one meetings with staff
- Oversaw training for summer staff
- Spearheaded check-in and check-out for summer students
- Oversaw facilities and safety of undergraduate students during the COVID pandemic
- Created informational bulletin boards in each of the residence halls and videos to disseminate information to residents
- Assisted with the daily operations such as facilities and maintenance concerns, facilitating room changes, administrative tasks

Faculty Justice, Office of Student Conduct

Mercer University, Macon, GA August 2020-May 2021

- Serve on Administrative and University hearings
- Review assigned cases, determining potential witnesses, and devise questions ahead of time
- At hearing determine responsibility, sanctions, and course of disciplinary action for cases.
- Constantly serving as head justice for University Hearings

NREMT, Mid Georgia Ambulance- Community Ambulance

Macon, GA December 2016- February 2019

- Responded to emergency and non-emergency ambulance calls to render the appropriate care to the patient and provide safe transportation to the appropriate destination
- Complied with all corporate policies, procedures and protocols as outlined by certification
- Maintained a clean and sanitary workspace and vehicle
- Demonstrated ability to act affectively in emergency and stressful situations
- Exhibited knowledge in cardiac cases, respiratory, trauma, etc. along with continued education

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University Involvements, Awards, Memberships, and Conferences

University Involvements

- *Campus Life Representative*, Assessment Committee for Student Affairs, Mercer University 2023-2025
- *Council Representative*, Suicide and Mental Health Prevention Council, Central Washington University 2021-2022
- *Council Representative*, Sustainability Council, Central Washington University 2021-2022

Awards

- Most Active Staff Justice, Office of Student Conduct Resolution 2020-2021, Mercer University
- Mercer University Excellence in Public Health Service Award 2019
- Mercer University Bear Award for Outstanding Student Involvement 2019

Memberships

- GCPA, Conference Chair (2024)
- GCPA, Conference Chair-Elect (2023)
- Mercer Universities Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega
- Mercer Universities Chapter of Phi Eta Sigma
- The National Society of Leadership and Success (Sigma Alpha Pi)
- Mercer Universities Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi

Conferences

- *Presenter*, Compact25 (Navigating Nonpartisanship Through Challenging Landscapes), Atlanta 2025
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (Setting the Tempo for Democracy: Harmonizing Civic Engagement on College Campuses), Belmont University 2025
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (Striking the Right Notes: Strengthening Community Engagement Activities through Planning, Training, and Reflection), Belmont University 2025
- *Presenter*, Gather with GCPA Webinar Series (Beyond the Desk: Unlocking Joy in Higher Education Careers), GCPA 2025
- *Presenter*, GCPA (Planting seeds of democracy: Growing Civic Engagement on College Campuses), Berry College 2024
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (The executive experience: A tale of student leadership, growth, and mentorship from MerServe exec board), Auburn 2024
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (Alternative spring break service programming at Mercer University: How it's changed and our impact on the Macon-Bibb community), Auburn 2024
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (Mercer votes: A roadmap to achieving full voter participation), Auburn 2024
- *Attendee*, National Student Vote Summit, University of Maryland 2023
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (Be a Good NeighBear: A Large-Scale Day of Service in Macon-Bibb County), UGA 2023
- *Presenter*, Gulf-South Summit (MerServe: Student Leadership Taking Charge in Engaging with the Community through Authentic Service Opportunities), UGA 2023

Macon-Bibb County

Certificate of Good Standing

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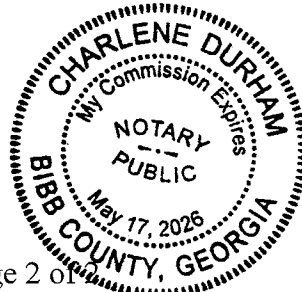
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Margaret Rooyakkers 
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
28 day of May, 2025.

Charlene Durham
Notary Public



My commission expires: 17th May 2026

Shaneke L. Wooten

• Shaneke.Wooten@gmail.com

Career Summary

Seasoned professional with 10+ years of diverse experience across operations management and human resources. Over the last 10 years in retail management, demonstrating a strong ability to drive performance and improve customer satisfaction through effective team management and delivering superior customer service. Transitioned into human resources 2 years ago, focusing on employee engagement strategies, talent acquisition and management, and leadership development. Currently seeking a mid-level human resources management role where a blend of hands-on management experience and HR experience can contribute to the organization's growth.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Middle Georgia State University

DEC 2026

Work Experience

Employee Experience Partner

YKK AP America Inc.

Nov 2022 – Present

- Contribute to the design and delivery of employee engagement initiatives scalable across all locations focused on enhancing employee morale and company culture
- Collaborate with various teams to develop and implement employee-focused strategies aligned with business goals
- Create and implement instructional lessons and skills matrix to assess employee competencies and identify skills gaps
- Facilitate leadership development training for professional and management team across all YKK AP American and Canadian companies
- Focus on Candidate experience conducting new hire orientation, new hire surveys and content creation on company career sites
- Partner with local community to identify external initiatives that support and align with organizational engagement strategies and objectives
- Assist talent acquisition team to coordinate candidate identification, interviews, hiring events, recruiting activities, and onboarding
- Oversee the performance management process conducting performance reviews for salaried and hourly employees

C-Store Manager

Sep 2020 – Nov 2022; Dec 2013 – May 2018

Murphy USA

- Managed overall daily store operations in a high-volume location including store financial performance, cash control, fuel and product inventory, customer service, and staff management
- Recruited, hired, trained, and developed employees including performance reviews, wage increases, scheduling, and disciplinary actions.
- Oversaw ordering and inventory merchandise
- Reconciled daily reports, handled large monetary transactions including banking
- Ensured the store met company standards
- Maintained positive working relationships with vendors and corporate personnel
- Increased fuel and product sales by over 75% with improved customer service system

Store Manager

May 2018 – Sep 2020

Dollar General

- Recruited, selected and retained qualified employees according to federal and state labor laws and company policies
- Provided training for employees; conducted performance evaluations; identified gaps for appropriate solutions and/or counseling, up to and including termination
- Communicated performance, conduct and safety expectations regularly; Made recommendations regarding employee pay rate and advancement
- Evaluated operating statements to identify business trends (including sales, profitability, and turn), expense control opportunities, potential shrink, and errors.
- Ordered to ensure the meeting or exceeding of in-stock targets; review ordering plan, seasonal direction and inventory management issues on a weekly basis; Basic Stock Replenishment (BSR)/cycle counts.
- Facilitated the efficient staging, stocking and storage of merchandise
- Ensured that all merchandise is presented according to established practices; utilized merchandise fixtures properly including presentation, product pricing and signage
- Maintained accurate inventory levels by controlling damages, paperwork, and facility controls
- Ensured the financial integrity of the store through strict cashier accountability, key control, and adherence to stated company security practices and cash control procedures
- Provided superior customer service leadership

Activities and Achievements

- Board of Directors of the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce 2025 - 2028
- YKK AP 2024 Fundamental Behavior Award Recipient for Being a Team Player
- Panelist for The Bottom Line: A Business Blueprint for Inclusion at Georgia College and State University (August 2024)
- Murphy USA 2017 Award Recipient for Best Customer Service in division
- Murphy USA 2017 Award Recipient for Best Operating Expenses in division

Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name Shaneke Wooten and Title Employee Experience Partner of the applicant
2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant: N/A
3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

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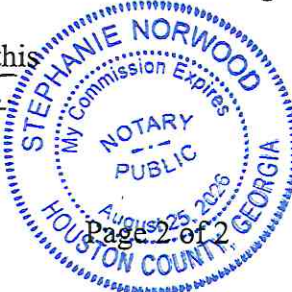
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Shaneke Wooten Shaneke Wooten
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of June, 2025

Stephanie Norwood



Rev. April 2022
See O-22-0011

Stephanie Nazari
Notary Public

My commission expires:

08/25/2020

ADDED TO THE JULY 21, 2026 PRE-COMMISSION AGENDA



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office
PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

License Fees are Prorated by Month that Completed Application is Submitted

LICENSE FEES (Check All That Apply)

*Distilled Spirits Packaged to Go	\$2,900	*Malt Packaged to Go	\$800	Wine Packaged to Go	\$700
*Distilled Spirits C.O.P.	\$2,900	*Malt C.O.P.	\$800	*Wine C.O.P.	\$700
*Distilled Spirits Wholesaler	\$3,600	*Malt Wholesaler	\$1,000	Wine Wholesaler	\$800
*Distilled Spirits Manufacturers	\$4,300	*Malt Manufacturer	\$2,500	Wine Manufacturer	\$1,700
Brewpub	\$2,500	Out-of-Town Wholesaler	\$100	Alcohol Beverage Caterer	\$600
Sunday Sales	\$300	Brown Bag	\$0	Temporary Alcohol License	\$100
Please check here if you are applying for a Business Continuation License. Business Continuation License is 25% of applicable fees.					
*Distilled Spirits (Liquor)		*Malt (Beer)		*C.O.P. (Consumed on Premise)	

A BUSINESS LICENSE IS REQUIRED BEFORE AN ALCOHOL LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED.

\$ _____ Alcohol License Fees + \$400 Application Fee = \$ _____

Agent Information

1. Agent/Owner(s) must complete and sign the Name-Based Criminal History Record Information Consent Form.
2. Provide an Unexpired Identification Card issued by Any U.S. State or United States government, bearing a current photograph of the applicant.
3. Agent/Owner(s) Must be Fingerprinted once application & fees are completed and paid unless such individuals currently hold one or more categories of alcohol license(s) in goodstanding.
4. Proof of Alcohol Handler's Permit from Agent and Owners.
5. Complete (S.A.V.E.) Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (2) Affidavit.

Location/Business Information

6. Affidavit of Intent to Sale Alcohol from the Macon Telegraph Newspaper.
7. If any business entity other than Sole Ownership...Must submit a copy of the GA Secretary of State's Business information Record.
8. If NON-PROFIT entity...Proof of Non-Profit Status.
9. Planning and Zoning Compliance Form.
10. Original Affidavit from the Macon-Bibb County Engineer's Department.
11. A legal description (Lease/Deed/etc.) of the property upon which premises are located.

Business Continuation

12. Please provide a list of the current, valid licenses issued to the named business; A record showing that all business license fees owed on the existing business have been fully paid, or a receipt showing payment thereof.
13. A statement, signed by the applicant, swearing, or affirming that the applicant has recently purchased the named business, or has a bona fide expectation of purchasing the named business soon; and
14. A record showing that all property taxes to date owned on the property have been fully paid, or a receipt showing payment thereof.

Select One: ☒ New Business ☐ Change of location ☐ Change of Business

BUSINESS

Federal Tax ID #: 41-4611502 State Tax ID #: 20313755894
 Business Name: Fuel HAVEN Exxon LLC Corporate and Trade Name: _____
 Local Business Address: 3004 DeBRA ANN DR. Syite A. MACON GA 31216
(P.O. Box Not Allowed) City State Zip
 Mailing Address: 3004 DeBRA ANN DR. Syite A. MACON GA 31216
Street Address (City State Zip)
 Local Business Phone #: 478-238-5217 Email Address: SINGHKULWINDER7410@YAHOO.COM
 Contact Person: KULWINDER SINGH Contact Phone #: 706-491-0629

AGENT

Agent's Name: KULWINDER SINGH Agent's Title: ORGANIZER
 Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
 Home Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD City: BUFORD State: GA Zip: 30519
 Home Phone #: 706-491-0629 Email: SINGHKULWINDER7410@YAHOO.COM
 Mailing Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD City: BUFORD State: GA Zip: 30519

INDIVIDUAL/OWNER INFORMATION

Will the Agent named above also serve as the Applicant of this license? ☒ Yes ☐ No If no, complete the following:

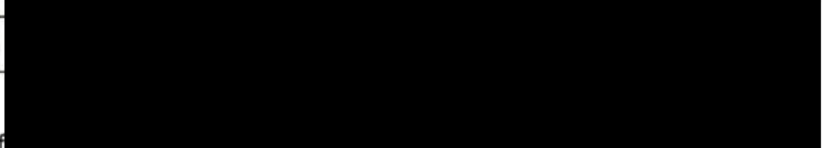
Owner/Individual's Name: _____ Title: _____
 Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone #: _____ Email: _____
 Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Rev. 12/24

Name-Based Criminal History Record Information Consent/Inquiry From

I hereby give consent for the _____ conduct an inquiry and receive
 _____ Criminal Justice Agency
 any Georgia criminal history record information pertaining to me which may be contained in the files of any state or
 local criminal justice agency in Georgia. I further authorize the B.C.S.O. to relay that information to Requesting Entity:
 _____ via:

US Mail _____ In-Person Pick-Up _____ Encrypted Email Address: _____

Full Name (Print):	KULWINDER SINGH		
Address	3492 HAMILTON MILL ROAD, BUFORD, GA. 30519		
Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Social Security Number
MALE	ASIAN		

This authorization is valid for _____ days from date of signature.
 I, KULWINDER SINGH give consent to the above named entity to perform
 periodic criminal history background checks for the duration of my employment.

Kulwinder Singh _____ 03-10-2026
 Signature Date

Attorney for Individual (Purpose Codes E and U Only) Bar Number _____ Date _____

Date of Inquiry: _____ Time of Inquiry: _____ Operator's initials: _____

Purpose Code used: (Check all that apply)

☐	Employment (E) - Provides Georgia Criminal History Record Information
☐	Employment with Mentally Disabled (M)- Provides Georgia Criminal History Record Information
☐	Employment with Elder Care (N)- Provides Georgia Criminal History Record Information
☐	Employment with Children (W) - Provides Georgia Criminal History Record Information
☐	Public Records (P)- Provides Georgia Felony Convictions Only
☐	Personal Copy (U) - Includes Restricted and Sealed arrests (not to be used for employment)
☐	Civilian Criminal Justice (J)- State and Ill Info Received
☐	Sworn Criminal Justice Employment (Z) - State and Ill Info received

The inquiry resulted in the following: (check all that apply)

☐	No Georgia CHRI results available
☐	Georgia CHRI attached/released
☐	No NCIC/GCIC Warrant results available
☐	Possible NCIC/GCIC Warrant. Contact Agency Listed Below
Wanting Agency Name: _____	
Agency Telephone: _____	

Agency Designee Signature and Title _____ Date _____

MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA
(S.A.V.E.) SYSTEMATIC ALIEN VERIFICATION FOR ENTITLEMENTS
O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (2) Affidavit

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, Occupation Tax Certificate, Alcohol License, or other public benefit as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1; the undersigned applicant verifies one of the following with respect to my application for a public benefit:

- 1) ☒ I am a United States citizen 18 years of age or older. Please submit a copy of your current Secure and Verifiable Document(s) such as driver's license, passport, or document as indicated on the attached list.
- 2) ☐ I am not a United States citizen, but I am a legal permanent resident of the United States 18 years of age or older, or I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act 18 years of age or older with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency. Please submit a copy of your current immigration document(s) which includes either your Alien number or your I-94 number and, if needed, SEVIS number.

Please check only one option above and submit the required documents with your application. Please note that the failure to do so will result in a processing delay.

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (1), with this affidavit.

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

Business Name: FUEL HAVEN EXXON LLC

Printed Name of Applicant: KULWINDER SINGH

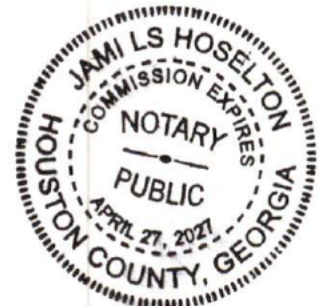
*Signature of Applicant: Kulwinder Singh

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON

THIS 9th DAY OF March, 2026.

[Signature]
 NOTARY PUBLIC

4-27-27
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES



MEASUREMENT FORM

Retail Sales of Beer and Wine Packaged to Go Macon-Bibb County Code, Chapter 4, Article V, Sec. 4-122

APPLICANT: Kulwinder Singh

PROPOSED LICENSE: BEER AND WINE PACKAGED TO GO

BUSINESS LOCATION: 3004 Debra Ann Drive, Suite A, MACON, GA

BUSINESS NAME: Exxon Fuel Haven, Exxon LLC

To Be Completed by County Engineer

1. Nearest corner of the building housing the place of business to nearest corner of a school ground, school building, college campus, an alcoholic treatment center, a public library or branch thereof, or a Macon-Bibb County Housing Property measured and found to be more than 300 ft.

X Comply _____ Does not Comply

2. An alcoholic beverage license has been previously issued for this location, so the license may be continued to be issued or renewed for the same location despite a nearby property use which does not meet the distance requirements.

_____ Not Applicable X Unknown

3. This grocery store is exempt from the restriction on sale of wine and malt beverages to go within 300 ft. of a college campus.

X Comply _____, but does not comply with other restrictions

_____ Not Applicable

4. Nearest corner of building housing the place of business to nearest corner of any known Vice Mart, Small Box Retail Store or Small Box Discount Store and found to be more than 2500'.

_____ Comply _____ Does Not Comply X Not Applicable

By: John W. Hayes
John W. Hayes, Macon-Bibb County Engineer

Date: 3/16/26

It is respectfully requested that forms be returned no later than Friday of each week for use by the County Commissioner's Office.

APPLICATION FOR AFFIDAVIT

DATE 03-09-2026

MACON-BIBB COUNTY ENGINEERING
780 THIRD STREET
MACON, GEORGIA 31201-3262

Dear Sir,

I would like to obtain an affidavit for the following:

CONSUMED ON PREMISES: _____

PACKAGE SALE TO GO: _____

BEER _____

BEER ✓

WINE _____

WINE ✓

MIXED DRINKS (Liquor) _____

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (Liquor) _____

NAME OF BUSINESS: EXXON Fuel Haven Exxon LLC

LOCATION OF BUSINESS: 3004 DeBRA ANN DR Suite A, MACON GA 31216

PERSON APPLYING FOR AFFIDAVIT: KULWINDER SINGH

TELEPHONE 706-491-0629

NOTE: A \$150.00 FEE IS REQUIRED ON ALL APPLICATIONS BEFORE WE WILL GO OUT AND MEASURE SAME. THIS MUST BE IN THE FORM OF: CERTIFIED CHECK, CASHIER'S CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ONLY! NO PERSONAL CHECKS OR COMPANY CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

- ☐ **Small Box Discount Store:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items that are continuously offered at a discounted price that is usually under \$10 per item. These stores are commonly referred to by names such as "dollar stores," "99 cent stores," "five dollar stores," "discount stores," or "variety stores." Products sold typically include processed food and drink items, personal hygiene products, office supplies and decorations. Retail floor space is typically less than 15,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Specialty Store:** a retail store that derives at least 50% of its annual gross sales from the sale of certain specialized classes or types of food or beverage products, or related accessories or non-food items. Such products are typically of a superior quality or more limited market availability than those general products commonly found in Grocery Stores. This includes brewpubs, malt beverage taprooms, and cocktail rooms. Other examples of Specialty Stores include, without limitation: (a) imported or luxury products; (b) products associated with a particular culture, global region, cuisine, or nationality; (c) products conforming to or supporting the dietary requirements of any sincerely held religious practice or belief; (d) restaurants; (e) organic, vegan, or natural products; (f) meats (e.g., butcher shops, delis, or seafood markets); (g) cheese or dairy products; (h) oils, seasonings, or spices; (i) growlers, craft beers, or wine; (j) breads or baked goods; (k) cigars; (l) honey or beeswax products; (m) products grown or produced within the State of Georgia or any particular location therein; or (n) any similarly specialized products or classes of products.
- ☐ **Vice Mart:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items for neighborhood residents or travelers, such as processed shelf-stable or refrigerated food and drink items; fountain and brewed drinks; handheld prepared food items; automotive items; tobacco products; family planning products; lottery products; gifts; over-the-counter medications; or similar items. Stores are typically designed for expediency – with customers typically buying few items per transaction and spending only a short time in the store. Retail floor space is typically less than 10,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Other Small Box Retail Store:** a retail store that meets each of the following criteria:
1. the store has a total retail floor space of less than 15,000 square feet; 2. the store does not meet the definition of Drug Store, Food Mart, Gas Station, Grocery Store, Small Box Discount Store, Specialty Store, or Vice Mart; and 3. the store is not licensed or applying for a license for the sale of distilled spirits by the package to go.
- ☐ **Other/None of the Above/Distilled Spirits/Exempt:** Check this box if none of the above definitions apply to your store, or if you are not licensed or applying for a license to sell only beer or wine or both by the package to go.

Kulwida S/L
Applicant/Agent Signature

03-09-2021
Date

PACKAGE TO GO BUSINESS TYPE IDENTIFICATION FORM

Business Name: EXXON, GAS Station

Business Address: 3004 DeBRA ANN DR. MACON, GA 31216
Suite A

Instructions:

This form must be completed for each new license or renewal license application for locations selling beer or wine or both, but not distilled spirits, by the package to go.

If you are not selling alcohol by the package to go, or if you are selling distilled spirits by the package to go, simply check the last box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

If you are selling alcohol by the package to go, please read the definitions below and check the box next to the definition which best matches how the business is currently operated or expected to operate under this license. Any intentional failure to identify or misrepresentation on this form may be grounds for denial or revocation of any license issued to you.

Definitions:

- ☐ **Drugstore:** a retail store that provides assorted items including medical or healthcare supplies, that may also provide other items or services such as over-the-counter drugs; processed food and drink items; beauty products; small toys; or photo processing services; and that is licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☐ **Food Mart:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of less than 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which regularly sells, at a minimum and among other products: at least five different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; fresh chicken eggs; bread; and fresh cow's milk. A Food Mart may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☒ **Gas Station:** a Vice Mart that is also licensed by the Georgia Safety Fire Commissioner for the storage and sale of liquefied petroleum gas and that actually regularly sells liquefied petroleum gas.
- ☐ **Grocery Store:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of at least 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which sells, at a minimum and among other products at least ten different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; fresh chicken eggs; bread; and fresh cow's milk. A Grocery Store may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.

RETAIL SALES of BEER and WINE

Package Sale to Go & consumption on premises.

OR

Package Sale to Go (Convenience Store)

300' from business building corner to nearest corner of school ground, school building, college campus, alcoholic treatment center, public library, Macon-Bibb County Housing Authority unit, church or church grounds or Macon-Bibb County recreation area.

If applying location is identified as a "Small Box Retail Store, Small Box Discount Store or Vice mart", it must be 2500' from other similarly classified stores.

(Revised 8-23-2023) PJH

		Fuel Haven Exxon LLC	
		#3004 Debra Ann Drive	
7,850'	—	SCHOOL GROUND property line	
		Heard Elementary	
8,550'	—	SCHOOL BUILDING	
		Heard Elementary	
23,300'	—	COLLEGE CAMPUS property line	
		Central Georgia Technical College	
32,100'	—	ALCOHOLIC TREATMENT CENTER building	
		River Edge - Fulton Mill Road	
7,800'	—	PUBLIC LIBRARY or BRANCH building	
		Langford Library	
15,200'	—	MACON-BIBB COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY property	
		Bloomfield Way	
500'	—	CHURCH (building)	
		Victory Baptist	
* 90'	—	CHURCH GROUNDS	
		Victory Baptist	
13,300'	—	M-B COUNTY RECREATION CENTER property	
		South Bibb Recreation Center	
N/A	—	Vice Mart - Small Box Retail Store - Small Box Discount store (2500')	

* Refer to
Attorney's
Office

Paul J. Homowski
March 12, 2026

Applicant self-identifies as a:
"Gas Station"



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

The Monroe County Macon Reporter

Covering Monroe and Bibb Counties

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF BIBB

Applicant: **Kulwinder Singh**

Business Name : Fuel Haven Exxon LLC

Business Address : 3004 Debra Ann Dr. Suite A,

City, State, Zip : MACON GA 31216

Consumed on or off premise: Off Premise

MALT BEVERAGE, WINE, LIQUOR: MALT BEVERAGE and WINE

GEORGIA, BIBB COUNTY

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE REQUEST FOR ALCOHOL LICENSE

Pursuant to the ordinance adopted by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, dated December 4, 2018, as now or hereafter amended, notice is here-by given that on or after the 02/03/2026, the undersigned will apply to said Macon-Bibb County Commission for the above-described license(s) at an establishment known as **Fuel Haven Exxon LLC**

The public is invited to comment on the proposed license by submitting comments in writing to Macon-Bibb County Tax Commissioner's Office. Attn: Alcohol License Comments, 188 Third Street, Macon, GA 31201 within fourteen days of the date shown below.

I, Will Davis, do solemnly swear I am the Publisher of the Monroe County/Macon Reporter, the official organ for Bibb County, Georgia and that the legal advertisement of Notice of Publication:

Will Davis, Publisher

was published in the Monroe County/Macon Reporter on the following date(s):

03/11/2026 and 03/18/2026

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day 29 of March 2026

Lana Marie Seay Notary Public

My commission expires: 09/05/2028

**Lana Marie Seay
NOTARY PUBLIC
BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA**





ZONING COMPLIANCE

PERMIT NO: ZC-2026-684	PERMIT TYPE: Permitted Use	DATE ISSUED: 03/17/2026
PARCEL NO: ☐ O120-0014	ZONING DISTRICT: PDM	NEW CONSTRUCTION: No
NAME OF APPLICANT:	Kulwinder Singh Fuel Haven Exxon LLC	
PROPOSED USE:	Change of ownership	
ADDRESS OF PROPOSED USE:	3004 DEBRA ANN DR Suite A	
PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME:	DEVI SOUTH LLC	

PERMIT ISSUED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS

Approval is granted for a fueling center with alcohol packaged to go; No outside storage, sales, or display authorized. No signage authorized by this permit. Signage shall require a separate Zoning permit. No more than six (6) amusement or gaming machines are authorized by this approval and the floor area as utilized by these machines or their patrons shall be less than thirty (30) percent of the gross floor area of the establishment; should the machines and their patrons occupy more than this or should there be more than six (6) machines, a separate application for an amusement facility/indoor recreation facility is required. Subject to the requirements of the Office of Building and Fire Safety, Business License Office, and all other applicable local, state, and federal regulations. Any permit or certificate of appropriateness necessary to allow construction or other work on land or a structure shall be displayed at the site of and during such construction or work. Where a use requires a business license, the zoning permit must be displayed on the premises together with the business license.

NOTE: THIS PERMIT IS NULL & VOID IF CONSTRUCTION OR USE HAS NOT BEGUN BY: 03/17/2027

APPROVED BY: *Trisha Kawa*

This permit or certificate of appropriateness necessary to allow construction or other work on land or a structure shall be displayed at the site of and during such construction or work. Where a use requires a business license, this zoning permit must be displayed on the premises together with the business license. This permit is issued subject to the rules and regulations of the Macon-Bibb County Health Department, the Macon-Bibb County Engineering Department, the Macon-Bibb County Fire Department, the Macon-Bibb County Traffic Engineering Department, the Macon Water Authority, the Office of Building and Fire Safety, and any other governmental agency whose regulations may be applicable. All construction or use relating to this permit must strictly comply with site plans submitted to the Macon-Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission. Permits are specific to the property for which the permit is issued as well as the person to whom it is issued. Other than permits for single family homes or duplexes, any change in the person engaging in the use allowed by such permit shall require that the new person engaging in such use file a change of ownership form with the Commission, provided that change of ownership forms shall not be required for variances or certificates of appropriateness. The new holder of any permit shall be subject to all conditions attached to the original permit.

3661 Eisenhower Parkway, Ste. MB104 Macon, Georgia 31206



GEORGIA CORPORATIONS DIVISION

GEORGIA SECRETARY OF STATE
BRAD RAFFENSPERGER

[HOME \(/\)](#)

BUSINESS SEARCH

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Name:	FUEL HAVEN EXXON LLC	Control Number:	26045520
Business Type:	Domestic Limited Liability Company	Business Status:	Active/Compliance
NAICS Code:	Retail Trade	NAICS Sub Code:	Gasoline Stations with Convenience Stores
Principal Office Address:	3004 DEBRA ANN DR, STE - A, MACON, GA, 30216, USA	Date of Formation / Registration Date:	2/20/2026
State of Formation:	Georgia	Last Annual Registration Year:	NONE

REGISTERED AGENT INFORMATION

Registered Agent Name: **Kulwinder Singh**
Physical Address: **3492 Hamilton Mill Rd, Buford, GA, 30519, USA**
County: **Gwinnett**

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Ownership Disclosure Form

A separate copy of this form must be completed for each individual who has a disclosable interest in the business.

Business:

Trade Name: FOOD MART Name of Corporation: FUEL HAVEN Exxon LLC

If publicly traded, Stock Symbol and Name of one Listing Exchange: _____

Individual:

Name and Title: KULWINDER SINGH / ORGANIZER Telephone Number: 706-491-0629

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number [REDACTED]

Residential Street Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD, BUFORD, GA 30519

P.O. Box Not Allowed (City State Zip)

Mailing Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD, BUFORD, GA 30519

(City State Zip)

Type of Entity and Business Interest:

Please check appropriate description and complete as required.

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship
- ☐ General Partnership
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Partnership (LP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
 - o Limited Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Liability Limited Partnership (LLLP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
 - o Limited Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☒ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 - o Managing Member, Total number of Managing Member(s): 1
 - o Member holdings 100 % of all outstanding membership interests.
- ☐ Privately Held Corp./Company
 - o Corporate Officer: Yes _____ No _____
 - o Shareholder holding _____ % of all outstanding ownership interests.
- ☐ Publicly Traded Company
 - o Corporate Officer: Yes _____ No _____
- ☐ Other
 - o Other person exercising operational authority over the entity: _____



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office
PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

Alcohol Handler's Beverage License Application

APPLICANT

First Name: KULWINDER SINGH Last Name: SINGH
Home Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD City: BUFORD State: GA Zip: 30519
Home Phone #: 706-491-0629 Email: SINGHKULWINDER7410@YAHOO.COM
Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
Mailing Address: 3492 HAMILTON Mill RD City: BUFORD State: GA Zip: 30519

- A certificate showing completion of an Alcohol Handler's training course taken within the last three years.
- An unexpired identification card issued by any U.S. State or The United States government, bearing a current photograph of the applicant.
- Current Color photograph of applicant.
- \$25 cash, money order/check or debit/credit (in office) Payable to Macon-Bibb County Tax Commissioner's Office

CERTIFICATION

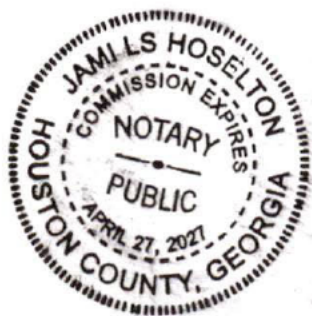
I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

Kulwinder Singh 9/4
Applicant's Signature Date

I hereby certify that KULWINDER SINGH signed his/her name to forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This 9th day of March, 20 26.

[Signature]
Notary Public



4-27-27
My Commission Expires

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Certificate of Completion

This is to certify that

Kulwinder Singh

has completed the training course

ALCOHOL AWARENESS COURSE - MACON-BIBB

Thursday, Mar 05 2026

Marshall Talley
Trainer





Kulwinder Singh



AH001767

ALCOHOL HANDLER

EXP: 12/31/2026

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE LEASE CONTRACT

THIS COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE LEASE CONTRACT (hereinafter referenced as "Lease") is made effective this 1st day of March 2026, by and between **Devi South LLC, a Georgia Limited Liability Company** (hereafter referenced as "Landlord") and **Kulwinder Singh, a Georgia Resident** (hereafter referenced as "Tenant").

WITNESSETH:

THAT, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties have agreed as follows:

1. **Premises.** Landlord, for and in consideration of the rents, covenants, agreements and stipulations contained herein, to be paid, kept, and performed by Tenant, has leased and rented, and by these presents does lease and rent unto said Tenant, and said Tenant hereby agrees to lease and take upon the terms and conditions which hereinafter appear, the c-store and coin laundry portion of that certain tract or parcel of land, having a postal address at **3004 Debra Ann Dr, Suite A & D, Macon, GA 31216** together with: (a) the HVAC and other fixtures used in connection with the c-store and coin laundry (collectively, the "Improvements"); (b) all equipment and other personal property owned by Landlord associated with the c-store and coin laundry portion of the property (the "Personalty"); (c) and all additions and accessions thereto, substitutions therefor and replacements thereof (the Land, Improvements and Personalty being, collectively, the "Premises", unless otherwise provided herein).

2. **Term of Lease.** The term of this Lease shall commence on **March 1, 2026**, and, unless sooner terminated as hereinafter provided, shall expire on **October 31, 2041** (the "Initial Term").

3. **Rental and Late Fees.**

3.1 **Rental.** Tenant agrees to pay Landlord, by electronic funds transfer ("EFT") payments, or by such other means designated by Landlord in writing to Tenant, promptly on or before the first (1st) day of each month, in advance, rent as mentioned below.

Period Start	Period End	Monthly Rent
March 1, 2026	October 31, 2026	\$13,000.00 + CAMIT
November 1, 2026	October 31, 2031	\$14,000.00 + CAMIT
November 1, 2031	October 31, 2032	\$14,210.00 + CAMIT
November 1, 2032	October 31, 2033	\$14,423.15 + CAMIT
November 1, 2033	October 31, 2034	\$14,639.50 + CAMIT
November 1, 2034	October 31, 2035	\$14,859.09 + CAMIT
November 1, 2035	October 31, 2036	\$15,081.98 + CAMIT
November 1, 2036	October 31, 2037	\$15,308.21 + CAMIT
November 1, 2037	October 31, 2038	\$15,537.83 + CAMIT
November 1, 2038	October 31, 2039	\$15,770.90 + CAMIT
November 1, 2039	October 31, 2040	\$16,007.46 + CAMIT
November 1, 2040	October 31, 2041	\$16,247.57 + CAMIT

3.2 **Rental Proration.** In the event the commencement date of this Lease is any day other than the first day of a calendar month, the first month's rental shall be prorated.

Landlord



Tenant



3.3 *Late Fees.* Tenant agrees to pay Landlord, promptly at the times and in the manner herein specified, all amounts due, without deduction, setoff, abatement, counterclaim, or defense. If any amount due is not received by Landlord on or before five (5) days following the date on which it is due, Tenant shall pay Landlord a late charge equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such past due payment, notwithstanding the date on which such payment is actually paid to Landlord.

4. **Security Deposit.** The security deposit of Thirteen Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$13,000.00) ("Security Deposit") as security for the performance of Tenant's obligations under this Lease is transferred from previous lease agreement executed on February 1, 2026.

5. **Utilities, Common Area Maintenance, Taxes and Other Amounts.**

5.1 *Tenant's Proportionate Share.* As used herein, the term "Tenant's Proportionate Share" shall mean the quotient obtained by dividing the square footage of the Premises by that amount of the Gross Leasable Area of the Shopping Center (which may increase or decrease from time to time), which is then leased.

5.2 *Utilities.* Tenant shall bear and pay all utility bills, including, but not limited to, water charges, sewer, gas, electricity, fuel, telephone, light and heat for the Premises. Tenant shall also bear and pay Tenant's Proportionate Share of all Common Area Maintenance (CAM) charges for garbage collection services, pest control, other sanitary services, outdoor lights, landscaping, cleaning, and etc. rendered to the leased Premises or used by Tenant in connection therewith.

5.3 *Taxes.* Tenant shall bear and pay Tenant's Proportionate Share of all Real Estate Taxes. "Taxes" means all federal, state, local, governmental, special district and special service area taxes, charges, assessments and any other government charges, surcharges, and levies, general and special, ordinary or extraordinary. Tenant shall bear any late charges arising from non-payment or late payments of such taxes.

5.4 *Insurance.* Tenant, at all times during the Lease Term and at Tenant's expense, shall provide and maintain in full force and effect with insurers approved by Landlord: (a) insurance with respect to the Improvements against loss or damage by fire, lightning, windstorm, hail, explosion, riot, riot attending strike, civil commotion, aircraft, vehicles, smoke and other risks from time to time included under "extended coverage" policies, in an amount equal to at least 100% of the full replacement value of the Improvements, and in any event in an amount sufficient to prevent Landlord or Tenant from becoming a coinsurer of any loss under applicable policies, which shall be written on a replacement cost basis; (b) public liability and property damage insurance protecting Landlord against any and all liability occasioned by negligence, occurrence, accident or disaster in or about the Demised Premises or any part thereof, or the Improvements now or hereafter erected thereon, or adjoining sidewalks, curbs, vaults and vault space, if any, streets or ways, or any appurtenances thereto, in amounts approved from time to time by Landlord, which amounts at the date hereof shall be, in the case of public liability, \$1,000,000 per person and \$3,000,000 per accident, and in the case of property damage, \$500,000; (c) explosion insurance in respect of any steam and pressure boilers and similar apparatus located on the Demised Premises in amounts approved by Landlord, which amount at the date hereof shall be \$500,000; (d) war risk insurance when and to the extent obtainable from the Federal government or any agency thereof; (e) appropriate workers' compensation or other insurance against liability arising from claims of workers in respect of and during the period of any work on or about the Demised Premises; (f) if the Demised Premises are located in an area which has been identified by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development as a flood hazard area, flood insurance in an amount at least equal to the maximum limit of coverage available for the Demised Premises under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and (g) insurance against such other hazards and in such amounts as is customarily carried by prudent owners and operators of similar properties, and as Landlord reasonably may request. In addition, Tenant, at Tenant's expense, shall keep the rental value of the Improvements insured against loss or damage by all such risks from time to time included under "extended coverage" policies, in an amount designated by Landlord from time to time, which amount shall not exceed the aggregate of: the annual Fixed Rent and all other Rent to be paid by Tenant in the succeeding twelve month period, as estimated by Landlord; all Impositions payable by Tenant hereunder for the ensuing twelve month period, as estimated by Landlord if

Landlord

Tenant *KS*

not then fixed; plus the cost of obtaining, for a one year period, all insurance then required to be maintained by Tenant under this Article 5.3. Tenant shall comply with such other requirements as Landlord from time to time reasonably may request for the protection by insurance of Landlord's interests. (h) Liquor liability insurance protecting Landlord and tenant against any and all liability occasioned by negligence, occurrence, accident or disaster by or with sell of alcohol. All insurance maintained by Tenant pursuant to this Article 5.3: (a) shall, except for workers' compensation insurance, name Landlord and Tenant as insureds, as their respective interests may appear, and shall include an effective waiver by the issuer of all rights of subrogation against any named insured or such insured's interest in the Demised Premises or any income derived therefrom; (b) shall provide that all insurance claims for losses of less than \$10,000 shall be adjusted by Tenant, and all insurance claims for losses of such amount or more, except for workers' compensation insurance which shall be adjusted by Tenant, shall be adjusted by Landlord; (c) shall provide, except in the case of public liability and workers' compensation insurance, that insurance proceeds shall be payable to Landlord for the benefit of Landlord and Tenant, as their respective interests may appear; (d) shall provide that any losses shall be payable notwithstanding any act or failure to act or negligence of Landlord or Tenant or any other person; (e) shall provide that no cancellation, reduction in amount or material change in coverage thereof shall be effective until at least ten days after receipt by Landlord and Tenant of written notice thereof; and (f) shall be satisfactory in all other respects to Landlord acting reasonably. Any such insurance, at Tenant's option, may be provided through a blanket policy or policies in form and substance satisfactory to Landlord, provided such policies shall provide in a manner satisfactory to Landlord for specific allocation to the Demised Premises of the coverage afforded by such blanket policy or policies, and provided further that such blanket policy or policies give to Landlord no less protection than that which would be afforded by separate policies. Upon the execution of this Lease and thereafter not less than fifteen days prior to the expiration date of any policy delivered pursuant to this Article 5.3, Tenant shall deliver to Landlord the originals of all policies or renewal policies, as the case may be, required by this Lease, bearing notations evidencing the payment of the premiums therefor. In lieu of any such policies, Tenant may deliver certificates of the insurer, in form and substance satisfactory to Landlord, as to the issuance and effectiveness of such policies and the amounts of coverage afforded thereby, accompanied by copies of such policies. If at any time Tenant shall neglect or fail to provide or maintain insurance or to deliver insurance policies in accordance with this Article 5.3, Landlord may affect such insurance as agent for Tenant, by taking out policies in companies selected by Landlord, and the amount of the premiums paid for such insurance shall be paid by Tenant to Landlord on demand. Landlord, in addition to Landlord's other rights and remedies, shall be entitled to recover as damages for any breach of this Article 5.3 the uninsured amount of any loss, liability, damage, claim, costs and expenses suffered or incurred by Landlord, and shall not be limited in the proof of damages to the amount of the insurance premium not paid by Tenant for such Indemnification by Tenant. Tenant shall indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from and against all liabilities, obligations, claims, damages, fines, penalties, interest, causes of action, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees (but excluding any income or excess profits or franchise taxes of Landlord determined on the basis of general income or revenue or any interest or penalties in respect thereof), imposed upon or incurred by or asserted against Landlord or the Demised Premises by reason of the occurrence or existence of any of the following, whether or not resulting from any negligent act or omission of Landlord: ownership of the Demised Premises or any interest therein, or receipt of any rent or other sum therefrom; any accident, injury to or death of persons (including workers) or loss of or damage to property occurring, or claimed to have occurred, on or about the Demised Premises or any part thereof, or any Improvements now or hereafter erected thereon, or the adjoining sidewalks, curbs, vaults or vault spaces, if any, streets or ways, or appurtenances thereto; any use or condition of the Demised Premises or any part thereof, or any Improvements now or hereafter erect thereon, or the adjoining sidewalks, curbs, vaults and vault spaces, if any, streets or ways, or appurtenances thereto; any failure on the part of Tenant promptly and fully to comply with or perform any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Lease; or performance of any labor or services or the furnishing of any materials or other property in respect of the Demised Premises or any part thereof. In the case any suit, action or proceeding is brought against Landlord or filed against the Demised Premises or any part thereof by reason of any such occurrence, Tenant, upon Landlord's request and at Tenant's expense, shall resist and defend such suit, action or proceeding, or cause the same to be resisted and defended by counsel designated by Tenant and approved by Landlord. The obligations of Tenant under this Article 5.4 shall survive the expiration or termination of the Lease Term.

5.4 *Real Property Insurance.* Landlord shall at all times during the Term of this Lease procure

Landlord

Tenant

and maintain in full force and effect an All-Risk Property Insurance Policy on the entire property, and on all improvements constructed thereon and any additions or alterations thereto or replacements thereof. Such policy is to contain a Replacement Cost Endorsement, insuring against perils therein specified, in an amount equal to not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the replacement cost of all improvements on the property of which the Premises is a part, exclusive of foundation and excavation costs, the proceeds of which shall be payable to Landlord and any Landlord lender in accordance with their respective interests therein. Landlord, upon receipt of insurance proceeds, shall replace the property to its previous working condition. Tenant shall bear and pay Tenant's Proportionate Share of such expense of said real property insurance.

6. **Use of Premises.** The Premises is to be used as a c-store/gas station and coin laundry only. Tenant or the occupants shall be responsible for all licenses or permits associated with said use. The Premises shall not be used for any illegal purpose, or in any manner so as to create any nuisance or trespass, or in any manner to vitiate the insurance or increase the rate of insurance on the Premises. Tenant shall not commit or allow any waste or nuisance upon the leased Premises.

7. **Operation of the Premises.** Tenant shall: (1) keep the Premises, buildings, equipment, fixtures, restrooms, sidewalks, approaches, and driveways in good condition, and properly lighted, safe, sanitary, free of trash, rubbish, and other debris; (2) keep the approaches, driveways, and service areas uncluttered and free of parked vehicles, trailers, and other obstructions, including ice and snow, at all times; (3) not engage in or permit any illegal act or conduct on the Premises; and (4) comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, or regulations of constituted public authority applicable to the use and occupancy of the Premises, use of the equipment and the conduct of the business. Tenant understands that Tenant is required to comply with certain appearance, cleanliness, and customer service guidelines. Tenant shall comply with these guidelines. In the event Tenant fails to comply with its obligations under this paragraph, Landlord may, in addition to any other rights and remedies available, take such action and/or expend such monies as may be necessary to bring the Premises into compliance with such guidelines, obligations and any requirements to maintain said brand, including those regarding cleanliness. In the event Landlord expends money or resources in this regard, Tenant shall pay to Landlord such money advances with the rent payment next due.

8. **Abandonment of Leased Premises.** Tenant agrees not to abandon or vacate the Premises during the Term of this Lease and agrees to use said Premises only for purposes herein leased until the expiration or termination hereof. No equipment owned by Landlord shall be removed from the Premises, unless replaced by Tenant due to disrepair, age and obsolescence. Any such replacement equipment or improvements shall be considered part of the Premises for the use and enjoyment pursuant to this Lease.

9. **Repairs and Maintenance.**

9.1 ***Repairs and Maintenance by Tenant.*** Landlord shall be under no obligation to inspect the Premises. Tenant acknowledges that Tenant has been in possession of the Premises and accepts the same in its present condition as suited for the intended use by Tenant "AS IS, WITHOUT WARRANTY". During the Term, Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, maintain in good order and repair the Premises. Tenant agrees to return the Premises, at the expiration or prior to the termination of this Lease, in as good as condition and repair as when first received, natural wear and tear, loss due to condemnation, and acts of God excepted. Tenant understands that Tenant is responsible for any replacement and upgrade to any equipment upon the Premises and any related costs and/or expenses shall be borne by Tenant.

9.2 ***Repairs and Maintenance by Landlord.*** Landlord shall only be responsible for all repairs to the roof and the outer walls of the building.

9.3 ***Signage.*** Tenant may install any signs at the Premises with the written consent of Landlord; provided that any and all signs placed on the Premises by Tenant shall be maintained in compliance with rules and regulations of governmental authorities governing such signs. Tenant shall be responsible to Landlord for any damage to the Premises caused by the installation, use, or maintenance of Tenant's signs, and Tenant agrees upon removal of said signs to repair all damage incident to such removal.

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10. **Destruction of or Damage to Premises.** Tenant shall give prompt written notice to Landlord of any damage to the Premises caused by fire or other casualty, and Landlord shall proceed with reasonable diligence and at its sole cost and expense to rebuild and repair the Premises; provided that Tenant shall be responsible, at its sole cost and expense, to restore Tenant's improvements, equipment, inventory and other personal property to substantially the condition in which the same existed prior to the casualty. Tenant hereby waives, releases, and relinquishes any and all claims against Landlord for any compensation or damage for loss of use of all or any part of the Premises or for any inconvenience or annoyance occasioned by any such damage, destruction, repair, or restoration of the Premises.

11. **Indemnification of Landlord Against Loss or Claim.** For and during the Term of this Lease, Tenant shall protect, indemnify, defend, and save harmless Landlord from and against all claims, demands, liability, losses, or costs, whether from injury to persons or loss of life or damage to property occurring on or within the Premises and arising in any manner, directly or indirectly, out of the use and occupancy of the Premises by Tenant. Tenant shall, at Tenant's expense, provide and keep in force for the benefit of Landlord, comprehensive general liability insurance covering the Premises and the business to be operated thereon, in which insurance policy or policies Landlord, as well as Tenant, shall be named as an insured. The said policy or policies of insurance shall provide for limits of liability for bodily injury of not less than \$2,000,000.00 single limit coverage for each accident or occurrence, and not less than \$1,000,000.00 for property damage. Said policy shall include any "dram shop" or liquor liability coverage in the event Tenant sells alcoholic beverages at the Premises. Tenant shall furnish to Landlord evidence of such insurance within fifteen (15) days of the date hereof and at such other times as Landlord may require. Tenant shall defend, indemnify, and save harmless Landlord from and against all claims, demands, liabilities, losses, or costs to which Landlord may be subjected for, or by reason of any person, firm, or corporation seeking to hold or holding Landlord liable or in any way responsible for the debts or obligations incurred in any manner in connection with Tenant's conduct and operation of the business conducted on the Premises during the Term. In addition, Tenant shall maintain Workers Compensation coverage and all other coverage required by contract, regulation or law.

12. **Governmental Orders.** Tenant agrees that, at Tenant's own expense, Tenant will promptly comply with all requirements of any legally constituted public authority made necessary by reason of Tenant's occupancy of the Premises.

13. **Condemnation.** If the whole of the Premises, or such portion thereof as will make the Premises unusable for the purposes herein leased or materially impair the ability to operate the Premises as a c-store and coin laundry, are condemned by any legally constituted authority for any public use or purposes, then in any of said events the Term hereby granted shall cease from the date when possession thereof is taken by public authorities, and rent shall be accounted for as between Landlord and Tenant as of said date. Tenant shall not have any rights in any award made to Landlord by any condemnation authority notwithstanding the termination of the Lease as herein provided.

14. **Assignment and Subletting.** Tenant shall not assign, enter into a business management or sublease agreement, or permit the use of the Premises by any other party, without prior written consent of Landlord.

15. **Default.** It is agreed that in the event Tenant shall default in the payment of rent, including additional rent herein reserved, and fails to cure the rental default within five (5) days of written notice, or if Tenant shall be in default in performing any of the terms or provisions of this Lease other than the payment of rent, and fails to cure such event(s) of default within twenty (20) days of written notice; or if a petition for voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy or reorganization under the Bankruptcy Act is filed as to Tenant; or if a receiver is appointed for Tenant's property; or if, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, Tenant takes advantage of any debtor relief proceedings under any present or future law, whereby the rent or any part thereof is, or is proposed to be reduced, or payment thereof deferred; or if Tenant makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or if Tenant's effects should be levied upon or attached under process against Tenant; Landlord, at its option, may: (i) terminate this Lease by written notice to Tenant whereupon this Lease shall terminate immediately and possession of the Premises shall immediately be returned to Landlord; (ii) not terminate this Lease and enter the Premises and take

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possession thereof and relet the Premises or any portion thereof on such terms as Landlord deems appropriate. Any rent from any reletting shall be applied to any indebtedness other than rent owing to Landlord, second to Landlord's attorneys' fees and brokerage fees and other expenses of exercising its rights, and third, to the rent due. Tenant agrees to pay any deficiency upon demand by Landlord therefor; or (iii) pursue separately or concurrently, any and all other remedies allowed by law or in equity. In no event shall Landlord have to give notice of default more than once in any twelve (12) month period. Any notice provided in this paragraph may be given by Landlord or its attorney. Upon Lease termination by Landlord, Tenant will at once surrender possession of the Premises to Landlord and remove all of Tenant's effects therefrom; and Landlord may forthwith re-enter the Premises and repossess itself thereof, and remove all persons and effects therefrom, using such force as may be necessary without being guilty of trespass, forcible entry, detainer, or other tort. If Tenant refuses to surrender possession immediately, Landlord may institute appropriate legal proceedings and Tenant agrees that Landlord may obtain injunctive relief for removal of Tenant, should Tenant's leasehold become subject to cancellation hereunder. It is expressly agreed that no termination of this Lease as the result of Tenant's default or breach shall have the effect of releasing Tenant from its obligation to pay the full rent due for the entire period of the then existing Term.

16. **Mortgagee's Rights.** Tenant's rights shall be subject to any bona fide mortgage or deed to secure debt, which is now, or may hereafter be, placed upon the Premises by Landlord.

17. **No Estate in Land.** This contract shall create the relationship of Landlord and Tenant between the parties hereto; no estate shall pass out of Landlord. Tenant's interest in the Premises is possessory only, and personal to Tenant, and is not subject to levy or sale, nor assignable by Tenant except by Landlord's consent.

18. **Service of Notice.** Any notices to Tenant required under this Lease shall be sent by certified mail or overnight delivery to Tenant at **3492 Hamilton Mill Rd, Buford, GA 30519**. Any notices to Landlord required under this Lease shall be sent by certified mail or overnight delivery to Landlord at **5500 Oakbrook Pkwy, Ste 170, Norcross, GA 30093**.

19. **No Waiver of Rights.** All rights, powers, and privileges conferred hereunder upon the parties hereto shall be cumulative, including those rights given by law. No failure of Landlord to exercise any power given Landlord hereunder, or to insist upon strict compliance by Tenant with its obligation hereunder, and no custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms hereof shall constitute a waiver of Landlord's right to demand exact compliance with the terms hereof. Each party has had the opportunity to be represented by counsel and negotiate this Lease. This Lease shall not be interpreted against either party as drafter. Tenant has had the ability to conduct any appropriate due diligence and accepts the Premises, business, and equipment, if any, based on Tenant's own inspection.

20. **Licenses and Permits.** During the Term, Tenant shall be responsible to obtain and maintain, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, Tenant's own licenses and/or permits required to operate such a business upon the Premises. Tenant agrees to acquire from the appropriate authorities, and agrees to maintain, any required and/or necessary permits, licenses and/or qualifications, prior to: (i) operating Tenant's business upon the Premises; and/or (ii) making any improvement, modification or other change to the Premises (said improvement, modification or change may require the prior written consent of Landlord). Tenant shall be responsible for all obligations, claims, and debts of the business upon the Premises arising during the Term. Tenant agrees to indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from all losses, claims, damages, or assessments, including attorney fees and costs, incurred by Tenant or the business operated upon the Premises, for any citation/violation of any permit or license. Further, any violation of such licenses shall be grounds for immediate termination of the Lease by Landlord.

21. **Alterations.** Tenant shall not make any alterations, additions, or improvements to the Premises without Landlord's prior written consent. Tenant shall promptly remove any alterations, additions, or improvements constructed in violation of this paragraph upon Landlord's written request. All approved alterations, additions, and improvements will be accomplished in a good and workmanlike manner, in conformity with all applicable laws and regulations, and by a contractor approved by Landlord, free from any liens or encumbrances. Landlord may require Tenant to remove any alterations, additions or improvements (whether or not made with Landlord's consent) at the termination of this Lease and to restore the Premises to its prior condition, all at Tenant's expense. All alterations, additions and improvements which Landlord has not required Tenant to

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remove shall become Landlord's property and shall be surrendered to Landlord upon the termination of this Lease, except that Tenant may remove any of Tenant's machinery or equipment which can be removed without material damage to the Premises. Tenant shall repair, at Tenant's expense, any damage to the Premises caused by the removal of any such machinery or equipment.

22. **Attorneys' Fees.** In the event of litigation arising out of this Lease, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all of its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs associated therewith.

23. **Legality of Agreement.** In the event any portion or portions of this Lease are declared unconstitutional, illegal, void, or of no force and effect, the balance of this Lease shall remain in full force and effect and enforceable as a binding contract.

24. **Counterparts.** This Lease may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be enforceable as an original.

25. **Entire Agreement.** This Lease represents the complete understanding between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. This Lease may be amended only by written instrument signed by both parties. No requirement, obligation, remedy, or provision of this Lease shall have been deemed to have been waived, unless so waived expressly in writing.

26. **Successors and Assigns.** This Lease and all warranties, representations, and agreements contained herein shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors, and permitted assignees, where the contract requires or permits.

27. **Choice of Law/Venue.** This Lease shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Georgia without any presumption or rule requiring construction against the party causing such Lease to be drafted. The exclusive venue for any legal action, claim, suit, dispute or matter arising out of or relating to this Lease or any documents to be executed pursuant to this Lease by any of the parties hereto shall be Gwinnett County, State of Georgia.

28. **CPI Rent Adjustment.** If the Term exceeds one (1) year, Basic Rent shall be adjusted on each anniversary of the Lease commencement date based on the percentage change in the Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (BLS CPI-U). The CPI figure for the month this Lease commences shall serve as the base. If the CPI decreases, Basic Rent shall not decrease. Annual increases shall not exceed three percent (3%). Any delay in CPI publication may result in a retroactive billing adjustment of up to three (3) months.

29. **USA Patriot Act.** Tenant represents to Landlord that: (i) neither Tenant nor any person or entity that directly owns a ten percent (10%) or greater equity interest in the business nor any of its officers, directors or managing members is a person or entity (each, a "Prohibited Person") with whom U.S. persons or entities are restricted from doing business with under regulations of the Office of Foreign Asset Control ("OFAC") of the Department of the Treasury (including those named on OFAC's Specially Designated and Blocked Persons List) or under Executive Order 13224 (the "Executive Order") signed on September 24, 2001, and entitled "Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism", or other governmental action; (ii) that Tenant's activities do not violate the International Money Laundering Abatement and Financial Anti-Terrorism Act of 2001, or the regulations or orders promulgated there under (as amended from time to time, the "Money Laundering Act"); and (iii) that throughout the term of this Lease, Tenant shall comply with the Executive Order and with the Money Laundering Act.

30. **Additional Provisions.**

30.1 **Acknowledgement of Risks.** Without limiting the other terms and conditions of this Lease, Tenant specifically acknowledges and further agrees that: (i) there are inherent risks in the operation of a

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business at the Premises and Tenant is willing and able to bear such risks, including, without limitation, the loss of any investment in the Premises or such business upon termination of this Lease; (ii) upon termination of this Lease for any reason, Landlord shall have the right to use the Premises as it deems appropriate, including, but not limited to selling the Premises, operating a similar or other business upon the Premises, converting the Premises to any other use Landlord deems appropriate or leasing the Premises to a new Tenant; (iii) Landlord has no obligation to lease the Premises to any new Tenant, whether or not prospective Tenant is willing to purchase Tenant's inventory, trade fixtures, or equipment; (iv) any improvements, fixtures or equipment that are not or cannot be removed in accordance with the provisions of the Lease shall become the sole and entire property of Landlord upon termination of this Lease; (v) Landlord has no obligation to reimburse Tenant for any losses which Tenant might suffer in the operation of Tenant's business at the Premises or due to the termination of this Lease; and (vi) Landlord has no obligation to purchase any of Tenant's inventory, equipment or trade fixtures, or to reimburse Tenant for any sums invested by Tenant to improve the Premises or the business operated by Tenant on the Premises.

30.2 *Landlord Liability.* Landlord's liability under this Lease is limited in all respects to its interest in the Premises.

30.3 *Landlord Equipment.* Landlord retains title and ownership to all trade fixtures, apparatus and equipment located upon the Premises on the commencement of this Lease.

30.4 *Assumption of Agreements.* Tenant hereby agrees that any existing contracts or vendor agreements in place during the commencement of this Lease shall remain in full force and effect.

30.5 *Lease Termination.* Upon Lease termination, Tenant agrees to immediately vacate the Premises.

30.6 *Tenant Rights and Duties.* Tenant **SHALL NOT** unilaterally, negotiate or enter into a COAM Location Agreement without prior written approval from Landlord. It is the duty of Tenant to promptly inform and obtain a written consent from Landlord, if Tenant wished to enter into such agreements/contracts. Upon violation or failure of Tenant to obtain such prior written consent would amount to default by Tenant and the present Lease shall be deemed terminated immediately at the option of Landlord, and Tenant will have to vacate the Premises.

30.7 Tenant is responsible for any illegal activities or notices until the Lease period for the Premises.

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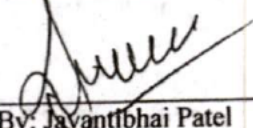
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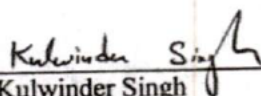
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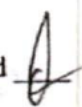
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto placed their hands and seals the day and year first written above.

LANDLORD
Devi South LLC


By: Jayantibhai Patel
Its: Owner

TENANT
Kulwinder Singh


By: Kulwinder Singh

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Agent Certification

The undersigned certify that the information contained in this application and accompanying documentation is true and correct, and that the Agent named herein has directorial authority over the operations of the business to be licensed. The undersigned further agree to abide by, observe, and conduct the licensed business according to all county ordinances and state laws and regulations in respect thereof, and understand that the Agent named herein may be held personally responsible for violations of County Alcohol Code committed by others at the Agent's direction, or with the Agent's knowledge.

Agent's Signature: Kulwinder Singh Date: 03-09-2026

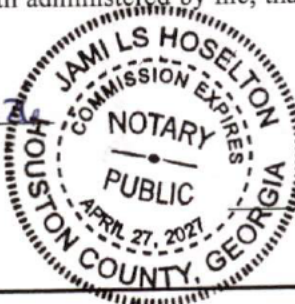
Business Name: FUEL HAVEN EXXON LLC

I hereby certify that KULWINDER SINGH (Agent) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This 9th day of March, 2026

[Signature]

Notary Public



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My Commission Expires

Ownership/Individual Certification

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

Individual/Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If different from Agent)

Title: _____

Business Name: _____

I hereby certify that _____ (Applicant) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This _____ day of _____, 20____

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

PACKAGE TO GO BUSINESS TYPE IDENTIFICATION FORM
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Business Name: FUEL HAVEN EXXON LLC

Business Address: 3004 DEBRA ANN DR. Suite A. MACON GA 31216

Instructions:

This form must be completed for each new license or renewal license application for locations selling beer or wine or both, but not distilled spirits, by the package to go.

If you are not selling alcohol by the package to go, or if you are selling distilled spirits by the package to go, simply check the last box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

If you are selling alcohol by the package to go, please read the definitions below and check the box next to the definition which best matches how the business is currently operated or expected to operate under this license. Any intentional failure to identify or misrepresentation on this form may be grounds for denial or revocation of any license issued to you.

Definitions:

- ☐ **Drugstore:** a retail store that provides assorted items including medical or healthcare supplies, that may also provide other items or services such as over-the-counter drugs; processed food and drink items; beauty products; small toys; or photo processing services; and that is licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☒ **Food Mart:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of less than 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which regularly sells, at a minimum and among other products the following items: at least four pounds each of five different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; four pounds of fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; four dozen fresh chicken eggs; four pounds of bread; and four gallons fresh cow's milk. Food Marts shall be required to maintain a food scale certified by the Georgia Department of Agriculture for the purpose of verifying compliance with this definition. Food Marts shall purchase food items for resale from lawful fresh food wholesalers, and shall be required to produce invoices reflecting the sources of food products sold upon demand by County officials. If an insufficient quantity of an item is present in the Food Mart, Macon-Bibb County may consider receipts or other evidence to determine whether a sufficient good faith effort was made to comply with the minimum item quantity requirements. The term "Food Mart" does not include Drugstores, Gas Stations, Grocery Stores, Small Box Discount Stores, Specialty Stores, or Vice Marts; provided that a Food Mart may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☐ **Gas Station:** a Vice Mart that is also licensed by the Georgia Safety Fire Commissioner for the storage and sale of liquefied petroleum gas and that actually regularly sells liquefied petroleum gas.
- ☐ **Grocery Store:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of at least 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which sells, at a minimum and among other products at least ten different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; fresh chicken eggs; bread; and fresh cow's milk. A Grocery Store may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.

- ☐ **Small Box Discount Store:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items that are continuously offered at a discounted price that is usually under \$10 per item. These stores are commonly referred to by names such as "dollar stores," "99 cent stores," "five dollar stores," "discount stores," or "variety stores." Products sold typically include processed food and drink items, personal hygiene products, office supplies and decorations. Retail floor space is typically less than 15,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Specialty Store:** a retail store that derives at least 50% of its annual gross sales from the sale of certain specialized classes or types of food or beverage products, or related accessories or non-food items. Such products are typically of a superior quality or more limited market availability than those general products commonly found in Grocery Stores. This includes brewpubs, malt beverage taprooms, and cocktail rooms. Other examples of Specialty Stores include, without limitation: (a) imported or luxury products; (b) products associated with a particular culture, global region, cuisine, or nationality; (c) products conforming to or supporting the dietary requirements of any sincerely held religious practice or belief; (d) restaurants; (e) organic, vegan, or natural products; (f) meats (e.g., butcher shops, delis, or seafood markets); (g) cheese or dairy products; (h) oils, seasonings, or spices; (i) growers, craft beers, or wine; (j) breads or baked goods; (k) cigars; (l) honey or beeswax products; (m) products grown or produced within the State of Georgia or any particular location therein; or (n) any similarly specialized products or classes of products.
- ☐ **Vice Mart:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items for neighborhood residents or travelers, such as processed shelf-stable or refrigerated food and drink items; fountain and brewed drinks; handheld prepared food items; automotive items; tobacco products; family planning products; lottery products; gifts; over-the-counter medications; or similar items. Stores are typically designed for expediency – with customers typically buying few items per transaction and spending only a short time in the store. Retail floor space is typically less than 10,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Other Small Box Retail Store:** a retail store that meets each of the following criteria:
1. the store has a total retail floor space of less than 15,000 square feet; 2. the store does not meet the definition of Drug Store, Food Mart, Gas Station, Grocery Store, Small Box Discount Store, Specialty Store, or Vice Mart; and 3. the store is not licensed or applying for a license for the sale of distilled spirits by the package to go.
- ☐ **Other/None of the Above/Distilled Spirits/Exempt:** Check this box if none of the above definitions apply to your store, or if you are not licensed or applying for a license to sell only beer or wine or both by the package to go.

Kulwinder Singh
Applicant/Agent Signature

03-10-2026
Date

SECURITY CAMERA COMPLIANCE VERIFICATION

Instructions:

This form must be completed for each new license application for locations selling alcohol by the package to go or operating as a bar or nightclub.

Pursuant to Sec. 4-1 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances,

1. Bar shall mean any business that derives 75 percent or more total annual gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 3-1-2;
2. Nightclub shall mean any business which:
 - Directly or indirectly charges patrons for admission;
 - Is licensed under this Chapter for the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises;
 - Provides entertainment using amplified sound, including, without limitation, the playing of pre-recorded music through amplified sound by a DJ or emcee or similar person; the playing of live analog, electronic, or digital musical instruments; the presentation of live human speech or dialogue through amplified sound; or any combination of the above;
 - Which does not provide a number of seats suitable for the viewing of such entertainment greater than or equal to the number of patrons present; and
 - Which does not earn at least fifty percent of its annual gross revenues from the sale of prepared meals or the letting of rooms for overnight stay.

If you are selling alcohol by the package to go or operating a bar or nightclub you must:

1. install security cameras in your business that meet the requirements below;
2. call the Code Enforcement Department Office at 478-803-0470, select option "0" to schedule an appointment to have an inspection of the security camera system;
3. show the inspector that the security camera system meets the requirements below; and
4. have the inspector sign this form approving the security camera system.

If you are not operating as a bar or nightclub or selling alcohol by the package to go, simply check the box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

Pursuant to Sec. 4-40 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances,

1. Any establishment selling alcoholic beverages by the package to go must install security cameras, which are, at a minimum, of sufficient quantity, quality, and positioning so as to capture the face and clothing of any person entering into the establishment through any public entrance; or making any purchase from the establishment.
2. Any establishment licensed to sell any alcoholic beverage for consumption on premises, which is operating as a bar or nightclub, is hereby required to install security cameras, which must, at a minimum, be of sufficient quantity, quality, and positioning so as to capture the face and clothing of persons entering into said establishment through any public entrance.

Security Camera Compliance Verification Form

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thereof; standing outside of the establishment but within fifty feet of any entrance to said establishment; making any purchase from a fixed point of sale within said establishment; or standing within any dance floor or similar area designated within said establishment.

3. A digital security camera system shall be deemed to be "of sufficient quality" of and only if each camera required under this Section meets the following criteria:
 - It is capable of producing an image with a 1080p High Definition (1920 x 1080 pixels) resolution or greater at a minimum frame rate of 15 frames per second;
 - It is maintained in a state of being free of dust or debris that would interfere with the quality of the image being produced; and
 - It is capable of operating in the actual interior or exterior lighting conditions that are present during all operations and times of operation for the establishment, and of producing a clear image of the face and clothing of the persons described in this Section in all such lighting conditions.
4. Such cameras meeting the requirements of this Section must be capable of producing a retrievable image on film, tape, or other suitable digital format that can be made a permanent record and that can be enlarged through projection or other means. Cameras meeting the requirements of this Section shall be maintained in proper working order at all times and shall be subject to periodic inspection by the Sheriff.
5. Establishments required under this Section to install security cameras shall maintain all video images captured thereby for a period of at least thirty days from the date of image capture.
6. The failure to have or maintain security cameras in good working condition, with sufficient backup storage as to permit the retrieval of images as required by this Section shall be a violation of this Section and shall be punishable in accordance with the general provisions of Section 1-6 of this Code, as well as by any adverse action against the alcohol licensure of such business, up to and including the revocation or denial of all existing alcohol licenses held by such licensee.

Business Name: FUEL HAVEN EXTON LLC

Business Address: 3004 DEBRA ANN DR. Suite A. MACON GA 31216

I hereby certify that on this date, I have inspected the security camera and image retrieval system located at the above business and found it to be in compliance with the requirements of Sec. 4-40 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, as stated hereon.

Greg Howard
Code Enforcement Department Designee

4-2-24
Date

☐ **Exempt:** Check this box if you are not licensed, not applying for package to go license, or not operating as a bar or nightclub.

Kulwinder Singh
Applicant/Agent Signature

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Date

Applicant Privacy Rights Notification Signature Form

Applicant Notification and Record Challenge:

Your fingerprints will be used to check the criminal history records of the FBI. You have the opportunity to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information contained in the FBI identification record. The procedure for obtaining a change, correction or updating an FBI identification record is set forth in Title 28 Code of Federal Regulations 16.34.

Procedures for obtaining a copy of the FBI criminal history record are set forth in 28 CFR 16.30 – 16.33 or go to the FBI website at <http://fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks>.

Kulwinder Singh
Signature

KULWINDER SINGH
Print Name

03-10-2026
Date



Alcohol License Questionnaire

Name of Business: Fuel HAVEN EXXON LLC
 Owner's Name: KULWINDER SINGH
 Address: 3004 DEBRA ANN DR Suite A
MACON GA 31216

1. Do you own or are you leasing your business location? ☐ Own ☒ Lease

2. If you purchased the building, what was the final sale price as reflected in public records? \$ _____

3. If you are leasing the building, what relation, if any, is there between the building owner and the owner(s) of your business?

Please circle one: ☐ Relation, see below ☒ No Relation

4. If you are leasing the building, will your landlord be involved in the day to day business operations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. Was the previous operator at this location in any legal or regulatory trouble with local government, state government, law enforcement, or the Georgia lottery in the year prior to the transfer to your business? ☐ Yes ☒ No

6. Will the previous operator or any family member of the previous operator remain involved in the day to day business operations? ☐ Yes ☒ No

7. Was the sale of the building, business, or lease an "arms length" or "fair market value" transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Kulwinder Singh
 Signature

KULWINDER SINGH
 Print Name

03-10-2026
 Date

ARMED SECURITY PERSONNEL REQUIRED TRAINING COMPLIANCE FORM

Instructions:

This form must be completed by any bar or nightclub operating with an alcohol license which allows or requires security personnel to carry firearms while working. The form shall be submitted upon applying or renewing any license to sell alcohol on the premises. This form is not required for businesses employing certified peace officers in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Counsel. Applicants applying for special events which employ armed security personnel are required to submit this form.

Pursuant to the licensing requirements of Sec. 4-550 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, attach the following documentation to this form prior to submission:

1. A copy of the applicant's valid private security business license, issued by the Georgia Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies.
2. A list containing the names and dates of birth of all persons who will be working as armed security personnel at the applicant's place of business or special event location. Use the attached form.

NOTE: IT IS A VIOLATION TO ALLOW ANY PERSON NOT LISTED TO WORK AS AN ARMED SECURITY PERSONNEL WITHOUT FIRST SUBMITTING AN UPDATED COPY OF THIS FORM TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING THIS RULE MAY INCLUDE THE LOSS OF YOUR ALCOHOL LICENSES.

3. A copy of a valid private security license from the Georgia Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies for each person named who will be working as armed security personnel at the applicant's place of business or special event location.

If you are not operating as a bar or nightclub with armed security personnel, simply check the box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

Business Name: FUEL HAVEN EXTON LLC

Business Address: 3004 DeBRA ANN DR. Suite A. MACON GA 31216

☒ **Exempt:** Check this box if you certify that you will not hire any armed security personnel, or that you are not operating as a bar or nightclub.

Does your business derive 75% or more total annual gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises? ☐ YES ☒ NO

Kelwinder Sig
Applicant/Agent Signature

03-10-2026
Date

Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name and Title of the Business Owner: KULWINDER SINGH, ORGANIZER

2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant:

3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

☐ Building Permit	☐ Plat Approval	☐ Building Inspection Report	☐ Certificate of Occupancy
☐ Alcohol License (Any)	☐ Privilege License (Any other than alcohol)	☐ Political Appointment	☐ Competitive Contract Bid or Proposal
☐ Non-Competitive Contract over \$50,000	☐ Registering to Bid on Real Property	☐ Other: _____	

4. If the subject is an individual or sole proprietorship, then list all business entities in which the subject has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 25% or more, or legal control over. If the subject is an entity, then list all individuals who have a direct or indirect ownership interest of 25% or more in the subject entity, or who exercise legal control of the entity. Use additional sheets if needed.

KULWINDER SINGH

5. I, the undersigned, do hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this Certificate is true and complete to the best of my available knowledge. I further swear or affirm that, as of today, none of the individuals or entities listed in this Certificate are more than 90 days delinquent on the payment of any ad valorem property taxes due to the Macon-Bibb County Government. I understand that giving false, incomplete, or inaccurate information on this Certificate may result in the denial of any privilege the applicant is applying for, as well as the revocation of any privilege previously granted by Macon-Bibb County, and may constitute the crimes of false writing or false swearing, which carry a penalty of up to five years in prison and up to a \$1,000 fine.

KULWINDER SINGH *Kulwinder Singh*
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

9th day of March, 2026.

[Signature]
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 4-27-27



Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name and Title of the applicant: Deri South LLC
2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant: _____
3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

☐ Building Permit	☐ Plat Approval	☐ Building Inspection Report	☐ Certificate of Occupancy
☐ Alcohol License (Any)	☐ Privilege License (Any other than alcohol)	☐ Political Appointment	☐ Competitive Contract Bid or Proposal
☐ Non-Competitive Contract over \$50,000	☐ Registering to Bid on Real Property	☐ Other: _____	

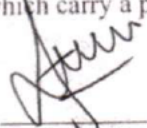
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Jayantibhai Patel

Ripal Patel

Ashishkumar Thakur

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Print and Sign Name
Jayantibhai Patel

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
09th day of February, 2026.

Niwan
Notary Public
My commission expires:
January 27, 2027



Rev April 2022
See O-22-0011



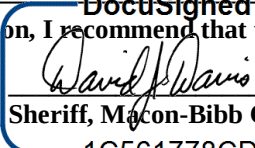
Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

OFFICE USE ONLY
ALCOHOL APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Kulwinder Singh – prints completed 04/03

Business Name: Fuel Haven Exxon LLC

Business Address: 3004 Debra Ann Dr Ste A, Macon, GA 31216

DocuSigned by:		
After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:		
Granted	 Sheriff, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia	4/19/2026 Date
Denied	1C561778CDEE414... Sheriff, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia	Date

After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:		
Granted	_____ Mayor, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia	_____ Date
Denied	_____ Mayor, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia	_____ Date

After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:		
Granted	 _____ Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission, Georgia	_____ Date
Denied	 _____ Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission, Georgia	_____ Date



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street
Macon, GA 31201

Review Form

The attached application is a petition to Macon-Bibb County for an Alcoholic Beverage License.

The following required documents are included in the application:

- ___ Signature form
- ___ BSO Recommendation letter
- ___ Proof of Planning and Zoning compliance
- ___ Affidavit from the Macon-Bibb County Engineer's Department
- ___ Affidavit from the Macon Telegraph Newspaper

Legal Review 6/12/2026 (Date) ^{DS}
SD (Initials)

Comments

Initials

^{Initial}
SF Stephanie Freeman, Administrative Office Specialist

Added to Pre-Commission Agenda for July 21, 2026

Introductory Text

All current Alcohol Licenses expire December 31.

There is no grace period.

Alcohol License Renewal applications must be submitted annually on or before November 15th to receive your alcohol license by the January 1st deadline. Renewal applications will be accepted until 12/31. After this date a new Alcohol License Application will have to be submitted.

Accepted Methods of Payment: **Credit, Debit, and eCheck.**

Please proceed to the Application Questions for steps to renew or apply for initial licensure.

Application Questions

Are you submitting an Initial Application or a Renewal for an existing license?

Application Type : Initial Application

Are you submitting a Business Continuation application?

Business Continuation : No

Are you submitting an application for a non-profit business?

Non-Profit Business : No

Required Attachments

 Please note: You will be required to complete the Alcohol Beverage Supplemental Packet as a part of this application.

You will need to complete and upload the supplemental packet. This can be found [here](#)

You must complete and upload the Alcohol Beverage Supplemental Packet here.

Alcohol Beverage Supplemental Packet:

Ltrr to Macon-Bibb County encl app - Murphy Oil (EFILED).pdf

Business Information



For Business Name and Corporation Name, do not include commas or periods.

This is an example of what you SHOULD do: "John Doe's Services Inc"



For Business Name and Corporation Name, do not include commas or periods.

This is an example of what you SHOULD NOT do: "John Does Services, Inc."

Business Name (DBA) : Dollar General #9814

Corporation Name : Dolgencorp LLC

Business Address : 1370 Gray Highway

City : Macon

State : GA

Zip : 31211

Mailing Address : 100 Mission Ridge

City : Goodlettsville

State : TN

Zip : 37072

Local Business Phone # : (478) 207-6801

Email : dorbulk@sardandleff.com

Owner Name : Dolgencorp, LLC

Owner Phone # : (615) 855-4000

Are you selling alcohol by the package to go? : Yes

Drugstore : ☐

Food Mart : ☐

Gas Station : ☐

Grocery Store : ☐

Small Box Discount Store : ☒

Specialty Store : ☐

Vice Mart : ☐

Other Small Box Retail Store : ☐

Other/None of the Above/Distilled Spirits/Exempt : ☐

Agent Information

Agent Information

Please provide the Alcohol Handler License Number for your Agent.

Alcohol Handler License Number : Applied For

Agent's First Name : Carly

Agent's Last Name : Beaufait

Agent's Home Phone # : (478) 722-1223

Job Title : Assistant Store Manager

Agent's Home Address : 2911 Victoria Circle

City : Macon

State : GA

Zip : 31211

Social Security Number



License Fees

License Fees (ADD All that Apply)

Add the applicable License Fees by clicking the **ADD** button below and selecting the appropriate options.

License Fees:

License Fee : Malt Packaged to Go - \$800

License Fee : Wine Packaged to Go - \$700

License Fee : Temporary Alcohol - \$100

Armed Security Personnel

Are you a bar/nightclub that derives 75% or more total annual gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises?

Yes/No : No

Certification and Attestation

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

By checking this box and entering your name below, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions and consenting to the use of your electronic signature in lieu of an original signature on paper. : ☒

As a part of this application, please read the relevant code sections and requirements that are listed [here](#). Please note accessing the code here will save the information you entered and redirect you to the beginning of the application. Simply, move through the application to digitally sign and date.

By checking this box I am affirming that I have read the relevant code sections and am familiar with the requirements of licensure. : ☒

Digital Signature

Your Name Here : C. Melissa Beaufait

Date

Today's Date : 10/30/2025



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office
PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

License Fees are Prorated by Month that Completed Application is Submitted

LICENSE FEES (Check All That Apply)

☐ *Distilled Spirits Packaged to Go	\$2,900	☒ *Malt Packaged to Go	\$800	☒ Wine Packaged to Go	\$700
☐ *Distilled Spirits C.O.P.	\$2,900	☐ *Malt C.O.P	\$800	☐ *Wine C.O.P	\$700
☐ *Distilled Spirits Wholesaler	\$3,600	☐ *Malt Wholesaler	\$1,000	☐ Wine Wholesaler	\$800
☐ *Distilled Spirits Manufacturers	\$4,300	☐ *Malt Manufacturer	\$2,500	☐ Wine Manufacturer	\$1,700
☐ Brewpub	\$2,500	☐ Out-of-Town Wholesaler	\$100	☐ Alcohol Beverage Caterer	\$600
☒ Sunday Sales	\$300	☐ Brown Bag	\$0	☒ Temporary Alcohol License	\$100
_____ Please check here if you are applying for a Business Continuation License. Business Continuation License is 25% of applicable fees.					
*Distilled Spirits (Liquor)		*Malt (Beer)		*C.O.P. (Consumed on Premise)	

A BUSINESS LICENSE IS REQUIRED BEFORE AN ALCOHOL LICENSE MAY BE ISSUED.

\$ 1,900.00 Alcohol License Fees + \$400 Application Fee = \$ 2,300.00

Agent Information

1. Agent/Owner(s) must complete and sign the Name-Based Criminal History Record Information Consent Form.
2. Provide an Unexpired Identification Card issued by Any U.S. State or United States government, bearing a current photograph of the applicant.
3. Agent/Owner(s) Must be Fingerprinted once application & fees are completed and paid unless such individuals currently hold one or more categories of alcohol license(s) in goodstanding.
4. Proof of Alcohol Handler's Permit from Agent and Owners.
5. Complete (S.A.V.E.) Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (2) Affidavit.

Location/Business Information

6. Affidavit of Intent to Sale Alcohol from the Macon Telegraph Newspaper.
7. If any business entity other than Sole Ownership...Must submit a copy of the GA Secretary of State's Business information Record.
8. If NON-PROFIT entity...Proof of Non-Profit Status.
9. Planning and Zoning Compliance Form.
10. Original Affidavit from the Macon-Bibb County Engineer's Department.
11. A legal description (Lease/Deed/etc.) of the property upon which premises are located.

Business Continuation

12. Please provide a list of the current, valid licenses issued to the named business; A record showing that all business license fees owed on the existing business have been fully paid, or a receipt showing payment thereof.
13. A statement, signed by the applicant, swearing, or affirming that the applicant has recently purchased the named business, or has a bona fide expectation of purchasing the named business soon; and
14. A record showing that all property taxes to date owned on the property have been fully paid, or a receipt showing payment thereof.

Name-Based Criminal History Record Information Consent/Inquiry Form

I hereby give consent for the Bibb County Sheriff's Office to conduct an inquiry and receive any Georgia criminal history record information pertaining to me, which may be contained in the files of any state or local criminal justice agency in Georgia.

Full Name (print):	Carly Melissa Beaufait		
Home Address:	2911 Victoria Circle, Macon, GA 31204		
Sex	Race	Date of Birth	Social Security Number
Female	Biracial	[REDACTED]	



This authorization is valid for 90/180/ _____ (circle one) days from date of signature.



I, C. Melissa Beaufait, give consent to the above name to perform periodic criminal history background checks for the duration of my employment with this company.

Signature

Carly Beaufait

Date

4/21/25

*****Include a copy of your valid State/Government issued identification*****

Date of Inquiry: _____ Time of Inquiry: _____ Operator's Initials: _____

Purpose Code used: (check one)

X	Employment (E) – Provides <i>Georgia</i> Criminal History Record Information
	Employment with Mentally Disabled (M) – Provides <i>Georgia</i> Criminal History Record Information
	Employment with Elder Care (N) - Provides <i>Georgia</i> Criminal History Record Information
	Employment with Children (W) - Provides <i>Georgia</i> Criminal History Record Information
	Public Records (P) – Provides <i>Georgia Felony Convictions</i> Only

The inquiry resulted in the following: (check all that apply)

	No Georgia CHRI results available.
	Georgia CHRI attached/released

	No NCIC/GCIC Warrant results available.
	Possible NCIC/GCIC Warrant. Contact Agency listed below.
Wanting Agency Name:	
Agency Telephone:	

Agency Designee Signature and Title

Date

MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA
(S.A.V.E.) SYSTEMATIC ALIEN VERIFICATION FOR ENTITLEMENTS
O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (2) Affidavit

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, Occupation Tax Certificate, Alcohol License, or other public benefit as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1; the undersigned applicant verifies one of the following with respect to my application for a public benefit:

1) X I am a United States citizen 18 years of age or older. **Please submit a copy of your current Secure and Verifiable Document(s) such as driver's license, passport, or document as indicated on the attached list.**

2) _____ I am not a United States citizen, but I am a legal permanent resident of the United States 18 years of age or older, or I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act 18 years of age or older with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency. **Please submit a copy of your current immigration document(s) which includes either your Alien number or your I-94 number and, if needed, SEVIS number.**

Please check only one option above and submit the required documents with your application. Please note that the failure to do so will result in a processing delay.

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1 (e) (1), with this affidavit.

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

Printed Name of Applicant: C. Melissa Beaufait

*Signature of Applicant:

C. Beaufait

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON

THIS 22nd DAY OF April, 2025.



MEASUREMENT FORM

Retail Sales of Beer and Wine Packaged to Go Macon-Bibb County Code, Chapter 4, Article V, Sec. 4-122

APPLICANT: Dolgencorp, LLC

PROPOSED LICENSE: BEER AND WINE PACKAGED TO GO

BUSINESS LOCATION: 1370 Gray Hwy, Macon, GA 31211

BUSINESS NAME: DOLLAR GENERAL #9814

To Be Completed by County Engineer

1. Nearest corner of the building housing the place of business to nearest corner of a school ground, school building, college campus, an alcoholic treatment center, a public library or branch thereof, or a Macon-Bibb County Housing Property measured and found to be more than 300 ft.
☒ Comply ☐ Does not Comply
2. An alcoholic beverage license has been previously issued for this location, so the license may be continued to be issued or renewed for the same location despite a nearby property use which does not meet the distance requirements.
☐ Not Applicable ☒ Unknown
3. This grocery store is exempt from the restriction on sale of wine and malt beverages to go within 300 ft. of a college campus.
☒ Comply ☐ , but does not comply with other restrictions
☒ Not Applicable
4. Nearest corner of building housing the place of business to nearest corner of any known Vice Mart, Small Box Retail Store or Small Box Discount Store and found to be more than 2500'.
☐ Comply ☐ Does Not Comply ☒ Not Applicable

By: John W. Hayes
John W. Hayes, Macon-Bibb County Engineer

Date: 2/23/26

It is respectfully requested that forms be returned no later than Friday of each week for use by the County Commissioner's Office.

RETAIL SALES of BEER and WINE

Package Sale to Go & consumption on premises.

OR

Package Sale to Go (Convenience Store)

300' from business building corner to nearest corner of school ground, school building, college campus, alcoholic treatment center, public library, Macon-Bibb County Housing Authority unit, church or church grounds or Macon-Bibb County recreation area.

If applying location is identified as a "Small Box Retail Store, Small Box Discount Store or Vice mart", it must be 2500' from other similarly classified stores.

(Revised 8-23-2023) PJH

Dollar General #9814 (Dolgencorp LLC)
 #1370 Gray Highway
 850' — SCHOOL GROUND property line
 Northeast High School
 1,750' — SCHOOL BUILDING
 Northeast High School
 10,600' — COLLEGE CAMPUS property line
 Mercer University
 #433 Cherry St.
 6,550' — ALCOHOLIC TREATMENT CENTER building
 River Edge - Emerg Hwy.
 2,060' — PUBLIC LIBRARY or BRANCH building
 Shurling Branch
 1,800' — MACON-BIBB COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY property
 Hunt School Village
 1,800' — CHURCH (building)
 Saint Peter's Baptist Church
 1,700' — CHURCH GROUNDS
 Saint Peter's Baptist Church
 1,950' — M-B COUNTY RECREATION CENTER property
 Rosa Jackson Community Center
 N/A — Vice Mart - Small Box Retail Store - Small Box Discount store (2500')
 I found no vice mart or small box discount store selling beer or wine within 2,500' of this location

OK
 Paul J. Homowski
 February 23, 2026
 JH

PJH



AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

The Monroe County Macon Reporter

Covering Monroe and Bibb Counties

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF BIBB

Applicant: **Manda Torres**

Business Name : Dolgencorp LLC dba Dollar General #9814

Business Address : 1370 Gray Highway Macon GA 31211

City, State, Zip : MACON GA 31204

Consumed on or off premise: Off Premise

MALT BEVERAGE, WINE, LIQUOR: MALT BEVERAGE and WINE

GEORGIA, BIBB COUNTY

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE REQUEST FOR ALCOHOL LICENSE

Pursuant to the ordinance adopted by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, dated December 4, 2018, as now or hereafter amended, notice is hereby given that on or after the 02/03/2026, the undersigned will apply to said Macon-Bibb County Commission for the above-described license(s) at an establishment known as **Dollar General #9814**

The public is invited to comment on the proposed license by submitting comments in writing to Macon-Bibb County Tax Commissioner's Office Attn: Alcohol License Comments, 188 Third Street, Macon, GA 31201 within fourteen days of the date shown below.

I, Will Davis, do solemnly swear I am the Publisher of the Monroe County/Macon Reporter, the official organ for Bibb County, Georgia and that the legal advertisement of Notice of Publication

Will Davis, Publisher

was published in the Monroe County/Macon Reporter on the following date(s):

02/18/2026 and 02/25/2026

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day 20th of April 2026

Lana Marie Seay Notary Public

My commission expires: 09/05/2028

Lana Marie Seay
NOTARY PUBLIC
BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA





ZONING COMPLIANCE

PERMIT NO: ZC-2025-1535	PERMIT TYPE: Permitted Use	DATE ISSUED: 07/15/2025
PARCEL NO: R064-0395	ZONING DISTRICT: C-2	NEW CONSTRUCTION: No
NAME OF APPLICANT:	Sard & Leff, LLC Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814	
PROPOSED USE:	Existing Business with Alcohol Packaged to Go	
ADDRESS OF PROPOSED USE:	1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211 AKA 1336 GRAY HWY	
PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME:	Y & H PROPERTY INC	

PERMIT ISSUED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS

As per application and zoning compliance 04-2585 to allow the Dollar General Market, approval is granted to add the sales of **alcohol packaged to go** from an existing commercial building. This approval shall also grant interior renovations if necessary. No outside storage, sales or display are authorized with this approval. No signage authorized by this permit; signage shall require a separate zoning permit. Subject to the requirements of the Office of Building and Fire Safety, Business License Office, and all other applicable local, state, and federal regulations. Please review the NOTICE information below for additional instruction.

NOTE: THIS PERMIT IS NULL & VOID IF CONSTRUCTION OR USE HAS NOT BEGUN BY: 07/15/2026

APPROVED BY: *Butch Sementelli*

This permit or certificate of appropriateness necessary to allow construction or other work on land or a structure shall be displayed at the site of and during such construction or work. Where a use requires a business license, this zoning permit must be displayed on the premises together with the business license. This permit is issued subject to the rules and regulations of the Macon-Bibb County Health Department, the Macon-Bibb County Engineering Department, the Macon-Bibb County Fire Department, the Macon-Bibb County Traffic Engineering Department, the Macon Water Authority, the Office of Building and Fire Safety, and any other governmental agency whose regulations may be applicable. All construction or use relating to this permit must strictly comply with site plans submitted to the Macon-Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission. Permits are specific to the property for which the permit is issued as well as the person to whom it is issued. Other than permits for single family homes or duplexes, any change in the person engaging in the use allowed by such permit shall require that the new person engaging in such use file a change of ownership form with the Commission, provided that change of ownership forms shall not be required for variances or certificates of appropriateness. The new holder of any permit shall be subject to all conditions attached to the original permit.

Control No. 08080108

STATE OF GEORGIA

Secretary of State

Corporations Division

315 West Tower

#2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.

Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

I, **Karen C Handel**, the Secretary of State and the Corporations Commissioner of the State of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that

DOLGENCORP, LLC

a Foreign Limited Liability Company

has been duly formed under the laws of Kentucky and has filed an application meeting the requirements of Georgia law to transact business as a foreign Limited Liability Company in this state.

WHEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as Secretary of State, the above Limited Liability Company is hereby granted, on **10/20/2008**, a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Georgia as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said application.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta
and the State of Georgia on October 20, 2008



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading 'Karen C Handel'.

Karen C Handel
Secretary of State

Ownership Disclosure Form

A separate copy of this form must be completed for each individual who has a disclosable interest in the business.

Business:

Trade Name: Dollar General #9814 Name of Corporation: Dolgenercorp, LLC

If publicly traded, Stock Symbol and Name of one Listing Exchange: DG (Dollar General Corporation) NYSE

Individual:

Dollar General Corporation, 100% Member
Name and Title: _____ Telephone Number: (615) 855-4000

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

Residential Street Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

P.O. Box Not Allowed (City State Zip)

Mailing Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

(City State Zip)

Type of Entity and Business Interest:

Please check appropriate description and complete as required.

- ☐ Sole Proprietorship
- ☐ General Partnership
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Partnership (LP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
 - o Limited Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☐ Limited Liability Limited Partnership (LLLP)
 - o General Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
 - o Limited Partner holding _____ % of all outstanding general partnership interests.
- ☒ Limited Liability Company (LLC)
 - o Managing Member, Total number of Managing Member(s): 1
 - o Member holdings 100 % of all outstanding membership interests.
- ☐ Privately Held Corp./Company
 - o Corporate Officer: Yes ___ No ___
- ☐ Other
 - o Other person exercising operational authority over the entity: _____



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office
PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

Alcohol Handler's Beverage License Application

APPLICANT

First Name: Carly Last Name: Beaufait
Home Address: 2911 Victoria Circle City: Macon State: GA Zip: 31204
Home Phone #: (478) 722-1223 Email: mkt09814@dollargeneral.com
Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
Mailing Address: 1370 Gray Highway City: Macon State: GA Zip: 31211

- A certificate showing completion of an Alcohol Handler's training course taken within the last three years.
- An unexpired identification card issued by any U.S. State or The United States government, bearing a current photograph of the applicant.
- Current Color photograph of applicant.
- \$25 cash, money order/check or debit/credit (in office) Payable to Macon-Bibb County Tax Commissioner's Office

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

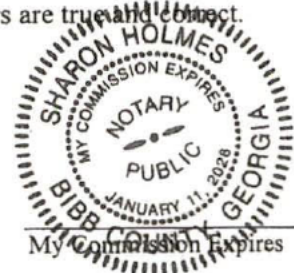
Carly Beaufait
Applicant's Signature

4/22/25
Date

I hereby certify that C. Melissa Beaufait signed his/her name to forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This 22nd day of April, 2025.

Sharon Holmes
Notary Public





CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

This certifies that

Carly Beaufait

is awarded this certificate for

TIPS Off-Premise Alcohol Seller Training



Hours
3.00



Completion Date
10/24/2025



Expiration Date
10/23/2028



Certificate #
OFF-000039828443

Official Signature

THIS CERTIFICATE IS NON-TRANSFERABLE

8504 Bridgeport Parkway Suite 100 Austin, TX 78759 | www.360training.com



Issued 10/24/2025
Certificate # OFF-000039828443

Carly Beaufait
2911 Victoria Circle, Marietta, GA, USA
Marietta, GA 30064

CERTIFIED

Expires 10/23/2028



Phone: 800-438-8477
www.gettips.com

This card was issued for successful completion of the TIPS program.

Signature _____



C. Melissa Beaufait



AH001657

ALCOHOL HANDLER

EXP: 12/31/2026

DGM-SC (12/03)

SHORT FORM LEASE

THIS SHORT FORM LEASE, entered into the 1st day of **October 2004**, by and between **Gray Highway Partners, LLC**, a Georgia limited liability company, Lessor, and **Dolgencorp, Inc.**, a Kentucky corporation, with its principal office and place of business in Goodlettsville, Tennessee, Lessee.

WITNESSETH

1. **PREMISES.** Lessor represents and warrants that it owns lawful fee simple title to the shopping center premises in which the Demised Premises are located and which are more particularly described on the legal description attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A" (the "Shopping Center"). Lessor does hereby lease to Lessee those certain premises consisting of a storeroom with area outside dimensions of 31,284 square feet (the "Demised Premises"), located in and a part of Market Square Shopping Center, which entire Shopping Center is described on Exhibit "A" and is shown on the Plot Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and made a part hereof, with the Demised Premises being cross-hatched thereon together with each and every appurtenance thereto, which Shopping Center is located at **1370 Gray Highway**, in the City of Macon, County of Bibb, and State of Georgia 31211.

2. **TERM.** A. **COMMENCEMENT.** To have and to hold the Demised Premises with the appurtenances, unto Lessee for the term provided hereafter upon the covenants and agreements herein set forth, the term of this Lease shall commence upon: (1) that date one hundred twenty (120) days after the Lessor has completed all work and renovation required to be performed by it

as described in "Scope of Work", Exhibit "C", attached hereto and made a part hereof; or (2) the date on which Lessee shall open the Demised Premises for business to the public, whichever of said date shall first occur, such date being hereinafter referred to as "Commencement Date", subject, however, to the provisions of Paragraph 2-C hereof. Provided it shall not be in default hereunder, Lessee shall be entitled to extend the term of this Lease for five (5) successive periods of five (5) years each, upon the same terms and conditions as herein set forth, except as to term and number of renewals. Lessee may extend this Lease by giving Lessor written notice as provided herein not less than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the original term, or of any renewal thereof. In the event Lessee does not give notice of exercising its right to renew this Lease, all succeeding renewals shall terminate. It is agreed between Lessor and Lessee that the Demised Premises shall be used by Lessee for a retail store for the sale of general merchandise, including, but not limited to and among other merchandise categories, the unrestricted sale of grocery and food items. Lessor represents, warrants and covenants to Lessee that this intended use by Lessee will not violate any current use exclusives contained in other leases in the Shopping Center of which the Demised Premises is a part. In the event that any action, claim or suit is brought by any party (including, without limitation, any other tenant of the Shopping Center) against Lessee alleging that Lessee's operations in the Demised Premises are in violation of any use exclusive or restriction contained in any Shopping Center lease or other instrument, Lessor agrees to defend (by counsel reasonably satisfactory to Lessee), indemnify, and hold harmless from any damages, loss or costs (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and costs) suffered by Lessee thereby, or from the enforcement of said restrictions or exclusive against Lessee. Said indemnification shall be one of first defense and payment, not of reimbursement or surety. In addition, in the event a final adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction shall hold that Lessee's operations in the Demised Premises are in violation of any such use restriction or exclusive (including, without limitation, any other tenant's exclusive use restriction), Lessee shall, at its option, have the right to terminate its obligations under this Lease with no further liability thereunder and to vacate the Demised Premises upon thirty (30) days written notice delivered to Lessor.

B. TERM. The initial term of this Lease shall end on the last day of the tenth (10th) consecutive full Lease Year, thereafter, as said term "Lease Year" is defined in Paragraph 2-C hereof, unless sooner terminated as provided or permitted herein. Lessor and Lessee shall enter into a Lease

Modification Agreement to establish the Commencement Date and expiration date of this Lease within thirty (30) days of the Commencement Date. It is expressly agreed that such action by Lessee shall not constitute acceptance of such Demised Premises as being completed as required herein.

C. LEASE YEAR DEFINED. The term "Lease Year" as used herein shall mean each twelve (12) full calendar months during the term hereof. The first Lease Year shall begin on the Commencement Date if the Commencement Date shall occur on the first (1st) day of the month; otherwise, then the first Lease Year shall commence on the first day of the first full month next following. The period prior to the Commencement Date shall be a partial month.

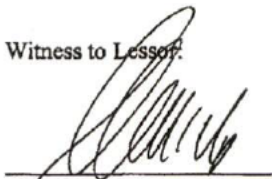
3. EXCLUSIVE USE COVENANT. Excluding existing tenant's as shown on Exhibit "G", attached hereto, Lessor covenants and agrees not to lease, rent, occupy, or allow to be occupied, any part of the Shopping Center premises for the purpose of conducting business as or for use as: (a) a discount variety store; a dollar or bargain store; a close out or odd lot store; or, any store which sells substantially the same type merchandise as sold by a Dollar General Store, including, but not limited to, a Family Dollar Store, Bill's Dollar Store, Fred's Dollar Tree, Dollar Zone, Bonus Dollar, Maxway, Super Ten, McCorry's, McCorry's Dollar, Planet Dollar, Odd Lots, Ninety-nine Cents Only Store and Deals; and (b) a grocery store or a food store or food department or for the sale for off-premises consumption of groceries, meats, produce, dairy products, bakery products or any of them; provided, however, that nothing contained in this Lease shall prevent any tenant in the Shopping Center from selling such products as an incidental part of its other and principal business so long as the total number of square feet devoted by such tenant to the display for sale of such products does not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total number of square feet of building area leased by such tenant in the Shopping Center (including, in either case, one-half (½) of the aisle space adjacent to any display area), whichever is smaller.

The provisions of this exclusive use covenant shall apply to the contiguous property. This covenant shall run with the land.

Lessor acknowledges that in the event of any breach hereof Lessee's remedies at law would be inadequate and therefore, and in that event, Lessee, at Lessee's option, shall be entitled to cancel this Lease upon thirty (30) days written notice thereof to Lessor or to relief by injunction, or otherwise, as Lessee may elect in its sole discretion. Lessee's remedies, in any event, shall be cumulative rather than exclusive.

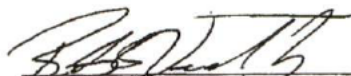
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Lease in duplicate on the dates hereafter indicated to be effective on the date first above written.

Witness to Lessor:

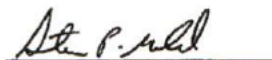


LESSOR: GRAY HIGHWAY PARTNERS, LLC

BY:


Richard E. Veal, III, Managing Partner

Witness for Lessee:



LESSEE: DOLGENCORP, INC.

BY:


Tom Hartshorn
Executive Vice President

LESSOR AS CORPORATION

STATE OF GEORGIA)
) SS
COUNTY OF BIBB)

On this the 5th day of OCTOBER, 2004, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared RICHARD E VEAL III, who acknowledged himself/herself/themselves to be the MANAGING PARTNER of GRAY HIGHWAY PARTNERS LLC, a limited liability company, and that he/she/they, as such officer(s), being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the company by himself/herself/themselves as MANAGING PARTNER.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Lois A. Liotta

My Commission Expires: _____



LESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE)
) SS
COUNTY OF DAVIDSON)

On this the 11th day of October, 2004, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Tom Hartshorn of Dolgencorp, Inc., and that he/she as such officer, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of corporation by himself as Executed Vice President.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Anneta Whitely
My Commission Expires: 9.30.06

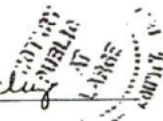


EXHIBIT "A"

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lots 30 and 31, Macon Reserve East, Macon Bibb County, Georgia, containing 12.13 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as Parcel "3A" on that certain Plat entitled "As-Built Survey for North East Hillcroft, Inc., Land Lots 30 and 31, Macon Reserve East, Macon, Bibb County, Georgia" by Tribble & Richardson, Inc. project number 2370-060-01, dated August 9, 1991, as revised October 17, 1991 and December 12, 1991 the same having been recorded at Plat Book 87, Page 209, Clerk's Office, Bibb Superior Court.

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MACON, GA
STORE #9814

LEASE MODIFICATION AGREEMENT #4

RE: Dollar General Store #9814
MACON, GA

THIS LEASE MODIFICATION AGREEMENT #4 (the "Agreement"), entered into this 9th day of August 2022, by and between **Y & H PROPERTY, INC.**, a Georgia corporation, successor in interest (the "Landlord"), and **DOLGENCORP, LLC**, a Kentucky limited liability company, with its principal office and place of business at 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, Tennessee 37072 (the "Tenant").

WITNESSETH,

WHEREAS, the undersigned parties now being Landlord and Tenant respectively, under the terms of a lease dated October 1, 2004 and pertaining to the Demised Premises located at 1370 Gray Highway, City of Macon, County of Bibb, and State of Georgia (the "Demised Premises"), do now desire to modify and amend such lease (as amended from time to time, collectively the "Lease").

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the promises and undertakings hereinafter set forth, the parties agree that such Lease shall be and is hereby amended and modified as follows:

1. **TERM.** The term of this Lease is extended for a period of five (5) years beginning February 1, 2023 and terminating on January 31, 2028 (the "Extended Term"), upon all terms and conditions as set forth in the Lease, except as specifically amended herein.
2. **OPTIONS.** Provided Tenant at the time notice is given shall not then be in default hereunder beyond the applicable notice and cure period set forth in the Lease, Tenant shall be entitled to extend the term of this Lease for two (2) periods of five (5) years each (each, an "Option Period"), upon the same terms and conditions as provided in the Lease except as specifically amended herein. Tenant may extend this Lease by giving Landlord written notice as provided herein not less than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the Extended Term, or Option Period if applicable. In the event Tenant does not exercise its right to renew this Lease, as set forth herein, all succeeding rights to extend the Lease shall terminate.
3. **RENT.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Lease, rent shall be payable as follows:
 - a) The rent during the Extended Term shall be in the amount of THIRTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$13,300.00) per calendar month, payable in advance on or before the first day of each month without offset or demand, except as otherwise provided in the Lease.

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b) The rent during the First Option Period (if exercised) shall be in the amount of THIRTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$13,650.00) per calendar month, payable in advance on or before the first day of each month without offset or demand, except as otherwise provided in the Lease.

c) The rent during the Second Option Period (if exercised) shall be in the amount of FOURTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO and 50/100 DOLLARS (\$14,332.50) per calendar month, payable in advance on or before the first day of each month without offset or demand, except as otherwise provided in the Lease.

4. **ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATES.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Lease, commencing with the Extended Term the second typed line of Section 29 of the Lease shall be amended to replace reference to "ten (10) days" with "twenty (20) days".
5. **COUNTERPARTS AND ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all such counterparts taken together shall be deemed to constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement may be executed and delivered electronically with such signatures being deemed original signatures for purposes of enforcement and construction of this Agreement.
6. **NOTICES.** All notices required under this Agreement shall be deemed to have been properly served if delivered in the manner set forth in the Lease, except that Tenant's address for receipt of notices shall hereinafter be Dolgencorp LLC, 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, Tennessee, 37072 (Attention: Lease Administration).
7. **MISCELLANEOUS.** Landlord and Tenant agree that the Lease is, as of the date of this Agreement, in full force and effect, and all other terms and conditions of the Lease and of any previous modifications thereof shall remain unchanged. The provisions of this Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns. All capitalized terms in this Agreement shall have the meaning assigned to them in the Lease, unless expressly modified herein.

(SIGNATURES BEGIN ON NEXT PAGE)

Witnesses for Landlord:



Witness 1

Deborah Hall
Print Name

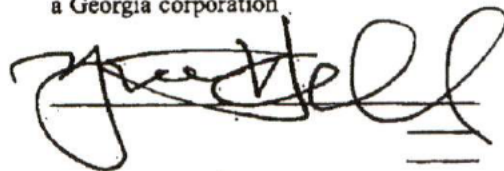


Witness 2

Maria Duque
Print Name

LANDLORD: Y & H PROPERTY, INC.,
a Georgia corporation

By:



Name:

Its:

Date:

Young Hall

President

8/3/2022

~~Witnesses for Tenant:~~

TENANT:

DOLGENCORP, LLC,
a Kentucky limited liability company

By:

Name:

Its:

Date:

Melissa L. Heisse

Vice President, Lease Administration

~~Witness 1~~

~~Print Name~~

~~Witness 2~~

~~Print Name~~

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~~IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto executed this Agreement as of the dates set forth below.~~

~~Signed and acknowledged in duplicate in presence of:~~

~~Witnesses for Landlord:~~

~~LANDLORD: Y & H PROPERTY, INC.,
a Georgia corporation~~

~~Witness 1~~

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Name:
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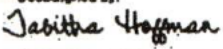
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Witnesses for Tenant:

TENANT: DOLGENCORP, LLC,
a Kentucky limited liability company

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Witness 1

Tabitha Hoffman

Print Name

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Witness 2

Christina Watson

Print Name

By:
Name: Melissa L. Heisse
Its: Vice President, Lease Administration
Date: 08/09/2022

Agent Certification

The undersigned certify that the information contained in this application and accompanying documentation is true and correct, and that the Agent named herein has directorial authority over the operations of the business to be licensed. The undersigned further agree to abide by, observe, and conduct the licensed business according to all county ordinances and state laws and regulations in respect thereof, and understand that the Agent named herein may be held personally responsible for violations of County Alcohol Code committed by others at the Agent's direction, or with the Agent's knowledge.

Agent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

I hereby certify that C. Melissa Beaufait (Agent) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

Ownership/Individual Certification

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

Individual/Owner's Signature: *Emily C. Taylor* Date: 11/18/25
(If different from Agent)

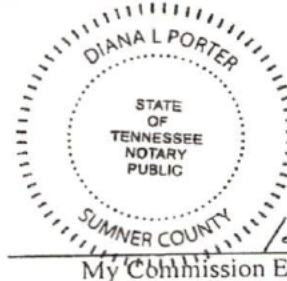
Title: LLC Manager

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

I hereby certify that Emily C. Taylor (Applicant) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This 18 day of November, 2025.

Diana L. Porter
Notary Public



Agent Certification

The undersigned certify that the information contained in this application and accompanying documentation is true and correct, and that the Agent named herein has directorial authority over the operations of the business to be licensed. The undersigned further agree to abide by, observe, and conduct the licensed business according to all county ordinances and state laws and regulations in respect thereof, and understand that the Agent named herein may be held personally responsible for violations of County Alcohol Code committed by others at the Agent's direction, or with the Agent's knowledge.

Agent's Signature: Carol Beaufait Date: 4/22/25

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

I hereby certify that C. Melissa Beaufait (Agent) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This 22nd day of April, 2025.

Sharon Holmes
Notary Public



Ownership/Individual Certification

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and correct, and I agree to abide by, observe, and conduct business according to the rules and regulations prescribed by Macon-Bibb County, the acts of the Georgia General Assembly, and the State Department of Revenue.

Individual/Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____
(If different from Agent)

Title: _____

Business Name: _____

I hereby certify that _____ (Applicant) signed his/her name to the forgoing statement after stating to me under oath administered by me, that all statements and answers are true and correct.

This _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires

PACKAGE TO GO BUSINESS TYPE IDENTIFICATION FORM
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Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

Business Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

Instructions:

This form must be completed for each new license or renewal license application for locations selling beer or wine or both, but not distilled spirits, by the package to go.

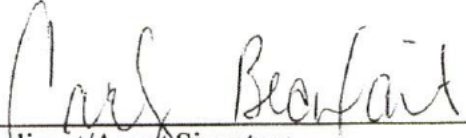
If you are not selling alcohol by the package to go, or if you are selling distilled spirits by the package to go, simply check the last box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

If you are selling alcohol by the package to go, please read the definitions below and check the box next to the definition which best matches how the business is currently operated or expected to operate under this license. Any intentional failure to identify or misrepresentation on this form may be grounds for denial or revocation of any license issued to you.

Definitions:

- ☐ **Drugstore:** a retail store that provides assorted items including medical or healthcare supplies, that may also provide other items or services such as over-the-counter drugs; processed food and drink items; beauty products; small toys; or photo processing services; and that is licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☐ **Food Mart:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of less than 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which regularly sells, at a minimum and among other products the following items: at least four pounds each of five different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; four pounds of fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; four dozen fresh chicken eggs; four pounds of bread; and four gallons fresh cow's milk. Food Marts shall be required to maintain a food scale certified by the Georgia Department of Agriculture for the purpose of verifying compliance with this definition. Food Marts shall purchase food items for resale from lawful fresh food wholesalers, and shall be required to produce invoices reflecting the sources of food products sold upon demand by County officials. If an insufficient quantity of an item is present in the Food Mart, Macon-Bibb County may consider receipts or other evidence to determine whether a sufficient good faith effort was made to comply with the minimum item quantity requirements. The term "Food Mart" does not include Drugstores, Gas Stations, Grocery Stores, Small Box Discount Stores, Specialty Stores, or Vice Marts; provided that a Food Mart may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.
- ☐ **Gas Station:** a Vice Mart that is also licensed by the Georgia Safety Fire Commissioner for the storage and sale of liquefied petroleum gas and that actually regularly sells liquefied petroleum gas.
- ☐ **Grocery Store:** a retail store licensed by the Georgia Commissioner of Agriculture as a food sales establishment, which has a total retail floor space of at least 10,000 square feet, of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, and which sells, at a minimum and among other products at least ten different types of fresh fruits or vegetables; fresh, raw beef, chicken, or pork; fresh chicken eggs; bread; and fresh cow's milk. A Grocery Store may or may not be licensed by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy to operate a pharmacy.

- ☒ **Small Box Discount Store:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items that are continuously offered at a discounted price that is usually under \$10 per item. These stores are commonly referred to by names such as "dollar stores," "99 cent stores," "five dollar stores," "discount stores," or "variety stores." Products sold typically include processed food and drink items, personal hygiene products, office supplies and decorations. Retail floor space is typically less than 15,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Specialty Store:** a retail store that derives at least 50% of its annual gross sales from the sale of certain specialized classes or types of food or beverage products, or related accessories or non-food items. Such products are typically of a superior quality or more limited market availability than those general products commonly found in Grocery Stores. This includes brewpubs, malt beverage taprooms, and cocktail rooms. Other examples of Specialty Stores include, without limitation: (a) imported or luxury products; (b) products associated with a particular culture, global region, cuisine, or nationality; (c) products conforming to or supporting the dietary requirements of any sincerely held religious practice or belief; (d) restaurants; (e) organic, vegan, or natural products; (f) meats (e.g., butcher shops, delis, or seafood markets); (g) cheese or dairy products; (h) oils, seasonings, or spices; (i) growlers, craft beers, or wine; (j) breads or baked goods; (k) cigars; (l) honey or beeswax products; (m) products grown or produced within the State of Georgia or any particular location therein; or (n) any similarly specialized products or classes of products.
- ☐ **Vice Mart:** a retail store that provides assorted, inexpensive items for neighborhood residents or travelers, such as processed shelf-stable or refrigerated food and drink items; fountain and brewed drinks; handheld prepared food items; automotive items; tobacco products; family planning products; lottery products; gifts; over-the-counter medications; or similar items. Stores are typically designed for expediency – with customers typically buying few items per transaction and spending only a short time in the store. Retail floor space is typically less than 10,000 square feet.
- ☐ **Other Small Box Retail Store:** a retail store that meets each of the following criteria:
1. the store has a total retail floor space of less than 15,000 square feet; 2. the store does not meet the definition of Drug Store, Food Mart, Gas Station, Grocery Store, Small Box Discount Store, Specialty Store, or Vice Mart; and 3. the store is not licensed or applying for a license for the sale of distilled spirits by the package to go.
- ☐ **Other/None of the Above/Distilled Spirits/Exempt:** Check this box if none of the above definitions apply to your store, or if you are not licensed or applying for a license to sell only beer or wine or both by the package to go.


Applicant/Agent Signature

4/21/25
Date

SECURITY CAMERA COMPLIANCE VERIFICATION

Instructions:

This form must be completed for each new license application for locations selling alcohol by the package to go or operating as a bar or nightclub.

Pursuant to Sec. 4-1 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances,

1. Bar shall mean any business that derives 75 percent or more total annual gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 3-1-2;
2. Nightclub shall mean any business which:
 - Directly or indirectly charges patrons for admission;
 - Is licensed under this Chapter for the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises;
 - Provides entertainment using amplified sound, including, without limitation, the playing of pre-recorded music through amplified sound by a DJ or emcee or similar person; the playing of live analog, electronic, or digital musical instruments; the presentation of live human speech or dialogue through amplified sound; or any combination of the above;
 - Which does not provide a number of seats suitable for the viewing of such entertainment greater than or equal to the number of patrons present; and
 - Which does not earn at least fifty percent of its annual gross revenues from the sale of prepared meals or the letting of rooms for overnight stay.

If you are selling alcohol by the package to go or operating a bar or nightclub you must:

1. install security cameras in your business that meet the requirements below;
2. call the Code Enforcement Department Office at 478-803-0470, select option "0" to schedule an appointment to have an inspection of the security camera system;
3. show the inspector that the security camera system meets the requirements below; and
4. have the inspector sign this form approving the security camera system.

If you are not operating as a bar or nightclub or selling alcohol by the package to go, simply check the box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

Pursuant to Sec. 4-40 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances,

1. Any establishment selling alcoholic beverages by the package to go must install security cameras, which are, at a minimum, of sufficient quantity, quality, and positioning so as to capture the face and clothing of any person entering into the establishment through any public entrance; or making any purchase from the establishment.
2. Any establishment licensed to sell any alcoholic beverage for consumption on premises, which is operating as a bar or nightclub, is hereby required to install security cameras, which must, at a minimum, be of sufficient quantity, quality, and positioning so as to capture the face and clothing of persons entering into said establishment through any public entrance.

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thereof; standing outside of the establishment but within fifty feet of any entrance to said establishment; making any purchase from a fixed point of sale within said establishment; or standing within any dance floor or similar area designated within said establishment.

3. A digital security camera system shall be deemed to be "of sufficient quality" of and only if each camera required under this Section meets the following criteria:
 - It is capable of producing an image with a 1080p High Definition (1920 x 1080 pixels) resolution or greater at a minimum frame rate of 15 frames per second;
 - It is maintained in a state of being free of dust or debris that would interfere with the quality of the image being produced; and
 - It is capable of operating in the actual interior or exterior lighting conditions that are present during all operations and times of operation for the establishment, and of producing a clear image of the face and clothing of the persons described in this Section in all such lighting conditions.
4. Such cameras meeting the requirements of this Section must be capable of producing a retrievable image on film, tape, or other suitable digital format that can be made a permanent record and that can be enlarged through projection or other means. Cameras meeting the requirements of this Section shall be maintained in proper working order at all times and shall be subject to periodic inspection by the Sheriff.
5. Establishments required under this Section to install security cameras shall maintain all video images captured thereby for a period of at least thirty days from the date of image capture.
6. The failure to have or maintain security cameras in good working condition, with sufficient backup storage as to permit the retrieval of images as required by this Section shall be a violation of this Section and shall be punishable in accordance with the general provisions of Section 1-6 of this Code, as well as by any adverse action against the alcohol licensure of such business, up to and including the revocation or denial of all existing alcohol licenses held by such licensee.

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

Business Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

I hereby certify that on this date, I have inspected the security camera and image retrieval system located at the above business and found it to be in compliance with the requirements of Sec. 4-40 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, as stated hereon.

Code Enforcement Department Designee

4/10/24

Date

☐ **Exempt:** Check this box if you are not licensed, not applying for package to go license, or not operating as a bar or nightclub.

Applicant/Agent Signature

Date

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Applicant Privacy Rights Notification Signature Form

Applicant Notification and Record Challenge:

Your fingerprints will be used to check the criminal history records of the FBI. You have the opportunity to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information contained in the FBI identification record. The procedure for obtaining a change, correction or updating an FBI identification record is set forth in Title 28 Code of Federal Regulations 16.34.

Procedures for obtaining a copy of the FBI criminal history record are set forth in 28 CFR 16.30 – 16.33 or go to the FBI website at <http://fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks>.

	C. Melissa Beaufait	4/21/25
Signature	Print Name	Date



Alcohol License Questionnaire

Name of Business: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

Owner's Name: Dolgencorp, LLC

Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

1. Do you own or are you leasing your business location? Own X Lease

2. If you purchased the building, what was the final sale price as reflected in public records? \$ N/A

3. If you are leasing the building, what relation, if any, is there between the building owner and the owner(s) of your business?

Please circle one: Relation, see below X No Relation
N/A

4. If you are leasing the building, will your landlord be involved in the day to day business operations? Yes No

5. Was the previous operator at this location in any legal or regulatory trouble with local government, state government, law enforcement, or the Georgia lottery in the year prior to the transfer to your business? Yes No*

* To Applicant's best knowledge

6. Will the previous operator or any family member of the previous operator remain involved in the day to day business operations? Yes No

7. Was the sale of the building, business, or lease an "arms length" or "fair market value" transaction? Yes No

C. Melissa Beaufait
Signature

C. Melissa Beaufait
Print Name

4/21/25
Date

ARMED SECURITY PERSONNEL REQUIRED TRAINING COMPLIANCE FORM

Instructions:

This form must be completed by any bar or nightclub operating with an alcohol license which allows or requires security personnel to carry firearms while working. The form shall be submitted upon applying or renewing any license to sell alcohol on the premises. This form is not required for businesses employing certified peace officers in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Counsel. Applicants applying for special events which employ armed security personnel are required to submit this form.

Pursuant to the licensing requirements of Sec. 4-550 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, attach the following documentation to this form prior to submission:

1. A copy of the applicant's valid private security business license, issued by the Georgia Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies.
2. A list containing the names and dates of birth of all persons who will be working as armed security personnel at the applicant's place of business or special event location. Use the attached form.

NOTE: IT IS A VIOLATION TO ALLOW ANY PERSON NOT LISTED TO WORK AS AN ARMED SECURITY PERSONNEL WITHOUT FIRST SUBMITTING AN UPDATED COPY OF THIS FORM TO THE TAX COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING THIS RULE MAY INCLUDE THE LOSS OF YOUR ALCOHOL LICENSES.

3. A copy of a valid private security license from the Georgia Board of Private Detective and Security Agencies for each person named who will be working as armed security personnel at the applicant's place of business or special event location.

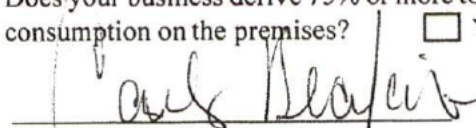
If you are not operating as a bar or nightclub with armed security personnel, simply check the box on this form for "Exempt" and sign at the bottom.

Business Name: Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

Business Address: 1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

☒ **Exempt:** Check this box if you certify that you will not hire any armed security personnel, or that you are not operating as a bar or nightclub.

Does your business derive 75% or more total annual gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises? ☐ YES ☒ NO


Applicant/Agent Signature

4/21/25
Date

Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name and Title of the applicant: C. Melissa Beaufait; Store Manager
2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant:
Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814
3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

☐ Building Permit	☐ Plat Approval	☐ Building Inspection Report	☐ Certificate of Occupancy
☒ Alcohol License (Any)	☐ Privilege License (Any other than alcohol)	☐ Political Appointment	☐ Competitive Contract Bid or Proposal
☐ Non-Competitive Contract over \$50,000	☐ Registering to Bid on Real Property	☐ Other: _____	

4. If the subject is an individual or sole proprietorship, then list all business entities in which the subject has a direct or indirect ownership interest of 25% or more, or legal control over. If the subject is an entity, then list all individuals who have a direct or indirect ownership interest of 25% or more in the subject entity, or who exercise legal control of the entity. Use additional sheets if needed.

N/A

5. I, the undersigned, do hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this Certificate is true and complete to the best of my available knowledge. I further swear or affirm that, as of today, none of the individuals or entities listed in this Certificate are more than 90 days delinquent on the payment of any ad valorem property taxes due to the Macon-Bibb County Government. I understand that giving false, incomplete, or inaccurate information on this Certificate may result in the denial of any privilege the applicant is applying for, as well as the revocation of any privilege previously granted by Macon-Bibb County, and may constitute the crimes of false writing or false swearing, which carry a penalty of up to five years in prison and up to a \$1,000 fine.

Carly Beaufait

Carly Beaufait
C. Melissa Beaufait
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

22nd day of April, 2024.



Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

1. Name and Title of the applicant: Dolgenercorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814

2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant:
Dolgenercorp, LLC, business owner

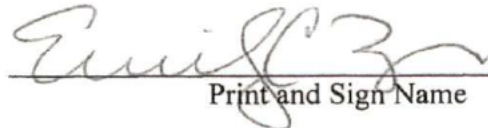
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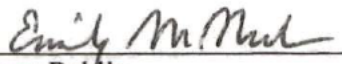
Please see attached Exhibit "A"

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Emily Taylor
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

8 day of May, 20 25.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11-26-2028



Macon-Bibb County Business License Application of
Dolgencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814
1370 Gray Highway, Macon, GA 31211

Exhibit "A"

Member and Officers of Dolgencorp, LLC

NAME	ADDRESS	SSN	POSITION	% INTEREST
Emily C. Taylor	1805 Otter Creek Road, Nashville, TN 37215	XXX-XX-0210	Chief Merchandising Officer	0%
Zachery J. Brining	1019 Morchella Private Way, Henderson, TN 37075	XXX-XX-6960	SVP, Corp Store Operations	0%
Dollar General Corporation*	100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072	61-0502302	Member	100%

*Publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange

Macon-Bibb County Certificate of Good Standing

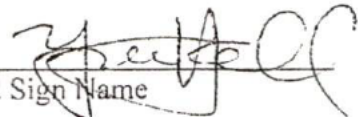
1. Name and Title of the applicant: Doigencorp, LLC d/b/a Dollar General #9814
2. Name of the subject of this Certificate, if different from the applicant:
Y & H PROPERTY, INC., property owner
3. Benefit or privilege for which the applicant is applying (mark one):

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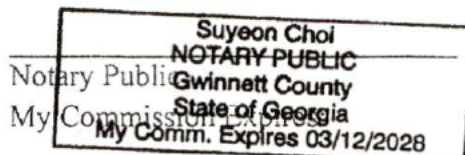
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Youngin Hall 
Print and Sign Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

20 day of September, 20 25.





Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201
Mail to: Tax Commissioner's Office PO Box 4503
Macon, GA 31208-4503

OFFICE USE ONLY
ALCOHOL APPLICATION

Applicant Name: Carly Beaufait

Business Name: Dolgencorp LLC DBA Dollar General #9814

Business Address: 1370 Gray Highway Macon GA 31211

After initial review, further consideration of this application is:

Recommended Tanya D. Battle 6/29/2026

Deputy Tax Commissioner, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia **Date**

Not

Recommended Deputy Tax Commissioner, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia **Date**

After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:

Granted David J. Davis 6/29/2026

Sheriff, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia **Date**

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Denied

Sheriff, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia **Date**

After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:

Granted _____ **Date**

Mayor, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia

Denied

Mayor, Macon-Bibb County, Georgia **Date**

After investigation, I recommend that the license requested herein be:

Granted  _____ **Date**

Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission, Georgia

Denied

 _____ **Date**

Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission, Georgia



Tax Commissioner's Office
188 Third Street
Macon, GA 31201

Review Form

The attached application is a petition to Macon-Bibb County for an Alcoholic Beverage License.

The following required documents are included in the application:

- ☐ Signature form
- ☐ BSO Recommendation letter
- ☐ Proof of Planning and Zoning compliance
- ☐ Affidavit from the Macon-Bibb County Engineer's Department
- ☐ Affidavit from the Macon Telegraph Newspaper

Legal Review 6/30/2026 (Date) LB (Initials)

Comments

Recommend for approval.

Initials

_____ Stephanie Freeman, Administrative Office Specialist



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR RADIO EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$204,800.00, TO BE PAID FROM THE SPLOST 2018 FUND – PUBLIC SAFETY – PUBLIC SAFETY OTHER – PROPERTY LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, to ensure the ongoing and effective response of Macon’s public safety agencies, stability of radio communications systems is crucial; and

WHEREAS, to maintain Macon-Bibb County’s public safety radio communications systems, GPS tracking for portable radios and virtual server installation at the tower site are required; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County utilizes L3Harris radios, which are available under Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000220-0003, a cooperative purchasing agreement allowing for favorable pre-negotiated pricing and faster processing times than other competitive purchasing mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, Williams Communications, Inc., is an authorized dealer of L3Harris products under Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000220-0003 and has familiarity with the Macon-Bibb County radio communications system; and

WHEREAS, use of cooperative purchasing agreements is authorized under Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Sec. 19-8; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement or purchase order with Williams Communications, Inc., for radio equipment as more fully described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, in the amount of TWO HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$204,800.00), to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other - Property line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener’s errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener’s error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it

is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A



QUOTE

5046 Tennessee Capital Blvd.
Tallahassee FL 32303
(850) 385-1121 Fax: (850) 575-0346

TO: Macon-Bibb County
Mrs. T. Watson
200 Cherry St., Suite 401
Macon, GA 31029

QUOTE NO.: 10823 - 00

DATE: 6/16/26

TERMS: NET 30 DAYS

Please reference Quote No. on correspondence.

Send purchase orders to sales@wmscom.com.

Quote expires 06/18/2026.

Custom ordered parts and specialty items are non-refundable. All other items are subject to a 30% restocking fee.

WE ARE PLEASED TO QUOTE YOU THE FOLLOWING:

LINE	QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	1	SOFTWARE,STATUSAWARE,100 DEVIC SOFTWARE,STATUSAWARE,100 DEVIC	25,900.00	25,900.00
2	400	LICENSE,STATUSAWARE,501-1000 D	35.00	14,000.00
3	500	FEATURE, IN-BAND GPS	244.20	122,100.00
4	1	Services	10,000.00	10,000.00
5	500	GA STATE CONTRACT PROGRAMMING	65.00	32,500.00
*Active Portable Radio Quantity is based upon a qty of 200 for the Fire Department and a qty of 300 for the Sheriff's Office.			Item Summary	204,500.00
			Subtotal	204,500.00
			Outbound Frt	300.00
			Grand Total	204,800.00

ORDERS SUBJECT TO SHIPPING & HANDLING AND SALES TAX IF APPLICABLE

TERMS SUBJECT TO CREDIT REVIEW

BY Phillip Taylor (469)978-6070 Ext ptaylor@wmscom.com

Accepted

by

LEGAL NAME OF PURCHASER

P.O. No.

Date

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF RADIO EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$137,277.52, TO BE PAID FROM THE SPLOST 2025 FUND – PUBLIC SAFETY – IT UPGRADE – PROPERTY LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, to ensure the ongoing and effective response of Macon’s public safety agencies, stability of radio communications systems is crucial; and

WHEREAS, replacement XL200P radios are required to maintain Macon-Bibb County’s public safety radio communications systems; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County utilizes L3Harris radios, which are available under Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000220-0003, a cooperative purchasing agreement allowing for favorable pre-negotiated pricing and faster processing times than other competitive purchasing mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, Williams Communications, Inc., is an authorized dealer of L3Harris products under Statewide Contract # 99999-001-SPD0000220-0003 and has familiarity with the Macon-Bibb County radio communications system; and

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WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement or purchase order with Williams Communications, Inc., for the replacement of radio equipment as more fully described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS and 52/100 CENTS (\$137,277.52), to be paid from the SPLOST 2025 Fund – Public Safety – IT Upgrade – Property line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

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By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A



QUOTE

5046 Tennessee Capital Blvd.
Tallahassee FL 32303
(850) 385-1121 Fax: (850) 575-0346

QUOTE NO.: 10425 - 00
DATE: 3/23/26
TERMS: NET 30 DAYS

Please reference Quote No. on correspondence.
Send purchase orders to sales@wmscom.com.

TO: Bibb County Sheriff's Office
Lt. Clay Williams
Attn: Clay Williams
651 Hazel St
Macon, GA 31201

Quote expires 04/22/2026.
Custom ordered parts and specialty items are
non-refundable. All other items are subject to a
30% restocking fee.

WE ARE PLEASED TO QUOTE YOU THE FOLLOWING:

LINE	QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	26	PORTABLE,XL-200P,PKP,BLK,US,NA	2,701.00	70,226.00
2	26	SERVICE ASSIST, EXT WARRANTY 1	115.00	2,990.00
3	26	FEATURE, LTE	999.00	25,974.00
4	26	OPERATION,LOAD NIFOG PERSONALI	.01	.26
5	26	FEATURE-XL200-P25 PHASE 2 TDMA	203.50	5,291.00
6	26	FEATURE, ENCRYPTION LITE	.01	.26
7	26	FEATURE, SINGLE-KEY AES ENCRYP	.01	.26
8	26	FEATURE-XL200-ENCRYPTION-SINGL	.01	.26
9	26	FEATURE PKG-XL200P-P25 TRUNKIN Feature Pkg-XL200P-P25 Trunkln	1,332.00	34,632.00
10	26	FEATURE PACKAGE,ALL BANDS,V+U+	1,328.30	34,535.80
11	52	BATTERY,LI-ION,HI-CAPACITY,480	185.00	9,620.00
12	26	ANTE-HARRIS XL-FLEX HELICAL 13	111.00	2,886.00
13	26	MIC-SPK-L3H XL200-NON ANTE-COI Mic-Spk-L3H XL200-Non Ante-Col	188.70	4,906.20
14	26	CHARGER, SINGLE BAY +	185.00	4,810.00
15	26	BELT CLIP- HARRIS XL SERIES ME	25.90	673.40
16	26	DEVICE MGMT 12 MONTH SUBSCRIPT	.01	.26
17	1	VENDOR DISCOUNT Continued on following page	59,863.18-	59,863.18-



WILLIAMS
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES

QUOTE

QUOTE NO. 10425 - 00

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LINE	QTY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
			Item Summary	136,682.52
			Subtotal	136,682.52
			Outbound Frt	595.00
			Grand Total	137,277.52

ORDERS SUBJECT TO SHIPPING & HANDLING AND SALES TAX IF APPLICABLE

TERMS SUBJECT TO CREDIT REVIEW

BY Phillip Taylor (469)978-6070 Ext ptaylor@wmscom.com

Accepted

by _____

LEGAL NAME OF PURCHASER

P.O. No. _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Date _____



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR POST-CONSTRUCTION DRONE INSPECTION SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,320.00, TO BE PAID FROM THE SPLOST 2018 FUND – PUBLIC SAFETY – PUBLIC SAFETY OTHER – PROPERTY LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County requires an independent third-party inspection of a recent radio tower construction project; and

WHEREAS, Williams Communications, Inc., has familiarity with the Macon-Bibb County radio communications system; and

WHEREAS, Williams Communications, Inc. has agreed to perform the required services for a total cost of \$82,320.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of consultants without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of Williams Communications, Inc. to perform the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an

agreement or purchase order with Williams Communications, Inc., for on-site drone analysis with photos and line sweep review as provided in the Quote, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A, in the amount of EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$82,320.00), to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund – Public Safety – Public Safety Other– Property line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

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this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A



QUOTE

Macon-Bibb - Post Coverage & Antenna Installation Review & Test
Please Submit Purchase Orders and Disbursement Orders to: sales@wmscom.com
Williams Communications, Inc | 840 Hillcrest Industrial Blvd | Macon, GA 31204
Phillip Taylor | ptaylor@wmscom.com

Quote #	SOMAC02329	Date	5/7/2025
Customer #	C000000266	Phone	478-621-6413
Contact	Christopher Land	Email	cland@maconbibb.us
Client PO#		Cell	
Address	Macon-Bibb County Attn: Accounts Payable Po Box 247 Macon GA 31202	Ship To	Macon-Bibb Co IT-Terminal Station Attn: Christopher Land 200 Cherry St Ste 401 Macon GA 31201

COMPANY PROPRIETARY & CONFIDENTIALITY

Description	QTY	Client Price	Ext. Total
On-Site drone analysis with photos and line sweep review	1.00	\$9,600.00	\$9,600.00
Post - Coverage Testing	1.00	\$70,480.00	\$70,480.00
SE/PM and Travel	1.00	\$2,240.00	\$2,240.00
		Shipping & Handling:	-
		Tax:	-
		Client Total:	\$82,320.00

WCI provides a variety of batteries & chargers for LMR Radios through the Federal NASPO discounted pricing.

May we send you a quote today?

Quote prices good for thirty calendar days. Quote does not include any applicable sales tax.

Custom ordered parts and specialty items are non-refundable. All other items are subject to a 30% restocking fee.



WILLIAMS
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES

QUOTE

Williams Communications, Inc | 5046 Tennessee Capital Blvd | Tallahassee, FL 32303
850-385-1121



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WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County District Attorney requires Public Information Officer and Strategic Advisor Services for effective public communication and establishing strategic goals for public safety and organizational operations; and

WHEREAS, Vera Causa Group, LLC has agreed to perform the required services for a total cost of \$54,000.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of consultants without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of Vera Causa Group, LLC to perform the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement or purchase order with Vera Causa Group, LLC for Public Information Officer and

Strategic Advisor Services as provided in the Quote, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A, in the amount of FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$54,000.00), to be paid from the General Fund – District Attorney –Other Services – Investigative/Informant Fees line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

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By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
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EXHIBIT A

To: Hon. Anita Howard
District Attorney
Macon Judicial Circuit, Georgia

From: Susan C. Ryan
Vera Causa Group, LLC



Re: Public Information Officer and Strategic Advisor Services

In today's 24/7 news cycle, it's important to engage with members of your community so they can understand their role in helping to keep their neighborhoods safe. Effective public communication and engagement can also help leaders dispel misinformation and clarify misunderstandings in the public discourse.

Vera Causa Group helps prosecutors create trusting relationships with the media and their constituents by setting up clear lines and methods of external communication. We focus on building capacity in your office for long-term success.

We will work with you to build a plan to help you gain stronger relationships with the media and the community at large. This will achieve your goals of increasing confidence in the criminal justice system, promoting participation in keeping the community safe and providing education to increase public understanding of the work you do each day.

Proposed Services

Vera Causa Group will serve as in the role of Public Information Officer and Strategic Advisor to help you:

- Update your current communication and education strategy and implementation plan that will serve as a framework for all public communication to create stronger and more productive relationships with the community, media, and other stakeholders
- Facilitate communication between the District Attorney's Office and the media for increased education and understanding with the belief that an engaged public can create a safer community
- Support the District Attorney and serve as spokesperson for the District Attorney's Office when appropriate, responding to media inquiries and providing accurate, timely information about cases, policies, and office initiatives while adhering to legal and ethical guidelines to promote transparency
- Draft for review media advisories, news releases, statements, key messages and other communications
- Monitor media coverage and public dialogue
- Monitor online media platforms including the website, social media and video platforms
- Foster open communication and engagement with constituents, community and law enforcement partners
- Provide important context and background to the media on the law and cases involving the office

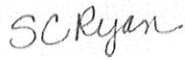
- Develop and maintain relationships with members of the media, community organizations, and other stakeholders to ensure effective communication channels
- Provide strategic counsel to office leadership on communication and other matters as it relates to successful office operations
- Assist the District Attorney in establishing and implementing her strategic goals for public safety and organizational operations to best serve the community

Organizational Investment

\$4,500 per month retainer to be paid monthly

We look forward to the opportunity to work with you and your team.

Regards,



Susan C. Ryan
Vera Causa Group, LLC
Susan@veracausagroup.com



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HEIR MEDIA CORP. D/B/A HM STRATEGIC CONSULTING, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,149,950.00, FOR IT STAFFING SERVICES, PAYABLE FROM THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET – CONTRACT LABOR – CONTRACTUAL SERVICES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Information Technology (“IT”) Department has approximately fourteen vacant positions, and requires assistance to maintain day-to-day operations and website updates for all County departments and partners; and

WHEREAS, as the IT department staff are occupied with other ongoing critical projects, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds it necessary to utilize an outside company to provide the services of eleven external, full-time IT professional workers for Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, Heir Media Corp., d/b/a HM Strategic Consulting (“HMSC”) has prior experience with providing these services, and has agreed to perform the required services for a total cost of \$1,149,950.00; and

WHEREAS, the IT department agrees and approves of using HMSC to perform these services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of professionals without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of HMSC to perform the aforementioned services as detailed in the Pricing Proposal, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute a purchase order or professional services agreement with HMSC, in a total amount of ONE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$1,149,950.00), for the provision of professional services in the nature of staffing eleven vacant positions in IT, as provided in Exhibit A, to be paid from the Information Technology Department – Contract Labor – Contractual Services line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney.

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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EXHIBIT A



PREPARED BY:

HM Strategic Consulting

Submitted By:

James Bryan
Vice President

Date: June 3, 2026



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Pricing Notes & Assumptions

HM Strategic Consulting has prepared the following pricing proposal based on the requirements set forth in the Macon-Bibb IT Department Statement of Work. The pricing structure below reflects fully-loaded labor rates for each required role. HM Strategic Consulting is flexible and can accommodate the County's preferred contract vehicle. Please note the following assumptions:

- All rates assume personnel operating on a standard full-time basis (40 hours per week). Rates are built on approximately 1,880 billable hours per FTE per year, which reflects standard full-time engagement net of holidays, paid time off, and training. The fully-loaded rates are structured to recover each position's total loaded cost over these billable hours.
- Rates include all compensation, fringe benefits, overhead, G&A, and profit margin.
- Travel within Bibb County is included; travel outside the county, if required, will be reimbursed at the then-current IRS mileage rate or per a mutually agreed travel policy.
- Any materials, hardware, software licenses, or third-party tools required to perform the work are not included in labor rates and will be invoiced separately as pass-through costs.
- Rates are valid for the base period of performance. Year-over-year escalation for option periods (if applicable) may be negotiated separately.
- Both pricing options reflect the same total annual value; they differ only in billing structure (hourly, fixed monthly, or annual lump sum) to give MBIT flexibility in budgeting and administration.



Fully-Loaded Hourly Rates

Under this structure, HM Strategic Consulting invoices Macon-Bibb County based on actual hours worked per role at the agreed fully loaded hourly rate. This provides maximum flexibility for roles where hours may fluctuate. Monthly invoices will include a detailed timesheet breakdown by role and task.

Position	#	Fully-Loaded Hourly Rate	Estimated Annual Hours	Estimated Annual Cost
IT Service Desk Analyst II – Tier 2	2	\$27.50	3,760	\$103,400
Jr. Web Programmer (Web Content Mgr)	1	\$65.00	1,880	\$122,200
GIS Analyst I	1	\$45.00	1,880	\$84,600
Sr. SharePoint Developer	1	\$68.82	1,880	\$129,386
Network Administrator (Associate)	1	\$43.27	1,880	\$81,346
Network Administrator (Junior)	1	\$50.71	1,880	\$95,337
Systems Administrator (Associate)	1	\$42.00	1,880	\$78,960
Sr. IT Security Engineer	1	\$82.00	1,880	\$154,160
Jr. IT Security Engineer	1	\$80.00	1,880	\$150,400
Jr. IT Security Engineer	1	\$80.00	1,877	\$150,160
TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST	11		20,677	\$1,149,950

Note: Estimated annual hours reflect approximately 1,880 billable hours per FTE (full-time engagement net of holidays, paid time off, and training), with one exception. Actual hours billed will reflect time worked as documented in approved timesheets.



Optional & Supplemental Services

The following optional services are available to MBIT should additional needs arise during the performance period. These are not included in the base pricing above and would require a separate task order or contract modification approved by the CIO.

Optional Service	Unit	Rate	Notes
Additional On-Call / After-Hours Support	Per hour	Quoted on request	Applies outside standard business hours
Surge Staffing (Temporary FTE Additions)	Per month	Quoted on request	Subject to availability and 30-day notice
Project Management Office (PMO) Setup	Fixed fee	Quoted on request	One-time setup of PM governance framework
Cybersecurity Audit & Assessment	Fixed fee	Quoted on request	Point-in-time security assessment & report
Staff Augmentation (Additional Roles)	Hourly / monthly	Quoted on request	Roles outside standard SOW scope



Pricing Terms & Conditions

Invoice Schedule

HM Strategic Consulting will submit invoices monthly, no later than the 5th business day of the following month. Invoices will include: role name, FTE count, period of service, hours worked (if hourly), and applicable rate. Supporting timesheets or equivalent documentation will accompany each invoice.

Payment Terms

Payment is due within Net 30 days of invoice receipt. HM Strategic Consulting accepts check, ACH/EFT, or other payment methods as designated by Macon-Bibb County's Finance Department. Late payments may be subject to interest per applicable Georgia state procurement regulations.

Price Validity

The rates presented in this proposal are valid for 90 days from the date of submission. Upon contract award and execution, rates will be locked for the base period of performance. Option year pricing (if applicable) may include a negotiated escalation factor not to exceed 3% annually, based on CPI or mutual agreement.

Key Personnel Changes

In the event a key personnel replacement is required, HM Strategic Consulting will notify MBIT in advance and present a qualified candidate for review. Billing will be adjusted on a pro-rated basis for any period during which a position is unfilled due to a transition. There will be no billing for vacancies exceeding 30 consecutive days without MBIT's written acknowledgment.

Change Management & Scope Adjustments

Any changes to staffing levels, roles, or scope will be formally documented and require prior written approval from the CIO or designated MBIT authority before pricing adjustments take effect. HM Strategic Consulting will provide an impact analysis (cost, schedule, risk) for any proposed change.



Summary & Acceptance

HM Strategic Consulting appreciates the opportunity to submit this Pricing Proposal to Macon-Bibb County. We are committed to delivering exceptional value and transparent billing practices throughout our partnership with MBIT.

To proceed, please indicate any modifications to the scope or terms. HM Strategic Consulting is prepared to negotiate in good faith and finalize contract documentation promptly upon mutual agreement.

Pricing Acknowledgment & Acceptance:

Authorized Signature (HM Strategic Consulting): <i>James Bryan</i> Name / Title: <u> Vice President </u> Date: <u> </u>	Authorized Signature (Macon-Bibb County): _____ Name / Title: <u> </u> Date: <u> </u>
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WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County requires the use of an AI-powered conversational agent for its new website to provide 24/7 access to information, reduced wait times, and an overall improvement in user experience; and

WHEREAS, Granicus, LLC, provides the required services under OMNIA Partners Contract # 159768, a cooperative purchasing agreement allowing for favorable pre-negotiated pricing and faster processing times than other competitive purchasing mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, Granicus, LLC has agreed to perform the required services for a total cost of \$48,750.00; and

WHEREAS, use of cooperative purchasing agreements is authorized under Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Section 19-8; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of consultants without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of Granicus, LLC to perform the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement or purchase order with Granicus, LLC for Government Experience Agent setup, configuration, and software services as provided in the Proposal, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A, in the amount of FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$48,750.00), to be paid from the General Fund – Information Technology – IT – Web Applications – Professional Services – Consulting Fees line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

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(SEAL)

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Order Form
Prepared for
Macon-Bibb, GA

Granicus Proposal for Macon-Bibb, GA

ORDER DETAILS

Prepared By: Caleb Fort Jr.
Phone:
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Order #: Q-546617
Prepared On: 30 Jun 2026
Expires On: 31 Jul 2026

ORDER TERMS

Currency: USD
Payment Terms: Net 30 (Payments for subscriptions are due at the beginning of the period of performance.)
Period of Performance: The term of the Agreement will commence on the date this document is signed and will continue for 12 months.

PRICING SUMMARY

The pricing and terms within this Proposal are specific to the products and volumes contained within this Proposal.

One-Time Fees			
Solution	Billing Frequency	Quantity/Unit	One-Time Fee
Government Experience Agent Setup and Config	Milestones - 40/30/30	1 Each	\$18,750.00
SUBTOTAL:			\$18,750.00

New Subscription Fees			
Solution	Billing Frequency	Quantity/Unit	Annual Fee
Government Experience Agent Recurring	Annual	1 Each	\$30,000.00
SUBTOTAL:			\$30,000.00

PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS

Solution	Description
Government Experience Agent Recurring	Empower your government services with the Government Experience Agent (GXA), an AI-powered conversational agent designed to deliver clear, accurate, transparent, and accessible support to citizens. <u>Key Features</u> Data Integration: • Ingest unlimited website data sources and non-published, machine-readable PDF documents for GXA to use as sources for responses • For agencies with govDelivery subscriptions, can use public bulletins as a data source. • Unlimited data storage • Additional integrations are priced and scoped separately Conversational Intelligence: • Responsive UI with precise, plain language summarization • Conversational history for context-aware interactions • Session persistence for seamless user experience without authentication • Prompt response caching for faster replies Accessibility & Multilingual Support: • Available in 75 languages • Compliance with WCAG 2.2 AA Standards Transparency & Trust: • Source citation for responses to ensure verification and accountability • Automated response evaluation to maintain high standards of quality, relevance, and accuracy

Solution	Description
	• Backend console view of interaction data history to provide records of interaction content, feedback, and metadata Safety & Compliance: • Built-in guardrails (both prompt-level and LLM-specific) to ensure safe and compliant interactions Automation & Analytics: • Automated web scraper to keep data sources up to date • User interaction analytics for performance insights Ongoing Partnership Consultation: • One (1) Experience Services Manager Review per quarter to review insights from GXA's analytics and provide guidance on ongoing optimization. This quarterly review will include recommendations on how to best leverage the included service credits to achieve your agency's specific goals. Experience Services & Premium Product Support • Premium Support provided Monday through Friday • Experience Partner • 45 Service Credits per year Additional Terms: • Third-party / custom integrations are not included in the base subscription • Included service credits must be redeemed within one year of purchase

Solution	Description
Government Experience Agent Setup and Config	Initial setup, configuration, and optimization of GXA to get the agent live and embedded into your website. Deliverables include: • Professional Project Management (daily standup meetings; weekly communications) • Initial GXA technical configuration • Branding configuration • One (1) 60-minute Predefined Response Questions (PRQ) Workshop • One (1) web traffic report including top trafficked pages and most used search terms (assumes client provides access to Google Analytics & Google Search Console or similar web analytics tool) • Up to one (1) tailored list of commonly asked questions to support UAT (not to exceed 1,000 questions) • One (1) AI-driven Jurisdictional Awareness Report • Up to four (4) hours of GXA administrative console training Onboarding must be initiated within six weeks of contract close date.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- This quote, and all products and services delivered hereunder are governed by the terms located at <https://granicus.com/legal/licensing>, including any product-specific terms included therein (the "License Agreement"). If your organization and Granicus has entered into a separate agreement or is utilizing a contract vehicle for this transaction, the terms of the License Agreement are incorporated into such separate agreement or contract vehicle by reference, with any directly conflicting terms and conditions being resolved in favor of the separate agreement or contract vehicle to the extent applicable.
- If submitting a Purchase Order, please include the following language: The pricing, terms and conditions of quote Q-546617 dated 30 Jun 2026 are incorporated into this Purchase Order by reference and shall take precedence over any terms and conditions included in this Purchase Order.
- This quote is exclusive of applicable state, local, and federal taxes, which, if any, will be included in the invoice. It is the responsibility of Macon-Bibb, GA to provide applicable exemption certificate(s).
- Any lapse in payment may result in suspension of service and will require the payment of a setup fee to reinstate the subscription.
- AI SYSTEM USAGE: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any contract between Client and Granicus, Client's use of AI functionality contained in any Granicus product or service will be subject to the terms set forth in the AI Addendum located here: <https://granicus.com/wp-content/uploads/AI-Functionality-All-Products.pdf> Any conflict between the terms of the contract and the AI Addendum will be resolved in favor of the Addendum. If Client is not willing or able to accept the terms set forth in the Addendum, Client is not permitted to access or use any AI functionality absent separate written agreement between Client and Granicus.
- Billing Frequency Notes (Milestones - 40/30/30): Payments shall become due and payable as follows: 40% of the total upon signature of this Agreement; 30% of the total upon homepage design approval; and 30% of the total upon go-live.

BILLING INFORMATION

Billing Contact:		Purchase Order Required?	[] - No [] - Yes
Billing Address:		PO Number: <i>If PO required</i>	
Billing Email:		Billing Phone:	

If submitting a Purchase Order, please include the following language:

The pricing, terms, and conditions of quote Q-546617 dated 30 Jun 2026 are incorporated into this Purchase Order by reference and shall take precedence over any terms and conditions included in this Purchase Order.

AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE

By signing this document, the undersigned certifies they have authority to enter the agreement. The undersigned also understands the services and terms.

Macon-Bibb, GA	
Signature:	
Name:	
Title:	
Date:	



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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| ☒ MAYOR LESTER M. MILLER | ☐ MAYOR PRO TEMPORE VALERIE WYNN |
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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GARTNER, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$133,800.00, FOR EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS LEADERSHIP TEAM SERVICES, PAYABLE FROM THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CONSULTING FEES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Information Technology (“IT”) Department desires to help the County operate more efficiently, modernize with confidence, and deliver measurable mission outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Gartner, Inc. provides consulting services consisting of strategic, research-driven guidance, benchmarking tools, and direct access to industry experts to support more deliberate, faster decision making; and

WHEREAS, Gartner, Inc. has agreed to perform the desired consulting services for a total cost of \$133,800.00; and

WHEREAS, the I.T. department agrees and approves of using Gartner, Inc. to perform these services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of consultants without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of Gartner, Inc. to perform the aforementioned services as detailed in the Service Order, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute a purchase order or professional services agreement with Gartner, Inc., in a total amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$133,800.00), for the provision of professional consulting services as provided in Exhibit A, to be paid from the General Fund – Information Technology – Professional Services – Consulting Fees line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all ordinances or resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-

Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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EXHIBIT A



GARTNER SERVICE ORDER (“SO”) Q-00584599

Gartner	Client (Sold To)	Client (Bill To)
GARTNER, INC. 56 TOP GALLANT ROAD STAMFORD, CT 06902-7700 UNITED STATES	MACON-BIBB COUNTY 700 POPLAR ST MACON, GEORGIA 31201-2033 UNITED STATES	TEKQUELL WATSON MACON-BIBB COUNTY 700 POPLAR ST MACON, GA 31201-2097 UNITED STATES twatson@maconbibb.us

1. ORDER SCHEDULE

Client agrees to subscribe to Gartner for the Services listed in the table below. Each Service Period is 12 months unless specified in the Order Schedule.

Service Name/ Level of Access	Quantity	Licensed User	Total Service Period (Months)	Service Start/End	Service Period 1
Executive Programs Leadership Team Leader	1	Tekquell Watson	12	01-Aug-2026 31-Jul-2027	
Executive Programs Leadership Team Essentials Member	1	TBD	12	01-Aug-2026 31-Jul-2027	
Total Service Period Fee Exclusive Of Applicable Tax					USD 133,800.00

2. SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

Service Name/Level of Access	Service Description URLs
Executive Programs Leadership Team Leader	https://sd.gartner.com/sd_ep_team_leader.pdf
Executive Programs Leadership Team Essentials Member	https://sd.gartner.com/sd_ep_team_essentials.pdf

3. PAYMENT TERMS

Payment Terms	Billing Schedule	PO Number Required on Invoice
Net 30	Annual in advance	Select Yes/No: _____ PO Number: _____

If Client requires a Purchase Order (“PO”) number to be included on Gartner’s invoice for payment, “yes” must be checked and the PO number entered in the table above. Failure to do so may result in delayed access to Services. Should Client require an annual PO number for multi-year Service Orders, Client must provide the new PO number at least 30 days prior to the beginning of each subsequent Service Period. The original PO number will be used for subsequent invoices if a new PO number is not provided. Regardless of whether Client provides a PO number, Client remains obligated to pay the Total Fee for all Service Periods in Section 1. Any pre-printed or additional terms included on the PO shall be inapplicable and of no force or effect. Any notices, notifications, or subsequent POs are to be sent to americascontracts@gartner.com.

4. SERVICE TERMS

This Service Order is governed by the Service Terms displayed at <https://www.gartner.com/en/about/policies/service-terms/us-4409732> and constitutes the entire agreement between Gartner and Client for the Services. All defined terms not defined in this Service Order are defined in the Service Terms.

MACON-BIBB COUNTY

GARTNER, INC.

Client Signature

Gartner Signature

Print Name

Print Name

Title

Title

Date

Date

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Attachment to the Service Agreement

EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS LEADERSHIP TEAM: LEADER

Executive Programs Leadership Team: Leader (the “Product”) is for the most senior technology executive in the client company (“Client”), typically the CIO, and their leadership team. The Product provides Client with (i) an ongoing advisory relationship with Gartner, and (ii) a thinking partner to contextualize Gartner insights. This Product requires the separate purchase of an Executive Programs Leadership Team Member Product.

DELIVERABLES

The Executive Programs Leadership Team is comprised of two sets of users: (i) the Team Leader “Leader,” and (ii) “Team Members,” as set forth in the Service Agreement. Collectively, the Leader and Team Members are “Licensed Users.”

1. The Deliverables for the Leader are set forth below.

- Assigned Customer Success Team
- Value Reviews
- Virtual Team Workshop
- Access to Insights Experts
- Insights Briefing
- Peer Experiences
- Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo™ with Exclusive Member Experience
- IT Podcast Series
- Executive Programs Events
- Executive Programs Insights and related content
- Gartner for IT Leaders Insights and related content
- Leadership Development Insights and related content
- IT Key Metrics Data

2. Additional information on the Deliverables listed above include the following:

(a) **Assigned Customer Success Team**

Executive Partner: An Executive Partner with experience in senior technology executive roles and a client success manager will serve as the Leader’s primary points of contact for this Product. They will help define and develop individualized strategies based on their priorities and initiatives (“leader agenda”). The Leader may interact on a monthly basis with the Executive Partner and Gartner to ensure ongoing engagement and delivery of value. Interactions may include: virtual strategy meetings, Insights expert interactions, virtual events, IT Symposium/Xpo attendance, peer engagement or Executive Partner teleconferences or meetings.

Virtual strategy meetings between the Leader and by invitation of the Leader, one or more of the Leader’s peers (typically the CEO, CFO, CXO, et al.), and the Executive Partner may be to review and apply Executive Programs Insights, the annual Executive Programs CIO Agenda, or other relevant content, provide advice on issues of relevance to Leader, and/or to drive the leader agenda.

The client success manager is an experienced professional who understands the Client’s context and priorities and helps the Client understand the entitlements of their Product. They provide personalized, proactive, concierge-level product as the single point of contact from Gartner and help the team leverage the most relevant Gartner resources. The professional facilitates a coordinated service approach for the team, as well as alignment between Team Members and the Leader.

Value Reviews: The Executive Partner will periodically conduct Value Reviews with the Leader against the leader agenda.

Virtual Team Workshop: An up to half-day annual strategy session (jointly determined by the Executive Partner and Leader), facilitated by the Executive Partner, focused on application of Executive Programs insights and action planning. Workshop topic is selected from a list of available Executive Programs workshops by Leader and Executive Partner. The session may include non-Team Members up to a total of 25 (twenty-five) participants.

(b) **Expert Interactions**

Access to Gartner experts associated with the Product. Inquiry call participation is limited to the expert, the Team Leader, and Team Members. The Licensed User can schedule individual sessions with an expert and team sessions. Team sessions must be requested and moderated by the Team Leader, who must be present on calls and lead discussions and questions to advance the leader agenda. Licensed User may, on an occasional and infrequent basis (not to exceed 10 (ten) times per contract year, and not to exceed more than 25 (twenty-five) individuals per session), include in inquiry calls non-Team Members from within the Client company.

Prioritized Scheduling: Leader is entitled to prioritized scheduling for inquiry sessions and 1-on-1 sessions at Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo.

Insights Briefing: One (1) briefing session per contract period with an expert, delivered remotely, not to exceed four (4) hours. The session may include Team Members and others from the Client organization, up to a total of 25 (twenty-five) participants.

(c) **Peer Experiences**

Gartner provides opportunities for peer engagement in a variety of ways. Licensed Users have access to Gartner assets that enable ratings and reviews, connecting with qualified peers, access to community features, and exclusive features specific to client role.

Peer & Practitioner Insights: Includes peer benchmarks, best practices, case studies, tools and templates.

Facilitated Networking: Customer Success Team will, upon request, arrangement meetings with peers around a specific topic or area of expertise.

(d) **Conferences and Events**

Attendance at Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo™ with Exclusive Member Experience: One non-transferable invitation to attend Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo, including standard Symposium entitlements plus an exclusive member experience that may include priority booking for onsite One-on-One meetings with Gartner experts, access to an Exclusive Member Lounge and meeting rooms in the Exclusive Member Meeting Center, and networking opportunities with peers and Gartner Customer Success associates.

Offline Meetups: Access to designated program lounges at Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo.

Executive Programs Events: Complimentary, nontransferable invitation to attend virtual Gartner Executive Programs Events, including regional CIO Leadership Forums, where available.

(e) **Insights Access**

Executive Programs Insights and related content

- **Content Reports:** Up to 12 (twelve) reports per year, covering Gartner-selected topics on areas where business and IT intersect (schedules are approximations and are dependent on the publication schedule of relevant content). Includes associated tools and teleconferences hosted by Executive Programs authors to discuss topics of their reports.
- **Business Insights and related content:** Targeted to CIOs, CFOs, and other business executives.

Gartner for IT Leaders Insights and related content

Includes Gartner Core IT and Role-specific Insights; diagnostic tools, templates, and case studies; Weekly Picks and News Analysis; and webinars featuring Gartner experts.

Leadership Development Insights and related content: Customized professional development content for technology leaders, targeted to Team Members.

Note: For all Insights Access (Letter (e), above): Leader may, on an occasional and infrequent basis, forward to other individuals in Client's organization no more than 25 (twenty-five) individual Gartner Content documents per contract year. This may not be done on a routine basis, or via posting on Client's intranet, or in any other manner that has the intent or effect of avoiding the purchase of additional Gartner User licenses.

- (f) **IT Key Metrics Data:** Provides performance metrics on trends in IT spending and staffing, unit costs, and performance measures across critical IT domains.
- (g) **IT Podcast Series:** A subscription-based podcast series featuring Gartner experts' perspectives on business priorities and challenges on topics in information technology.

ADDITIONAL USAGE INFORMATION

The invitation or "Ticket" is a numbered identifier (e.g., 424562) that entitles Licensed User to register for one (1) conference as specified in the Ticket Letter emailed to Client. Tickets are valid for 12 (twelve) months from date of issue, per the expiration date on the Ticket Letter. Tickets provided as part of a Gartner insights product are valid only for conferences during the contract term of that product; one (1) Ticket is issued per 12-month (twelve-month) contract term – a shorter contract term does not entitle Client to a Ticket. Tickets are not transferable within the client company and may not be transferred to another company. A single Ticket may not be used by more than one (1) individual, and may not be used for admission to any conference other than Gartner IT Symposium/Xpo Conference.

Client companies around the world trust Gartner to be objective and independent in its business and technology insights, and Gartner takes that responsibility seriously. To preserve the objectivity of insights, Gartner does not promise Clients favorable coverage or leads from its insights experts. Gartner does not provide access to confidential client information, offer aid to secure capital funding, or sell any product for use in litigation. There are no exceptions. If you have questions, please email ombuds@gartner.com.

Use of this Product is governed by the [Gartner Usage Policy](#) and the [Gartner Content Compliance Policy](#) which are accessible on the Policies section of gartner.com.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
Attachment to the Service Agreement
EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS LEADERSHIP TEAM:
ESSENTIALS TEAM MEMBER

Executive Programs Leadership Team: Essentials Team Member (the “Product”) permits client (“Client”) to identify an essentials team member, typically an individual reporting to the most senior IT executive, usually the CIO. The Product, which is part of the Executive Programs Leadership Team, requires the separate purchase of the Executive Programs Leadership Team: Leader Product.

DELIVERABLES

The Executive Programs Leadership Team is comprised of two sets of users: (i) the “Leader,” and (ii) “Team Members,” as set forth in the Service Agreement. Collectively, the Leader and their Team Members are “Licensed Users.”

1. The Deliverables for the Essentials Team Member are set forth below.

- Assigned Customer Success Representative(s)
- Access to Insights Experts
- Peer Experiences
- Peer & Practitioner Insights
- Executive Programs Insights and related content
- Leadership Development Insights and related content
- Gartner for IT Leaders Insights and related content
- IT Key Metrics Data
- IT Podcast Series

2. Additional information on the Deliverables listed above include the following:

(a) **Assigned Customer Success Representative(s)**

Customer Success Representative(s): A professional who will serve as the Licensed User’s primary point of contact for this Product, helping them understand their entitlements and leverage the most relevant Gartner resources.

(b) **Access to Insights Experts**

Inquiry: Essentials Team Member(s) may participate in inquiry sessions provided the sessions are requested and moderated by Leader. The Leader must be present on the call and manage and lead the discussion and questions to advance the leader’s agenda.

(c) **Peer Experiences**

Gartner provides opportunities for peer engagement in a variety of ways. Licensed Users have access to Gartner assets that enable ratings and reviews, connecting with qualified peers, access to community features, and exclusive features specific to client role.

Peer & Practitioner Insights: Includes peer benchmarks, best practices, case studies, tools, and templates.

(d) **Insights Access**

Executive Programs Insights and related content

Content Reports: Up to 12 (twelve) reports per year, covering Gartner-selected topics on areas where business and IT intersect (schedules are approximations and are dependent on the publication schedule of relevant content). Includes associated tools and teleconferences hosted by Executive Programs authors to discuss topics of their reports.

Business Insights and related content: Targeted to CIOs, CFOs, and other business executives.

Gartner for IT Leaders Insights and related content: Includes Gartner Core IT and Role-specific Insights and IT Podcast Series.

Leadership Development Insights and related content: Customized professional development content for technology leaders, targeted to Team Members.

The Essentials Team Member (i) may open an unmetered number of Weekly Picks, News Analysis, and Webinars; and (ii) is entitled to access Gartner content documents from the Gartner for IT Leaders, Executive Programs, and Leadership Development Insights Deliverables above, as follows:

Shared Document Allocation: Shared access to a total document allocation among all Essentials Team Members equal to 20 (twenty) Gartner Content documents times the number of Essentials Team Members on the Team.

Reversals: Up to 20 (twenty) reversals (to reverse a debit of specific Gartner content documents) during the contract term.

- (e) **IT Key Metrics Data:** Provides performance metrics on trends in IT spending and staffing, unit costs, and performance measures across critical IT domains.
- (f) **IT Podcast Series:** A subscription-based podcast series featuring Gartner experts' perspectives on business priorities and challenges on topics in information technology.

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PROGRESSIVE COMMUNICATIONS, LLC FOR MANAGED NETWORK SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,032.00, TO BE PAID FROM THE GENERAL FUND – NON-DEPARTMENTAL – REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE – SOFTWARE LICENSE & MAINTENANCE LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Progressive Communications, LLC is a Macon-based telecommunications company that has substantial experience and expertise in support and maintenance of government network services; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County retained Progressive Communications, LLC for Managed Network Services at the Macon-Bibb County Courthouse, Macon-Bibb Mall Media Room, Middle Georgia Regional Commission, and Macon-Bibb Planning & Zoning, on a short-term trial basis in May 2026, at a rate of \$3,086 per month, and has been satisfied with their performance; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County desires to offer Progressive Communications, LLC a one-year contract to continue the same services throughout FY 2027; and

WHEREAS, Progressive Communications, LLC has agreed to perform the required services for a total cost of \$37,032.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 19-10(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is authorized to approve the hiring of consultants without going through the competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve the hiring of Progressive Communications, LLC to perform the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement or purchase order with Progressive Communications, LLC for Managed Network Services in the amount of THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$37,032.00), to be paid from the General Fund – Non-Departmental – Repairs & Maintenance – Software License & Maintenance line item, in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney’s Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener’s errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener’s error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it

is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH SMALLWOOD, REYNOLDS, STEWART, STEWART & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, & DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE PHASE IV IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MACON CITY AUDITORIUM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,700.00, TO BE PAID FROM 2018 SPLOST FUNDS – CULTURE & RECREATION – AUDITORIUM - PROPERTY; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2019, the Macon-Bibb County Commission (the “Commission”) approved R-19-0166, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a independent contractor agreement with Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart, Stewart & Associates (“Smallwood”) for professional architectural, engineering & design services for improvements and renovations at the Macon City Auditorium; and

WHEREAS, the improvements to the Auditorium have been ongoing, with Chris R. Sheridan & Co. DBA Sheridan Construction serving as the Construction Manager, under the Construction Manager At-Risk Agreement, authorized by the Commission on June 1, 2021, in R-21-0135; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2025, the Commission approved for Sheridan Construction to undertake Phase III of the improvements to the Auditorium in R-25-0060; and

WHEREAS, to effectuate the work authorized in R-25-0060, the Commission desires to expand the Scope of Work for Smallwood to perform additional design and engineering services related to the construction of additional spaces needed for improvements to bathroom facilities and the Will-Call both; and

WHEREAS, Procurement agrees with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Amendment to the Independent Contractor Agreement with Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart, Stewart, & Associates, in the amount of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS AND 00/10 CENTS (\$99,700.00), with such Amendment to be in a substantially similar form as the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein by reference, and with associated costs to be paid from 2018 SPLOST funds – Culture & Recreation – Auditorium – Property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A

SMALLWOOD

June 16, 2026

Clay Murphey
Macon-Bibb County
700 Poplar Street, Room 308
Macon, Georgia 31201

Re: Macon City Auditorium Phase 4 CA Services (Bathroom Addition)
Macon, Georgia

Clay,

Macon-Bibb County has requested Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart, Stewart & Associates, Inc. (Smallwood) to prepare this proposal for CA services during the fourth phase of construction for the above-referenced project.

The fourth phase of construction includes the following scope of work.

1. Building addition on the South-West and South-East corners of the building, which creates space for new Men's and Women's bathrooms, and Will Call booth on Level 01.

It is our understanding that this work will be constructed by Sheridan Construction as Phase 4 work. Smallwood's Scope of Services under this proposal will include CA Services for Architectural Design, Structural Engineering, MEP Engineering, and Civil Engineering from 2019 original Macon City Auditorium renovation project, with some requested modifications to support value engineering efforts and other requested modifications. Smallwood's project number of such renovation project is 219059.00. This proposal offers to follow the same terms and conditions set forth for the referenced renovation project (219059.00).

Smallwood proposes to provide the CA services on an hourly basis with a not-to-exceed threshold of Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred dollars (\$99,700), which can be adjusted if necessary with future authorization.

Basic Services			
Phase	Rate	Anticipated hours	Total
Architecture (Smallwood)	-	-	-
Principal	\$315	20	\$6,300
Associate	\$275	40	\$11,000
Professional Staff	\$225	80	\$18,000
Staff IV	\$190	160	\$30,400
Structural (Bennett & Pless)	-	-	\$10,000
MEP (NBP Engineers)	-	-	\$15,000
Civil (Triple Point Engineering)	-	-	\$5,000
Reimbursables	-	-	\$4,000
Sub Total Basic Services			\$99,700

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Clay Murphey
June 16, 2026
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Payment for services will be made monthly and shall be in proportion to the services performed.

Additional Services and designated Hourly Services, including Owner-required revisions to previously approved work, will be provided on an hourly basis, at the rates outlined below, until a fixed-fee arrangement can be negotiated.

Architecture	
Principals	\$315.00
Associates	\$275.00
Professional Staff	\$225.00
Staff IV	\$190.00
Staff III	\$160.00
Staff II	\$130.00
Staff I	\$105.00

Additional Services of consultants to the Architect, if any are required, shall be billed at 1.20 times the amounts billed to Smallwood for such services.

Expenses for printing, professional renderings, models, courier/express mail services, and any other out-of-pocket expenses shall be reimbursable at 1.10 times the cost to Smallwood.

If the scope of the project changes the fee shall be adjusted accordingly.

We are very excited to work with you on this project. If this proposal meets with your approval, please sign below, and return an executed copy to me.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,
Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart, Stewart, & Associates Inc.



Corey Lee
Principal

Accepted by: _____ Date: _____
Clay Murphey

cc: SMALLWOOD Accounting

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL PAVING SERVICES, LLC, FOR ASPHALT PAVING & RESURFACING SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,280,877.09, TO BE PAID FROM 2026 LRA GRANT FUNDS AND 2018 SPLOST FUNDS – ROAD WORK - OTHER; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is committed to providing safe and accessible roadways throughout Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, Invitation for Bids (“IFB”) No. 26-0048-LH was published on May 15, 2026, soliciting bids for the repair and resurfacing of various sections of the roads, with such selected roads being identified in the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein for reference purposes; and

WHEREAS, IFB No. 26-0048-LH was published on Macon-Bibb County’s Procurement Department website and posted to the Georgia Procurement Registry, where two hundred eighty-five (285) vendors were notified of the opportunity for bidding; and

WHEREAS, of the vendors notified, seven (7) self-identified as African American-owned, three (3) self-identified as Hispanic/Latino-owned, and one (1) self-identified as Native American-owned; and

WHEREAS, on the published due date of June 18, 2026, seven (7) responses were received in Procurement, tabulated for responsiveness, and provided to the user department for specification review; and

WHEREAS, after the bid review, Professional Paving Service, LLC, domestic limited liability company with its primary place of business located in Macon, whose total bid was the lowest responsive and responsible submission, was recommended for award by the user department; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, each year, the State of Georgia funds the Local Road Assistance (“LRA”) program, providing supplemental funds to local governments to complete paving projects, with no required local match; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2026, the Macon-Bibb County Commission (the “Commission”) accepted 2026 LRA Program funds in the amount of \$2,901,181.85, in Resolution R-26-0066; and

WHEREAS, any amount to be paid to Professional Paving in excess of the 2026 LRA Program funds will be paid from 2018 SPLOST funds – Road Work – Other; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Independent Contractor Agreement with Professional Paving Services, LLC, in the amount of THREE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND NINE CENTS (\$3,280,877.09) for deep patch asphalt resurfacing services to be paid from LRA/LMIG Supplemental grant funds and 2018 SPLOST funds – Road Work – Other, with such Independent Contractor Agreement in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney.

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By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

Attest: _____

(SEAL) JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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EXHIBIT A

2026 LRA – Road List

Road Name	From	To	Miles
N Ridge Blvd	Price Rd	Northridge Dr	0.10
Northridge Dr	N Ridge Blvd	Badin Ct	0.25
	Badin Ct	Ashton Dr	0.52
	Ashton Dr	Sumter Ct	0.08
	Sumter Ct	N Ridge Blvd	0.08
Badin Ct	Northridge Dr	cul-de-sac	0.04
Ashton Dr	Northridge Dr	NNA	0.17
	NNA	Inman Ct	0.09
	Inman Ct	Landis Ct	0.09
	Landis Ct	W Springs Dr	0.07
Inman Ct	Ashton Dr	cul-de-sac	0.06
Landis Ct	Ashton Dr	cul-de-sac	0.13
W Springs Dr	Ashton Dr	Fordham Ct	0.21
	Fordham Ct	Baylor Ct	0.13
	Baylor Ct	cul-de-sac	0.05
Fordham Ct	W Springs Dr	cul-de-sac	0.14
Baylor Ct	W Springs Dr	cul-de-sac	0.11
<u>Sumter Ct</u>	<u>Northridge Dr</u>	<u>cul-de-sac</u>	0.07
-	-	-	0.00
			0.00
Winston Dr	Kent Dr	Canterbury Rd	0.25
	Canterbury Rd	Neville Way	0.08
	Neville Way	Sussex Dr	0.07
	Sussex Dr	Kent Dr	0.26
	Kent Dr	Berkshire Dr	0.07
Neville Way	Kent Dr	Winston Dr	0.22
Canterbury Rd	Winston Dr	Sussex Dr	0.10
Sussex Dr	Canterbury Rd	Canterbury Rd	0.19
Berkshire Dr	Winston Dr	Westbury Dr	0.08
	Westbury Dr	Penfield Pl	0.18
	Penfield Pl	Winston Dr	0.11
	Winston Dr	Westgate Dr	0.09
Penfield Pl	Westbury Dr	Berkshire Dr	0.13
Greenwich Pl	Winston Dr	Westbury Dr	0.10
Cambridge Dr	Canterbury Rd	turn out	0.02
	turn out	Stratford Cir	0.08
	Stratford Cir	Stratford Cir	0.17
	Stratford Cir	Canterbury Rd	0.10
<u>Stratford Cir</u>	<u>Williamson Rd</u>	<u>Cambridge Dr</u>	0.10
-	-	-	0.00
			0.00

Elkan Ave	Rocky Creek RD	Vivian Dr	0.05
	Vivian Dr	Brevard Dr	0.09
	Brevard Dr	Thrasher Ave	0.08
	Thrasher Ave	Rosen Ave	0.09
	Rosen Ave	Hillside Dr	0.11
	Greenleaf Dr	Dapleton Dr	0.20
	Dapleton Dr	Charlene Ter	0.08
	Charlene Ter	Charlene Ter	0.13
	Charlene Ter	cul-de-sac	0.07
Vinson Ave	Brevard Dr	Holland Dr	0.09
	Holland Dr	Hillside Dr	0.10
	Hillside Dr	N Groveland Cir	0.06
	N Groveland Cir	S Groveland Cir	0.10
Vivian Dr	Elkan Ave	Vinson Ave	0.23
Adger Rd	Elkan Ave	Vinson Ave	0.21
Brevard Dr	Elkan Ave	Vinson Ave	0.19
Holland Dr	Elkan Ave	Vinson Ave	0.21
	Vinson Ave	Fairfax Dr	0.06
Rosen Ave	Elkan Ave	Hillside Dr	0.20
Hillside Dr	Elkan Ave	Rosen Ave	0.17
Greenleaf Dr	Elkan Ave	South Groveland Cir	0.05
	Elkan Ave	Pinedale Dr	0.06
	Pinedale Dr	Ashland Dr	0.25
	Ashland Dr	Marcell Dr	0.09
	Marcell Dr	Echols Pl	0.08
	Echols Pl	Bloomfield Rd	0.04
Marcell Dr	Greenleaf Dr	cul-de-sac	0.02
North Groveland Cir	Greenleaf Dr	Druid Pl	0.08
	Druid Pl	Clover Pl	0.05
	Clover Pl	Vinson Ave	0.05
South Groveland Cir	Greenleaf Dr	Druid Pl	0.10
	Druid Pl	Clover Pl	0.05
	Clover Pl	Vinson Ave	0.05
Druid Pl	N Groveland Cir	S Groveland Cir	0.09
Clover Pl	N Groveland Cir	S Groveland Cir	0.12
Fairfax Dr	Rocky Creek RD	Essex Rd	0.12
	Essex Rd	Holland Dr	0.13
	Holland Dr	Fairview Dr	0.05
	Fairview Dr	Silver Pines Dr	0.08
	Silver Pines Dr	cul-de-sac	0.08
Essex Rd	Fairfax Dr	Fairview Dr	0.24
Fairview Dr	Fairfax Dr	Essex Rd	0.08
Silver Pines Dr	Fairfax Dr	Price Dr	0.23

	Price Dr	Silver Pines Ct	0.06
	Silver Pines Ct	Lyn Dr	0.12
Silver Pines Ct	Silver Pines Dr	cul-de-sac	0.04
Lyn Dr	Price Dr	Lyn Ct	0.09
	Lyn Ct	Silver Pines Dr	0.09
	Silver Pines Dr	cul-de-sac	0.04
Lyn Ct	Lyn Dr	cul-de-sac	0.03
Pinedale Dr	Rocky Creek Rd	Ashland Dr	0.15
	Ashland Dr	Ashland Dr	0.19
	Ashland Dr	Ashland Dr	0.01
	Ashland Dr	Greenleaf Dr	0.15
	Greenleaf Dr	Echols Pl	0.12
	Echols Pl	Dapleton Dr	0.09
	Dapleton Dr	cul-de-sac	0.09
Dapleton Dr	Pinedale Dr	Elkan Ave	0.07
	Pinedale Dr	cul-de-sac	0.04
Medford Pl	Pinedale Dr	Dorset Dr	0.18
	Dorset Dr	Bloomfield Rd	0.06
Burbank Pl	Echols Pl	Dorset Dr	0.14
Echols Pl	Pinedale Dr	Burbank Pl	0.06
	Burbank Pl	Dorset Dr	0.15
	Dorset Dr	Greenleaf Dr	0.04
Thrasher Cir	Bloomfield Rd	Thrasher Ct	0.06
	Thrasher Ct	Thrasher Cir	0.34
<u>Thrasher Ct</u>	<u>Thrasher Cir</u>	<u>cul-de-sac</u>	0.06
			0.00
Crestwood Trl	Nowell Rd W	Ridge Point Way	0.10
Ridge Point Way	cul-de-sac	Crestwood Trl	0.08
Winslow Ct	Ridge Point Way	cul-de-sac	0.10
			0.00
			0.00
Carsons Walk	Pineworth Rd	cul-de sac	0.38
			0.00
Chris Road	Northwest Pt Dr	cul-de-sac	0.14
			0.00
Roderick Road	US 23	Level Acres Dr	0.10
Level Acres Dr	Roderick Rd	Roderick Rd	0.21
			0.00
	Roderick Rd	Level Acres Dr SW	0.09
			13.20



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN EXTENSION TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BLUE CEDAR COUNSELING, LLC AT THE ORIGINAL PRICE RATE OF \$1000.00 PER WEEK, FOR THE PROVISION OF CLINICAL TREATMENT ASSESSOR SERVICES FOR THE STATE COURT OF BIBB COUNTY PROBATION OFFICE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, TO BE PAID FROM THE STATE COURT PROBATION BUDGET – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, OTHER LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the State Court of Bibb County Probation Office requires the services of a clinician to provide behavioral health assessments, conduct referrals for family violence intervention programs, substance abuse treatment, mental health counseling, conduct referrals for anger management, and to make recommendations regarding the course of treatment for co-occurring disorders for offenders sentenced to probation; and

WHEREAS, in March of 2023, a Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) for a Clinical Treatment Assessor was issued by the Macon-Bibb County Procurement Department and Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC (“Blue Cedar”) was selected as the Clinical Treatment Assessor; and

WHEREAS, while an RFQ was done to initially select a qualified Clinical Treatment Assessor, the services provided by the Clinical Treatment Assessor may be properly classified as professional services in accordance with the provisions of Macon-Bibb County code of Ordinances Sec. 19-1; and

WHEREAS, the State Court of Bibb County Probation Office is satisfied with the services provided by Blue Cedar and encourages with this professional recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC., in the amount of \$1,000.00 per week, with such Addendum to be in a substantially similar form as the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein by reference, and with associated costs to be paid from the State Court Probation budget – Professional Services – Other line item.

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LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A

AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORIGIA
AND BLUE CEDAR COUNSELING, LLC

THIS AMENDMENT to the Professional Services Agreement entered into between Macon-Bibb County, Georgia and Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC, with an effective date of May 23, 2023, and duly file with the Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission as C-23-0082, is made this ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the Macon-Bibb County, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, (“**County**”), and Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC, (“**Contractor**”), collectively the Parties (“**Parties**”).

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

- I. The Parties agree that the terms of the May 23, 2023 Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference, and any and all prior Amendments shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 2027. At the conclusion, of that term extension, the Agreement shall then automatically renew for an additional 12-months, to automatically expire on June 30, 2028, unless otherwise extended by mutual agreement of the Parties.
- II. Open Records. The language relating to the Georgia Open Records Act contained in the May 20, 2025 amendment to the Agreement between these Parties is hereby stricken from the Agreement. With regards to the Georgia Open Records Act, this Agreement shall be governed by the original language of the May 23, 2023 Agreement pertaining to the Open Records Act.
- III. All provisions of the May 23, 2023 Professional Services Agreement, and any and all subsequent Amendments thereto, not in conflict with the provisions of this Amendment shall remain in full force and effect and are incorporated herein by reference.

[SIGNATURES TO FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment to be effective as of the date first above written.

MACON-BIBB COUNTY:

By: _____
Lester M. Miller, Mayor Date

Attest: _____
Janice S. Ross, Clerk of Commission Date

(SEAL)

Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC:

By: _____
_____(Name/Title) Date

Attest: _____
_____(Name/Title) Date

(SEAL)

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Exhibit A

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA
AND BLUE CEDAR COUNSELING, LLC**

This Professional Services Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into this 23 day of May, 2023 by and between Macon-Bibb County, Georgia ("County") and Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC, a Georgia limited liability corporation with a principal address of 3263 Vineville Ave., Macon, Georgia 31204 ("Service Provider"), collectively the "Parties."

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, County and Service Provider agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services

Service Provider shall provide services as required by the Bibb County State Court Swift, Certain, and Fair Domestic Violence Probation ("Program"). Service Provider shall perform the following duties/meet the following criteria as required by the Program staff for approximately 15 hours per week:

- a) Perform behavioral health assessments for offenders sentenced to the Program;
- b) Conduct referrals for Family Violence Intervention programs, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, anger management, and other treatment of co-occurring disorders;
- c) Provide for coordinated responses to the needs of offenders participating in the Program;
- d) Identify, monitor, and correspond with treatment providers participating in the Program;
- e) Provide data regarding program participants to the Evaluator/Research Partner, Program Coordinator, and Lead Judge in compliance with privacy laws;
- f) Attend Program hearings, meetings, status conferences and/or Program team meetings with a maximum of forty-eight (48) hearings/meetings per year;
- g) Submit monthly invoices reflective of time spent on the Program with specific descriptions of the dates of service, activities, and time spent regarding each activity;
- h) Perform other duties as assigned or required by the Program Coordinator;
- i) Have a means to contact and consult with program participants;
- j) Submit to a background check, if requested;
- k) Maintain insurance as required by law; and
- l) Obtain and maintain a license to do business in the State of Georgia.

Service Provider shall also provide any other service detailed Exhibit A – RFQ and Response ("Exhibit A"), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, as required by the Program staff. Any changes to the scope of service shall be made in writing and mutually agreed upon by both parties. Service Provider is not obligated to perform services beyond what is contemplated by this Agreement.

2. Compensation

Service Provider shall receive from County compensation for work performed under the terms of this Agreement in the amount of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$1,000.00) per week. This amount is reflective of Service Provider providing services for the County for approximately 15 hours per week. The Parties may amend this compensation term in the event that Service Provider regularly works more than or less than the approximated time described herein. Service Provider acknowledges and agrees that Program funds are closely monitored by Program staff and County staff. Funds

awarded pursuant to this Agreement cannot exceed the total amount budgeted for this purpose of funding this Agreement.

Payment of all amounts due are to be made upon presentation of an invoice and will be considered past due thirty (30) days from receipt of invoice. County will not pay any interest, penalties, or other amount claimed beyond the amount authorized by this Agreement.

This Agreement is subject to and limited to the availability of funding for the Program.

3. Term

This Agreement has an effective date as of the date it is executed by the Parties, as evidenced by the date written in the caption of this Agreement above. This Agreement shall terminate absolutely and without any further obligation on the part of County on June 30th of each year, and shall automatically renew on July 1st of each year, unless prior notice of non-renewal is delivered to either Party at least thirty (30) days in advance of the renewal date of this Agreement. In the absence of written notice of non-renewal, this Agreement will remain in full force and effect until March 31, 2025, unless terminated sooner pursuant to other terms of this Agreement.

This Agreement is subject to and limited to the availability of funding and the fiscal non-appropriation clause of this Agreement.

4. Termination

Either Party may terminate this Agreement, or any part of this Agreement, upon thirty (30) days written notice, with or without cause, and with no penalty or additional cost beyond the rates stated in this Agreement. In the event of such termination, Service Provider shall be entitled to receive payment for work completed up to and including the date of termination.

5. Immediate Termination by County.

Commission of any of the offenses listed below by Service Provider or any employee or subcontractor of Service Provider performing services pursuant to this Agreement may result in immediate termination of this Agreement by the County:

- Arrest for a felony offense.
- Arrest and conviction for a misdemeanor offense which involves substance use or abuse.
- Acts involving moral turpitude.
- Fraternalization outside the professional context with any participant of the Program.
- Loss of any certification necessary to conduct services pursuant to this Agreement or any certification that was listed in the RFQ in Exhibit A.
- Conduct detrimental to the goals of the Program as determined by the sole discretion of the State Court.

In the event of such termination, Service Provider shall be entitled to receive payment for work completed up to and including the date of termination.

6. Fiscal Non-Appropriation Clause

Financial obligations of County payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted, and otherwise made available in accordance with the rules, regulations, and resolutions of County, and other applicable law. In the event that there ceases to be appropriated funds available to pay any obligation under this Agreement, this Agreement shall be terminated.

7. County Obligations

County shall timely provide all information, including client contacts and other documentation reasonably required by Service Provider to perform Services. County grants Service Provider full privilege, and non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use all such materials as reasonably required to perform the terms of this Agreement.

8. Performance Standards and Qualifications

Service Provider shall perform the Services using that degree of care, skill, and professionalism ordinarily exercised under similar circumstances by members of the same profession practicing or performing the substantially same or similar services. Contractor warrants that it meets all of the applicable qualifications for award of this Agreement, as detailed in the Request for Qualifications of Exhibit A.

9. Independent Contractor

Service Provider is an independent contractor and not an agent, partner, joint venturer, or employee of County. Neither Service Provider, nor any employee or agent thereof, shall be deemed for any reason to be an employee or agent of County. County shall not have any liability or responsibility for any direct payments of any salaries, wages, payroll taxes, or any and all other forms or types of compensation or benefits to any personnel performing services for County under this Agreement. Service Provider will be responsible for and compensation paid under this Agreement shall include, the cost of obtaining, maintaining, and complying with, and paying all fees and taxes associated with all applicable licenses, authorizations, consents, approvals, and permits required of Service Provider in performing services and complying with this Agreement. Service Provider will not make any representations, warranties, or commitments binding the County without the County's written consent. The compensation set forth in this Agreement shall be the sole payment for services rendered. Service Provider shall provide county with a W-9 form for each contract term for which services are performed. Service Provider and County agree that Service Provider will be free to contract for similar services to be performed for other employers while under Contract with County.

Service Provider acknowledges and agrees that Service Provider is not entitled to receive Unemployment Insurance Benefits or Worker's Compensation Coverage. Further, Service Provider is obligated to pay Federal and State Income Tax on any moneys received from County for services provided under this Agreement.

10. Subcontracting and Assignment

Service Provider shall not assign or subcontract the whole or any part of this Agreement without County's prior consent. Should Service Provider subcontract any services, Service Provider shall remain responsible for the performance of the sub-contractor, remain County's sole point of contact for the services, and be responsible for the payment of any sub-contractor. Subject to the foregoing, the terms, covenants, and conditions of this Agreement shall be binding on the successors and assigns of either party.

Notwithstanding the terms of any sub-contractor's agreement, in no circumstances shall any sub-contractor have any greater rights as against the County than the Service Provider has under this Agreement; and in no circumstances shall the County's responsibilities towards sub-contractor be greater than County's responsibilities to Service Provider under this Agreement.

11. Conflicts of Interest

Service Provider and all sub-contractors thereof shall immediately notify County in writing, specifically disclosing any and all potential or actual conflicts of interest, which arise or may arise during the execution of its work in the fulfillment of the requirements of this Agreement. County shall make a written determination as to whether a conflict of interest actually exists and the actions to be taken to resolve the conflict of interest. Failure to properly disclose any conflicts of interest may result in immediate termination of this Agreement. Upon termination, Service Provider shall be entitled to compensation of services performed prior to the date of termination, on a pro rata basis, provided such services are reasonably satisfactory to the County.

12. Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Service Provider shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless County, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, and others working on behalf of County, from and against any and all third-party claims, demands, suits, costs (including reasonable legal costs), expenses, and liabilities ("Claims") alleging personal injury, including bodily injury or death, and/or property damage, but only to the extent that any such Claims are caused by the negligence of Service Provider or any Officer, employee, representative, or agent of Service Provider. Service Provider shall have no obligations under this Section to the extent that any Claim arises as a result of Service Provider's compliance with County law, ordinances, rules, regulations, resolution, executive orders, or other instructions received from County.

13. Insurance

Service Provider shall procure and maintain insurance as provided in Exhibit A. County shall be under no obligation to ensure that Service Provider, or any Sub-Service Provider, complies with the insurance requirements of County, and Service Provider assumes all liability arising from its, or its sub-contractor's failure, to acquire and/or maintain adequate insurance to cover its operations and business. Service Provider further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County for any claims arising from Service Provider's, or any sub-contractor's, failure to acquire and/or maintain adequate insurance.

14. Confidential Information and Open Records

County is subject to the Georgia Open Records Act and cannot agree to protect confidential information from public disclosure unless that information is subject to an exception. Service Provider shall cooperate fully with County in response to all requests made under the Georgia Open Records Act.

15. Audit Clause

County or its authorized agent shall have the right to audit and inspect financial records pertaining to services offered under this Agreement from time to time during the contract term, upon reasonable notice to Service Provider and during Service Provider's ordinary business hours.

16. Publicity

Service Provider shall not release without prior written approval from County, any publicity regarding services provided, including but not limited to, notices, information pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs and similar public notices prepared by or for Service Provider, identifying County as receiving goods or services under this Agreement.

17. Confidentiality

Service Provider shall not disclose, directly, or indirectly, any confidential information or trade secrets of County without prior written consent of County or pursuant to a lawful court order directing such disclosure.

18. Discrimination and ADA Compliance

Service Provider will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, age, sex, disability, national origin, or any other category protected by applicable federal or state law. Such action shall include but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Service Provider agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notice to be provided by an agency of the federal government, setting forth the provisions of Equal Opportunity laws. Service Provider shall comply with the appropriate provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (the "ADA"), as enacted and as from time to time amended, and any other applicable federal regulations. A signed certificate confirming compliance with the ADA may be requested by County at any time during the term of this Agreement.

19. Drug Free Workplace

While engaged in work under this Contract, the Service Provider shall not be in possession of or use a controlled substance, alcohol, or marijuana during the performance of this Agreement, except for those controlled substances prescribed by a licensed medical provider and used according to the instructions thereof. County has a no tolerance policy for violation of this rule.

20. Notices

All notices required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing (the "Notice") and deemed given when (a) hand delivered by the sender and properly receipted for by a responsible person of the receiving party, (b) deposited in the United States Mail, properly addressed, with sufficient postage affixed, via first class mail, return receipt requested, (c) via Federal Express, UPS or similar national overnight courier service with delivery charges prepaid; or (d) via facsimile with a copy sent that same day via (a), (b), or (c). All Notices shall be addressed as follows:

For County:
Macon-Bibb County, Georgia
Attn: Mayor
700 Poplar Street
Macon, Georgia 31202-0247

For Service Provider:
Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC
Attn: Bruce Conn
3263 Vineville Ave.
Macon, Georgia 31204

For State Court:
Bibb County State Court
Attn: Judge Hanson

Email Address:

PO Box 5086
Macon, Georgia 31213

Either party has the right to designate in writing, served as provided above, a different address to which any notice, demand or communication is to be mailed.

21. Force Majeure

Any delay or non-performance of any provision of this Agreement by either Party (with the exception of payment obligations) which is caused by events beyond the reasonable control of such party, shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement, and the time for performance of such provision, if any, shall be deemed to be extended for a period equal to the duration of the conditions preventing such performance.

22. Dispute Resolution and Jury Trial

In the event a dispute arises out of or relates to this Agreement, or the breach thereof, and if said dispute cannot be settled through negotiation, Parties may try in good faith to settle the dispute by mediation before resorting to some other dispute resolution procedure or litigation; however, mediation is not a required pre-condition to litigation. Disputes arising under this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia. Exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any legal proceeding related to this Agreement shall be in Bibb County State or Superior Court, or the Federal District Court for the Middle District of Georgia (Macon Division). County does not agree to arbitration nor waive its right to a jury trial. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as waiving any immunity held by the County under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution.

23. Attorney's Fees

In the event of dispute resolution or litigation to enforce any of the terms herein, each Party shall pay all its own costs and attorney's fees.

24. Authority to Execute

The person or persons executing this Agreement represent and warrant that they are fully authorized to sign and so execute this Agreement and to bind their respective entities to the performance of its obligations hereunder.

25. Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall be fully executed when each Party whose signature is required has signed at least one counterpart, even though no one counterpart contains all of the signatures of all the Parties to this Agreement. Reproduced or electronic signatures shall be considered the same as an original signature. Delivery of a copy of this Agreement bearing an original signature by facsimile transmission, by electronic mail or by any other electronic means will have the same effect as physical delivery of the paper document bearing the original signature.

26. Electronic Representations and Records

Parties hereby agree to regard electronic representations of original signatures as legally sufficient for executing this Agreement and scanned signatures emailed by PDF or otherwise shall be as valid as the original. Parties agree not to deny the legal effect or enforceability of the Agreement solely because it is in electronic form or because an

electronic record was used in its formation. Parties agree not to object to the admissibility of the Agreement in the form of an electronic record, or a paper copy of an electronic document, or a paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, on the ground that it is an electronic record or electronic signature or that it is not in its original form or is not an original.

27. Waiver

Failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of that provision. Waiver of any right or power arising out of this Agreement shall not be deemed waiver of any other right or power.

28. Severability

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is declared invalid, unenforceable, or unlawful, such provision shall be deemed omitted and shall not affect the validity of other provisions of this Agreement.

29. Survival

Any provision of this Agreement which contemplates performance or observance subsequent to any termination or expiration of this Agreement or which must survive in order to give effect to its meaning, shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

30. Entire Agreement

The Parties acknowledge that this Agreement sets forth the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties and fully supersedes all previous communications, representations or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties pertaining to the same subject matter. This Agreement may only be amended or modified in writing by consent of both Parties. Service Provider may not unilaterally amend or modify this Agreement by including provisions in its invoices, or other business forms, which shall be deemed objected to by County and of no force or effect.

(SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as of the date indicated in this Agreement.

Macon-Bibb County:

By: *Lester M. Miller*
Lester M. Miller, Mayor

Attested: *Janice S. Ross*
Janice S. Ross, Clerk of Commission



Blue Cedar Counseling, LLC:

By: *A. Bruce Conn LMFT*
A. Bruce Conn LMFT, Owner
(Printed Name & Title)

Attested: *Lisha L. Anderson*
Lisha L. Anderson Paralegal
(Printed Name & Title)



MACON-BIBB COUNTY, GEORGIA

Request for Qualifications Professional Services (RFQ)

FOR

Clinical Treatment Assessor

Macon-Bibb County State Court Probation Office

23-034-LH

94876

MACON-BIBB COUNTY

ISSUE DATE: 3/6/2023

DUE DATE: Thursday, 4/6/2023

MBE/WBE/DBE Participation: Minority, Women Owned, and other Disadvantaged Business Enterprises are encouraged to participate in the solicitation process. Additionally, respondents are encouraged to use M/W/DBE sub-consultants where possible. Small and other disadvantaged businesses requiring assistance with the competitive process can contact Cherise Stephens of Small Business Affairs at (478)300-2297 or cstephens@maconbibb.us

to all requirements and questions as directed. Submittals and any other information submitted by in response to the RFQ shall become the property of Macon-Bibb County.

F. Responsiveness

In order to be considered "*responsive*" the submission must include completed copies of the following documents:

- Price Proposal Form
- Proposer Qualification Form
- List of Sub-Consultants
- Minority Participation Goal
- Financial & Legal Stability Statement
- Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act (E-Verify) Affidavit

G. Responsibility

In order to be considered "*responsible*" the submitting firm must meet the following minimum qualifications:

- Three (3) years of experience providing the services included herein
- Licensed to do business in the State of Georgia
- Financially and Legally responsible to perform the services included herein

H. Reservations

Macon-Bibb County will not provide compensation to Respondents for any expenses incurred by the Respondent(s) for submittal preparation or for any demonstrations that may be made, unless otherwise expressly stated or required by law.

Each submission should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of your firm's ability to meet the requirements of this RFQ. Emphasis should be on completeness, clarity of content, responsiveness to the requirements, and an understanding of the Owner's needs.

Macon-Bibb County State Court Probation Office makes no guarantee that an award will be made as a result of this RFQ and reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submittals, with or without cause, waive any formalities or minor technical inconsistencies, or delete any item/requirement from this RFQ or contract when deemed to be in the Bibb County State Court Probation Office's interest.

Macon-Bibb County will consider only representations made within the submission in response to this RFQ. Owner will not be bound to act by any previous knowledge, communication, or submission by the firms other than this RFQ.

Failure to comply with the requirements contained herein may result in the submission being deemed "non-responsive" or "non-responsible". Nonresponsive submissions will not be reviewed for potential award.

I Qualifications and Experience:

Contractor must have three years of experience providing these services, and/or any combination of education and experience that provides the required knowledge and skills. Experience with the court is preferred. Must display proficient computer skills and data system knowledge.

III. SUBMITTAL FORMAT AND REQUIREMENTS

Submissions must be limited to a total of twenty (20) pages and must be organized using a table of contents in a manner to display the required information in easily accessible tabs labeled:

A Contractor awarded a contract as a result of this request for proposal must:

- Have a means to contact and consult with program participants (i.e. cellphone).
- Contractor must submit to a background check, if requested.
- Contractor must maintain worker's compensation insurance, if required by law.
- Contractor must maintain any and all insurances as required by law.
- Contractor must be licensed to do business in the State of Georgia.
- Provide resume of key personnel providing such services
- Provide information on experience of implementation of this program (i.e. months/dates of program, location, successes etc.)
- Provider must be prepared to start providing services within two (2) weeks of signing a contract.
- Service Provider must be able to provide service in Macon due to some participants limited means of transportation.
- Service Provider must provide weekly and end-of-month reports for each case or project assigned.
- Invoice billing must be reflective of sessions per month for each individual case, this will change from month to month and must be submitted by the 10th of the following month of services rendered.

B. **Fees.** The State Court Probation Office shall require the assessor to work approximately 15 hours per week.

C. **Independence.** The Contractor must provide an affirmative statement that he/she is independent of Macon-Bibb County and there is no direct or indirect conflict of interest present as required by federal and state law.

ANTICIPATED IMPLEMENTATION:

Program anticipated implementation shall begin and end as follows:

- a) Year 1 begin April 2023, and end March 31, 2024
- b) Year 2: begin April 2024, and end March 31, 2025

** will begin implementation immediately upon award.

IV. SCORING (total possible number of points = 100)

Experience – Maximum 40 points

Project Understanding of Scope of Work – Maximum 30 Points

Organization and Resources – Maximum 30 Points

Experience – Provide company resume and other relevant certificates that demonstrates qualifications and experience in providing assessment services. Summarize respondents company background and qualifications.

Project Understanding of Scope of Work – Describe familiarity with this specific scope of work or similar projects in size and complexity to Macon-Bibb County and demonstrate understanding of project objectives moving forward as a grant funded project.

Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents

Macon-Bibb County
Summary of Attachment "A" Required Documents

- Bidder Qualification Form
- List of Sub-Contractors
- Bidder Minority Participation Goal
- Financial & Legal Stability Statement
- Insurability Statement
- Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion
- Non-Collusion Affidavit

Instructions and additional information regarding the three forms below can be found on our website under the Procurement Department Documents tab if needed.

- Macon-Bibb County Vendor Application
- Form W-9
- E-Verify Affidavit

LIST OF SUB-CONTRACTORS

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Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents

FINANCIAL & LEGAL STABILITY STATEMENT

Please check appropriate item(s):

☐ Firm has the financial capability to undertake the work and assume the liability required if awarded this solicitation.

☐ Firm has the legal capability to undertake the work and assume the responsibilities required if awarded this solicitation.

Pending litigations (if any) will not affect the firm's ability to perform on this contract, if awarded.

Company Name: _____

Authorized By (typed name): _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN

BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

____ DAY OF _____, 201____ My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

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Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents



Macon-Bibb County
Procurement Department
700 Poplar Street, Suite 308
Macon, Georgia 31202-0247
Tel: (478) 803-0550 • Fax: (478) 751-7252
www.maconbibb.us

**CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION
INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

The Bidder/offer certifies, by submission of this Proposal or acceptance of this contract, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntary excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. It further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause without modification in all lower tier, transactions, proposals, contracts, and subcontracts. Where the Bidder/offeror or any lower tier participant is unable to certify to this statement, it shall attach an explanation of this solicitation/proposal.

Dated at this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Signature of Contractor: _____

Title: _____

For Macon Bibb County Personnel Only:

Macon Bibb County Procurement Department will verify that the above bidder/offer certifies, by submission of this Proposal or acceptance of this contract, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntary excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Signature of Procurement Officer _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents

E-VERIFY AND PRIVATE EMPLOYER AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant To O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned private employer verifies one of the following with respect to its application for an occupational tax certificate, alcohol license, or other document required to operate a business as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d):

Business Name: _____

SECTION 1 (Choose ONE of the following)

- (A) ☐ On January 1 of the below-signed year, the individual, firm, or corporation employed **ten (10) or less employees.** (Proceed to Section 3)
- (B) ☐ On January 1 of the below-signed year, the individual, firm, or corporation employed **more than ten (10) employees** and has registered with the E-Verify program. (Proceed to Section 2)

SECTION 2

The employer has registered with and utilizes the Federal Work Authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. §36-60-6. The undersigned private employer also attests that its E-Verify number and date of authorization are as follows:

E-Verify Number: _____

Date of Authorization: _____ (Proceed to Section 3)

SECTION 3

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, _____, 20____ in _____ (city), _____ (state)

Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent: _____

Title of Authorized Officer or Agent: _____

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME

ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

MACON-BIBB COUNTY PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT
RECOMMENDATION of AWARD
(TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD)

TO: Amy Hartley

FROM: Charles Wimberly

Attached is the tabulation and copies of bids received for items/services requisitioned by your department. Please complete this form and return it to the buyer named above in order that the award process may continue. Incomplete forms will be returned.

DATE	BID NO.	COMMODITY OR DESC.	DEPARTMENT	AMT BUDGETED
4/19/23	23-034-LH	Clinical Treatment Assessor	State Court Probation Office	

After reviewing all bids, I recommend: ☒ Award as Follows ☐ Reject all Bids, Revise Specs and Re-bid

VENDOR NAME	DOLLAR AMOUNT
Blue Cedar Counseling	\$

If recommending other than the lowest bidder please answer the following:

Did the low bidder meet the requirements of the bid? ☐ Yes ☐ No (explain below)

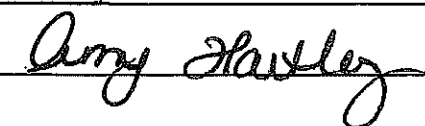
REQUIREMENT AS STATED IN THE BID	HOW LOW BID DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS

Indicate why all bids should be rejected (Check all that apply): ☐ Over budget ☐ None Meet Specifications ☐ Other

REJECTION JUSTIFICATION

NAME: Amy Hartley

TITLE: Chief Probation Officer

SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 04/19/2023

Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents

BIDDER QUALIFICATION FORM

Company Name: Blue Cedar Counseling
Address: 3263 Vineville Ave, Macon, GA 31204
When Organized: 2017 Where Incorporated: Macon-Bibb County, Georgia
How many years have you engaged in business under the present firm name? _____
Credit available for this contract? _____
Contracts now in hand? no
Has bidder ever refused to execute a contract at the original bid amount? No
Has bidder ever been declared in default on a contract? NO
Comments: _____

Company Name: Blue Cedar Counseling
Authorized By (typed name): A. Bruce Conn
Authorized Signature: *A. Bruce Conn*
Title: Owner Date: 20 March 2023

References

Following is a reference list of contracts that are similar to this project:

NAME OF PROJECT/DATE	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE #
<u>Swift, Certain, and Fair</u>	<u>State Court Bibb</u>	<u>Amy Hartley</u>	<u>478-300-9237</u>
<u>Project Safety Net, R.I.S.E</u>	<u>District Attorney, Bibb</u>	<u>Jeremy Raines</u>	<u>478-703-2512</u>

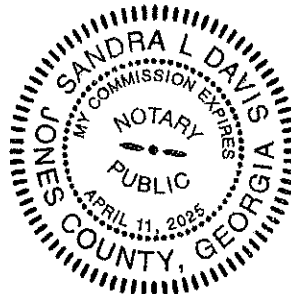
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21 DAY OF March 2023

[Signature]
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4/11/25

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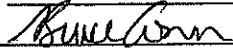


Attachment "A"
Required Submission Documents

INSURABILITY STATEMENT

Please check appropriate item(s):

☒ By submission of this form, this firm confirms the ability to acquire and maintain the required levels of insurance as outlined in the bid document. It is the understanding of this firm that proof of Insurance must be provided prior to contract execution and maintained throughout the entire term of the contract.

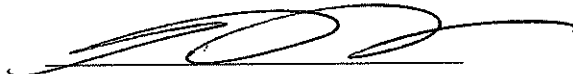
Company Name: Blue Cedar Counseling
Authorized By (typed name): A. Bruce Conn
Authorized Signature: 
Title: Owner Date: 21 March 2023

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN

BEFORE ME ON THIS THE

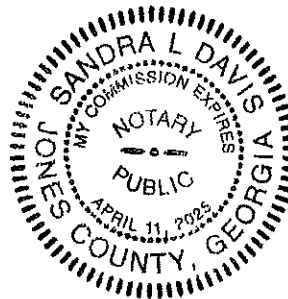
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ATTACHMENT A
Required Submission Documents

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

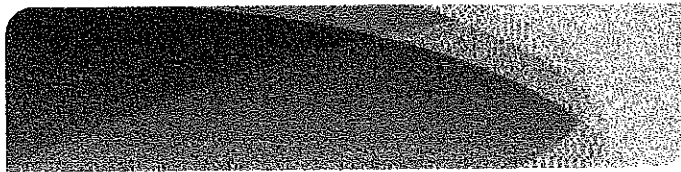
Date:	21 MAR 2023
Project:	Bibb County, Georgia
Project #:	23-027-LH
Project Description:	Clinical Treatment Assessor ^{maxxibbco} State Probation
Services Provided:	General Contracting
State of:	Georgia
County of:	Bibb

I, A. Bruce Cown having first been duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

I am the party making the foregoing Proposal or Bid; that such Proposal or Bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that said Proposer or Bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any Proposer or Bidder or person, to put in a sham Proposal or Bid, or that such other person refrain from proposing or bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the Proposal Fee or Bid Price of affiant or any other Proposer or Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of said Proposal Fee or Bid Price, or that of any other Proposer or Bidder, or to secure any advantage against Bibb County, Georgia or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and that all statements in said Proposal or Bid are true; and further, that such Proposer or Bidder has not directly or indirectly submitted this Proposal or Bid, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto to any association or to any member or agent thereof.

Contractor: ~~A. Bruce Cown~~ A. Bruce Cown

A. Bruce Cown
(Signature) (Seal)



Blue Cedar Counseling

3263 Vineville Avenue

Macon, GA 31204

Phone: 478-714-7189

E-Mail: Bruce@bruceconn.com

Clinical Assessor Scope of Services

A. Means of Contact: Cellphone 478-714-7189 or email bruce@bruceconn.com

Background check if requested

Worker's compensation not required

Insurance is carried, copy included

Licensed in State of Georgia, copy included

Resume' included

Program implementation will flow from referrals generated by State Court. Blue Cedar Counseling will respond within 10 working days of each referral. Blue Cedar has previous success in this field with prior experience of 15 years of providing Family Violence Intervention Program, 3 years of Domestic Violence Counseling and currently providing Mental Health Evaluation and Clinical Assessments for Swift Certain and Fair Grant program directed by State Court Probation.

Provider is ready and available for providing services immediately.

B. Assessor is accepting and ready of fee structure and hours required; 15hrs per week and \$1000 per week.

C. The contractor is independent of Macon-Bibb Count and there is no direct or indirect conflict of interest present as required by federal and state law.

Mental Health Evaluations, Clinical Assessor for Swift Certain and Fair grant

2019-Present

Provide assessments of domestic violence perpetrators within 14 days for State Probation Court. Including information gathering from relevant sources, diagnostic impression and referral recommendation for the Court.

Facilitator for Domestic Violence Intervention Program

2001 – 2014

RiverEdge Behavioral Health Center.

- I lead didactic groups, confronted behavior and created a learning environment.

Writer for local newspaper

2013 – 2018

Macon Telegraph

- Wrote a twice a month article describing and exploring healthy relationships.

Ethics Chair for Georgia Association of Marriage and Family Therapist

2010 – 2013

- Consulted and provided direction for ethical issues for Marriage and Family Therapist around the state.
- Lead Continuing Education seminars for required ethics hours for Licensure for MFT, LPC, and LCSW.

Supervisor

May 2001 – June 2005

RiverEdge Behavioral Health Center

- Mental Health Professional directing a team of Community Support Social Service Providers.
- Goal is to keep chronically relapsing, severely mentally ill clients functioning by working with them in their community or homes.
- Member of Clinical Review Team overseeing clinical care of entire adult caseload.

Program Manager

December 1999 – May 2001

RiverEdge Behavioral Health Center

- Managed Partial Hospitalization Program and Day Treatment Program with clients with severe and persistent mental illness.
- Interfaced with other treatment areas to ensure continuity of care.
- Worked closely with doctors on admissions and discharges.
- Lead weekly treatment team meetings.

Contract Pastoral Counselor

September 1989 – December 1999

Georgia Baptist Healthcare System



Certificate of Liability Insurance

Date Issued: 06/13/2022

Underwritten by: Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company - One Bala Plaza, Suite 100 - Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004 - NAIC #: 18058
Administered by: CPH & Associates - 711 S. Dearborn St. Ste 205 - Chicago, IL 60605 - P 800.875.1911 - F 312.987.0902 - info@cphins.com

DISCLAIMER: This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. The Certificate of Insurance does not constitute a contract between the issuing insurer(s), authorized representative or producer, and the certificate holder, nor does it affirmatively or negatively amend, extend, or alter the coverage afforded by the policies listed thereon.

Insured: Anthony B Conn
3263 Vineville Ave
Macon, GA 31204

Policy Number: E87711
Policy Term: 05/31/2022 to 05/31/2023
Occupation: Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist

Covered Locations

Professional Liability: Portable coverage, not location specific

Coverage Type (Occurrence Form)	Per Incident (Per individual claim)	Aggregate (Total amount per year)
Professional Liability	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
Supplemental Liability	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
Licensing Board Defense	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
Commercial General Liability	N/A	N/A
• Fire/Water Legal Liability	N/A	N/A
Business Personal Property	N/A	N/A

Comments/Special Descriptions:

Certificate Holder

PROOF OF COVERAGE

If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s). Notice of Cancellation will only be provided to the first named Insured in accordance with policy provisions, who shall act on behalf of all additional insureds with respect to giving notice of cancellation.

Authorized Representative
C. Philip Hodson

INVOICE

Date: ———

INVOICE #20

Vendor #11033 PO#

23-027-LH

Amy Hartley

State Court Bibb County – SCF

121 Third Street

Macon, Ga 31201

478-621-6433

To

Provider	Job	Payment Terms	Date Submitted
Bruce Conn LMFT / Blue Cedar	Clinical Assessor	Billed to Macon/Bibb Procurement Dept.	

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Make all checks payable to Blue Cedar Counseling

Blue Cedar Counseling 3263 Vineville Ave, Macon, Ga. 31204, Phone: 478-714-7189

Email; bruce@bruceconn.com

Routing/File Form

Document Type: ☒ Contract ☐ Deed ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☐ Grant ☐ Other
 (Check one of the above document types)

PURPOSE: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MBC AND BLUE CEDAR COUNSELING, LLC

Annual Cost: _____

Total Contract Amount: _____

Administering Department or Officer: _____

Contractor(s): _____

Contract Start Date: _____ Contract End Date: _____

Funding Source(s): _____

Automatic Renewals: _____ yes _____ no
 Number of Renewals: _____ Final Expiration Date: _____

Ordinance/Resolution**Contracts/Other****Reviewed By:****Initials****Month/Day/Year****Initials****Month/Day/Year**

Assistant County Attorney _____

Sr. Assistant / Cnty. Attorney _____

Grant Administrator _____

Finance Director _____

County Manager _____

Mayor _____

Clerk of Commission _____

SDD

5 / 18 / 2023

Commission Approval _____

Additional comments, instructions, etc.: _____

ALL FULLY-EXECUTED CONTRACTS ARE TO BE PLACED ON FILE IN THE CLERK OF COMMISSION'S OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER EXECUTION.

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LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BRYANT ENGINEERING, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$117,000.00, FOR THE PROVISION OF ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE HEATH ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT, PAYABLE FROM THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT BUDGET – ENGINEERING SERVICES – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CONSULTING FEES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County desires to build sidewalks along Heath Road, running from its intersection with Thomaston Road to Pond View Road; and

WHEREAS, as part of the sidewalk construction process, preliminary design and engineering services are necessary to create the design that will be used to build the sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, under the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, engineering and design services qualify as professional services, for which a vendor may be selected without a competitive process due to the skill and judgment required by the nature of engineering; and

WHEREAS, Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia provides for the circumstances and processes governing road and right-of-way infrastructure construction and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 32-4-63(b), no work costing between \$20,000 and \$250,000 can be awarded without seeking at least two estimates, including for professional services such as engineering; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Engineer contacted four (4) qualified engineering firms; and

WHEREAS, Bryant Engineering, LLC, is an engineering firm located in Perry, Georgia, that has the necessary skill and qualifications to perform the required engineering and design services for the Heath Road Sidewalk project; and

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by Bryant Engineering, LLC, is attached hereto for reference purposes, showing the estimated costs of completion of the requested engineering and design services; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer approves of awarding these professional services to Bryant Engineering, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Bryant Engineering, LLC, in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$117,000.00), for the provision of professional engineering design services for the Heath Road sidewalk project, with such professional services agreement to be in a form to be approved of by the County Attorney, with associated costs to be paid from the Engineering Department budget – Engineering Services – Professional Services – Consulting Fees line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all ordinances or resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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EXHIBIT A

July 6, 2026

John W. Hayes
Macon Bibb County Engineer
478-550-7477
JHayes@maconbibb.us

**Subject: Professional Services Fee Proposal
Health Rd Sidewalk and Drainage Plan
Macon, Georgia**

Dear Mr. Hayes,

It is my understanding you wish to make improvements including sidewalk and drainage design on Heath Road in Macon, Georgia. Proposed site improvements include the construction of sidewalks, ADA compliant ramps and road crossings, storm drainage, and the civil layout and placement of four Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs). Electrical design will be the responsibility of the owner. A hydrology study will be prepared for the site to address storm water requirements. Bryant Engineering understands that the project will be broken up into 2 separate plans at the north radius of Summer Grove Ln and will require separate permits and approvals. Bryant Engineering is not responsible for site surveys, environmental investigations, or utility relocation design. These services shall be provided by or at the expense of the Owner. Bryant Engineering will prepare all necessary documents required for construction and to obtain a Land Disturbance Permit as required by the City and the State of Georgia. All Permit fees will be the responsibility of the owner. Expected Services required are listed below with a price breakdown per service:

Expected Services**Engineering:**

	Plan Set 1 0+00- 40+50	Plan Set 2 40+50- 73+00	
1. Conceptual Plan	5.0%	5.0%	\$11,700
2. Civil Design	25%	25%	\$58,500
3. Review and Permitting Process	7.5%	7.5%	\$17,550
4. Construction Administration	12.5%	12.5%	\$29,250
Total	50%	50%	\$117,000

Description of Proposed Tasks

1. *Conceptual Plan* includes the preparation of a proposed layout based on the information provided by our Client. Many times the information available may be limited, but Bryant Engineering will use the most up to date information to meet the needs.
2. *Construction Documents/NPDES* includes all documents required for permitting and construction. Land Disturbance, NPDES Permits and NOI will be prepared by our office and submitted to the proper authority for approval. All fees will be the responsibility of the owner.

Hydrologic and Hydraulic Analysis includes the preparation an improvements including storm sewer, drainage structures, hydraulic analysis, and all associated design required to convey existing drainage through the proposed sidewalk corridor.

3. *Review & Permitting Process* includes coordination with local, state, and federal agencies to verify the design meets all requirements of ordinances and codes prior to beginning construction. This includes administrative tasks for plan submittal and additional design time required to address review comments to the satisfaction of the reviewing agency in order to attain approval. **Please note that the review process takes approximately 30 days per review and response to comments takes approximately 14 days. This proposal includes up to two agency review cycles. Additional review cycles requested by the Owner or required due to scope changes shall be considered additional services.** This service also includes filing the NPDES Construction Stormwater Notice of Intent (NOI) and local Land Disturbance Permit application and directing fee payments to the proper departments.
4. *Construction Administration*
 - a. *Pre-Construction meetings* are most often required by the local jurisdiction and may include the Owner, Contractor, City/County Representative, and a representative of Bryant Engineering, which is usually a Senior Principal. Additionally, as required by the project's stormwater permit, once all perimeter control BMPs are installed, the Primary Permittee (Owner) must contact the Designer of Record (Bryant Engineering) who has 7 days to inspect and confirm the installed BMPs are in accordance with the ES&PC Plan and send a letter to the local issuing authority stating such. This is referred to as the "7 Day Letter".
 - b. *Site Inspections* can be scheduled or can be at the request of the Client. Limited to 6 site visits per design plan.
 - c. *Submittals Review* includes the review of material submittals provided by the contractor to ensure materials used in construction meet the project's specifications
 - d. *Project meetings* requested by the Client are limited to six meetings per design plan. Additional meetings will be billed at the hourly rates shown.
 - e. *Construction documents* shall include a complete schedule of quantities, pay item summary, and engineer's opinion of probable construction cost for each of the two proposed project phases.



Chad R. Bryant, P.E.
Senior Principal

John Michael Cosey, P.E.
Principal

Since Bryant Engineering has extensive experience in all of these areas, I am confident that you, as our Client, will be fully satisfied with our services. If found acceptable, please initial each page, sign on the "Agreement" page, and scan/email/fax/mail the executed document to initiate the project. Also included in this package is an information sheet for you to complete that will provide Bryant Engineering with pertinent information about our client and their project and a Fee Schedule for any services requested above and beyond the Contract Scope. Please call or email if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Chad Bryant, P.E.
Senior Principal
Bryant Engineering, LLC.



Contract Terms and Conditions

July 6, 2026

Billing, Payment Terms & Project Schedule:

Bryant Engineering invoices monthly based on the percentage of project completion, as determined solely by Bryant Engineering. By the time of the first submittal to the jurisdiction for review, 100% of engineering fees will have been invoiced. The lump-sum fee includes the review cycles identified in the Scope of Services. Additional review cycles or scope changes beyond those identified shall be billed at the hourly rates shown. All invoices are due **30 days** from the invoice date. Any unpaid balance after 30 days will result in an **automatic suspension of work without further notice**. Work will not resume until the account is fully current, and Bryant Engineering may assess a remobilization fee prior to restarting work. A late fee of **1.5% per month** will be applied to all overdue balances. Any invoice remaining unpaid 30 days after the invoice date constitutes a **breach of contract**. Upon breach, Bryant Engineering may cease all services and withhold all work product, including drawings, reports, and electronic files, without penalty. No deliverables—including stamped documents or jurisdictional submittals—will be released until all outstanding invoices are paid in full. Full payment of all engineering fees is required prior to final product submittal. Special billing formats or requirements must be provided in writing before work begins; otherwise, standard billing procedures apply. Bryant Engineering reserves all lien rights permitted by law. The Client is responsible for all reasonable costs of collection, including attorney fees, administrative fees, and third-party collection expenses. Bryant Engineering's rates are subject to change annually, effective January 1.

Exclusions/Additional Fees:

This cost proposal does not include any fees payable to the County, City, or State. The Client will be responsible for these fees. Also, this proposal is for the services listed above only.

Printing Fees

Print/Copy

Size	Print	\$/Sheet
36x48	B&W	\$3.50
24x36	B&W	\$2.50
24x36	Color	\$30.00
11x17	B&W	\$1.50
11x17	Color	\$7.00
8.5x11	B&W	\$0.15
8.5x11	Color	\$0.75

Scan

Size	Print	\$/Sheet
36x48	B&W	\$3.00
24x36	B&W	\$2.00
11x17	B&W	\$1.50
8.5x11	B&W	\$0.15
CD/PDF/Email		\$3.00

Hourly rates for work performed beyond scope of services:

Job Title	Hourly Rate
Senior Principal Engineer	\$300.00
Principal Engineer	\$250.00
Project Manager	\$150.00
Landscape Designer	\$125.00
Engineering Technician III	\$150.00
Engineering Technician II	\$115.00
Engineering Technician I	\$100.00
Administrative Support	\$75.00
Survey Crew	\$250.00

CONTRACT CONDITIONS:**AGREEMENT:**

This Agreement is between Bryant Engineering, LLC and the "Client" and may not be transferred or assigned without express written consent of Bryant Engineering, LLC.

PURPOSE & ENGAGEMENT:

Client engages Engineer to perform professional engineering services for the described Project. Engineer shall perform services consistent with the standard of care applicable to licensed professional engineers in Georgia.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Engineer shall provide services as outlined in the Description of Proposed Task, including engineering analysis, planning, calculations, design, construction documents, permitting support, and other requested professional services.

SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR PHASED DESIGN:

In the event of a phased design, Client acknowledges that the contractual design for any given phase may require preliminary or partial design of future phases to ensure overall system integration. Such services shall be deemed additional services beyond the contractual scope of work and shall be compensated separately at Engineer's standard rates or as otherwise agreed in writing. If consent and subsequent assignment is authorized by Bryant Engineering, wherein future plans are included, but have not been billed prior to assignment, the original client shall be responsible for said cost.

TERM & TERMINATION:

This Agreement remains in effect until services are completed unless terminated pursuant to its terms. Either party may terminate for convenience with 10 days' written notice or for cause following a 10-day cure period.

COMPENSATION:

Bryant Engineering, LLC shall be compensated as indicated in the fee schedule or otherwise agreed. Invoices are due within 30 days of receipt. **If any invoice remains unpaid 30 days after the invoice date, Bryant Engineering may suspend work until the account is brought current.** Interest may accrue on late payments in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 13-6-13. Client shall be responsible to ensure prompt payment and shall be responsible for any court cost and fees associated with collection efforts incurred by Bryant Engineering, LLC or its assigned agent.

STANDARD OF CARE:

Bryant Engineering, LLC shall perform services consistent with the ordinary skill and care of licensed professional engineers pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 43, Chapter 15.

LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY:

The Client agrees to limit Bryant Engineering, LLC liability to the Client and all construction contractors/subcontractors on the project arising from professional acts, errors, or omissions, such that the total aggregate liability of Bryant Engineering, LLC to all those named shall not exceed \$1,000,000. The Client further agrees to require of the contractor and his subcontractors an identical limitation of Bryant Engineering, LLC's liability for damages suffered by the contractor or subcontractor arising from Bryant Engineering, LLC's professional acts, errors, and omissions. Neither the contractor nor any subcontractor assumes any liability for damage to others, which may arise on account of Bryant Engineering, LLC's professional acts, errors, or omissions.

CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Client shall provide site and information access, timely decisions, and site control as necessary. Bryant Engineering may rely on information provided by Client to provide services.

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:

Bryant Engineering, LLC acts solely as an independent contractor providing engineering services. Services rendered to the Client in no way create a joint-venture, partnership or other similar relationship.

INSTRUMENTS OF SERVICE:

For purposes of this Agreement, "Instruments of Service" shall mean all reports, drawings, plats, calculations, spreadsheets, specifications, models, and other documents or electronic files prepared by Bryant Engineering, LLC in connection with the project, whether in preliminary or final form.

LIMITED LICENSE:

Payment for services under this Agreement grants the Client a limited, non-exclusive license to use Bryant Engineering, LLC's instruments of service solely for the contracted scope of work. Such payment does not transfer

ownership of the instruments of service, nor does it authorize their use by any other engineer or for any other phase of the project without Bryant Engineering, LLC's prior written consent. Any unauthorized use constitutes a breach of this Agreement, and if undertaken, shall be at the sole risk of the Client or third party, with Bryant Engineering, LLC. bearing no liability. Client hereby agrees that a breach of this clause shall result in a consent judgment in the amount of \$5,000.00 plus cost associated with the collection of said penalty. A consent judgment as to breach of the limited license shall not waive any right to other damages and compensation as it relates to the remainder of this agreement.

OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS & INSTRUMENTS OF SERVICE; RETENTION OF RECORDS

All Instruments of Service, report, drawings, calculation, estimates, spreadsheet, and other documents prepared by Bryant Engineering, LLC, shall remain the property of Bryant Engineering, LLC. Client receives a non-exclusive, non-transferable limited license for use solely on the Project after full payment. Unauthorized use or modification is at Client's sole risk, and Client shall indemnify Engineer from any resulting claims, costs, or damages. Bryant Engineering, LLC. agrees to retain all records relating to the services performed for a period of three (3) years following submission of the materials, during which period the records will be made available to the Client at all reasonable times.

REUSE DISCLAIMER OVERLAY:

No other engineer may rely upon or use any drawings, documents, calculations, or other instruments of service prepared by Bryant Engineering, LLC. for subsequent phases without Bryant Engineering, LLC's prior written consent. Any unauthorized use is expressly prohibited and constitutes a breach of this Agreement, and if undertaken, shall be at the sole risk of the Client or third party, with Bryant Engineering, LLC. bearing no liability.

TRANSFERABILITY OF ENGINEERING PLANS:

The parties acknowledge and agree that the engineering plans and drawings ("Plans") provided by Bryant Engineering, LLC. ("Engineer") are considered Instruments of Service and shall remain the property of the Engineer. In the event that the property to which the Plans pertain is sold or transferred to a third party ("New Owner"), the following conditions shall apply:

1. Non-Transferability: The Plans may not be transferred, assigned, or otherwise conveyed to the New Owner without the express written consent of the Engineer.
2. License to Use: Upon sale or transfer of the property, the New Owner may request a non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use the Plans for the purpose of completing the project. The granting of such a license shall be at the sole discretion of the Engineer and may be subject to additional fees and conditions as determined by the Engineer.
3. Indemnification: The original client and New Owner agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Engineer from and against any and all claims, liabilities, damages, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of or in connection with the unauthorized use or modification of the Plans by any party.
4. Limitation of Liability after Transfer: The Engineer's liability with respect to any claims arising out of or relating to the Plans shall in no event exceed the total compensation received by the Engineer for the preparation of the Plans.
5. Dispute Resolution: Any disputes arising out of or related to the use or transfer of the Plans shall be resolved through mediation in accordance with the rules of mediation and arbitration then in effect in Houston County, Georgia.

DIGITAL DELIVERABLES & FIELD USE:

Any electronic files, including AutoCAD drawings, models, or other digital instruments of service, provided by Bryant Engineering, LLC are furnished solely for the convenience of the Client. Such files are not considered contract documents. Whether used with or without Bryant Engineering, LLC's consent, any reliance on electronic files for construction staking, field layout, or direct construction purposes shall be at the sole risk of the Client or third party. Bryant Engineering, LLC shall bear no liability for such use. Unauthorized sharing, copying, alteration, or reuse of electronic files is expressly prohibited and constitutes a breach of this Agreement.

ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:

The Client agrees that any assignment of this contract to a third party ("Assignee") shall not relieve the Client of their obligations under this contract. The Client shall remain fully responsible for all liabilities, warranties, and indemnities set forth in this contract, even after the assignment. Bryant Engineering, LLC reserves the right to require written consent before any assignment is made. Bryant Engineering, LLC may also impose reasonable

conditions or fees for granting such consent. The Assignee shall agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this contract, including any indemnification and limitations of liability provisions, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless any individual employee, and Bryant Engineering, LLC as a whole, from and against any claims, liabilities, damages, and expenses arising out of or in connection with the Assignee's use of the engineering services and plans. Any dispute arising from or related to the assignment of this contract shall be resolved by methods described in this agreement.

PRESERVATION OF CONTRACT TERMS UPON ASSIGNMENT:

The Parties agree that any assignment of this contract shall not alter, amend, or otherwise modify the terms and conditions of this original contract ("Original Contract"). In the event of any conflict between the terms of the Assignment Contract and the Original Contract, the terms of the Original Contract shall prevail. The Client shall provide the Engineer with a copy of any required Assignment Contract for review and approval before execution. The Engineer reserves the right to reject any Assignment Contract that materially changes the rights or obligations of the Engineer under the Original Contract.

OTHER CONDITIONS OF ASSIGNMENT:

In the event of any inconsistencies between an Assignment Agreement and the Original Agreement, the terms of the Original Agreement shall govern. Client agrees that any authorized assignment agreement shall not alter the terms of the original agreement in any way detrimental to Bryant Engineering, LLC.

CONFLICTING PROVISIONS FOLLOWING ASSIGNMENT:

In the event of any conflict between the terms of this agreement and the terms of any assignment agreement required by an individual, corporation, bank or other financial institution, the terms of this contract shall prevail unless Bryant Engineering, LLC has expressly agreed in writing to the conflicting terms. The Client agrees to notify the Bryant Engineering, LLC of any required assignment agreement from a bank or other financial institution before its execution. Bryant Engineering, LLC shall have the right to review and approve any such assignment agreement to ensure that it does not materially alter the rights and obligations of the Engineer under this contract.

PENALTY FOR UNAUTHORIZED ASSIGNMENT:

No assignment is permitted without prior written consent. Unauthorized assignment is void, constitutes material breach, and entitles the non-breaching party to damages and attorneys' fees. Engineer may assign to affiliates or successors. Breach shall entitle Bryant Engineering, LLC to a consent judgment for any damages that derive from breach of this agreement and to include any court cost and cost associated with collection and enforcement of said judgment.

SUSPENSION OF SERVICES FOR NON-PAYMENT:

If Client fails to pay any undisputed invoice within thirty (30) days of receipt, Bryant Engineering, LLC may, upon providing seven (7) days' written notice, suspend all Services until payment is made in full. Bryant Engineering shall have no liability to Client for any delay, damage, or cost arising out of such suspension. Any suspension resulting from Client's non-payment shall entitle Engineer to an equitable adjustment to the schedule, fees, and compensation, including demobilization and remobilization costs, if applicable.

GEORGIA LIEN RIGHTS NOTICE:

Suspension or demobilization by Bryant Engineering, LLC due to non-payment shall not be deemed a waiver of any rights or remedies available under Georgia law, including but not limited to rights under the Georgia mechanics and materialmen's lien statutes (O.C.G.A. § 44-14-361 et seq.). Bryant Engineering, LLC may resume work only after receipt of all past due amounts and written assurance of Client's ability to maintain timely payment going forward.

FAILURE TO CURE:

If Client fails to cure the non-payment within the notice period, Bryant Engineering, LLC may terminate this Agreement for cause and shall be entitled to payment for all Services performed, including reasonable termination costs.

INDEMNIFICATION:

Bryant Engineering, LLC shall indemnify Client only to the extent damages arise from Engineer's negligence. Client shall indemnify Engineer for damages arising from Client's negligence or unauthorized document use.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

Parties shall attempt to resolve disputes through good-faith negotiations, if unresolved parties shall utilize mediation and arbitration services prior to formal litigation. Note: This does not include provisions in this agreement wherein consent judgment applies.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE:

By entering into this agreement, it shall be agreed that jurisdiction and venue shall be in Houston County, Georgia, where Georgia law applies.

NOTICES/CONSENT:

Notices must be written. Consent pertaining to alterations of this agreement to include assignment shall be in writing.

SEVERABILITY:

Severability applies. Should any portion of this agreement be found to be in violation of Georgia law, the remaining terms of this agreement and its intent shall prevail.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT:

This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties and may only be amended in writing with the consent of each party.

Agreement

July 6, 2026

John W. Hayes
Macon Bibb County Engineer
478-550-7477
JHayes@maconbibb.us

I, _____, as the OWNER of this project, or an authorized representative of the Owner, do agree to pay Bryant Engineering (Engineer) the stated fees in accordance with the contract terms attached thereto.

Print and Sign: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

I, Chad Bryant, as President of Bryant Engineering, do agree to provide the so stated services in the attached to the best of Bryant Engineering's abilities and in a timely manner unless delayed by the Client's request, lack of information, or intervening factors beyond Bryant Engineering's control.

Name and Signature: Chad R. Bryant, P.E. Title: Senior Principal, Professional EngineerDate: 7/6/2026



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE COMPONENT CHANGE ORDERS # 1 AND 2 TO THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER-AT-RISK AGREEMENT WITH BARTON MALOW BUILDERS LLC FOR PRELIMINARY WORK AND PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE MACON ARENA PROJECT, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$28,262,438.00, PAYABLE FROM 2025 SPLOST BOND PROCEEDS; 2025 SPLOST REVENUES; AND 2026 ARENA BOND PROCEEDS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2026, Macon-Bibb County executed a Construction Manager-as-risk agreement with Barton Malow Builders, LLC (“Barton Malow”), for the construction of the new Macon Arena project (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the structure of the Construction Manager-at-risk agreement requires that Barton Malow to provide a guaranteed maximum price for each phase of construction; and

WHEREAS, for each unit or period of the construction project, a “Component Change Order” or “CCO” will be prepared and presented to the Commission for approval; and

WHEREAS, Barton Malow has now prepared CCO #1, relating to preliminary work on the Project, and CCO #2, which guarantees a maximum price for Phase 1 of the Project’s construction; and

WHEREAS, an executive summary of the scope of work covered in CCO #1 and CCO #2 is attached hereto at Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, among the items included in CCO #2, there is a line-item cost of \$8,080,997 (eight million, eighty thousand, nine hundred and ninety-seven dollars) for the cost of securing an allocation of the production capacity of a steel mill; and

WHEREAS, current demands in the U.S. steel market make this line-item especially time-sensitive, and the failure to secure steel production now could potentially have a material negative impact both the cost and the schedule of the Project; and

WHEREAS, among the items included in CCO #2 are costs related to the preconstruction, mobilization, earthworks, and utility work related to those efforts necessary to begin construction on the arena; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the preconstruction, mobilization, earthworks, and utility work costs that will need to be completed prior to the issuance of the 2026 Arena Bonds in order to keep the Project on-schedule will be approximately \$620,000 (six hundred twenty thousand dollars); and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2026, the Macon-Bibb County Commission approved Resolution R-26-0103, authorizing the issuance of \$350,000,000.00 in Series 2026 Revenue Bonds (“Arena Bond”); and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of those bonds are anticipated in Fall 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to pay for the costs of CCO #1 and the total costs of \$8,700,997.00 of CCO #2 from funds currently on hand, and then pay for the remainder of the costs of CCO #2 from the Arena Bond proceeds upon receipt; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute Component Change Orders #1 and #2 to the existing Construction Management agreement with Barton Malow Builders LLC for Construction Manager-at Risk services for a new arena, in such forms as shall be approved by the county attorney, in the total amount of \$28,262,438.00 (twenty-eight million, two hundred and sixty-two thousand, four hundred thirty-eight dollars) to be paid as follows:

- \$1,000,000.00 (one million dollars) for CCO #1 from 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds and SPLOST revenues;

- \$8,700,997.00 (eight million, seven hundred thousand, nine hundred and ninety-seven dollars) for steel, preconstruction, earthworks, and utilities costs under CCO #2 from 2025 SPLOST Bond proceeds and SPLOST revenues; and
- \$18,561,441.00 (eighteen million, five hundred sixty-one thousand, four hundred and forty-one dollars) for the remainder of CCO #2 from the 2026 Arena Bond proceeds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed as granting authority for the commencement of work or accepting any obligation under any part of CCO #2 other than the steel line item described above prior to the receipt in hand of the 2026 Arena Bond proceeds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

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Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

*Q:\RES MACON-BIBB\2026 Miller Approving Component Change Orders 1 and 2 to Barton Malow Arena
Contract \$28,262,438 7-17-26.docx*

EXHIBIT A

Component (CC02) GMP 001 — Executive Cost Summary

The New Macon Arena | Macon, Georgia | ERBP1

SUBCONTRACT DIRECT COST

Scope	CCO 001	Component GMP 001
General Requirements (6 Months)	\$0	\$2,263,552
Appling Brothers: Site Demolition, Earthwork / SWPPP / Utilities	\$200,000	\$7,993,501
Metromont: Pre-Cast (Precon Services / Long Lead Formwork Materials)	\$75,000	\$1,170,000
Steel Fab, Inc: Structural Steel (Precon Services / Mill Order Secure / Detail & Connection Design)	\$75,000	\$8,080,997
CrownCorr: Curtain Wall, Metal Panels, Façade (Precon Services Only)	\$200,000	\$0
All State Electrical: Site / Bldg Electrical & Fire Alarm (Precon Services / Early Enabling Work)	\$100,000	\$300,000
Michels: Deep Foundations (Precon Services / Scope)	\$200,000	\$2,812,554
Owner Insurance Program Deductible or Gap Insurance (Allowance)	\$0	\$50,000
Subtotal	\$850,000	\$22,670,604

CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY

Description		CCO 001	Component GMP 001
Construction Contingency	3.0%	\$0	\$705,618
Subtotal		\$0	\$705,618

CONTRACTOR INDIRECT COST

Description	Note	CCO 001	Component GMP 001
General Conditions	(6 months)	\$0	\$2,442,569
Subcontractor Default Insurance	1.25%	\$25,000	\$277,828
CM Non-OCIP Coverage	0.73%	\$50,000	\$146,893
Performance & Payment Bond	0.80%	\$50,000	\$167,348
Construction Management Services Fee	3.25%	\$25,000	\$851,578
Subtotal		\$150,000	\$3,886,216

TOTAL COMPONENT GMP 001 CONSTRUCTION COST

Description	CCO 001	Component GMP 001
Total component GMP 001 Cost	\$1,000,000	\$27,262,438



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER WITH H.E. HODGE COMPANY, INC., FOR THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF BASKETBALL BACKBOARDS AT KINGS PARK, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,450.00, TO BE PAID FROM THE SPLOST 2018 FUND – RECREATION – OTHER – PROPERTY LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the existing basketball backboards at Kings Park do not match the backboards being utilized throughout Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2026, a Purchase Order in the amount of \$43,080.00 was issued to H.E. Hodge Company, Inc. to resurface the outdoor basketball courts and replace the goals at Kings Park; and

WHEREAS, to remove and replace the existing basketball backboards at Kings Park, a Change Order in the amount of \$11,450.00, or approximately 26.57% of the original contract price, is necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances § 19-5.8(c)(1), approval of the Macon-Bibb County Commission is required for change orders where the total change in the price of the contract from the last approved contract price is, in the aggregate for all intervening amendments, greater than 20% of the last approved contract price; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Change Order with H.E. Hodge Company, Inc., to remove and replace the existing basketball

backboards at Kings Park, in the amount of ELEVEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND 0/00 CENTS (\$11,450.00), to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund – Recreation – Other –Property line item, for the scope of work included in Exhibit A, CO Proposal, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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Improvements \$11,450.00 -7-13-26.docx*

EXHIBIT A

H.E. HODGE COMPANY
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2393 Pendley Rd. Ste 200
Cumming, GA 30041

CO Proposal

To: Macon-Bibb Co Recreation Dpt.
150 Willie Smokie Glover Dr
Macon, GA 31201
Attn: Robert Walker – Director of Recreation

Date: 6/24/26

From: Jesse Dalfonso
Cell: 770-713-4159

Project: Kings Park – New Backboards
Location: Macon, GA.

Bid price based on acceptance within 30 days.

WE ARE PLEASED TO PROVIDE PROPOSAL AS FOLLOWS:

Basketball Backboard Replacement

- Demo
 - Removal and disposal of both existing backboards
- Install
 - Install two (2) new Draper 503035 54" x 42" Rectangular Polycarbonate Backboards

Grand Total: \$11,450.00

*Lead time: 1-2 weeks

**Installation duration: Approx 1 day

***HE Hodge shall not be liable for delays or failure to perform due to weather, acts of God, or other circumstances beyond its reasonable control.

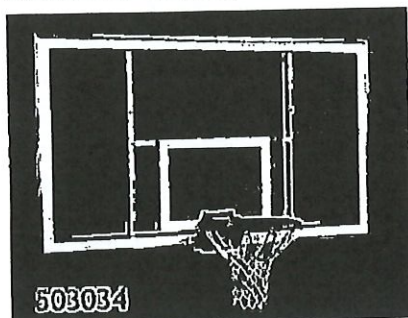
TERMS: NET 15

THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

JESSE DALFONSO
(Cell) 770-713-4159
jdalfonso@hehodge.com

BASKETBALL BACKBOARDS Polycarbonate & Downsized

STANDARD SIZE, OUTDOOR USE ONLY



RECTANGULAR POLYCARBONATE 72" X 42" (183 CM X 107 CM) BACKBOARD 503034

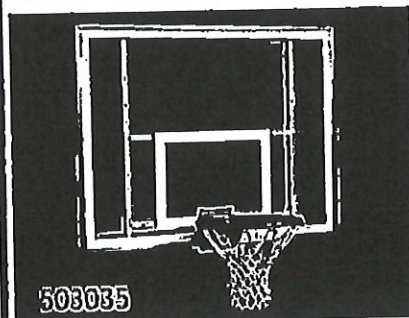
FEATURES

- Competition size with clear polycarbonate for the look of glass without the potential for breakage.
- Constructed with ½" (12 mm) thick clear polycarbonate.
- Includes an aluminum extrusion frame with steel corner brackets. Includes steel tubular sub-frame for added strength.
- Not for use with 3 ½" (89 mm) or 4 ½" (114 mm) O.D. posts.
- Goal mounting holes (4) standard: 5" (127 mm) horizontal x 4" (102 mm) vertical mounting centers.
- Official sized white target silk-screened on the face of the backboard.

OPTIONS

- Outdoor use only.
- Limited lifetime warranty.

DOWNSIDED, OUTDOOR USE ONLY



RECTANGULAR POLYCARBONATE 54" X 42" (137 CM X 107 CM) BACKBOARD 503035

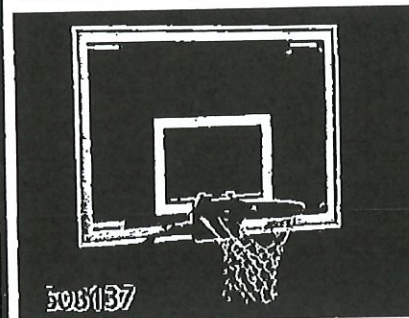
FEATURES

- The look of glass without the potential for breakage.
- Features ½" (12 mm) thick clear polycarbonate.
- Includes an aluminum extruded frame and steel corner brackets.
- Includes steel tubular sub-frame for added strength.
- Not for use with 3 ½" (89 mm) O.D. posts.
- Goal mounting holes (4) standard: 5" (127 mm) horizontal x 4" (102 mm) vertical mounting centers.
- Official sized white target, silk-screened on the face of the backboard.

OPTIONS

- Only for use with outdoor basketball backstops.
- Limited lifetime warranty.

DOWNSIDED GLASS, INDOOR ONLY



DOWNSIZE RECTANGULAR GLASS 54" X 40" (137 CM X 102 CM) BASKETBALL BACKBOARD 503137

FEATURES

- The compact size ideal for smaller gymnasiums.
- Frame constructed of heavy extruded aluminum with a clear anodized, non-glare finish providing maximum durability.
- Goal mounting holes (4) standard: 5" (127 mm) horizontal x 4" (102 mm) vertical mounting centers.
- Fully tempered ½" (12 mm) glass with official white target and border permanently fired on front section of glass.

OPTIONS

- Indoor use only.
- Only for use with indoor backstop structures with goal brace direct goal attachments.
- Not compatible with Draper height adjusters.
- Limited lifetime warranty when installed on Draper EZ-Fold basketball backstop with goal brace.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Access dimensions, specifications, instructions, technical drawings and other supporting documents located at:
draperinc.com/documents.aspx

For more information on this product visit:
draperinc.com/gymequipment/basketballbackboards.aspx



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000.00, TO LIBERTY DISPOSAL, INC., FOR SERVICES RELATED TO THE DISPOSAL OF WASTE ON BEHALF OF MACON-BIBB COUNTY, TO BE PAID FROM THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND CITY – SOLID WASTE LANDFILL – OTHER SERVICES – LANDFILL TIPPING FEES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, since the closure of the Walker Road Landfill, Macon-Bibb County does not currently have a landfill or facility suitable for the disposal of solid waste collected at its various Convenience Centers or collected from government facilities by the Solid Waste Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mead Road Transfer Station, operated by Liberty Disposal, Inc., is equipped to properly collect and ultimately dispose of the waste on behalf of Macon-Bibb County, and is the closest of such facilities that is able to do so; and

WHEREAS, Liberty Disposal, Inc., is the sole source provider in Macon-Bibb County of the services required for the County; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Department expects to expend approximately \$300,000.00 in landfill tipping fees for the disposal of solid waste through the end of this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Procurement concurs with this award recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is authorized to approve the issuance of a purchase order, in the amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

AND 00/100 CENTS (\$300,000.00), to Liberty Disposal, Inc., for services related to the disposal of solid waste, to be paid from the Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste Landfill – Other Services – Landfill Tipping Fees line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

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[Signatures on the following page.]

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE A CHANGE ORDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$93,000.00, TO THE PURCHASE ORDER FOR LIBERTY DISPOSAL, INC., TO BE PAID FROM THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND CITY – SOLID WASTE LANDFILL – OTHER SERVICES - LANDFILL TIPPING FEES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, since the closure of the Walker Road Landfill, the Macon-Bibb County Solid Waste department has been utilizing the Mead Road Transfer Station to dispose of solid waste from the convenience centers and from various other projects; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2025, in Resolution R-25-0125, the Macon-Bibb County Commission authorized the issuance of a Purchase Order to Mead Road Transfer Station for services related to solid waste management; and

WHEREAS, on February 10th, 2026, Liberty Disposal, Inc., (“Liberty”) acquired the Mead Road Transfer Station, in the name Waste Real Estate Holdings, LLC; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2026, a new Purchase Order was issued to Liberty in the amount of \$96,205.00, the amount remaining unspent on the Mead Road Transfer Station Purchase Order; and

WHEREAS, a Change Order in the amount of \$30,000.00, or 11.6% of the original contract price, was authorized pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances § 19-5.8(c)(1) on April 24, 2026, to cover additional invoices; and

WHEREAS, in order to pay outstanding amounts for tipping fees incurred in fiscal year 2026, a change order in the amount of \$93,000.00 is necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinance § 19-5.8(f)(1), approval of the Macon-Bibb County Commission is required for change orders where the total change in

the price of the contract from the last approved contract price is, in the aggregate for all intervening amendments, greater than 20% of the last approved contract price; and

WHEREAS, the previously authorized change order of \$30,000.00, in combination with this necessary change order of \$93,000.00, brings the total aggregate change amount to \$123,000.00, or 35% of the last approved contract price; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to approve such change order; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby resolved by the authority of the same, that the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby approves a change order, in the amount of \$93,000.00, to the purchase order for Liberty Disposal, Inc., for costs associated with solid waste management for Macon-Bibb County, to be paid from the Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste Landfill – Other Services – Landfill; Tipping Fees line item.

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APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO DIRECT TECHNOLOGIES, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$130,000.00 FOR POSTAGE DATABASE SERVICES FOR SOLID WASTE BILL MAILINGS, TO BE PAID FROM SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FUND CITY – SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING ADMINISTRATION – COMMUNICATIONS – POSTAGE LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, solid waste removal services are provided to residential properties in Macon; and

WHEREAS, quarterly bills for such residential solid waste removal services are mailed to property owners advising them of the payment due and methods that may be used to make such payments; and

WHEREAS, payments for residential solid waste removal services may be made through the Tax Commissioner’s website and records of those payments are maintained in that office; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commissioner has contracted for a vendor, Direct Technologies, Inc., to maintain a database of property owners and their mailing addresses and to send annual ad valorem tax notifications; and

WHEREAS, Direct Technologies, Inc., currently maintains a property owner database and sends ad valorem tax and solid waste bill notices on behalf of the Tax Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons, Direct Technologies, Inc., qualifies as a sole source vendor for the required solid waste removal billing services, in accordance with the provisions of Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Sec. 19-5.4; and

WHEREAS, the Procurement Department concurs with this award; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same, that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Purchase Order in favor of Direct Technologies, Inc., in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$130,000.00) for the provision of postage and mailing services for solid waste fee notices to be paid from the Solid Waste Management Fund City – Solid Waste & Recycling Administration – Communications – Postage line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all ordinances or resolutions or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it

is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,812.27 TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP. FOR THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF MANAGED MICROSOFT AZURE AND ARCGIS CLOUD SERVICES FOR THE IT DEPARTMENT, TO BE PAID FROM THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BUDGET – IT-GIS – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CONSULTING FEES LINE ITEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County IT Department has moved the County’s Global Information System (“GIS”) infrastructure and servers to the Cloud; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County’s IT Department utilizes SHI International Corp.’s Managed Microsoft Azure & ArcGIS Cloud Services to maintain its GIS infrastructure and servers on the Cloud; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County’s IT Department has received a quote in the amount of \$160,812.27 from SHI International Corp. for the annual renewal of the required services; and

WHEREAS, SHI International Corp. holds Statewide Contract No. 99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003 for such services, which is a cooperative purchasing agreement allowing for favorable pre-negotiated pricing and faster processing times than other competitive purchasing mechanisms; and

WHEREAS, use of cooperative purchasing agreements is authorized under Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances Sec. 19-8; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to approve the

issuance of a Purchase Order, or the signing of an agreement, in an amount of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED TWELVE DOLLARS AND 27/100 CENTS (\$160,812.27), to SHI International Corp. for the annual renewal of Managed Microsoft Azure & ArcGIS Cloud Services, to be paid from the General Fund – Information Technology – IT-GIS – Professional Services – Consulting Fees line item.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO AUTHORIZE A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,795.00 FROM GENERAL FUND – FUND BALANCE TO THE GDOT – OCMULGEE HERITAGE TRAIL GRANT FUND – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - ENGINEERING LINE ITEM, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE OCMULGEE HERITAGE TRAIL PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER WITH CRANSTON ENGINEERING GROUP. P.C., FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,795.00; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County was awarded grant funds from GDOT in the amount of \$400,000.00, with a required \$100,000.00 local match, to fund the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail project, with such funds being accepted by the Commission on February 2, 2021, in Resolution R-21-0048; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2022, by Resolution R-22-0124, the Macon-Bibb County Commission (“Commission”) authorized a Master Services Agreement with Cranston Engineering Group, P.C. (“Cranston”), for engineering services for the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail project; and

WHEREAS, Work Order 1 under the Master Services Agreement included preliminary engineering services at a cost of \$443,184.00, including preliminary fieldwork; and

WHEREAS, during the performance of the preliminary fieldwork, it was determined that a bridge constructed in 1938 by the Works Progress Administration, lies partially within the survey area; and

WHEREAS, the historic nature of the bridge necessitates the completion of a management summary and Phase I survey, per GDOT requirements; and

WHEREAS, due to the additional work required to complete the management summary and Phase I survey, additional work in the amount of \$52,795.00 is required; and

WHEREAS, in light of the additional costs incurred by Cranston and work required to complete the project, the Commission finds that it is necessary to make a supplemental appropriation of \$52,795.00; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to support the ongoing development of the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail as an important economic and cultural resource, to attract tourism, recreation, and connect Downtown Macon to Amerson River Park; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Ordinance is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that:

Section 1

The Macon-Bibb County Commission does hereby approve and authorize a supplemental appropriation of \$52,795.00 from General Fund – Fund Balance to the GDOT – Ocmulgee Heritage Trail Grant fund – Professional Services – Engineering line item, for the purpose of providing funding for additional engineering services to be performed by Cranston Engineering Group, P.C., for the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail project as more readily shown in the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2.

The Macon-Bibb County Commission does hereby approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Change Order with Cranston Engineering Group P.C., in the amount of FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE DOLLARS AND 0/100 CENTS (\$52,795.00) to provide for additional engineering services on the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail Project, with such Change Order to be in a substantially similar form to the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein by reference, with associated costs to be paid from the GDOT – Ocmulgee Heritage Trail Grant fund – Professional Services – Engineering line item.

Section 3.

The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

Section 4.

The Mayor, the County Manager, the Director of Parks and Beautification, and all other proper officers and agents of the County are authorized and directed to execute such documents and to take such other actions as may be required to accomplish the intents and purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 5.

In the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Ordinance or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Ordinance.

Section 6.

The sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and not mutually dependent upon each other or upon any other provisions in the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances. If any sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of this Ordinance shall be declared illegal by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such illegality shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of this Ordinance, or any other provisions of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances.

Section 7.

In the event that this Ordinance or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of resolution by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as a resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Ordinance calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance satisfy such requirement, and that this Ordinance be construed accordingly.

Section 8.

All ordinances or resolutions, or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 9.

Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 14 of the Charter, the Mayor may disapprove or reduce any item or items of appropriation in this Ordinance. The approved part or parts of this Ordinance making appropriations shall become law effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor, and the part or parts disapproved shall not become law unless subsequently passed into law by the Commission over the Mayor's veto by the affirmative vote of six (6) members of the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

SO ORDERED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A



CRANSTON

CranstonEngineering.com

452 Ellis Street Augusta, Georgia 30901
PO Box 2546 Augusta, Georgia 30903
706.722.1588

June 30, 2026

Mayor Lester Miller
Macon – Bibb County
700 Poplar Street
Macon, GA 31201

Re: OHT – Amerson Connector
Task Order No. 1.4
Macon, Georgia
Cranston File No. 2021-0332
GDOT PI No. 0017879

Dear Mayor Miller:

In accordance with your request, we are pleased to offer the following proposal for the design and project administration services associated with Task Order No. 1.4 for the design and development of the Amerson Connector multi-use trail as part of the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail. This is in accordance with our Master Agreement for Professional Civil Engineering Services with Macon-Bibb County dated June 21, 2022. The following letter outlines Task Order No. 1.4 as we understand it, the scope of services offered, and the proposed fees.

BACKGROUND

This project consists of constructing a 10' wide multi-use trail approximately 2 miles long. The project alignment will consist of two segments running along the Ocmulgee River. One beginning at Amerson River Park connecting the "River Trail" to the "Pinch Point Trail" (being constructed as part of PI#311400). The second segment will pick up at the end of the "Pinch Point Trail" and continue to tie into the section of the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail by I-16 (being constructed as part of PI#0012701). This will complete the 13-mile trail connecting Ocmulgee National Historic Park and Amerson River Park. The trail will run along the Ocmulgee River in Macon-Bibb County and will include the following elements: sidewalk/trail, boardwalk, pedestrian bridges, and grading.

It is our understanding that the project will utilize Federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds, which were allocated to Macon-Bibb County for the project. The government sponsor overseeing the distribution of the funds is the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). GDOT's Plan Development Process (PDP) will be followed. Two of the first steps in utilizing this type of funding are the completion of the Concept Report and Environmental Clearance documentation.

DESIGN TEAM

Cranston will act as the prime consultant for the project. Our team will provide all necessary civil engineering, structural engineering, landscape architecture, and project administration services. We will contract with Wellston & Associates (now SAM) to provide surveying services. Environmental services will be provided by Edwards-Pitman (EP). Phase 1 ESA and Geotechnical engineering services will be completed by Terracon.

TO 1.4 JUSTIFICATION

During fieldwork for P.I. No. 0017879, EP archaeologists encountered previously recorded site 9BR159. The site consists of a twentieth century bridge, which was constructed by the Works Progress Administration in 1938. The bridge is partially located within the environmental survey boundary (ESB) for the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail, but the site has been misplotted in the GNAHRGIS database. No artifacts were found in association with the bridge; site 9BI159 consists solely of the single bridge, which is still standing and in operation. No other sites or cultural material were found during the survey. The presence of the previously recorded site necessitates a management summary and Phase I survey, instead of originally scoped ASR.

Ecological plant surveys (captured in "Special Studies") are needed to capture this information during the growing season. If EP does not include these in current TO, we run the risk of missing the survey season window until final plans which could cause concerns and future delays.

SCOPE OF WORK

We propose to provide the necessary design and project management services associated with Task Order No. 1.4 for the multiuse trail extension. Our Environmental subconsultant has proposed their services on a time and material, (T&M), basis. We do not expect to exceed the T&M Estimates provided in the Fee Proposal section and will invoice monthly for work performed. The scope is broken down by phase and summarized as follows:

1. ECOLOGICAL PLANT SURVEYS & ARCHAEOLOGY PHASE 1 REPORT [T&M]

- a. Ecology
 - i. Ecological Plant Surveys
 - ii. Protected Species Report
 - iii. Discipline Management
 - iv. Development/Coordination w/ GDOT Ecologist
 - v. Prepare for and attend project meetings
- b. Archaeology
 - i. Discipline Management – Coordination
 - ii. Phase I Archaeological Survey
 - iii. Phase I Report

FEE PROPOSAL

We propose to accomplish Task Order No. 1.4 in accordance with the following fee schedule. Reimbursable items will be provided on a time and material basis according to our Schedule of Rates and Charges in effect at the time the work is performed. Our current Schedule of Rates and Charges will be provided on request. Our fees can be further broken down by project phases as follows:

PHASE		FEE
Task Order No. 1.4		
1.	Ecological Plant Surveys & Archaeological Phase 1 Report	
	<i>T&M Estimate</i>	\$ 52,795
Task Order No. 1.4 Total		\$ 52,795

We would expect to submit periodic invoices covering the work as it progresses and to receive payment within 30 days thereafter.

TIME OF COMPLETION

We are currently working on concurrent tasks in TO 1.1, 1.2. and 1.3. Cranston and our subconsultants will adhere to the ongoing schedule and current GDOT PDP.

We appreciate the opportunity of making this proposal and trust that you find it satisfactory. Your signature in the space provided on a copy of this letter returned to us will be our authority to proceed. Should you have any questions concerning the scope of the services offered or the fees, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Sincerely,

CRANSTON LLC

Mitchell Murchison, PE, MBA

ACCEPTED:

Macon – Bibb County

BY: _____

TITLE: _____

DATE: _____



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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A COUNCIL OF ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS JUDGES STATE OF GEORGIA GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$299,679.00, WITH MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,885.00, PAYABLE IN KIND AS EXISTING EMPLOYEE SALARIES, AWARDED TO FUND THE MACON JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ADULT FELONY DRUG COURT AND MENTAL HEALTH COURT PROGRAMS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (“CJCC”) was established by the General Assembly in 1981; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC manages state grant programs funded by the Georgia General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County, on behalf of the Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court and Mental Health Court programs, has applied for and has been awarded a Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant from the CJCC for Fiscal Year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court provides substance abuse counseling and other critical services to reduce recidivism and incarceration among substance abuse offenders; and

WHEREAS, the Macon Judicial Circuit Mental Health Court program provides mental health care and other critical services to reduce recidivism and incarceration among certain identified offenders with underlying mental health conditions; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC will provide Macon-Bibb County with grant funds in the amount of \$299,679.00, with a local match requirement of \$52,885.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries; and

WHEREAS, this grant shall be effective from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, copies of the grant award letter and contract documents are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to accept the grant funds on behalf of the Adult Felony Drug Court and Mental Health Court Programs for the above-described purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the grant award from the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council in the amount of TWO HUNDRED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$299,679.00), with local match in the amount of \$52,885.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, on behalf of the Macon Judicial Circuit Adult Felony Drug Court and Mental Health Court Programs, as provided in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

SUBAWARDEE:	Macon-Bibb County Commission	CFDA NUMBER:	N/A
Employer Identification Number (EIN):	46-3992371	SUBAWARD NUMBER:	AW-ACFP-27-051
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY:	Macon Judicial Circuit Accountability Courts	SUBGRANT PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027
PROJECT TYPE:	Adult Felony Drug Court	SUB AWARD AMOUNT:	\$299,679.00
AWARD NUMBER:	State Accountability Court Program	MATCHING FUNDS:	\$52,885.00
AWARD PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027	TOTAL FUNDS:	\$352,564.00

This award is made under the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia grant program. The purpose of the Accountability Court Grants program is to make grants to local courts and judicial circuits to establish specialty courts or dockets to address offenders arrested for drug charges or mental health issues. This grant program is subject to the administrative rules established by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that a properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council within 45 days of receipt.

Reimbursement/Payment
Frequency:

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating
Date
6/18/2026

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____
Printed Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

FY27 Operating Grant Budget Award Worksheet

Court Name

Macon Circuit Drug Court

Combined Application: Includes Bibb Mental Health Court

Budget Worksheet Category	Line Item		Total Budgeted
Personnel	Program Case Manager	44,125.00	\$57,692
	Fringe Benefits	13,567.00	
Contract Services	Program Case Manager	3,000.00	\$185,442
	Law Enforcement	44,460.00	
	Lab Technician	11,232.00	
	Counselor	20,000.00	
	Treatment Provider	106,750.00	
Drug Testing Supplies	Confirmations	3,014.00	\$38,012
	Onsite Devices	34,998.00	
Supplies /Other Costs	Medications	3,700.00	\$3,700
Equipment		0.00	\$0
In State Training and Travel	2026 CACJ Conference	4,813.40	\$4,813
Transportation Funding	Public Transportation	10,020.00	\$10,020
Total Budget:			\$299,679

Match:

\$52,885

Funding Committee Note:

The court should work to increase its participant census throughout FY27 to more closely meet its self-reported capacity per the FY26 Court Operating Profile. The Funding Committee will monitor the census through quarterly reporting and may contact your court to review progress. The court should report in detail in its FY28 operating grant application on its efforts to meet its self-reported capacity. The Funding Committee will consider this information when evaluating FY28 operating grant awards, and a failure to respond to Funding Committee notes may impact future funding decisions.

The court should implement the Peer Review recommendations for treatment services.

The court must attend the upcoming CACJ training event, the MHC Court Refresher, to satisfy the training requirements associated with this grant. Attendance should include all personnel outlined in the CACJ Rules. Failure to meet this requirement may impact future funding eligibility as determined by the Funding Committee.

Special Conditions

Macon Judicial Circuit Accountability Courts

AW-ACFP-27-051

FY27 SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. All project costs not exclusively related to activities of the funded accountability court must be approved with a Subgrant Adjustment Request, and only the costs of approved project-related activities will be reimbursable under the Subgrant Award.

Initials _____

2. The subgrantee must submit Subgrant Adjustment Request #1 with its signed, completed award documentation. The adjustment request is accompanied by a detailed project budget that itemizes all projected expenditures as approved by the Council of Accountability Court Judges (CACJ) Funding Committee. This initial SAR is part of the grant activation process and enables the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) to initiate the grant. The project budget and summary will not be established, or officially approved, until the subgrantee receives a written approval notice from CJCC. All project costs and project activities must coincide with the approved budget, summary, and implementation plan unless subsequent revisions are approved by CJCC.

Initials _____

3. The subgrantee must submit subsequent Subgrant Adjustment Requests to revise the budget, project summary, and implementation plan prior to any substantial changes, but no later than 30 days prior to the end of the subgrant period.

Initials _____

4. The subgrantee agrees that no funds shall be expensed outside of the approved budget. In addition, any funds spent under this subgrant award must be expended by the grant end date and not encumbered.

Initials _____

5. The subgrantee agrees that at least 25% of the awarded funds will be spent in the first quarter, 50% in the second quarter and 75% in the third quarter. If this condition is not met, any unused remaining funds from that quarter will be retained by the Council to be managed by the CACJ Funding Committee.

Initials _____

6. Waivers for the above 25% expenditure requirement may be granted at the committee's discretion for the 1st and 2nd quarters only. If a waiver is granted, the funds held over to the next quarter must be spent in the next quarter.

Initials _____

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Initials _____

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Initials _____

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Initials _____

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Initials _____

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT SELECTION FORM

SUBGRANT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY NAME: _____

1. SELECT A SCHEDULE FOR SUBMITTING REIMBURSEMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **MONTHLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 15 days after the end of the month)
- ☐ **QUARTERLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 30 days after the end of the quarter)

2. SELECT A PROCESS FOR RECEIVING REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER** (Reimbursements will be deposited into the bank account listed below.
A voided check must be attached to ensure proper routing of funds.)

BANK NAME: _____

BANK ROUTING NUMBER: _____

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____

AGENCY CONTACT
TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL NAME AND TITLE: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

- ☐ **CHECK** (Reimbursements will be mailed in the form of a check to the address listed below)

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP: _____

ATTENTION: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

For CJCC Use ONLY

CJCC Auditor:	
Phone Number:	
Grant Award Number:	
GBI Entry Initial/Date:	



SUPPLIER CHANGE REQUEST FORM

Agency Supplier Liaisons MUST complete the Agency Liaison Use Only sections AND ensure the supplier has completed sections 1 - 3, the Supplier Use Only sections prior to submitting this form to SAO.

☐ NEW

☐ EXISTING

SUPPLIER ID NUMBER: Agency Use Only

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SECTION 1 SUPPLIER IDENTIFICATION

FEI/SSN/TIN

Supplier Name as listed with IRS:

Doing Business As (dba): if applicable

CONTACT INFORMATION (*REQUIRED) Enter the street address, city, state, zip, and county)

☐ *Physical Address:

☐ Mailing Address:

☐ Payment Remit to Address:

Contact's Name (REQUIRED FOR PAYMENT): Contact's Title:

*Contact's Email Address:

Primary Phone #: Ext: Contact's Phone #: Ext:

☐ Landline ☐ Cell Used for Identity Verification

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Driver's License #: For Individuals only

DL State:

SECTION 2 BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Required for New and Reactivating suppliers to add/change bank information to receive payments via ACH.

☐ I do not wish to provide banking information and understand all payments made to me will be via check.

☐ ACH is not applicable for the change request

☐ Replace Remittance Address at Loc # With Addr ID #

☐ Replace Invoicing Address at Loc # With Addr ID #

☐ Add New Bank Account ☐ Change Bank Account Enter Loc # Agency Liaisons are required to complete items on this line for bank changes

Name Exactly as Listed on Bank Account:

Bank Name:

ROUTING # NEW ACCOUNT #

Last Four Digits of Previous Bank Account # For changes only

☐ Check here if General Bank Account can be used by ALL State of Georgia agencies making payments.

☐ Check here if this account can only be used for a SPECIFIC PURPOSE

SPECIFIC PURPOSE DESCRIPTION

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE NOTIFICATION

PAYMENT REMIT EMAIL ADDRESS:

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I authorize the State of Georgia to deposit payment for goods and/or services received into the provided bank account by the Automated Clearing House (ACH). I further acknowledge that this agreement is to remain in full effect until such time as changes to the bank account information are submitted in writing by the vendor or individual named below. It is the sole responsibility of the vendor or individual to notify the State of Georgia of any changes to the bank account information. The State of Georgia independently authenticates bank account ownership.

Printed Name of Company Officer

Signature of Company Officer

Date

SECTION 3 DIVERSITY IDENTIFICATION (Check ALL That Apply)

BUSINESS CERTIFICATIONS

- ☐ GA Small Business* ☐ Women Owned
☐ GA Resident Business** ☐ Minority Business Certified
☐ Not Applicable

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (51% ownership)

- ☐ Hispanic – Latino ☐ African American
☐ Native American ☐ Asian American
☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Not Applicable
☐ Prefer Not to Answer

VETERANS OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (Check ALL That Apply)

- ☐ Nonveteran Owned Small Business ☐ Veteran-owned Small Business ☐ Service Disabled VOSB ☐ Prefer Not to Disclose

*Based on Georgia law (OCGA 50-5-21) (3) "Small Business" means any business which is independently owned and operated. Additionally, such business must either have 300 or less employees OR \$30 million or less in gross receipts per year.

**Georgia resident business is defined as any business that regularly maintains a place from which business is physically conducted in Georgia for at least one year prior to any bid or proposal to the state or a new business that is domiciled in Georgia and which regularly maintains a place from which business is physically conducted in Georgia; provided, however, that a place from which business is conducted shall not include a post office box, a leased private mailbox, site trailer, or temporary structure.

SECTION 4 – REQUESTED CHANGE(S) – (Check ALL That Apply)

- ☐ 1099 Eligible Cannot change to non-eligible if supplier is already 1099 eligible

1099 Addr ID # Agency Liaisons are REQUIRED to enter the AddrID # where to mail 1099

- ☐ 1099 – M Enter Code (Required for Form 1099 – M)

- ☐ 1099 – N Code 01 (01 is the only code available for the 1099 – NEC)

- ☐ Add Additional Address (Enter additional address in Section 1)

- ☐ Change/Correct Existing Address Enter Addr ID # to change

- ☐ Add/Change Payment Alt Name to an existing or new address

Payment Alt Name:

- ☐ Classification Change: (Agency Liaisons are required to check one for Classification Changes.)

- ☐ Attorney ☐ HCM ☐ Student ☐ Supplier Non-minority
☐ Gov Non-State of GA ☐ Non-Supplier ☐ Supplier Minority

- ☐ FEI/TIN Change

- ☐ Statewide Contract (DOAS Use Only)

- ☐ HCM Vendor

- ☐ Deactivate Supplier Profile (Agency Liaison MUST attach written justification from the supplier with the SCR.)

- ☐ Reactivate Supplier Profile

- ☐ Supplier Name Change

- ☐ Other (Provided details in the Comments section below)

Comments

AGENCY USE ONLY SECTION 5: AGENCY LIAISON CERTIFICATION (REQUIRED)

By my signature below, I certify that all reasonable effort has been made to submit information that is complete, accurate, true, and is associated with the supplier's name and Tax ID listed above.

AGENCY LIAISON NAME

AGENCY LIAISON SIGNATURE

DATE

BU/Company ID#



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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|---|---|
| ☒ MAYOR LESTER M. MILLER | ☐ MAYOR PRO TEMPORE VALERIE WYNN |
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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A COUNCIL OF ACCOUNTABILITY COURTS JUDGES STATE OF GEORGIA GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$169,074.20, WITH MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,837.00, PAYABLE IN KIND AS EXISTING EMPLOYEE SALARIES, AWARDED TO FUND THE MACON JUDICIAL CIRCUIT FAMILY TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (“CJCC”) was established by the General Assembly in 1981; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC manages state grant programs funded by the Georgia General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Macon-Bibb County, on behalf of the Macon Judicial Circuit Family Treatment Court, has applied for and has been awarded a Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia Grant from the CJCC for Fiscal Year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC will provide Macon-Bibb County with grant funds in the amount of \$169,074.20, with a local match requirement of \$29,837.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries to fund the program; and

WHEREAS, this grant shall be effective from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, copies of the grant award letter and contract documents are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to accept the grant funds on behalf of the Family Treatment Court program for the above-described purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the grant award from the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVENTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND 20/100 CENTS (\$169,074.20), with local match in the amount of \$29,837.00 payable in kind as existing employee salaries, on behalf of the Macon Judicial Circuit Family Treatment Court, as provided in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A

GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

SUBAWARDEE:	Macon-Bibb County Commission	CFDA NUMBER:	N/A
Employer Identification Number (EIN):	46-3992371	SUBAWARD NUMBER:	AW-ACFP-27-111
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY:	Macon Judicial Circuit Accountability Courts	SUBGRANT PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027
PROJECT TYPE:		SUB AWARD AMOUNT:	\$169,074.20
AWARD NUMBER:	State Accountability Court Program	MATCHING FUNDS:	\$29,837.00
AWARD PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027	TOTAL FUNDS:	\$198,911.20

This award is made under the Council of Accountability Courts Judges State of Georgia grant program. The purpose of the Accountability Court Grants program is to make grants to local courts and judicial circuits to establish specialty courts or dockets to address offenders arrested for drug charges or mental health issues. This grant program is subject to the administrative rules established by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that a properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council within 45 days of receipt.

Reimbursement/Payment
Frequency:

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating
Date
6/17/2026

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____
Printed Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

FY27 Operating Grant Budget Award Worksheet

Court Name **Macon Circuit Family Treatment Court**

Budget Worksheet Category	Line Item	Total Budgeted
Personnel	Program Coordinator 58,843.20	\$74,235
	Coordinator Benefits 15,392.00	
Contract Services	Law Enforcement/Surveillance 12,000.00	\$72,488
	Program Case Manager 0.00	
	Treatment Provider 1,080.00	
	Counselor 36,608.00	
	Counselor 5,200.00	
	Treatment Provider 17,600.00	
Drug Testing Supplies	Cups 16,224.00	\$16,224
Supplies /Other Costs	0.00	\$0
Equipment	0.00	\$0
In State Training and Travel	2026 CACJ Conference 1,807.00	\$1,807
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	Other 720.00	
Total Budget:		\$169,074

Match: \$29,837

Funding Committee Note:

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The court should seek other funding sources such as federal grants to implement Celebrating Families.

Special Condition: Comply with CACJ Treatment Fidelity process and complete a visit by the end of Q1.

Special Conditions

Macon Judicial Circuit Accountability Courts

AW-ACFP-27-111

FY27 SPECIAL CONDITIONS

All project costs not exclusively related to activities of the funded accountability court must be approved with a Subgrant Adjustment Request, and only the costs of approved project-related activities will be reimbursable under the Subgrant Award.

Initials _____

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Initials _____

Subgrantees must abide by CACJ Rules. Subgrantees are responsible for obtaining the current version of the Rules and ensuring that program activities operate in compliance with the Rules. The Rules, in their entirety, are incorporated herein by reference and compliance with the Rules is a condition of this grant. A failure to comply with the Rules may result in a referral to Section VIII of Article 4 of the Rules governing rescission of grant awards after violations of special conditions or a referral under Article 8 governing compliance with the Rules, state standards, and Georgia law.

Initials _____

The grantee acknowledges that funds provided under this grant award are state-appropriated funds and may not be accessible after the end of the grant period. The final reimbursement request under this award must be received by CJCC no later than July 15, 2027. In addition, if the grantee has not received payments for any prior reimbursements, the grantee must notify CJCC by June 15, 2027 or risk losing access to those funds.

Initials _____

All services must be rendered to the Court before payment is made. If it is found that a Court/County made an advance payment, those funds may be required to be repaid to CJCC.

Initials _____

Subgrantees must comply with the training attendance requirements as determined by CACJ and as required by Article 10 of the CACJ Rules. Attendees will be informed of additional training attendance requirements during the training registration process for each training. CACJ expects that everyone who registers for training will be able to attend that training. To be good stewards of state funds, attendees must cancel training reservations as soon as a conflict, illness, or other circumstance arises that prevents them from attending the training. It is understood by CACJ that emergency situations occur. Emergency situations are considered the exception but not the rule. If these requirements are not met, any expenses incurred by CACJ may be de-obligated from the subgrantee in the form of a fee or other penalty. Funds de-obligated due to noncompliance with a training requirement will be retained by CACJ to be managed by the CACJ Funding Committee.

Initials _____

The subgrantee agrees that all personnel charging time to this grant must maintain timesheets documenting hours for all work performed for pay, including both grant-related and non-grant related work activities. This includes work performed that is unrelated to an accountability court.

Initials _____

The subgrantee understands and agrees that payments made by CJCC do not constitute final approval of submitted expenditures. Subsequent reviews, audits, or examinations may identify expenses that fall outside the grant scope or rules. In such cases, the subgrantee may be required to repay those funds.

Initials _____

The subgrantee understands and agrees that in order to receive a state grant award, as well as to receive any reimbursement for funds expended under a state grant award, the subgrantee's fiscal agent must not be on the audit list maintained by the Georgia Department of Audit & Accounts (DOAA). Further, if a subgrantee is unable to be awarded state grant funds due to being on the audit list, the subgrantee must be removed from the audit list

on or before December 31, 2026 in order for an award to be made. If the subgrantee's fiscal agent is not removed from the audit list by that date, funds will be reallocated for other purposes. No award, nor any reimbursement for funds expended in anticipation of an award, can be made while the subgrantee's fiscal agent is on the audit list. Subgrantee understands and agrees that any funds expended in anticipation of receiving an award before the award is made cannot be reimbursed via this grant.

Initials _____

The subgrantee understands and agrees to comply with the Case Management System Use Policy which dictates that CACJ-funded case management systems can only be used for data collection of referrals and participants served by accountability courts. Use of the CACJ-funded case management system for non-accountability court purposes is strictly prohibited. Courts found to be using the system for non-accountability court purposes may be subject to de-obligation and cancellation of some or all of their operating grant award.

Initials _____

The subgrantee understands and agrees to complete all required onboarding activities for the implementation of the new case management system, including but not limited to, providing requested documentation, participating in data migration efforts, assisting in scheduling of virtual and in-person meetings and calls, and completing all training required. Failure to complete all required training for all current team members as assigned may result in cancellation or rescission of some or all of this operating grant award or any other CACJ/CJCC grant award.

Initials _____

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT SELECTION FORM

SUBGRANT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY NAME: _____

1. SELECT A SCHEDULE FOR SUBMITTING REIMBURSEMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **MONTHLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 15 days after the end of the month)
- ☐ **QUARTERLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 30 days after the end of the quarter)

2. SELECT A PROCESS FOR RECEIVING REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER** (Reimbursements will be deposited into the bank account listed below.
A voided check must be attached to ensure proper routing of funds.)

BANK NAME: _____

BANK ROUTING NUMBER: _____

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____

AGENCY CONTACT
TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL NAME AND TITLE: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

- ☐ **CHECK** (Reimbursements will be mailed in the form of a check to the address listed below)

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP: _____

ATTENTION: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

For CJCC Use ONLY

CJCC Auditor:	
Phone Number:	
Grant Award Number:	
GBI Entry Initial/Date:	



SUPPLIER CHANGE REQUEST FORM

Agency Supplier Liaisons MUST complete the Agency Liaison Use Only sections AND ensure the supplier has completed sections 1 - 3, the Supplier Use Only sections prior to submitting this form to SAO.

☐ NEW

☐ EXISTING

SUPPLIER ID NUMBER: Agency Use Only

0 0 0 0

SECTION 1 SUPPLIER IDENTIFICATION

FEI/SSN/TIN

Supplier Name as listed with IRS:

Doing Business As (dba): if applicable

CONTACT INFORMATION (*REQUIRED) Enter the street address, city, state, zip, and county)

☐ *Physical Address:

☐ Mailing Address:

☐ Payment Remit to Address:

Contact's Name (REQUIRED FOR PAYMENT): Contact's Title:

*Contact's Email Address:

Primary Phone #: Ext: Contact's Phone #: Ext:

☐ Landline ☐ Cell Used for Identity Verification

☐ Landline ☐ Cell Used for Identity Verification

Driver's License #: For Individuals only

DL State:

SECTION 2 BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION Required for New and Reactivating suppliers to add/change bank information to receive payments via ACH.

☐ I do not wish to provide banking information and understand all payments made to me will be via check.

☐ ACH is not applicable for the change request

☐ Replace Remittance Address at Loc # With Addr ID #

☐ Replace Invoicing Address at Loc # With Addr ID #

☐ Add New Bank Account ☐ Change Bank Account Enter Loc # Agency Liaisons are required to complete items on this line for bank changes

Name Exactly as Listed on Bank Account:

Bank Name:

ROUTING # NEW ACCOUNT #

Last Four Digits of Previous Bank Account # For changes only

☐ Check here if General Bank Account can be used by ALL State of Georgia agencies making payments.

☐ Check here if this account can only be used for a SPECIFIC PURPOSE

SPECIFIC PURPOSE DESCRIPTION

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE NOTIFICATION

PAYMENT REMIT EMAIL ADDRESS:

PAYMENT REMIT EMAIL ADDRESS:

I authorize the State of Georgia to deposit payment for goods and/or services received into the provided bank account by the Automated Clearing House (ACH). I further acknowledge that this agreement is to remain in full effect until such time as changes to the bank account information are submitted in writing by the vendor or individual named below. It is the sole responsibility of the vendor or individual to notify the State of Georgia of any changes to the bank account information. The State of Georgia independently authenticates bank account ownership.

Printed Name of Company Officer

Signature of Company Officer

Date

SECTION 3 DIVERSITY IDENTIFICATION (Check ALL That Apply)

BUSINESS CERTIFICATIONS

- ☐ GA Small Business* ☐ Women Owned
☐ GA Resident Business** ☐ Minority Business Certified
☐ Not Applicable

MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (51% ownership)

- ☐ Hispanic – Latino ☐ African American
☐ Native American ☐ Asian American
☐ Pacific Islander ☐ Not Applicable
☐ Prefer Not to Answer

VETERANS OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (Check ALL That Apply)

- ☐ Nonveteran Owned Small Business ☐ Veteran-owned Small Business ☐ Service Disabled VOSB ☐ Prefer Not to Disclose

*Based on Georgia law (OCGA 50-5-21) (3) "Small Business" means any business which is independently owned and operated. Additionally, such business must either have 300 or less employees OR \$30 million or less in gross receipts per year.

**Georgia resident business is defined as any business that regularly maintains a place from which business is physically conducted in Georgia for at least one year prior to any bid or proposal to the state or a new business that is domiciled in Georgia and which regularly maintains a place from which business is physically conducted in Georgia; provided, however, that a place from which business is conducted shall not include a post office box, a leased private mailbox, site trailer, or temporary structure.

SECTION 4 – REQUESTED CHANGE(S) – (Check ALL That Apply)

- ☐ 1099 Eligible Cannot change to non-eligible if supplier is already 1099 eligible

1099 Addr ID # Agency Liaisons are REQUIRED to enter the AddrID # where to mail 1099

- ☐ 1099 – M Enter Code (Required for Form 1099 – M)

- ☐ 1099 – N Code 01 (01 is the only code available for the 1099 – NEC)

- ☐ Add Additional Address (Enter additional address in Section 1)

- ☐ Change/Correct Existing Address Enter Addr ID # to change

- ☐ Add/Change Payment Alt Name to an existing or new address

Payment Alt Name:

- ☐ Classification Change: (Agency Liaisons are required to check one for Classification Changes.)

- ☐ Attorney ☐ HCM ☐ Student ☐ Supplier Non-minority
☐ Gov Non-State of GA ☐ Non-Supplier ☐ Supplier Minority

- ☐ FEI/TIN Change

- ☐ Statewide Contract (DOAS Use Only)

- ☐ HCM Vendor

- ☐ Deactivate Supplier Profile (Agency Liaison MUST attach written justification from the supplier with the SCR.)

- ☐ Reactivate Supplier Profile

- ☐ Supplier Name Change

- ☐ Other (Provided details in the Comments section below)

Comments

AGENCY USE ONLY SECTION 5: AGENCY LIAISON CERTIFICATION (REQUIRED)

By my signature below, I certify that all reasonable effort has been made to submit information that is complete, accurate, true, and is associated with the supplier's name and Tax ID listed above.

AGENCY LIAISON NAME

AGENCY LIAISON SIGNATURE

DATE

BU/Company ID#



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A JUVENILE JUSTICE INCENTIVE GRANT FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$365,114.00, WITH NO LOCAL MATCH, AWARDED TO THE BIBB COUNTY JUVENILE COURT; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Bibb County Juvenile Court has applied for and been awarded a Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant (“JJIG”) from the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (“CJCC”) for Fiscal Year 2027; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC will provide \$365,114.00 in grant funding, with no local match required, to Bibb County Juvenile Court; and

WHEREAS, the funds from this grant will be utilized to provide functional family therapy services for Juvenile Court participants and for purchasing operating supplies; and

WHEREAS, the grant award will be effective July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to authorize the acceptance of the grant funds for the stated purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with the Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for acceptance of a Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant for FY2027 in the amount of THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND 00/100 CENTS (\$365,114.00),

with no local match, to provide functional family therapy services for Juvenile Court participants and for the purchase of operating supplies, in substantially the same form as Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event that this Resolution or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of ordinance by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as an ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A

GRANT AWARD

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

2027 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application

SUBAWARDEE:	Macon-Bibb County	CFDA NUMBER:	N/A
Employer Identification Number (EIN):	463992371	SUBAWARD NUMBER:	AW-JJIG-27-012-010
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY:	Bibb County Juvenile Court	SUBGRANT PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027
PROJECT TYPE:	Juvenile Justice	SUB AWARD AMOUNT:	\$365,114.00
AWARD NUMBER:	State Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant	MATCHING FUNDS:	
AWARD PERIOD:	07/01/2026 - 06/30/2027	TOTAL FUNDS:	\$365,114.00

This award is hereby made in the amount and for the period shown above for a Subgrant authorized by the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2018, Sections 221-223, 42 U.S.C. Sections 5631-5633. The award is made in accordance with the plan set forth in the application of the Subgrantee and subject to any attached special conditions. The Subgrantee has agreed through the executed copy of certified assurances to be subject to all applicable rules, regulations, and conditions of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2018. This Subgrant shall become effective on the beginning date of the grant period, provided that within forty-five (45) days of the award execution date (below) the properly executed original of this "Subgrant Award" is returned to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Reimbursement/Payment
Frequency:

Agency Approval



Jay Neal, Director
Criminal Justice Coordinating
Date
7/1/2026

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____
Printed Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Special Conditions
2027 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Application
Bibb County Juvenile Court
AW-JJIG-27-012-010

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
FY27 JUVENILE JUSTICE INCENTIVE GRANT
SPECIAL CONDITIONS – STATE FUNDS**

Please note, the special conditions are the provisions of the grant agreement that are specific to this project. By signing these conditions, the subgrantee agrees to comply with each requirement listed. After carefully reviewing each condition, the authorized official should initial the space provided after each condition. He/she should also sign and date the last page of the conditions on the signature line provided.

1. The subgrantee agrees to abide by Georgia law regarding the utilization of professional counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists. (O.C.G.A. § 43-10A-1, et. seq).

Initials _____

2. The subgrantee agrees to abide by Georgia law regarding the utilization of psychologists (O.C.G.A. § 43-39-1, et. seq).

Initials _____

3. Pursuant to Executive Order 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," 74 Reg. 51225 (October 1, 2009), the Department of Justice and the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council encourages grantees and subgrantees to adopt and enforce policies banning employees from text messaging while driving any vehicle during the course of performing work funded by this grant, and to establish workplace safety policies and conduct education, awareness, and other outreach to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers.

Initials _____

4. The subgrantee certifies that 1) title to all equipment and/or supplies purchased with funds under this subgrant shall vest in the agency that purchased the property; 2) equipment and/or supplies will be maintained in accordance with established local or state procedures as long as the equipment and/or supplies are used for program-related purposes; and 3) once the project concludes and/or equipment is no longer utilized for its grant-funded purpose, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council will be informed of the available equipment and determine its future use to assure it is utilized in furtherance of the goals and objectives of the grant program and the State of Georgia.

Initials _____

5. The project budget and summary will not be established, or officially approved, until the subgrantee receives a written approval notice of an award activation from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. All project costs and project activities must coincide with the approved budget, summary, and implementation plan unless subsequent revisions are approved by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Initials _____

6. The subgrantee must submit subsequent requests to revise the budget, project summary, and implementation plan prior to any substantial changes, but no later than 30 days prior to the end of the subgrant period.

Initials _____

7. All project costs not exclusively related to this approved project must be prorated, and only the costs of project-related activities will be reimbursable under the subgrant award.

Initials _____

8. The subgrantee agrees to fully cooperate with any monitoring or evaluation activities, and any related training activities initiated and/or conducted by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council during and subsequent to the award period.

Initials _____

9. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council may conduct a financial and programmatic review of each grant at the end of the second quarter, and each quarter thereafter. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Council reserves the right to add any conditions to the award and/or retain any unused funds if deemed necessary.

Initials _____

10. The subgrantee must verify Point of Contact (POC), Financial Point of Contact (FPOC), and Authorized Official contact information, including telephone number and e-mail address. If any information is incorrect or has changed, a Subgrant Adjustment Request (SAR) must be submitted in writing to document changes.

Initials _____

11. The subgrantee understands and agrees that award funds may not be used to discriminate against or denigrate the religious or moral beliefs of students who participate in programs for which financial assistance is provided from those funds, or of the parents or legal guardians of such students.

Initials _____

12. The subgrantee understands and agrees that - (a) No award funds may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography, and (b) Nothing in subsection (a) limits the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

Initials _____

13. All courts must use the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Detention Assessment Instrument (DAI) for any youth considered for detention, as required by the H.B. 242, as passed in the 2013 legislative session of the Georgia General Assembly. The Predisposition Risk Assessment (PDRA) Instrument should also be used in all instances where the tool is appropriate for the youth being considered for the evidence-based program (in any instances in which the youth is adjudicated). The PDRA score should be entered into the Juvenile Tracking System (JTS), or Juvenile Data Exchange (JDEX) when available. Only youth with a moderate to high PDRA score are eligible for Incentive Grant programming.

Initials _____

14. All grant funds must be used to serve youth who have come into contact with the juvenile justice system and would not be considered dependency cases. All youth served by the grant must have a new delinquent charge. No CHINS cases should be served.

Initials _____

15. The subgrantee agrees that no funds shall be expended outside of the approved budget. Any funds spent under this subgrant award must be expended by the grant end date and not encumbered. In addition, any funds expended exceeding the approved budget may not be eligible for reimbursement.

Initials _____

16. This is a reimbursement grant. The subgrantee agrees to submit requests for reimbursement on either a monthly or quarterly basis, as selected by the subgrantee at the time of award. Subgrant Expenditure Reports are due 30 days after the end of the month (if reporting monthly) or 30 days after the end of the quarter (if reporting quarterly).

Initials _____

17. The subgrantee certifies that state funds will not be used to supplant funds that would otherwise be made available for grant-funded initiatives. State funds must be used to supplement existing funds for program activities and not replace funds appropriated for the same purpose. Potential supplanting will be the subject of

application review, as well as pre-award review, post-award monitoring, and audit. If there is a potential presence of supplanting, the subgrantee will be required to document that the reduction in non-state resources occurred for reasons other than the receipt or anticipated receipt of state funds.

Initials _____

18. Statistical and/or evaluation data describing project performance must be submitted to The Carl Vinson Institute of Government and the Department of Juvenile Justice through monthly surveys and quarterly reports using the prescribed format provided to the subgrantee. Failure to submit this data on a timely basis will result in the withholding of grant funds on this grant and/or any other grant administered by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council until compliance is achieved. If reports are not received, funds for subsequent quarters may be rescinded.

Initials _____

19. The subgrantee agrees to comply with the guidance contained in the 2027 Juvenile Justice Incentive Grant Program Request for Proposals.

Initials _____

20. At minimum, 70% of awarded funds must be used for Evidence-Based Program costs associated with contract and direct services. No more than 30% of awarded grant funds can be used for administrative costs. Any requests to have funds allocated in a manner that does not comply with the 70/30 rule must be justified in a written statement and submitted to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council with a Subgrant Adjustment Request (SAR). The SAR and justification will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Initials _____

21. The subgrantee agrees that at least 25% of the awarded funds will be spent in the first quarter, 50% in the second quarter, and 75% in the third quarter. If this condition is not met, any unused remaining funds from that quarter may be retained and managed by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council.

Initials _____

22. Non-compliance with any of the special conditions contained within this document by the authorized official, project officials, and/or employees of this grant will result in a recommendation to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council that the award be rescinded.

Initials _____

23. The subgrantee and juvenile court permit access by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, or designated entity, to delinquency case information collected, managed, and stored in its JCATS or JTS database.

Initials _____

24. The subgrantee certifies that any and all subagreements shall follow the reimbursement nature of the grant and shall not include any minimum to serve clause or fixed payment schedule. Payments issued to subcontractors shall be on a reimbursement basis and shall not be processed prior to the rendering of services. All subagreements relating to this grant shall be submitted to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council prior to the approval and reimbursement of any Subgrant Expenditure Report (SER).

Initials _____

25. Subgrantee acknowledges that funds provided under this grant award are state and federally appropriated funds and may not be accessible after the end of the grant period. The final reimbursement request under this award must be received by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council no later than July 30, 2027. In addition, if the subgrantee has not received payments for any prior reimbursements, the subgrantee must notify the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council by July 30, 2027 or risk losing access to those funds.

Initials _____

Please be advised that failure to comply with any of the Special Conditions will result in material noncompliance with the Subgrant Agreement, thus subjecting the Subgrant Agreement to possible termination by the Criminal

Justice Coordinating Council.

Awardee Approval

Signed Name: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT SELECTION FORM

SUBGRANT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY NAME: _____

1. SELECT A SCHEDULE FOR SUBMITTING REIMBURSEMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **MONTHLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 15 days after the end of the month)
- ☐ **QUARTERLY** (Requests for reimbursement are due 30 days after the end of the quarter)

2. SELECT A PROCESS FOR RECEIVING REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS (CHECK ONE BOX)

- ☐ **ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER** (Reimbursements will be deposited into the bank account listed below.
A voided check must be attached to ensure proper routing of funds.)

BANK NAME: _____

BANK ROUTING NUMBER: _____

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

AGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____

AGENCY CONTACT
TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL NAME AND TITLE: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

- ☐ **CHECK** (Reimbursements will be mailed in the form of a check to the address listed below)

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP: _____

ATTENTION: _____

AGENCY AUTHORIZED
OFFICIAL SIGNATURE: _____

For CJCC Use ONLY

CJCC Auditor:	
Phone Number:	
Grant Award Number:	
GBI Entry Initial/Date:	

Budget Summary

TOTAL BUDGET BY CATEGORY

BUDGET CATEGORY	Budget Total	Grant	Match - Cash	Match - In - Kind
PERSONNEL	\$	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$0.00	\$	\$	\$
TRAVEL (INCLUDING TRAINING)	\$	\$	\$	\$
EQUIPMENT	\$	\$	\$	\$
SUPPLIES	\$614.00	\$614.00	\$	\$
CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS	\$364,500.00	\$364,500.00	\$	\$
OTHER	\$0.00	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$365,114.00	\$365,114.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
INDIRECT COSTS	\$0.00			
TOTAL	\$365,114.00	\$365,114.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

TOTAL BUDGET BY FUND SOURCE

FUND SOURCE	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGES
GRANT	\$365,114.00	100.00%
MATCH	\$0.00	0.00%
Cash	\$0.00	0.00%
In-Kind	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTAL	\$365,114.00	100%

Approved Award Amount:

\$365,114.00

Approved Match:

TOTAL:

\$365,114.00

Match Requirement (cash and/or in-kind)

0.00%

\$0.00

Match waiver needed?*

☐ Yes

☒ No



LEGISLATIVE SPONSORS

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| ☒ MAYOR LESTER M. MILLER | ☐ MAYOR PRO TEMPORE VALERIE WYNN |
| ☐ COMMISSIONER PAUL BRONSON | ☐ COMMISSIONER STANLEY B. STEWART |
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF “COMMODITY” IN SECTION 19-1 OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, SO AS TO INCLUDE SOFTWARE PRODUCTS OR SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission has a strong interest in providing for the efficient, effective procurement of goods and services for the operation of the Macon-Bibb County Government; and

WHEREAS, on 2020, the Macon-Bibb County Commission passed O-20-0051, providing for updates to the Procurement Code, including the creation of Section 19-5.7 – Commodity Procurement; and

WHEREAS, the provisions related to Commodity Procurement were intended to allow for efficient procurement of goods that are necessary to the function of the Macon-Bibb County and are largely interchangeable between one source to another; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to further amend the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances related to commodity procurement as provided for herein so as to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of procurement and contracting operations; and

WHEREAS, an annotated document reflecting and describing the changes made by this Ordinance has been attached hereto at Exhibit A, and is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, these improvements to the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances are necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that:

Section 1.

That Section 1 of Chapter 19 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Chapter 19 - PURCHASING, CONTRACTS AND DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Sec. 19-1. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Asset means a non-expendable supply item with a probable useful life of more than one (1) year.

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Budget officer means the person, other than the finance officer or buyer, designated as the budget officer or budget management officer of Macon-Bibb County.

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Card administrator means the purchasing card and credit card administrator designated by the Macon-Bibb County Board of Commission.

Commodity means a fungible raw material or good that can be bought and sold, but for purposes of this Chapter, shall be limited to only the following:

- (a) Dirt or soil of any quality;
- (b) Any motor vehicle, as defined in O.C.G.A. § 40-1-1;
- (c) Any software products or services;
- (d) Any utility services, including, but not limited to telephone, internet, cable, gas, water, electric light and power services

Contractor means any person having or seeking a contract with Macon-Bibb County.

Contractual services means and includes all cleaning services; insurance; leases for all grounds, buildings, office or other space required by the using departments; rental, repair or maintenance of equipment, machinery and other personal property; and other services except professional services.

County purchase card, county p-card or county credit card means a financial transaction card issued by any business organization, financial institution, or any duly authorized agent of such organization or institution, used by a Macon-Bibb County official to purchase goods, services and other things of value on behalf of Macon-Bibb County.

Financial transaction card means an instrument or device as the term is defined in O.C.G.A. § 16-9-30(5).

Gig worker means a laborer retained to perform contractual services on a limited, per-project, first-to-claim basis, in accordance with this Chapter, for a pre-determined, non-negotiable fee, and subject to uniform, non-negotiable terms of service.

Local labor, non-labor and administrative personnel means individuals who reside in Macon-Bibb County.

Local offeror means any offeror whose principal place of business is within Macon-Bibb County.

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Procurement means the buying, purchasing, renting, leasing or otherwise acquiring of any supplies, services or construction. It also includes all functions that pertain to the obtaining of any supply, service, or construction, including description of requirements, selection and solicitation of sources, preparation and award of contract, and all phases of contract administration.

Professional services means those services within the scope of the practices of architecture, investment banking, professional engineering, planning, landscape architecture, land surveying, the medical arts, management analysis, account or auditing, law, psychology, art, design or any other similar kind or type of professional practice which is by its nature unique and for which competitive bidding or proposals are not feasible.

Proposal means a solicited submission of information from a prospective offeror including how that offeror intends to perform certain work; the offeror's technical and business qualifications; the proposed delivery, warranty, other terms and conditions as those might differ from or supplement Macon-Bibb County's solicitation requirements; and any other information requested by Macon-Bibb County's solicitation. It shall also include such pricing information as may be required.

Purchase order means an order for the procurement of supplies or services, and which is issued for a specific need, and includes data contained in the requisition. A purchase order may include, but not be limited to, the description of the requested item, delivery schedule, transportation data, price and any other terms and conditions which may be incidental to the desired purchase.

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of the requested item, delivery schedule, transportation data, criteria for evaluation, suggested sources of supply and information supplied for the making of any written determination required by this article.

Responsible bidder or offeror means a person who has the technical and financial capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment, and credit which will assure good faith performance; or means a person who has submitted a bid or proposal which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the invitation for bids or request for proposals.

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Section 2.

The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

Section 3.

The Mayor, and all other proper officers and agents of the County are authorized and directed to execute such documents and to take such other actions as may be required to accomplish the intents and purposes of this Ordinance.

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In the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Ordinance or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Ordinance.

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In accordance with Sec. 1-4(c) of the Code of Ordinances of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of Ordinances of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention. Upon adoption, the Clerk of Commission is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Ordinance to the publisher of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances for inclusion in future publications.

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In the event that this Ordinance or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of resolution by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as a resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Ordinance calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance satisfy such requirement, and that this Ordinance be construed accordingly.

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All ordinances or resolutions, or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 9.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its approval by the Mayor or its adoption into law without such approval.

SO ORDERED AND ORDAINED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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EXHIBIT A

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO AMEND CHAPTER 4 OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT THE FILING OF SUCCESSIVE ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESS LOCATIONS WITH TWO OR MORE FAILED APPLICATIONS IN THE PRECEDING THREE YEARS; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Section 4-23 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances currently establishes the requirements for applications for alcoholic beverage licenses in Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-23(a) currently provides, in its entirety, “The provisions of this Code on general business licensing shall apply in addition to the provisions of this Section.”; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Attorney's Office is charged under Chapter 4, Article XI of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances with conducting hearings when the Macon-Bibb County Commission votes to recommend the denial of an alcohol license application, and then reporting back to the Commission on the results of that hearing; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, there have been multiple stores which have been denied alcohol licenses, and then filed repeated, frivolous, successive applications for alcohol licenses; and

WHEREAS, the factual hearings on these frivolous and successive applications require considerable time and cost to prepare for and conduct, and it has not been the experience of the Macon-Bibb County Commission that the applicants in these situations are correcting or sustaining the issues which led to their original denial; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that it is in the interest of legislative and administrative economy to revise the County alcohol code so that no location may

apply for a new alcohol license if it has been previously denied an alcohol license twice in the last three years; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-401 relates to the role of the Tax Commissioner's Office in the acceptance of new alcohol license applications, and paragraph (b) thereof provides in full that:

(b) The Tax Commissioner's Office shall not accept any incomplete applications, or any applications for which the appropriate fee is not paid in full at the time of submission. Any incomplete applications inadvertently accepted shall, upon discovery, be returned without adjudication, along with a refund of all fees submitted therewith, and the applicant informed of the deficiencies therein. The applicant shall be permitted to complete the application and submit it anew without any delay or adverse effect, except that no application will be considered submitted until it is complete.

; and

WHEREAS, in order to deter failed applicants from filing frivolous petitions, and to cover the administrative costs of handling any petitions that might be filed despite the prohibitions created in the Code, the Macon-Bibb County Commission desires to amend paragraph (b) of Section 4-401 to provide that any refunds issued for incomplete applications under Section 4-401(b) in the future should not include a refund of the application fee, currently \$400.00, but only of the balance of the licensing fees submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds these improvements to the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that:

Section 1.

Section 4-23(a) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed in its entirety and reenacted to provide as follows:

Chapter 4 – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

ARTICLE II. – LICENSING

Section 4-23.- Applications for new license.

- (a) The provisions of this Code on general business licensing shall apply in addition to the provisions of this Section. No application for an alcoholic beverage license shall be accepted or considered for any location for which, in the preceding three years, two or more

applications have been either (1) denied in full or (2) otherwise withdrawn or terminated without the issuance of any license thereon. Any public official or officer charged with reviewing or making recommendations on alcohol license applications shall be authorized to cause any application that does not comply with this Section to be rejected as incomplete in accordance with Section 4-401 of this Chapter without further process or approval, and to notify the Tax Commissioner of the same.

Section 2.

Section 4-401(b) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances is hereby repealed in its entirety and reenacted to provide as follows:

Chapter 4 – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

ARTICLE XI. – LICENSING PROCEDURES

Section 4-401.- Applications submitted to Tax Commissioner's Office.

- (b) The Tax Commissioner's Office shall not accept any incomplete applications, or any applications for which the appropriate fee is not paid in full at the time of submission. Any incomplete applications inadvertently accepted shall, upon discovery, be returned without adjudication, along with a refund of all fees submitted therewith other than any application fee charged under Section 4-23 of this Code, and the applicant informed of the deficiencies therein. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, the applicant shall be permitted to complete the application and submit it anew without any delay or adverse effect, except that no application will be considered submitted until it is complete.

Section 3.

The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

Section 4.

The Mayor, and all other proper officers and agents of the County are authorized and directed to execute such documents and to take such other actions as may be required to accomplish the intents and purposes of this Ordinance.

Section 5.

In the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Ordinance or in the Exhibits hereto after the adoption hereof, the Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Ordinance.

Section 6.

In accordance with Sec. 1-4(c) of the Code of Ordinances of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of Ordinances of Macon-Bibb County, Georgia, and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention. Upon adoption, the Clerk of Commission is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Ordinance to the publisher of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances for inclusion in future publications.

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In the event that this Ordinance or part thereof is found by any court of competent jurisdiction to be substantively more appropriately denominated an act of resolution by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance or such portion thereof shall be considered to have been adopted as a resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Where any law bearing on the subject matter of this Ordinance calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Ordinance satisfy such requirement, and that this Ordinance be construed accordingly.

Section 9.

All ordinances or resolutions, or parts of ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 10.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its approval by the Mayor or its adoption into law without such approval.

[Signatures on the following page.]

SO ORDERED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION TO MAKE A BUDGET-NEUTRAL AMENDMENT TO THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT’S ORGANIZATIONAL CHART BY CONVERTING ONE BUSINESS ANALYST POSITION TO ONE ERP SUPPORT SPECIALIST I POSITION; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission wishes to amend the organizational chart for the Macon-Bibb County Information Technology (“IT”) Department for purposes of renaming the “Business Analyst” position to “ERP Support Specialist I”; and

WHEREAS, making this amendment does not require any adjustment to the budget of the Macon-Bibb County IT Department; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission and it is hereby so ordained by the authority of the same that:

Section 1

It is hereby ordered that the Organizational Chart for the Macon-Bibb County IT Department be amended for purposes of renaming the “Business Analyst” position to “ERP Support Specialist I,” in accordance with Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2.

The Macon-Bibb County Government Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual is hereby amended by approving and adopting the Organizational Chart for the Macon-Bibb County IT Department, attached hereto at Exhibit A, which shall be included as part of Section 10.01 of the

Section 3.

The new position of ERP Support Specialist I shall be assigned as Grade 215 on the current Macon-Bibb County pay scale, with a salary range of \$45,968 to \$73,715.20 per year. No additional appropriations are required at this time because funds are available in the IT Department's salaries budget to cover these changes.

Section 4.

The preamble of this Ordinance shall be considered to be and is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.

Section 5.

The Mayor, the County Manager, and all other proper officers and agents of the County are authorized and directed to execute such documents and to take such other actions as may be required to accomplish the intents and purposes of this Ordinance.

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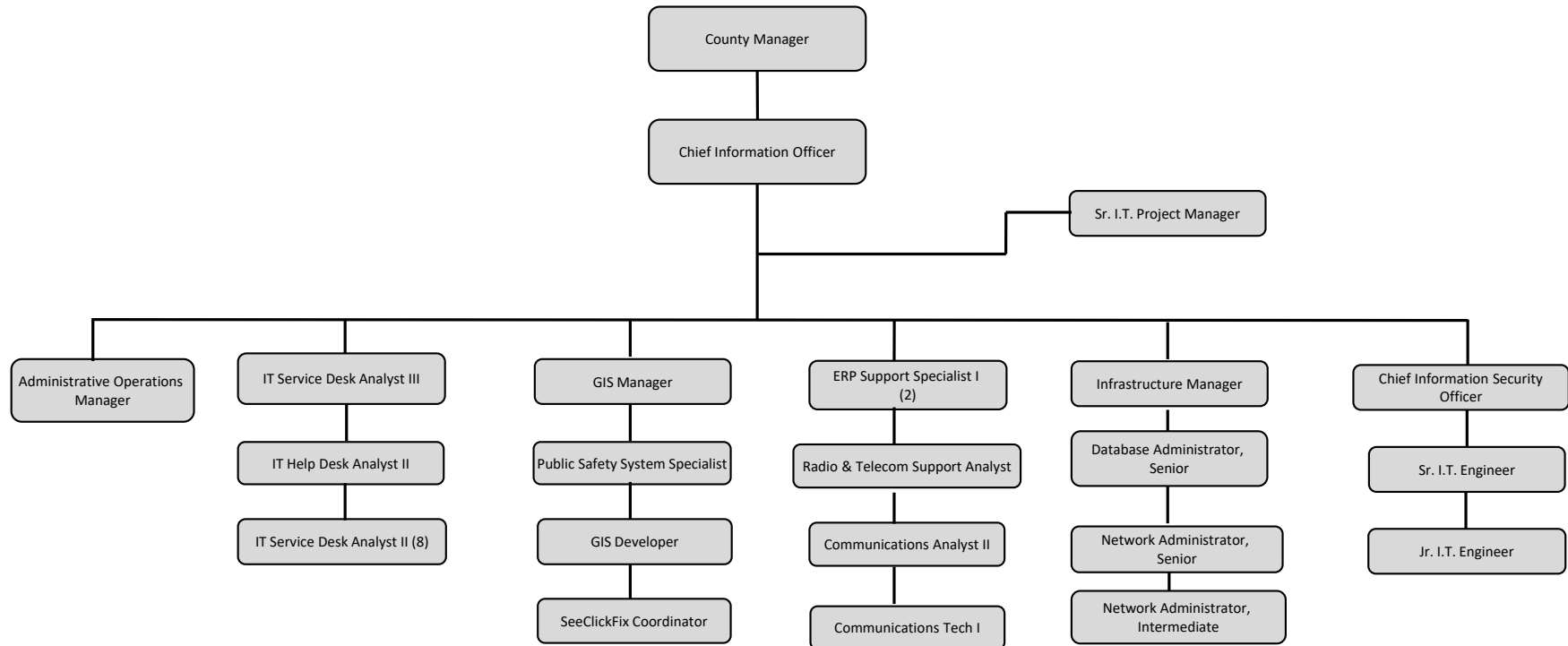
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(SEAL)

Attest: _____
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EXHIBIT A





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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING AND SUPPORTING MACON-BIBB COUNTY’S APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GEORGIA INITIATIVE FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING’S 2027 COHORT, WITH A FOCUS ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE SOUTH MACON/HOUSTON AVENUE AREA; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the University of Georgia’s College of Family and Community Sciences coordinates a statewide, community-focused housing program known as the “Georgia Initiative for Community Housing,” or “GICH”; and

WHEREAS, the GICH program operates in conjunction with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, as well as various partner organizations and private sponsors;

WHEREAS, communities selected to participate in the GICH program take part in a three-year commitment, consisting of instructional, networking, and community-focused efforts designed with an overall goal of developing a sustainable community housing and revitalizations plan; and

WHEREAS, over 100 communities across Georgia have participated in GICH since its inception, with many achieving significant housing success stories; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for affordable housing and improved housing access in Macon-Bibb County, and especially in South Macon, along the Houston Avenue corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Houston Avenue area is a community rich in history, but one that has faced significant disinvestment over several decades; and

WHEREAS, a map of the focus area for the County’s program application is attached hereto at Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, by focusing on this specific corridor, Macon-Bibb County is addressing a critical need for high-quality, affordable homeownership opportunities, as well as neighborhood stabilization and wealth building for low-to-moderate income families; and

WHEREAS, participating in GICH would complements existing improvement efforts in South Macon, creating a cohesive strategy for urban renewal; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of the same, that the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and supports the County's application to join the 2027 cohort of the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission grants the Mayor the authority to take any and all further actions necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event scrivener's errors shall be discovered in this Resolution after the adoption hereof, the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby authorizes and directs that each such scrivener's error shall be corrected in all multiple counterparts of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as specifically provided herein, any and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution shall be and the same hereby are repealed, and this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

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of this Resolution calls for the taking of any legislative action by the governing authority of Macon-Bibb County, and such law specifies for such action to be taken by resolution or by ordinance, it is the intent of this Commission that this Resolution satisfy such requirement, and that this Resolution be construed accordingly. To the extent that this Resolution is construed by any appropriate authority as being substantively an act of ordinance and not an act of resolution, then this Resolution shall operate further to repeal all prior ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor or upon its adoption into law without such approval.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: _____
JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of the Commission

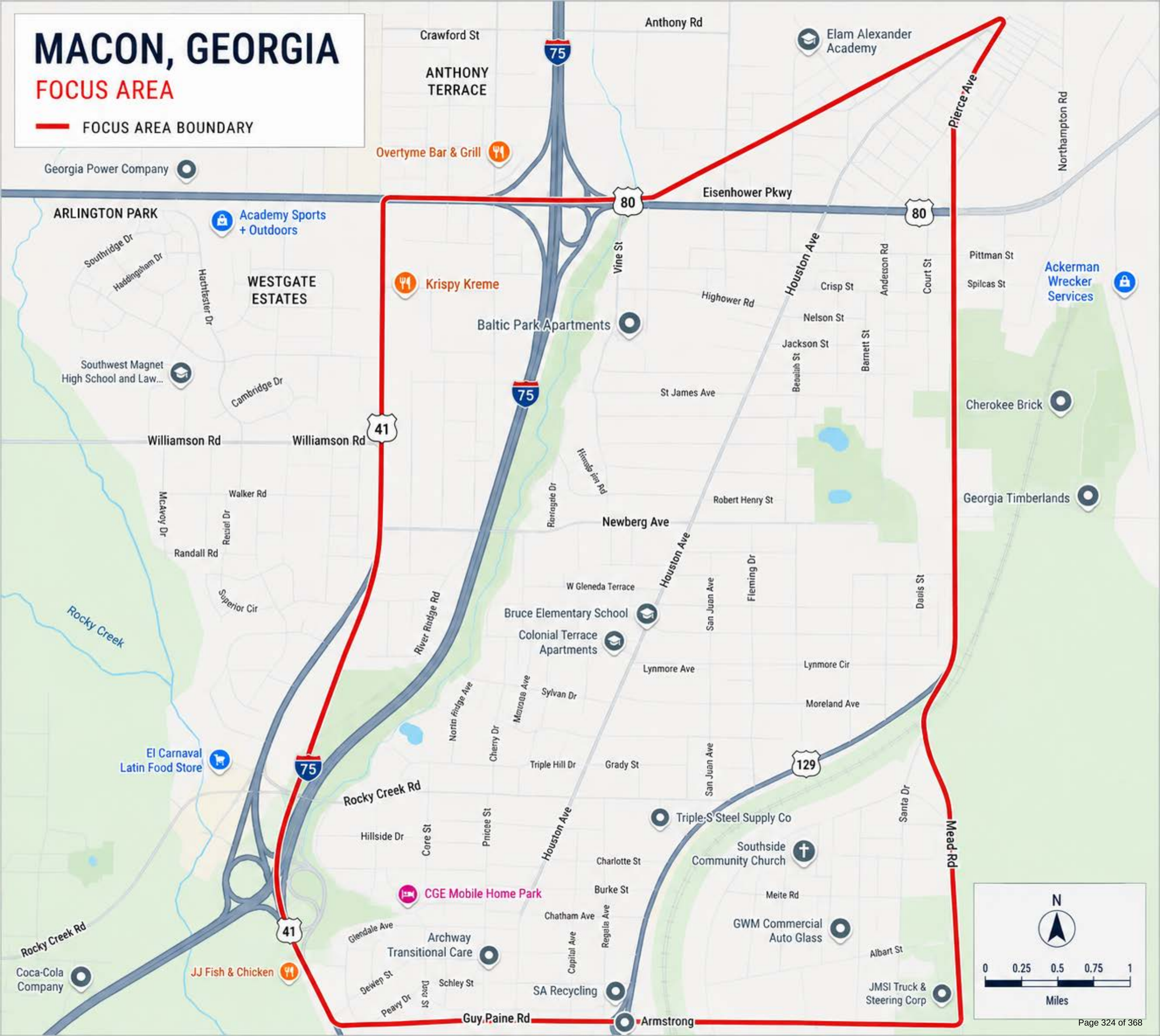
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A RESOLUTION OF MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING BRAGG JAM, INC., A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION, TO HOLD ITS 2026 CONCERT CRAWL IN DOWNTOWN MACON, GEORGIA, ON SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026; TO PERMIT FESTIVAL GOERS TO CARRY AND CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN AND ABOUT THE DESIGNATED STREETS OF DOWNTOWN MACON UNDER SPECIFIED CONDITIONS; TO REQUIRE BRAGG JAM, INC. TO PROVIDE FOR AND/OR REIMBURSE MACON-BIBB COUNTY FOR ALL EXPENSES INCURRED FOR SECURITY AND CLEAN-UP; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Bragg Jam, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation, organized pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3) and inspired by late Macon, Georgia, musicians Brax and Tate Bragg; and

WHEREAS, the Bragg Jam Concert Crawl is annual music festival celebrating Macon's rich musical history and featuring a broad range of genres, providing entertainment for citizens, residents, and visitors to Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, the Bragg Jam Concert Crawl promotes community engagement and encourages citizens, residents, and visitors to enjoy the many shops, restaurants, and venues in downtown Macon, along with other community events throughout the area; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission is proud to support community partners celebrating Macon's rich and diverse music heritage; and

WHEREAS, Bragg Jam, Inc. has contributed a portion of its net proceeds to projects in the community, and intends to continue its dedication to contributing to worthwhile projects in the community in 2026; and

WHEREAS, alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase at the Bragg Jam Concert Crawl from participating businesses in the downtown business area, and festival goers may desire to pass through the public areas of downtown Macon with said alcoholic beverages whilst moving between venues; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission has determined that relaxing certain restrictions on the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages during the event is in the best interest of the citizens of Macon-Bibb County; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Macon-Bibb County Commission, and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same, that pursuant to Section 4-313(c)(6) of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances, the prohibitions contained in Section 4-313(b) against open containers of alcohol on any public streets, highways, alleys, sidewalks, parks, or picnic areas, shall not apply to the downtown business area, as defined under Section 4-313(c)(6)(a), during the Bragg Jam Concert Crawl between the hours of 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 25, 2026, and 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 26, 2026, pursuant to, and subject to, all requirements and conditions of Section 4-313(c)(6), and any other applicable laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Bragg Jam, Inc., shall provide for or reimburse Macon-Bibb County for the expenses incurred in providing security and clean-up in the concert crawl area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission hereby declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

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By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

(SEAL) Attest: _____
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A RESOLUTION OF THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION ENDORSING OCMULGEE NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE INITIATIVE, INC.'S OCMULGEE MOUNDS NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE CORRIDOR STRATEGIC PLAN AND ADOPTING THE PLAN INTO THE LOCAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Ocmulgee River is a significant ecological and cultural asset running directly through Macon, and has continuously supported human habitation for over 17,000 years, notably as the ancestral homelands of the Muscogee (Creek) people; and

WHEREAS, the Muscogee (Creek) people constructed large complex earthwork structures to support their cultural, societal, and religious practices, with the earthwork structures in Macon now known as the Ocmulgee Mounds; and

WHEREAS, the Ocmulgee Mounds were designated as a National Monument in 1936, after an extensive archeological dig revealed evidence of the extensive history of habitation along the Ocmulgee River in Macon; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, the National Parks Conservation Association published Diamond in the Rough: An Economic Analysis of the Proposed Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve, which found that over a fifteen-year period a National Park and Preserve would attract over 1.3 million visitors, generate over \$233 million in total annual economic activity and over \$33 million in tax revenue, and support over three thousand jobs.

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Ocmulgee National Monument was expanded and redesignated by Congress as the “Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park,” with a 2023 Special Resource Study determining that the Ocmulgee River corridor is nationally significant due to the cultural and environmental resources located there; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Establishment Act was introduced in the 118 session of the United States Congress, and reintroduced in the 119th session with the bi-cameral and bi-partisan support of the Georgia Congressional Delegation; and

WHEREAS, Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative, Inc. (ONPPI) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, founded in partnership between Middle Georgians and Muscogee (Creek) Nation citizens, focused on preservation of the Ocmulgee Mounds site and promoting the redesignation of the National Historical Park as a National Park and Preserve; and

WHEREAS, ONPPI received grant funding from the Knight Foundation to develop a Strategic Plan as a shared framework to guide planning, coordination, and investment in anticipation of the expansion and redesignation of the Ocmulgee Mounds Historical Park as a National Park and Preserve; and

WHEREAS, ONPPI, along with several integral planning partners, began the plan development process in early 2025, examining existing and historical conditions in and around the park and public needs and desires for the park and the surrounding communities, including Macon-Bibb, Houston, and Twiggs counties, culminating the in the development of a multi-phased Strategic Plan to improve cultural and ecological preservation, visitor experience, and quality-of-life for residents of the surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission recognizes the importance of the Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park and values the ongoing partnership of ONPPI and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation in promoting the expansion and redesignation of the park, as well as the repatriation of citizens of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to Macon, and desires to continue supporting these important undertakings; and

WHEREAS, because of the anticipated future needs and operations of the park, with redesignation as a National Park and Preserve estimated to bring a substantial increase in visitors annually, it is crucial that Macon-Bibb County and local partners in planning and development prepare for the expanded infrastructure needs this influx of visitors will require; and

WHEREAS, for these reasons, Macon-Bibb County desires to endorse and adopt the Strategic Plan as a key component of the overarching Macon-Bibb County Comprehensive Plan and encourages all governmental and planning partners to adopt the same; and

WHEREAS, the Macon-Bibb County Commission finds this Resolution is necessary and proper to promote or protect the safety, health, peace, security, and general welfare of Macon-Bibb County and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Board of Commissioners endorses and adopts the April 2026 Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan, attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, and commits to incorporating the initiatives and recommendations of the Plan in the Macon-Bibb Comprehensive Plan, and encourages all partners in planning and development to adopt the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Macon-Bibb County commits to continued efforts in partnership with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, ONPPI, and other governmental entities and community partners to implement the initiatives and recommendations of the April 2026 Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan, that are so supported.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Macon-Bibb County Commission declares that the foregoing preamble and whereas provisions set forth hereinabove constitute, and shall be considered to be, substantive provisions of this Resolution and are hereby incorporated by reference into this provision.

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By: _____
LESTER M. MILLER, Mayor

Attest: _____

(SEAL) JANICE S. ROSS, Clerk of Commission

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Thank you to the Knight Foundation, which made the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan possible.

We gratefully acknowledge the many partners, agencies, community members, and Tribal representatives whose time, expertise, and guidance informed the Strategic Plan, including the contributions from Clarity of Place in shaping the economic analysis. The collective collaboration and shared commitment made this work possible.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The **Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan** provides a shared regional framework to guide planning, coordination, and investment in anticipation of the proposed establishment of Georgia’s first National Park and Preserve. The Strategic Plan responds to ongoing federal legislative efforts to expand and redesignate the existing Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park and reflects a locally driven, collaborative planning effort led by the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative (ONPPI) in partnership with the Middle Georgia Regional Commission (MGRC), with funding support from the Knight Foundation.

The Ocmulgee River corridor is a nationally significant cultural and ecological landscape shaped by more than 17,000 years of human history. Central to this history is the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, whose ancestral homeland includes the Ocmulgee Old Fields and surrounding river corridor. The proposed National Park and Preserve represents an unprecedented opportunity to advance a co-management framework that is built upon the Nation’s leadership in cultural stewardship, interpretation, and land management while supporting conservation, public access, and regional economic development.

This Strategic Plan is intended to function as a practical, prioritized, implementation oriented tool. It synthesizes existing conditions analysis, public engagement, and technical input across six study areas to identify opportunities, challenges, and actionable recommendations that prepare Middle Georgia for the potential impacts of park designation and the partnerships necessary to capitalize upon this landmark opportunity. While the National Park Service (NPS) participated in engagement and provided technical insight during the planning process, this plan is not an NPS document and does not represent official federal policy. Should Congress authorize a new park or expanded designation, future NPS planning would occur through established federal processes.

Planning Process and Scope

Launched in March 2025, the planning process included an existing conditions assessment, two rounds of public engagement, and focused analysis across six study areas supported by Technical Advisory Committees and stakeholder interviews. Engagement emphasized interaction with a wide array of community perspectives, with particular attention to neighborhoods adjacent to the existing park, including East Macon, as well as surrounding counties and regional partners. Input from Muscogee (Creek) Nation representatives was foundational throughout the process and informed the plan’s guiding principles, recommendations, and governance framework.

The planning area encompasses the proposed National Park and Preserve boundary and the broader Ocmulgee River corridor extending south from Macon to portions of Houston and Twiggs Counties. While many recommendations focus on areas near the proposed park boundary, the Strategic Plan intentionally embraces regional connections, recognizing that conservation, access, and economic impacts extend beyond park limits.

Key Themes and Findings

Across all study areas, several consistent themes emerged:

- Cultural leadership and co-management are essential to ensuring that interpretation, education, and stewardship of the Ocmulgee corridor reflect the living culture and sovereignty of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
- The current planning and management landscape spans multiple jurisdictions, creating opportunities to strengthen regional coordination to better support conservation, infrastructure planning, and economic development.
- Ecological and cultural resources within the corridor are extensive but unevenly protected, with significant assets located outside existing federal boundaries.
- Transportation, access, and infrastructure improvements will be necessary to safely accommodate increased visitation while protecting sensitive landscapes.
- Economic opportunity associated with potential park and preserve designation can provide meaningful benefits to local communities if growth is managed, guided, and inclusive.

Six Study Areas

The Strategic Plan is organized around six interconnected study areas:



Cultural Resources, Education, and Interpretation: Prioritizes Nation led storytelling, education, and protection of cultural landscapes through co-management and early coordination.



Land Conservation and Protection: Establishes a corridor wide approach to protecting priority lands, wildlife habitat, water resources, and culturally significant sites.



Land Use and Development: Identifies development tiers and activity centers to guide compatible growth while supporting community needs and protecting sensitive environments.



Transportation and Infrastructure: Evaluates access, safety, and mobility needs and identifies context sensitive strategies to improve connectivity without compromising ecological or cultural integrity.



Economic Development: Positions the proposed National Park and Preserve as a catalyst for heritage based tourism, small business development, workforce opportunities, and regional economic resilience.



Intergovernmental Coordination: Recommends a governance framework that aligns federal, Tribal, state, regional, and local partners around shared priorities and clear roles.

Implementation Framework

An accompanying Implementation Framework translates recommendations into a phased, achievable path forward. The framework emphasizes early establishment of cooperative governance structures, including the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee and five Local Technical Committees, each aligned with major focus areas. Implementation is organized into phases ranging from immediate foundational actions to longer term initiatives extending beyond five years.

Central to implementation is the principle that coordination is not simply procedural, but relational—grounded in trust, transparency, and shared responsibility. The Strategic Plan is designed to be adaptive and iterative, allowing partners to respond to evolving conditions, funding opportunities, and community priorities while maintaining alignment with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s cultural values and stewardship vision.

Looking Ahead

The Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan establishes a unified vision for how the region can prepare for, and benefit from, the potential designation of a National Park and Preserve. By centering cultural leadership, strengthening partnerships, and aligning planning and implementation efforts across jurisdictions, the plan positions Middle Georgia to protect irreplaceable resources, enhance public access, and foster sustainable, inclusive growth. The Strategic Plan serves as both a roadmap and a working tool—intended to guide decision making, inform investment, and support long term stewardship of the Ocmulgee River corridor.

INTENDED USE OF STRATEGIC PLAN

This Strategic Plan provides a shared regional framework to guide the future of the proposed Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve. It brings together the collective analysis, research, and collaborative work of many partners to outline a clear vision, practical recommendations, and a path toward coordinated implementation. The Strategic Plan is intended to function as reference tools that support coordinated regional planning and investments related to the future national park and preserve, with an emphasis on cultural connection, resource protection, public access, and economic development.

This strategic plan is a locally driven planning effort and is not a National Park Service (NPS) document. While NPS staff participated in engagement activities and provided technical insight during portions of the planning process, the NPS did not author, review, approve, or endorse this plan. The contents do not represent official NPS policy or position. Should Congress authorize a new park or expanded designation in the future, the NPS will conduct planning through its established public processes, including opportunities for public input and formal federal review.

While this plan offers a high-level roadmap for regional decision-making, it is informed by detailed technical analysis, methodologies, and supporting materials developed as part of this effort. The Strategic Plan is intended to serve as a working tool that can be adopted, adapted, and applied as the region prepares for a future national park and preserve grounded in shared responsibility and lasting partnership.

Reference and Acronym Guide

The following is a list of frequently used acronyms and other references to serve as a guide for the reader of the report. Each acronym also will be introduced at its first use in the report.

- Department of Defense (DoD)
 - East Macon (a collection of neighborhoods next to the existing National Historical Park)
 - Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE)
 - Georgia Department of Natural Resources (GA DNR)
 - Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)
 - Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD)
 - Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMP)
 - Land and Water Conservation Funds (LWCF)
 - Local Technical Committees (LTCs)
 - Macon Area Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization (MATS MPO)
 - Macon-Bibb County Transit Authority (MBCTA)
 - Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
 - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 - Middle Georgia Regional Commission (MGRC)
 - Muscogee (Creek) Nation (MCN)
 - Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s Historic and Cultural Preservation Department (MCNHCPD)
 - The Nation (refers to Muscogee [Creek] Nation)
- National Park Service (NPS)
 - National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)
 - Ocmulgee Mounds Association (OMA)
 - Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative (ONPPI)
 - Office of the State Archaeologist (OSA)
 - Open Space Institute (OSI)
 - Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI)
 - Robins Air Force Base (AFB)
 - Southeast Conservation Adaptation Strategy (SECAS)
 - Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)
 - State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
 - State Route (SR)
 - State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP)
 - Technical Advisory Committees (TACs)
 - Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO)
 - Trust for Public Land (TPL)
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
 - U.S. Economic Development Administration (U.S. EDA)
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (U.S. FWS)

OVERVIEW

Legislation History

The effort to establish the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve builds on prior federal action and several years of bipartisan legislative work. In 2019, Congress re-designated and expanded Ocmulgee National Monument as Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park, increasing federally protected acreage through federal law. During the 118th Congress (2023–2024), earlier legislation was introduced to create a larger National Park and Preserve but was not enacted. On March 25, 2025, bipartisan, bicameral legislation was reintroduced in the 119th Congress as H.R. 2345 in the House and S. 1131 in the Senate. The current proposal would establish Georgia’s first National Park and Preserve by expanding the existing historical park and adjacent lands. Details of the legislation include limiting land acquisition to willing sellers, prohibiting eminent domain, recognizing Muscogee (Creek) Nation interests, allowing hunting and fishing in the preserve consistent with federal and state law, and establishing an advisory framework and General Management Plan to guide long-term co-management. As of now, both bills remain in committee and have not advanced to full floor votes.

The Strategic Plan

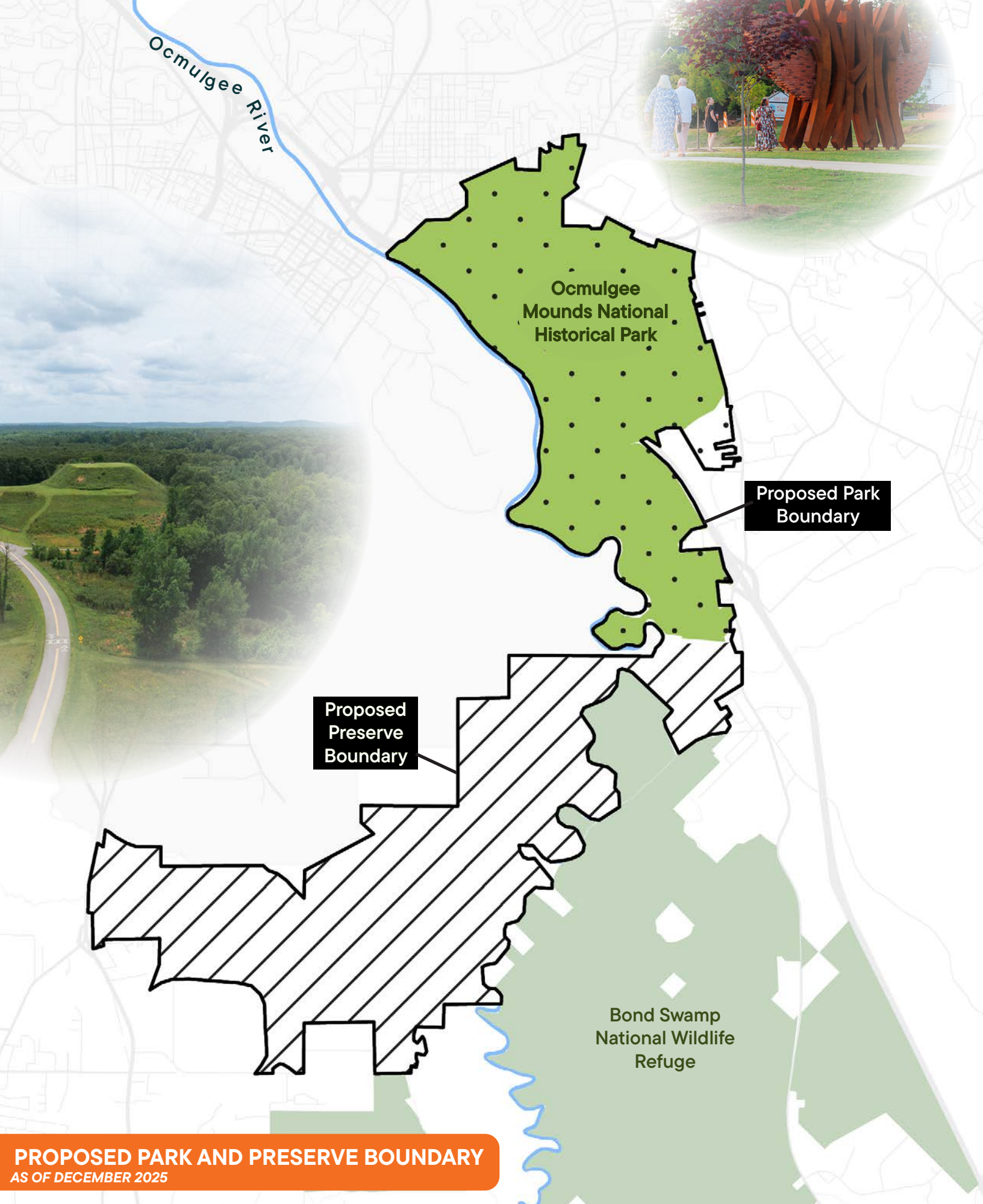
Following the introduction of federal legislation to establish the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve, the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative (ONPPI) partnered with the Middle Georgia Regional Commission (MGRC) to develop a Strategic Plan, fully funded by the Knight Foundation, to address the opportunities and impacts associated with park designation. ONPPI is a community-driven organization composed of Middle Georgia residents and Muscogee (Creek) citizens dedicated to transforming the Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park to Georgia’s first National Park and Preserve.

Launched in March 2025, the planning process included an existing conditions assessment, two rounds of public engagement, and technical analysis across six study areas informed by Technical Action Committees. The Existing Conditions Report highlighted the corridor’s rich Indigenous history, ecological significance, and economic potential, while identifying key challenges including fragmented conservation efforts, limited hospitality infrastructure, and the need for clearer collaborative governance involving the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

The resulting Strategic Plan outlines actionable recommendations to strengthen land protection, enhance cultural interpretation, improve infrastructure and access, and formalize coordination mechanisms to maximize long-term regional benefits. An accompanying Implementation Plan organizes actions by timeline, from immediate steps within the first six months to longer-term initiatives over five years, and establishes governance structures to guide ongoing progress, including Policy Action Committees and Local Technical Committees.



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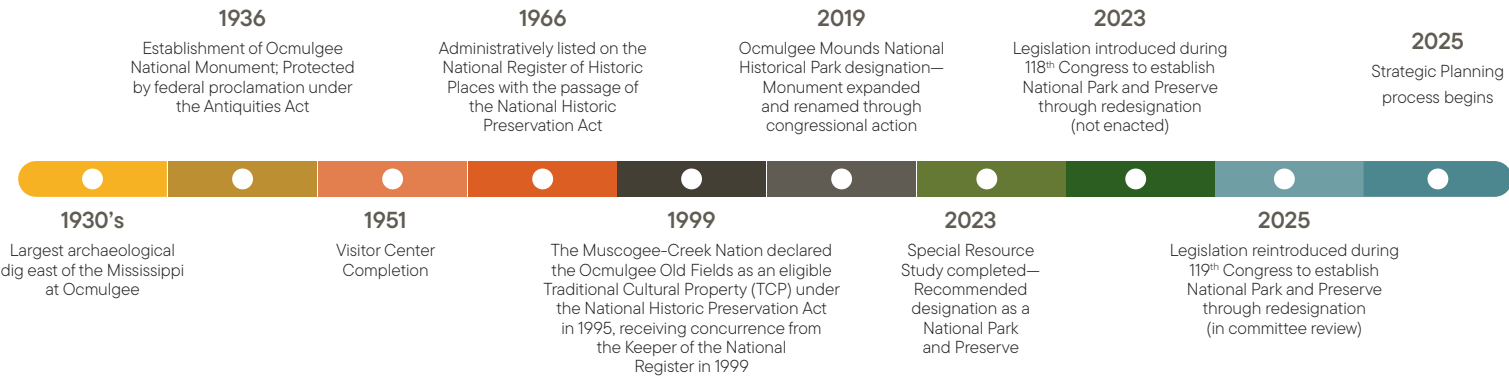
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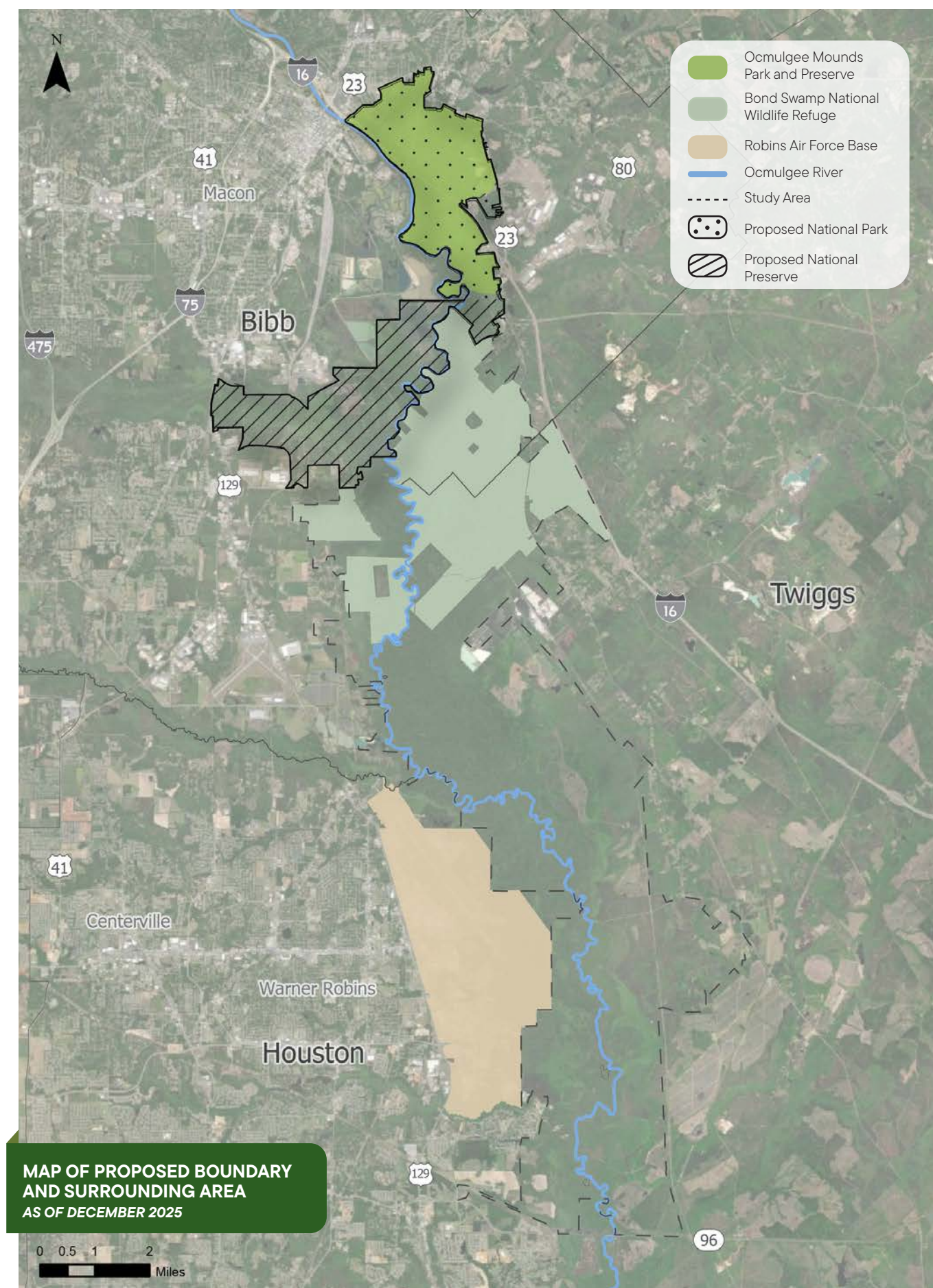
INTRODUCTION

Purpose and Vision

For over 17,000 years, the Ocmulgee River corridor has continuously supported human habitation, including indigenous peoples who shaped its landscape and culture. The most notable inhabitants include the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, whose ancestral lands cover 12 states, including Georgia and present-day Macon-Bibb County. Despite early recognition of its significance following a major 1930s archaeological excavation (the largest in American history at the time), and later designation as both a National Monument (1936) and a National Historical Park (2019), much of the surrounding landscape has remained unprotected for decades. Recent bipartisan federal legislation seeks to establish the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve and introduce a historic co-management framework between the National Park Service (NPS) and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

To prepare Middle Georgia for the transformative impact of this designation, ONPPI is leading the development of a regional strategic plan through funding from the Knight Foundation. The Strategic Plan will serve as a guidebook for areas within and surrounding the proposed National Park and Preserve and along the Ocmulgee River corridor to help anticipate and plan for demands on infrastructure and public services, as well as the development needed to serve the anticipated increase in visitation. It also serves as a guide to position the region to thrive as host to the nation's 64th National Park and Georgia's first National Park and Preserve.





Plan Framework and Context

The Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Corridor Strategic Plan provides a comprehensive analysis of six key study areas to help Middle Georgia prepare for the anticipated impacts of a new National Park and Preserve. The six areas include:

- Cultural Resources, Education, and Interpretation
- Land Use and Development
- Land Conservation and Protection
- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Economic Development
- Intergovernmental Coordination

For each study area, the plan offers targeted recommendations aimed at protecting sensitive landscapes, promoting regional economic growth, and meeting the anticipated needs of residents and visitors. An accompanying Implementation Plan outlines action items, funding strategies, and coordination mechanisms that should be undertaken by ONPPI, local governments, and other stakeholders. The plan also emphasizes transparency and public engagement, incorporating community input, outreach activities, and collected data. All relevant data generated during the process will be shared with surrounding jurisdictions to support regional collaboration and informed decision-making.

The planning area for the Strategic Plan includes both the proposed boundary of the National Park and Preserve and the broader Ocmulgee River corridor from Macon to Highway 96 in Houston and Twiggs County to reflect the impact and potential of a National Park and Preserve within the Ocmulgee River region. While the most detailed recommendations focus on areas and uses near the proposed park boundary, the plan also offers broader guidance for the surrounding region. This approach provides coordinated planning for short- and long-term economic, environmental, and infrastructure impacts across Middle Georgia.

Existing Conditions

An existing conditions analysis was conducted to provide a comprehensive overview of the proposed National Park and Preserve area, highlighting its rich Indigenous history, layered cultural landscape, ecological significance, and economic potential. The study area is home to an extraordinary concentration of cultural and historic assets, including those tied to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The park and preserve is well-positioned to serve as a national model for cultural preservation, education, and storytelling rooted in Indigenous leadership.

At the same time, the Ocmulgee River corridor reflects overlapping and interconnected histories, including African American heritage, agricultural and industrial legacies, and contemporary community narratives that continue to shape Middle Georgia. Institutions and historical anchors such as Fort Hawkins, the Tubman Museum, and the Mill Hill Arts Village provide opportunities to strengthen linkages between the park and broader regional heritage assets, supporting a more complete and inclusive visitor experience.

The analysis assessed current conditions in cultural resources, conservation, land use, transportation, economic development, and interdepartmental coordination. Gaps were identified, including fragmented conservation efforts, limited tourism infrastructure, and the need for unified management involving the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and local partners. Continued coordination among NPS, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, African American community institutions, and regional stakeholders will be essential to properly interpret, protect, and steward this shared heritage.

The coalition of partners supporting the park and preserve reflects the significance of the site not only to the local area, but to a broader understanding of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and the diverse communities whose histories and lived experiences are intertwined with Middle Georgia. The findings of this report set the stage for the following project phases. By addressing identified gaps and leveraging the region's cultural and ecological assets, the project aims to create a sustainable and inclusive vision for the future park. Stakeholder engagement and ongoing collaboration will remain essential to ensuring long-term success and meaningful impact.

Six Study Areas



Cultural Resources, Education, and Interpretation

Prioritize and protect the history of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and ensure cultural authenticity in the storytelling and education



Land Conservation and Protection

Establish mechanisms to safeguard the Ocmulgee River corridor and integrate culture, conservation, and recreation for long-term resilience



Land Use and Development

Identify various investment needs to accommodate the diverse interests surrounding the proposed Park and Preserve



Transportation and Infrastructure

Identify transportation and infrastructure needs required to manage increased access and use of the National Park and Preserve



Economic Development

Explore tourism opportunities and economic impacts associated with increased visitation to the Proposed Park and Preserve and its surrounding region



Intergovernmental Coordination

Identify the involved parties and create a coordination system to ensure effective communication and collaboration

Methodology

The Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Strategic Plan officially launched in March 2025 with a kickoff meeting between ONPPI, MGRC, and a Steering Committee. The first phase of the project included an existing conditions analysis and compiling and evaluating prior research and current data. This was followed by a series of public engagement events to introduce the plan and gather community input early in the process. To deepen the analysis, Technical Advisory Committees (TACs) were formed around the six study areas to bring local expertise, context, and lived experience into the planning process. Based on these insights and the analyses, preliminary recommendations were developed and presented to both the TACs and community. Final recommendations were then refined in response to community feedback, culminating in the completion of the Strategic Plan report.

Project Schedule

	2025										2026			
	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Project Kickoff														
Existing and Historical Conditions Analysis														
Public Engagement														
Analysis, Recommendations, and Implementation														
Strategic Plan Development														
Resolution of Adoption														



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Engagement

Community engagement was a central component of the Strategic Plan and was conducted throughout the project with a wide range of stakeholders. At the heart of this effort was the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, whose people, stories, and culture formed the foundation for a meaningful and inclusive planning process. The Nation remained actively involved from start to finish, with regular check-ins to shape priorities, validate direction, and ensure the plan reflected their values and long-term vision. This collaboration ensured that the Strategic Plan honored the Nation's sovereignty as the Nation of the last treaty before removal, reinforcing the enduring significance of their cultural relationship to the Ocmulgee corridor.

To guide the planning process, several committees were established to provide oversight and specialized input. The Steering Committee, composed of ONPPI and MGRC staff, was responsible for monitoring progress and identifying key stakeholders, public participants, and media contacts. The Policy Committee included local government officials and representatives from the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The Policy Committee played a critical role in shaping the direction of the plan by approving the project scope, reviewing drafts and final reports, endorsing policy recommendations, and overseeing implementation. As stated earlier, TACs were formed, consisting of city and county staff (including planners, economic development professionals, and public works personnel), Muscogee (Creek) Nation members, NPS staff, and other key stakeholders. The TACs provided detailed technical insight that informed each of the plan's study areas.

Two rounds of public meetings were held to ensure broad community input. The first round, held in June 2025, emphasized listening to community voices to identify regional strengths and challenges, surface opportunities, and document the historical contexts and landmarks that shape the community. The meetings had interactive maps and boards and were held in-person at Houston County, Twiggs County, and two locations in Macon-Bibb County, including one dedicated to the neighborhoods next to the existing National Historical Park, locally referred to as East Macon. Each meeting location revealed distinct priorities but also a shared desire for stronger connections between communities and nature. Participants emphasized the importance of honoring Indigenous and local histories, fostering trust, and creating inclusive spaces for healing and cultural exchange. There was broad support for expanding recreational opportunities, improving accessibility, and investing in youth programs and community amenities. Concerns included traffic, safety, invasive species, and infrastructure gaps, alongside calls to support local entrepreneurs, align development with conservation goals, and ensure equitable access to park resources.

The second round, held in October 2025, presented draft recommendations and solicited community feedback to help refine the final plan. Meetings were held in person at Macon-Bibb, Twiggs, and Houston Counties along with one virtual meeting. The second round of public engagement served primarily as an opportunity to share initial findings and recommendations with the community. While feedback was more limited during this phase, participants expressed appreciation for the thoughtful and transparent planning process. Many acknowledged the importance of conservation and were encouraged by the efforts to protect cultural and natural resources while promoting inclusive development. The public's recognition of the work being done reinforced the value of continued collaboration and investment in shaping a plan that reflects community priorities.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

- JUNE 4: East Macon
- JUNE 5: Twiggs County
- JUNE 10: Houston County
- JUNE 11: Macon-Bibb County

APRIL MAY JUNE JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER

APRIL 14: Steering Committee

- MAY 6: Steering Committee
- MAY 27: Policy Committee
- MAY 29: Technical Advisory Committee

- JUNE 2: Steering Committee
- June 25: Technical Advisory Committee
- June 28: Muscogee Nation Festival (Okmulgee, OK)

- JULY 2: Steering Committee
- JULY 29 & 31: Technical Advisory Committee

- AUGUST 8: Steering Committee
- AUGUST 18: Technical Advisory Committee

- SEPTEMBER 2: Steering Committee
- SEPTEMBER 5: Technical Advisory Committee
- SEPTEMBER 13: Ocmulgee Indigenous Celebration (Macon, GA)

PUBLIC MEETINGS

- OCTOBER 1: Macon-Bibb County
- OCTOBER 2: Houston County
- OCTOBER 6: Twiggs County
- OCTOBER 13: Virtual Meeting

OCTOBER 22: Steering Committee

November 10-12: The Experience Lab Workshop (Augusta, GA)

December 2: Steering Committee

Key Stakeholder Meetings

In addition to committee meetings and public outreach, individual meetings were conducted to gain a deeper understanding of the various facets of the area and shape the recommendations. Given the project's broad scope, which encompasses six different study areas, engaging with individuals possessing subject matter expertise provided valuable insights. Notably, the conversations with representatives from the Muscogee (Creek) Nation were significant, as they are pivotal to the execution of the Strategic Plan. The project team also attended events organized by ONPPI, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and the Ocmulgee Mounds Association, such as the Party for the Park annual fundraiser, the Muscogee Nation Festival, and the Ocmulgee Indigenous Celebration. These activities and discussions increased stakeholder awareness of the project, aligning participants around the plan's goals and helping to build support and commitment. Organizations and individuals met with throughout the project include, but are not limited to:

- Altamaha Riverkeeper
- Charles F. "Chuck" Sams, Former National Park Service Director
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- Macon-Bibb County Emergency Management Agency
- Macon-Bibb Urban Development Authority
- Macon Water Authority (MWA)
- MGRC
- Muscogee (Creek) Nation
- National Park Service (NPS)
- National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA)
- Norfolk Southern Railway
- Ocmulgee Mounds Association (OMA)
- Ocmulgee Outdoor Expeditions
- Open Space Institute
- Piedmont Macon Medical Center
- Southeast Conservation Adaptation Strategy (SECAS)
- The Wilderness Society
- US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- Visit Macon





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CULTURAL RESOURCES, EDUCATION, AND INTERPRETATION

The Ocmulgee River corridor embodies a living record of connection between people and place, where the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s ancestral homeland continues to shape the region’s identity today. Earthworks, village sites, and sacred landscapes are not relics of the past but expressions of an enduring culture and people that informs reciprocity and community life. Protecting and preserving these significant resources requires collaboration built on trust and recognition of the Nation’s sovereign role in telling its own story.

Co-management of the proposed National Park and Preserve offers an unprecedented opportunity to formalize this partnership and ensure that stories, exhibits, and educational programs reflect both the depth of the Nation’s history and its vibrant, living culture. This shared model is also a defining feature of the proposed National Park and Preserve, shaping a visitor experience that stands apart by presenting a fuller, representative, and more accurate telling of the land and all that have inhabited it. By linking cultural interpretation, education, and creative expression, the proposed National Park and Preserve can connect residents and visitors to the living landscape of the Ocmulgee River Corridor while expanding cultural literacy through partnerships with schools, universities, museums, and community organizations. Together, these efforts will honor the past while shaping a shared future rooted in understanding, respect, and co-management of the land.

Findings

- The Ocmulgee River corridor includes hundreds of cultural resource sites, but many remain unprotected or undocumented due to gaps in survey coverage and outdated data.
- Cultural resource management occurs across multiple jurisdictions (federal, state, county, and municipal), each with its own authorities and procedures, which can lead to inconsistent consultation and information sharing.
- Local understanding of the Ocmulgee’s cultural and historical importance remains limited, though recent initiatives—such as raising the Muscogee (Creek) Nation flag at Macon City Hall, bilingual street signs, and shared programming—demonstrate growing awareness and appreciation of the linkages between Indigenous and contemporary populations.
- The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Historic and Cultural Preservation Department (MCNHCPD), which includes programs such as the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) responsible for Section 106 review, is frequently consulted late in project review processes across its ancestral homelands. Earlier coordination with the Department could support more proactive planning and cultural resource stewardship.
- Growing partnerships across the Ocmulgee region present strong opportunities to align education, tourism, preservation, and enterprise strategies through collaboration with local universities, museums, and tourism organizations.

Key Challenges and Opportunities

The preservation and interpretation of the Ocmulgee corridor’s cultural resources face several persistent challenges. Fragmented governance across local and state agencies has resulted in inconsistent cultural resource policies and weak enforcement of federal review processes. Continued growth along the I-75 corridor and surrounding suburban areas places increasing pressure on sensitive landscapes. When projects do not involve federal funding, permits, or approvals, Tribal consultation is not required, which can limit opportunities to identify and address cultural resources early in the planning process. Limited protection and monitoring capacity also leaves all cultural sites vulnerable to looting and artifact theft. At the same time, gaps in public education (particularly the absence of Muscogee (Creek) history in Georgia school curricula) limit cultural understanding among residents and visitors, reducing awareness of the region’s deep Indigenous heritage.

Despite these challenges, the corridor presents significant opportunities for collaboration and innovation. Co-management of the proposed National Park and Preserve offers a historic pathway to institutionalize the Nation’s leadership role in preservation and interpretation. Expanding cultural tourism can provide meaningful economic and educational benefits, creating platforms for authentic storytelling and entrepreneurship while safeguarding sacred places (see Economic Development section for further information). Strengthening partnerships among the College of the Muscogee Nation, Mercer University, and other Georgia Universities and schools can build a skilled workforce in conservation, recreation, and cultural resource management, while broader public education programs can connect residents and visitors to Muscogee history, environmental stewardship, and living culture. Emerging technologies such as LiDAR and drone mapping also offer non-invasive tools to document, monitor, and protect cultural sites. Together, these efforts position the Ocmulgee region to advance shared land management, cultural awareness, and sustainable community development.

Intergovernmental Coordination

Cultural resources, education, and interpretation across the Ocmulgee corridor must be grounded in a governance approach that recognizes the Muscogee (Creek) Nation as the sovereign Nation of the last treaty before removal and the people of these lands. All work within this study area, whether cultural preservation, curriculum development, interpretive planning, or public storytelling, requires meaningful coordination with the Nation through formal protocols and designated representatives empowered by the Chief Executive. This ensures that interpretation is not shaped by individual perspectives but by the Nation's collective authority and cultural governance. As part of the broader intergovernmental framework, the Nation's designated officials will serve as the primary decision-making partners for cultural resource management and educational programming, ensuring that their expertise, priorities, and responsibilities are embedded from concept through implementation. This prioritization of the Nation's leadership aligns with the shared vision adopted across the corridor: a unified structure where federal and local partners work collaboratively, while the Muscogee (Creek) Nation retains final say on matters involving their history, heritage, and cultural knowledge.



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Strategic Framework and Priority Actions

Education and Interpretation

A central goal of this strategy is to elevate public understanding of Muscogee (Creek) history and living culture. Beginning in the short term (Years 1–2), partners should launch a baseline education initiative introducing accurate Muscogee (Creek) history into K–12 schools through low-cost, high-impact activities—such as guest classroom visits, digital lesson modules, and field-based learning days at key sites. These early partnerships between the Muscogee (Creek) Nation's Historic and Cultural Preservation Departments, local school districts, the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE), and the Ocmulgee Mounds Association (OMA) can build awareness while laying the groundwork for more formal curriculum integration in later phases. OMA's longstanding role in supporting interpretation and public education at Ocmulgee positions it as an important implementation partner in expanding educational programming and community outreach.

By Years 2–3, a program review framework should be established to ensure that interpretive materials across the National Park and Preserve, tourism offices, and regional visitor centers accurately reflect Muscogee perspectives. This process, led by the MCNHCPD in collaboration with the NPS, Visit Macon, OMA, and individual tourism offices (destination organizations) throughout the region will ensure cultural integrity across all interpretive settings.

Academic partnerships also play a vital role in education and workforce development. The College of the Muscogee Nation, Mercer University, University of Georgia, and Middle Georgia State University are examples of institutions that can jointly develop curricula, fieldwork programs, and internships that connect students to real-world cultural and environmental projects in the Ocmulgee corridor. These collaborations, envisioned for Years 2–4, can expand professional pathways for both Tribal and regional students while advancing cultural research.

Finally, interpretive signage and storytelling programs should be implemented at public heritage sites such as Ocmulgee Mounds, Brown's Mount, and Lamar Mounds. These efforts, beginning in Years 3–5, will convey Muscogee language, oral histories, and ecological knowledge while balancing public access with the need to protect sensitive locations. It is recommended that OMA continue to serve as a key community-facing partner in supporting educational events and interpretation aligned with Muscogee guidance. Together, these initiatives weave education and interpretation into a coherent, authentic narrative of place—one led and approved by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

Cultural Resource Protection and Section 106 Framework

Protection of cultural and historic resources in the Ocmulgee corridor must operate on two parallel tracks: ensuring strong compliance with federal law when triggered and building broader public awareness so that cultural stewardship extends beyond federal involvement. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to consider the effects of their undertakings on historic properties and to consult with State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs), Tribes whose ancestral lands or resources may be affected, and other interested parties. This process is triggered when a project involves federal funding, permits, licenses, approvals, or construction (i.e., undertaking). Historic properties do not need to be formally listed on the National Register of Historic Places to be considered. Properties that meet the National Register criteria must be taken into account, including those identified through consultation. Beyond the required parties (if any), such as SHPOs, Tribes, local government, and the applicant, consultation can also include historic preservation organizations and others with legal, economic, or physical ties to the project area. Importantly, Section 106 does not mandate preservation, but it does ensure consultation, public accountability, and consideration of avoidance, minimization, or mitigation measures before a project proceeds.

Within the Ocmulgee corridor, Section 106 may be triggered by federal transportation funding, USACE permits, Robins AFB projects, Federal Communications Commission (FCC) cell tower licenses, or other federally connected undertakings, including projects outside formal NPS boundaries. Early coordination with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation's THPO, SHPO, and the responsible federal agency is critical. Consultation with Tribes occurs on a government-to-government basis and must take place at the federal level; while applicants and local jurisdictions aren't the primary leads, they provide essential support as consulting or interested parties.

Many projects within the corridor may proceed without federal involvement and therefore without triggering the Section 106 process. For this reason, the strategy must extend beyond compliance alone. Increasing public understanding of how Section 106 works, what triggers it, what qualifies as a historic property, and how consultation functions establishes a stronger culture of awareness and stewardship. Local governments, developers, and community members should recognize that the absence of federal involvement does not eliminate the presence or importance of cultural resources. To support this dual approach, the plan recommends:

- Establish clear guidance for local jurisdictions and project sponsors on identifying potential federal nexus early in project planning
- Encourage active local participation in the Section 106 process when it is triggered, helping ensure cultural resources are fully considered and avoidance or minimization measures are explored

- Promote early coordination with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation in the planning stages of projects, especially those more complex or involving cultural sensitive areas, even when Section 106 is not formally required
- Integrate cultural resource considerations into local comprehensive planning and development review processes.
- Encourage respectful land stewardship and public education that highlight the corridor’s cultural significance.

This framework reinforces that Section 106 is a federal responsibility, but cultural stewardship is a shared responsibility. By strengthening both regulatory compliance and public awareness, the Ocmulgee corridor can protect irreplaceable cultural resources and still promote responsible growth across the corridor. Protection of the land becomes not only a legal obligation but a shared regional responsibility grounded in respect for the Nation’s ancestral homeland.

Business Development and Revenue Generation

Cultural stewardship and education must also translate into economic opportunity and self-determined prosperity. Establishing a Muscogee Business Development and Enterprise Office within the next two years will provide a dedicated mechanism for the Nation to access entrepreneurship support, business participation in corridor projects and experience building, and federal and state funding. This office would serve as a primary liaison between the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, MGRC, and agencies such as the U.S. Economic Development Administration (U.S. EDA).

Shorter-term actions (Years 2–4) include the Nation launching a Muscogee Food and Artisan Certification Program to brand and market authentic products under a unified regional identity. The products could range from traditional foods to handcrafted art. Complementing this effort, pilot initiatives such as demonstration farms, farm-to-table events, and youth-led cultural markets can showcase Muscogee (Creek) Nation foodways and craftsmanship while generating local income and educational value.

Longer-term actions (Years 4–6) include forming a Regional Tourism and Agricultural Cooperative to manage shared marketing, sales, and infrastructure investments that benefit both the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and non-tribal partners. These efforts will be reinforced by integrating Business Opportunity Participation Requirements into major corridor construction, visitor services, and concession contracts, ensuring that Muscogee-owned businesses have equitable access to regional growth opportunities.

The capstone of this effort will be a Cultural Tourism Implementation Plan, jointly developed by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Visit Macon, and MGRC, which will define routes, interpretive themes, investment priorities, and readiness thresholds for tourism expansion. This plan will tie economic development to cultural authenticity ensuring that every visitor experience reinforces the values of stewardship, education, and respect for the living landscape of Ocmulgee (see Economic Development section for further analyses).

Education and Interpretation

Objective: Advance Nation-led education and interpretation of Muscogee (Creek) history and living culture that increase public understanding, respect cultural protocols, and integrate cultural knowledge across schools, visitor destinations, and heritage sites

Priority Actions:

- *Short Term:* Launch a baseline education initiative introducing the accurate Muscogee (Creek) history
- *Medium Term:*
 - Develop a program review framework to ensure interpretive materials across museums, tourism, offices, and visitor centers accurately reflect Muscogee (Creek) Nation perspectives
 - Partner with local universities and the College of Muscogee (Creek) Nation to develop curricula, fieldwork programs, and internships
- *Long Term:* Implement interpretive signage and storytelling programs at public heritage sites

Lead Entities: MCNHCPD, OMA, local school districts, GaDOE, NPS, Visit Macon and regional tourism offices, College of the Muscogee Nation, Mercer University, UGA, Middle Georgia State University

Success Metrics: K–12 education initiative launched; Nation-approved interpretive materials regionwide; active university internship/fieldwork programs; interpretive signage and storytelling installed; measurable increases in cultural literacy and engagement

Cultural Resources

Objective: Protect and manage cultural and archaeological resources through coordinated federal compliance, informed local planning, and increased public awareness

Priority Actions:

- *Short Term:* Develop clear guidance for identifying federal nexus and initiating early coordination under Section 106 and begin targeted LiDAR and geospatial survey efforts in priority areas; encourage early project planning with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation
- *Medium Term:* Integrate cultural resource considerations into local comprehensive plans and development review processes
- *Long term:* Establish Protected Cultural Zones to guide early review discussions; expand partnerships with law enforcement

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation THPO, NPS, SHPO, MGRC, GA DNR-OSA, Lighthouse Police, County Sheriffs

Success Metrics: Completed LiDAR/cultural inventory; early regulatory coordination occurring prior to federal review triggers; cultural resource considerations incorporated into local planning documents; reduced looting incidents

Business Development and Revenue Generation

Objective: Support sustainable economic development that is culturally grounded and locally beneficial by strengthening Tribal business capacity, expanding heritage-based tourism and programming, and creating coordinated mechanisms that connect cultural assets to long-term revenue generation and workforce opportunities

Priority Actions:

- *Short Term:* Establish a Muscogee (Creek) Nation Business Development and Enterprise Office
- *Medium Term:* Launch a Muscogee Food and Artisan Certification Program and expand Nation-led experience and business development along the corridor (e.g., guided tours, artisan and vendor markets, business incubation, and workforce training to support Muscogee-owned enterprises)
- *Long Term:*
 - Form a regional agricultural and tourism cooperative to manage shared marketing, sales, and infrastructure investments that benefit from both the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and non-tribal partners
 - Develop a cultural tourism implementation plan, jointly with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Visit Macon, and MGRC

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation Business Development and Enterprise Office, MGRC, Visit Macon and regional tourism partners, U.S. EDA, local governments and economic development authorities

Success Metrics: Business Development Office operational; Food & Artisan Certification Program launched; increased number of Muscogee-owned enterprises; creation of regional tourism/agricultural cooperative; Cultural Tourism Implementation Plan completed and generating revenue



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LAND CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION

The Ocmulgee corridor is where conservation, recreation, and living culture meet. Protecting this landscape means more than preserving open space: *it safeguards clean water, wildlife habitat, and sacred places while sustaining outdoor traditions, supporting recreational tourism, and celebrating community identity.* This section sets a framework to protect priority lands, align partners and funding, connect people to the land, and guide growth so habitat and cultural landscapes remain intact. Co-management with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation is the throughline, ensuring decisions reflect cultural values, science, and long-term resilience.

Findings

A review of publicly available federal and state databases indicates that the study area provides potential habitat for nine federally protected species under the Endangered Species Act and seven additional state-listed species identified by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. These include protected mammals, birds, reptiles, insects, and several rare plant species, including species that are both federally and state listed shown below.

Nine Federally Protected Species:

- **Mammals:** Tricolored Bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*)
- **Birds:** Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*)
- **Reptiles:** Southern Hognose Snake (*Heterodon simus*)
- **Insects:** Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*)
- **Plants:** Canby’s Dropwort (*Oxypolis canbyi*), Fringed Campion (*Silene polypetala*), Harperella (*Ptilimnium nodosum*), Ocmulgee Skullcap (*Scutellaria ocmulgee*), Relict Trillium (*Trillium reliquum*)

Seven State Listed Species:

- **Animal:** Rafinesque’s Big-eared Bat (*Corynorhinus rafinesquii*), Gopher Tortoise (*Gopherus polyphemus*), Atlantic Sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus*), Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)
- **Plant:** Yellow Pitcherplant (*Sarracenia flava*), Ocmulgee Skullcap (*Scutellaria ocmulgee*), Fringed Campion (*Silene catesbyi*)

Federally protected species are regulated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and if listed species or their habitats are identified onsite and proposed to be impacted, consultation and permitting would be required under Sections 7 or 10 of the Endangered Species Act. State-listed species are maintained by the GADNR; projects involving state funding or state action may require permitting for impacts, while voluntary coordination is encouraged for conservation and education purposes.

The presence of multiple federally and state protected species within the broader study area underscores the ecological significance of the Ocmulgee corridor. Protecting these species demands a coordinated, corridor-wide approach to land conservation and resource management. The following findings outline the existing conservation landscape, areas of fragmentation, and opportunities to build a more unified protection strategy.

- **High-value conservation mosaic:** Bottomland forests, upland corridors, floodplains, and key tributaries around the Ocmulgee River form a connected habitat network and hold numerous cultural sites beyond current park boundaries.
- **Strong but fragmented effort:** Work is underway by the USFWS (Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge [NWR]), GA DNR, Robins Air Force Base (AFB) (Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans [INRMP]/Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration [REPI]), land trusts (e.g., Open Space Institute [OSI], Trust for Public Land [TPL]), counties, and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), yet actions can be piecemeal without a corridor-level strategy.
- **Pressures accelerating:** Growth along I-16/I-75, large-footprint industrial and energy projects, and road widenings fragment critical species and wildlife habitat (notably for the small, isolated Middle Georgia black bear population), and stress water quality and quantity.
- **Actionable data and tools exist:** SECAS, GA State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP) (2025 update), GA Low-Impact Solar Siting Tool, biodiversity portals, and recent bear connectivity studies provide concrete, mappable priorities.
- **Partnership is a funding pathway:** Conservation funding exists but is highly competitive and often contingent on partner capacity, timing, and coordination. Federal programs (e.g., REPI, LWCF) have specific eligibility and partnership requirements, state support can fluctuate, and some partners are holding properties while they work toward long-term “take-out” solutions. At the local level, matching contributions can still be challenging to assemble across jurisdictions and budgets. Developing unified priority maps and collaboration frameworks positions the region to compete more effectively for funding and to deploy resources where they will have the greatest impact.
- **Coordination with the Nation is uneven:** Partners are open to stronger, ongoing coordination and clearer roles for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation in prioritization and stewardship.

Key Challenges and Opportunities

Protecting the lands that define the Ocmulgee corridor requires a coordinated and proactive approach to address both cultural and ecological vulnerabilities. Many of the most significant cultural sites lie outside federal boundaries, leaving them exposed to looting, erosion, and inadvertent disturbance from land development or agricultural expansion. Conservation efforts also face persistent challenges related to funding reliability, as acquisition and easement opportunities often stall without predictable state or local matches and rarely align in timing. Meanwhile, competing land uses, such as utility-scale solar or industrial development, pose growing siting conflicts that can fragment habitat and diminish the landscape’s natural and cultural integrity. Infrastructure corridors like US 23, SR 96, and the I-16/I-75 interchange further constrain wildlife movement, and documented vehicle strikes illustrate the need for improved connectivity measures. As recreation and tourism expand throughout the region, it is important to strike a careful balance between access and protection to prevent degradation of sensitive habitats and wildlife areas.

Despite these challenges, several opportunities position the region for impactful, long-term conservation. Programs such as the REPI initiative and the Sentinel Landscapes Partnership align conservation with Robins AFB mission compatibility by directing Congressionally authorized funding toward buffering military installations from encroachment and preserving mission readiness. The DOD’s REPI program improving installation resilience to extreme weather events and climatic changes, preserving critical habitats and natural resources, and promoting compatible land uses proximate to ranges and installations. The Sentinel Landscapes Partnership provides a coordinated federal framework that links defense readiness, conservation, and working lands by aligning interagency funding and technical assistance in priority landscapes. When paired with long-term conservation tools, these programs can create durable funding pathways and easement opportunities to help advance shared defense, conservation, and community goals.

At the regional scale, co-management frameworks and the designation of Protected Cultural Zones can ensure that sensitive sites are respected, potential impacts are minimized, and cultural findings are handled appropriately and confidentially. Strategic restoration efforts can reconnect fragmented habitats by leveraging Georgia DOT wildlife crossing investments and riparian restoration programs to guide upland acquisitions that strengthen landscape connectivity. Market-based and policy tools, including conservation easements, incentive programs, and revolving loan funds, can make acquisitions more agile and reduce local funding barriers. Finally, reciprocal agreements modeled on the Five Tribes approach to wildlife access offer a pathway to align hunting, fishing, and cultural access with conservation and intergovernmental coordination goals.

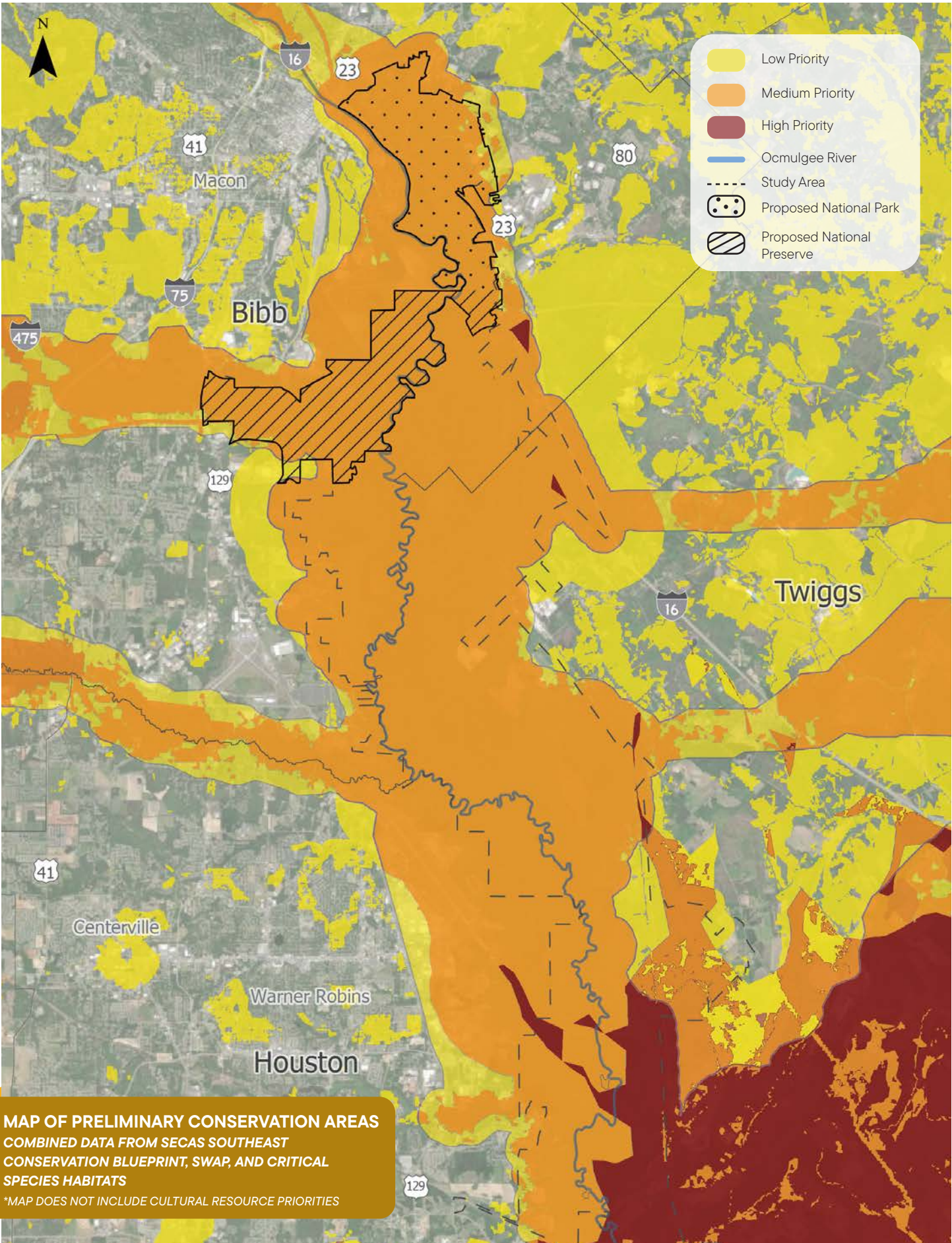
Intergovernmental Coordination

Effective land protection across the Ocmulgee corridor requires coordinated stewardship among federal, Tribal, state, and local partners. The ONPPI Policy and Action Committee should serve as the central coordination hub, supported by a Land Conservation Working Group that includes the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, U.S. FWS, Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, Georgia DNR, Robbins AFB, local counties, regional partners such as Visit Macon and MGRC, and conservation organizations including the Ocmulgee Land Trust. As a nonprofit dedicated to conserving land within the Ocmulgee River basin, the Ocmulgee Land Trust (OLT) plays an important role in advancing water quality protection, wildlife habitat preservation, and long-term landscape stewardship through conservation easements and strategic land protection. The OLT also supports responsible economic activity by facilitating the appropriate use of mitigation lands to offset development impacts while safeguarding priority conservation areas.

Co-management and interagency coordination should be formalized through targeted agreements, such as a Nation–NPS framework for interpretation and cultural protection zones or a Nation–U.S. FWS MOU for Bond Swamp coordination. Partnerships that maintain habitat connectivity, mission buffers, and conservation priorities will be strengthened by a shared, permissioned GIS platform with appropriate confidentiality protections, enabling partners to prioritize parcels, wildlife corridors, mitigation opportunities, and restoration areas while safeguarding sensitive cultural information.

Applicability of the Five Tribes Wildlife Management Reciprocity Agreement. Although the Ocmulgee corridor does not include reservation lands, the structure of the Five Tribes Wildlife Management Reciprocity Agreement offers a useful model for cross-jurisdictional wildlife management. Under that agreement, the Muscogee (Creek), Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, and Seminole Nations mutually recognize one another’s hunting, fishing, and trapping authorizations while requiring citizens to follow the specific regulations of the reservation they are on, report harvests to their own Nation to protect data sovereignty, and comply with all standard land access and trespass laws. The agreement’s emphasis on consistent conservation standards, coordinated wildlife management, and clear public guidance (supported by a shared online map and FAQs) demonstrates how multiple governments can protect resources without diminishing individual authority.

A similar framework could be adapted for the Ocmulgee River corridor to coordinate wildlife management across fragmented ownerships, including federal, Tribal, state, county, nonprofit, and private lands. Such an approach would promote consistent conservation practices, clarify access requirements for hunting and fishing where permissible, and establish unified reporting protocols while maintaining each landowner’s rights and regulatory authority. This reciprocity-inspired model would strengthen intergovernmental collaboration and support long-term ecological stewardship across the entire landscape.



Strategic Framework and Priority Actions

The conservation strategy for the Ocmulgee corridor is built around four interrelated goals: *protecting land, strengthening partnerships, connecting people to the landscape, and guiding smart growth*. Together, these efforts will conserve habitat, safeguard cultural resources, restore and expand natural watershed functions, and enhance the resilience of local communities.

Invest in Land Protection

Objective: Conserve high-value parcels that deliver the greatest ecological, cultural, and hydrologic benefits, while accelerating the pace and coordination of land protection across the Ocmulgee corridor

Priority Actions:

- Adopt a Corridor Priority Map integrating SECAS Blueprint, SWAP hubs and corridors, black bear connectivity data, cultural sensitivity zones, floodplain benefits, and recreation potential
- Establish a Corridor Acquisition Program to coordinate parcel targeting, funding, and restoration sequencing.
- Create a Local Match Fund—via county bonds or multi-county pooling—to unlock state, federal, and philanthropic dollars
- Develop a Revolving Bridge Fund with land trusts and foundations to act quickly on willing-seller opportunities.
- Bundle co-benefits (habitat, flood mitigation, cultural protection, mission compatibility) to increase competitiveness for REPI, LWCF, and related programs; continue coordination with USFWS to align Bond Swamp expansion with species and wildlife priorities
- Leverage the Georgia DNR Outdoor Stewardship Program as a funding source to support parks and trails, conserve and steward priority lands, and acquire areas critical to clean water, wildlife, and outdoor recreation

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation; USFWS (Bond Swamp); GA DNR; Robins AFB/DoD REPI Program; local counties; land trusts; MGRC; OLT

Success Metrics: Acres protected; number of high-priority parcels acquired; amount of leveraged match funding; increased connectivity scores; protection of cultural sensitivity zones; alignment with wildlife conservation priorities

Local land use and zoning tools can serve as complementary mechanisms to conservation acquisition by guiding compatible development patterns near priority lands and cultural resources.

Develop Durable Partnerships

Objectives: Formalize intergovernmental and interagency partnerships that clarify roles, elevate Muscogee (Creek) Nation leadership, and support coordinated, long-term management of natural and cultural resources

Priority Actions:

- Develop co-management compacts and coordination frameworks, including:
 - NPS Compact: Recognition of Muscogee (Creek) Nation review and approval authority for cultural interpretation and management of sensitive areas
 - USFWS Compact: Co-stewardship of Bond Swamp NWR and shared science/cultural resource initiatives
- Convene a quarterly coordination team with Robins AFB, USFWS, GA DNR, the Nation, land trusts, and county partners to synchronize parcels and funding
- Advance MOAs and side agreements for specific needs, such as wildlife crossing retrofits (with county road departments), forest health and prescribed fire programs (with GA Forestry Commission), and hydrology/flood resilience initiatives with MWA, GA EPD, and USACE
- Create a shared permissioned GIS platform for priority parcels, cultural zones, wildlife crossings, and restoration areas with appropriate confidentiality protocols

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation; NPS; USFWS; GA DNR; Robins AFB/DoD; MGRC; local governments; land trusts; GA Forestry Commission

Success Metrics: Number of executed compacts/MOUs; improved coordination on parcel queueing; shared GIS utilization; increased funding alignment

Smart Growth and Habitat Connectivity

Objective: Guide development patterns so the Ocmulgee corridor functions as an integrated ecological and cultural landscape, with restored connectivity for wildlife, water, and cultural access

Priority Actions:

- Adopt a Corridor Overlay Zone to safeguard riparian buffers, steep slopes, and cultural resource areas, and require early Nation consultation for projects in sensitive zones.
- Implement a Wildlife Crossings Program prioritizing structures and fencing retrofits along SR-96, US-23, and I-16/I-75, supported by GDOT and University of Georgia monitoring.
- Apply the GA Low-Impact Solar Siting Tool, SWAP layers, and connectivity data to avoid high-value uplands and pinch points; require best practices for solar construction, vegetation management, and stormwater control.
- Integrate floodplain management and conservation by acquiring/buying down repetitive-loss areas, restoring floodplain storage, and coordinating with MWA, GA EPD, USACE, and local governments around resilience infrastructure.

Lead Entities: Local counties; MCNHCPD; GDOT; GA DNR; University of Georgia; MWA; GA EPD; USACE

Success Metrics: Connectivity improvements along key corridors; number of completed crossings; avoided habitat fragmentation; percentage of solar/industrial projects meeting siting criteria; reductions in repetitive-loss areas; increased ecological function of riparian corridors

Connect People to the Land

Objective: Strengthen public understanding, stewardship, and cultural connection to the corridor by creating programs that link conservation to education, culture, recreation, and volunteerism

Priority Actions:

- Establish Friends of Ocmulgee chapters to organize conservation days, invasive species management, stream cleanups, and trail monitoring programs
- Launch corridor-wide education initiatives linking conservation, Muscogee (Creek) Nation cultural narratives, flood safety, and recreation access (including hunting/fishing education in Tier 3 nodes)
- Develop youth stewardship pathways with the College of the Muscogee Nation, Mercer University, and UGA—offering internships, field crews, certification opportunities, and paid summer programs
- Partner with schools and local organizations to integrate curriculum on ecology, cultural landscapes, and watershed health

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation; College of the Muscogee Nation; Mercer University; UGA; NPS; local school districts; Friends organizations; MGRC

Success Metrics: Volunteer hours; number of active Friends chapters; participation in youth programs; increased public awareness of conservation and cultural stewardship; improved trail and habitat conditions documented through monitoring



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LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

According to the *Diamond in the Rough* economic analysis of the proposed Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve (2017), the creation of the National Park could result in over 1.3 million visitors per year (under a medium growth/most likely scenario) to the Middle Georgia region. This represents tremendous growth potential and economic impact in Macon-Bibb and throughout the region. To help create a shared vision for harnessing this potential, this strategic plan identified a series of development nodes, generally consistent with and building from locally adopted plans and policies, to promote appropriate growth throughout the region and serve as a guide to attract a wide array of visitors to Middle Georgia that balances tourism, economic impact, strategic investment, recreation, and preservation of the area's natural and cultural resources.

Findings

To identify priority activity centers and develop a strategic land use framework, several methods of research were used to review adopted plans and area information, as well as analyze areas near the proposed boundary. The following section outlines the procedures and findings that informed the strategic framework and priority areas found later in this section.

- **Local Comprehensive and Development Plans**

The Existing Conditions Analysis provided a detailed evaluation of the current built environment, natural systems and conservation areas, infrastructure, community assets, and relevant policies. The research included a previous plan review to identify recent and planned development areas in the region, and summary of current and future land use maps to better understand development nodes around the proposed project boundary. Locally adopted plans and policies continued to be referenced throughout the findings to refine and inform future planning throughout the process.

- **Future Land Use — County Data**

Based on the review of the local plans and existing conditions, most land within and surrounding the proposed National Park and Preserve is classified as agricultural or conservation, aligning with park purposes. However, other areas indicated industrial, highway commercial, and high-density residential zoning categories, which require more careful evaluation and have the potential to conflict with the objectives of the proposed park and preserve. To identify priority development areas related to tourism, hospitality, and economic development, a more in-depth look at commercial and industrial land use categories was conducted using available GIS data.

- **Water and Sewer Line Data**
Water and sewer line data was combined with the future land use data for Macon-Bibb, Houston, and Twiggs Counties to better understand where development opportunities and existing utility lines converge. This analysis influenced the location of the proposed activity centers as it assessed suitability for future development.
- **Character Areas, Parcel, and Intended Use of Land Research**
In addition, the Cities of Macon and Warner Robins provided additional insight and development plans for areas adjacent and nearby the proposed boundary, including future plans for the East Bank and Macon Coliseum area redevelopment and Commercial Circle, respectively. Detailed information gathered regarding developments in the Macon-Bibb area were integral due to their proximity to the primary entry point into the park for residents and park visitors, as well as connecting areas of historic and cultural significance in Macon.

Parcel level research was used to further review industrial and commercial areas, as well as areas nearest the river corridor to assess the potential for future natural amenities, including fishing, camping, and hunting access points.
- **National and State Park and Historic Sites Research and Airport Research**
Using GIS and online data, other state and national parks were researched and examined to better align potential

Across the study area, zoning and development regulations vary by jurisdiction. While the Strategic Plan does not supersede local land use authority, local zoning tools represent an important mechanism through which communities can proactively guide development compatibility near conservation lands, cultural sites, and park boundaries. Communities concerned about incompatible or infrastructure-intensive uses may consider aligning local development standards, buffering requirements, and overlay districts with the broader conservation and cultural objectives identified in this plan.



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development areas with other regional destinations. This was done in conjunction with research on and about connection points to the Middle Georgia Regional Airport. The research provided insight into how future visitors might coordinate their travel to and with other destinations in Georgia that are of natural, historic, and/or cultural significance, including sites in or near the Cities of Atlanta, Columbus, and Savannah.

- **Study Area Collaboration**
During the process, collaboration with other study areas occurred to create a cohesive framework and strategy for the proposed National Park and Preserve. While all six study areas were developed in collaboration, additional time was spent discussing the synergy between land use, transportation, and economic development elements to ensure that the development tiers were properly linked to current and planned transportation networks and aligned economically for both residents and visitors to the region.
- **Feedback from Technical Committee and Public Engagement**
Development nodes were discussed, reviewed, and refined in a series of technical committee and public engagement meetings. During the process, feedback was requested regarding development nodes and tiers from technical experts and/or locals in the region. The feedback was used to further research and refine development nodes.

Key Challenges and Opportunities

The development plan outlines priority opportunities and challenges that require coordination and deliberate focus and effort in the years to come. The following are the key challenges and opportunities for land use and development.

- **Economic Benefits and Tourism Enhancement.** A major opportunity is to both manage growth and enhance tourism in the area surrounding the proposed park and preserve. By linking economic impacts to land use tiers, the region's tourism potential, natural resources, and business vitality can be leveraged to create economic benefits across the region. However, these strategies should be employed through a regional development plan and process to ensure balanced growth, protecting current residents and the natural and cultural resources, while providing a clear path to quality investment and economic impact.
- **Impacts on Natural, Cultural and Historic Resources.** In line with the land use and development strategy, closely monitoring the impacts on natural, historic, and cultural resources is vital. There is an opportunity to integrate land use planning with river, hunting, fishing, and camping access initiatives, creating a cohesive vision that enhances public connectivity, recreation, and environmental stewardship, ensuring the park is enjoyed while protecting its natural resources.
- **Transportation Considerations.** Transportation infrastructure is critical to land use and development considerations. Ensuring safe and viable transportation options for future park visitors while considering current residents' needs is both a challenge and an opportunity. The creation of development tiers considered current and future transportation projects, providing and reinforcing multimodal options for area employees and visitors and aligning development with existing and planned transit, bicycle, and pedestrian efforts to enhance connectivity and sustainability, especially in development nodes near the park entrance.
- **Collaboration with Municipal and Regional Initiatives.** Opportunities also exist to collaborate with neighboring municipalities and regional initiatives, such as connecting priority hospitality areas to other Georgia State Parks and National Historic Sites. These collaborations can offer additional amenities and attract visitors to benefit Middle Georgia. Careful coordination is needed to manage industrial sites or other publicly owned properties and facilities, ensuring they align with broader community goals and safety. Strategic alignment of development tiers with site-specific potentials will be key, allowing scalable implementation that respects local and cultural contexts while maximizing long-term value for Middle Georgia.



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Intergovernmental Coordination

To successfully implement the land use and development strategy for the proposed National Park and Preserve, strong intergovernmental coordination is not just beneficial, it is essential. The complexity of aligning development tiers with local development plans, infrastructure, zoning, and conservation priorities across Macon-Bibb, Houston, and Twiggs Counties demands active collaboration with local governments and MGRC. Without this coordination, efforts to balance growth, support local economics, protect sensitive landscapes, and support community needs risk fragmentation and inefficiency.

Equally critical is partnership with Georgia State Parks and the NPS, whose expertise in stewardship and visitor experience can guide the integration of regional amenities and ensure consistency with broader park standards. Environmental agencies must also be engaged, especially for Tier 3 nodes, where low-impact development near river corridors and conservation lands requires careful oversight, education, and maintenance to preserve ecological integrity. Coordinated planning across jurisdictions and agencies will be the foundation for scalable, sustainable development that honors Middle Georgia's natural and cultural assets while maximizing long-term regional value.

Strategic Framework and Priority Areas

Building upon the information and analysis presented, a strategic framework was created comprised of three tiers of potential development activity and character. The tiers are scalable to the location and natural and/or cultural significance of the area.

Tier 1 Activity Centers Objective Tier 1 nodes are located in primary, regionally significant hospitality areas. They provide a “home base” for visitors to Middle Georgia and the National Park and Preserve, while ensuring comfort. Tier 1 areas should support a cluster of amenities, including hotels, restaurants, and attractions in an environment that allows visitors to travel without the need of an automobile. As shown in the map, these areas are envisioned to be the East Bank, Downtown Macon, and major commercial centers along I-75. Examples of amenities and key features include:



Hotels



Smaller scale/Inline Retail



Bed and Breakfasts



Smaller scale/Inline Retail



Mixed-Use Developments



Parks/Gathering Spaces



Theaters/Historic Sites/Museums



Pedestrian/Bike Connections/Trails

Economic Impact/Benefits

With the National Park designation, the proposed National Park and Preserve and region will be more competitive in attracting cultural or heritage tourists who typically have a higher rate of visitor spend during a trip. More so than leisure travelers, these visitors will seek amenities closer to the Park and Preserve that are authentic to the region and encourage an extended (overnight) stay.

- Encourage visitors to remain at the destination longer
- Support central business district vitality
- Encourage weekend activity

Development Guidance

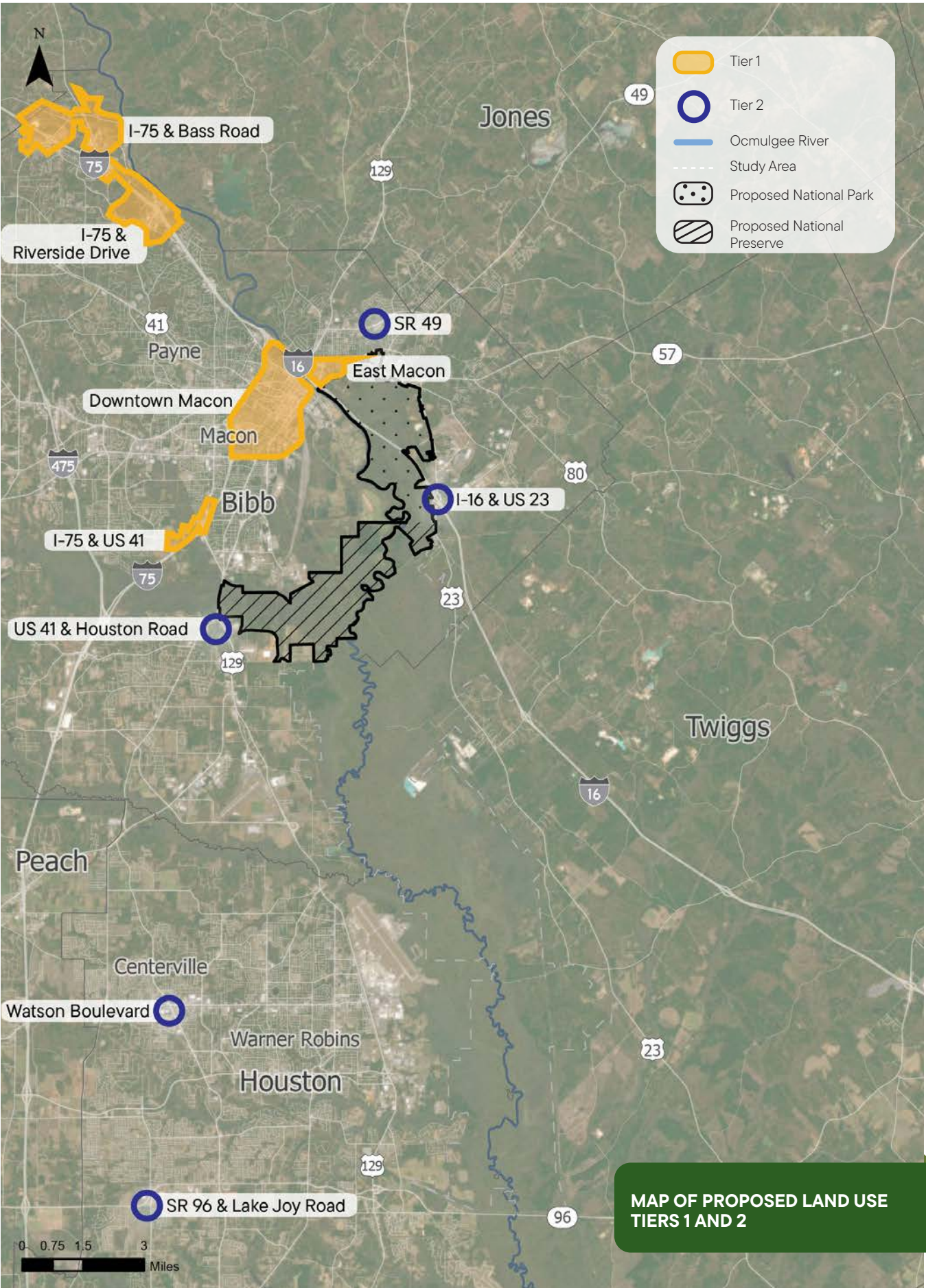
- Encourage development in a connected, clustered environment with a focus on walkability, bicycle facilities, and access to multimodal transportation options
- Encourage a mix of uses, including lodging, restaurant, retail, and area attractions
- Foster development along major streets with parking and service facilities behind or to the side to foster a safe, efficient, and pleasant walking and retail/restaurant environment
- Integrate public space, trails, and streetscapes to facilitate pedestrian movement and events of all scales

Priority Actions:

- Incorporate Strategic Plan Land Use Recommendations into Comprehensive Plan Updates
- Review zoning within Tier 1 activity centers and update based on investment recommendations
- Ensure land use and development policies align with Strategic Plan at a regional level through coordination with MGRC
- Develop a Small Area Plan for East Macon
- Continue the progression of and build on the East Bank Master Plan

Lead Entities: MGRC, City of Macon, Macon-Bibb County

Success Metrics: Policies align across jurisdictions; comprehensive plan updates are completed and are in alignment with the strategic plan; zoning supports tier 1 development; infrastructure is integrated with land use; small area plans are completed



Tier 2 Activity Centers Objective Tier 2 nodes support uses for visitors who are accessing the area or traveling between the National Park and Preserve, surrounding amenities, and lodging, primarily by automobile. Tier 2 may be in walkable, master-planned arrangement or along corridors with multimodal facilities, connecting a wide range of options, attractions, and recreation for visitors and families. The key areas of focus for Tier 2 are local activity centers and commercial corridors along I-16, state routes, and major arterial roadways. Examples of amenities and key features include:



Hotels



RV Parks/Campgrounds



Multimodal Connections



Outfitters



Restaurants



Retail



Museums



Recreational Facilities/Attractions

Economic Impacts/Benefits

Middle Georgia's central location along the I-75 and I-16 corridor and its existing destination assets make the region a local stop for family-oriented leisure travel. The creation of the National Park and Preserve will encourage more outdoor recreation. More suburban, non-downtown core amenities will be sought by these travelers.

- Provide additional lodging opportunities for family-oriented leisure travelers
- Expand supply of RV parks/options
- Add accessible amenities for residents

Development Guidance

- Promote development in a clustered manner within local activity centers and key arterial corridors
- Encourage the strategic co-location of lodging, dining establishments, retail outlets, and local attractions to enhance convenience and accessibility
- Foster local multimodal connectivity where possible between hospitality, restaurant/retail, and area attractions
- Integrate trails and streetscapes to facilitate pedestrian movement among major centers and destinations

Priority Actions:

- Incorporate Strategic Plan Land Use Recommendations into Comprehensive Plan Updates
- Review zoning with Tier 2 activity centers and update based on investment recommendations
- Ensure policies align with Strategic Plan at a regional level through coordination with MGRC
- Develop a Small Area Plan at US 41 at Houston Road and US 23/Macon Downtown Airport

Lead Entities: MGRC, City of Macon, City of Warner Robins, Macon-Bibb County, Houston County

Success Metrics: Policies align across jurisdictions and regionally; recommendations are included in the comprehensive plan update; zoning supports tier 2 development; infrastructure is integrated with land use; small area plan is completed;

Tier 3 Activity Areas Objective Tier 3 nodes are intended to support those who wish to experience Middle Georgia's natural and recreational amenities primarily via camping and outdoor activities. Tier 3 should be limited to essential services and is scalable to land availability with an emphasis on maintaining the natural environment and limiting impact on sensitive areas and landscapes. Key areas to consider include locations near access points into the river corridor and camping, recreational, and hunting/fishing areas. Examples of amenities and key features include:



Glamping



Backcountry/Primitive Camping



RV Parks



Cabins



Outfitters



Recreational Areas and Picnic Spots



Hiking Trails



Hunting and Fishing Access

Economic Impact/Benefits

To capitalize on the creation of the National Park and Preserve and the expanded outdoor recreational activities to be enjoyed, the region's supply of natural and recreational amenities must increase. Currently, there are few options for outdoor enthusiasts to access the Preserve or camp within or approximate to it.

- Supports the growth of outdoor recreational experiences within or proximate to the Park and Preserve
- Leverages the region's existing recreational areas
- Differentiates the Park and Preserve from other smaller-scale National Parks

Development Guidance

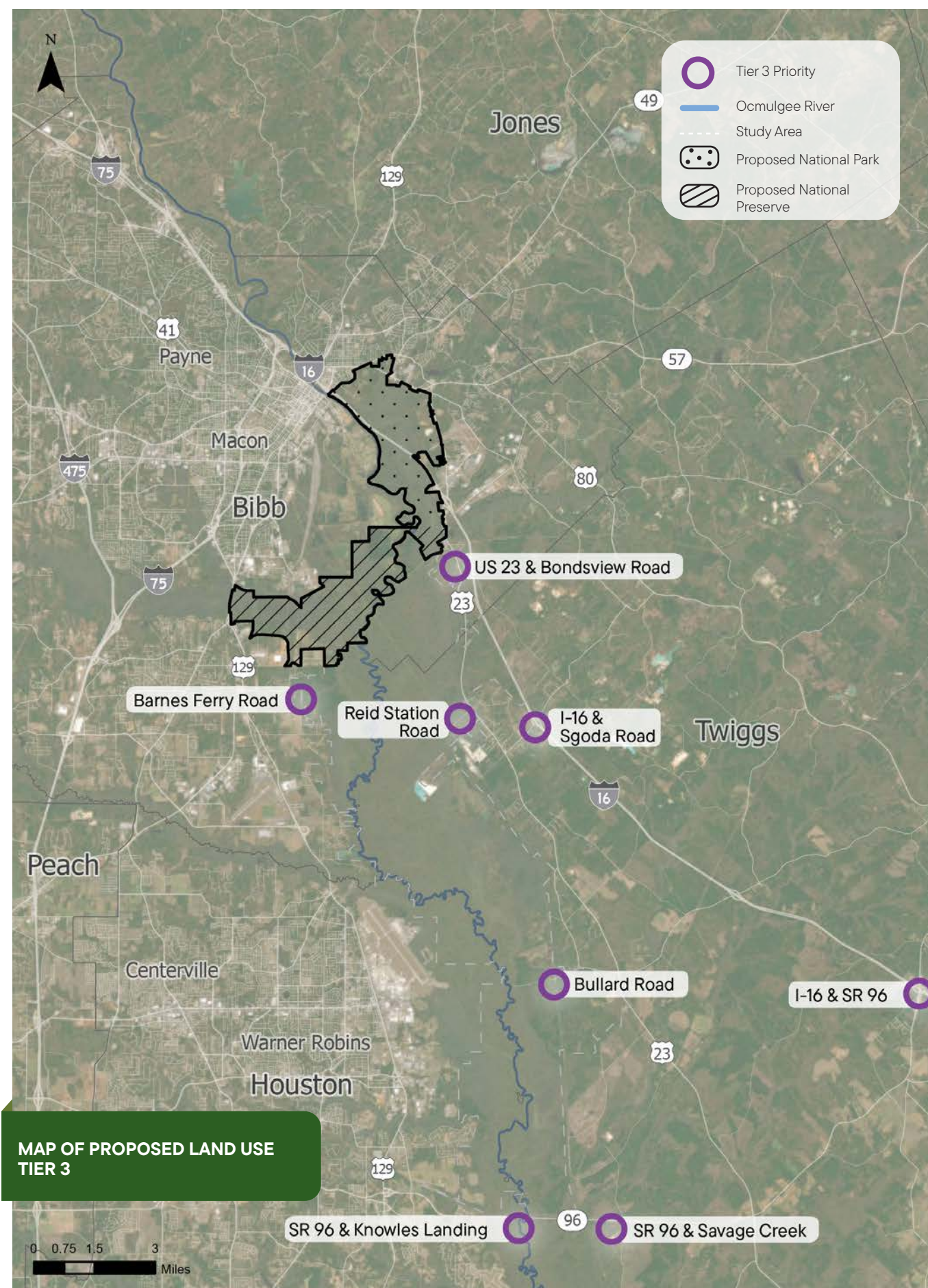
- Identify land conservation areas and limit environmental and cultural impacts
- Limit uses to facilitate low-impact lodging and camping with essential services (i.e., water, sewer, and provisions)
- Incorporate policies and appropriate processes to manage circumstances where previously unknown cultural resources may be found or uncovered
- Limit areas to key points that provide access to recreation and river corridor points of interest
- Incorporate areas with off-road connectivity including trails

Priority Actions:

- Incorporate Strategic Plan Land Use Recommendations into Comprehensive Plan Updates
- Ensure policies align with Strategic Plan at a regional level through coordination with MGRC
- Assess Tier 3 nodes based on appropriate access from transportation access and infrastructure needs, economic development opportunities, and cultural and environmental feasibility and sensitivity
- Coordinate with cultural, conservation, and environmental groups to ensure land is protected and limited to low-impact land uses

Lead Entities: MGRC, Macon-Bibb County, Twiggs County, Houston County, City of Warner Robins

Success Metrics: Policies align across jurisdictions and regionally; recommendations are included in the comprehensive plan updates; development impact maintains environment integrity; infrastructure is integrated with land use and environmentally appropriate to the location; recreational uses and areas are activated



MAP OF PROPOSED LAND USE
TIER 3



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TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation systems in and around the Ocmulgee River corridor play a vital role in shaping not only mobility throughout the area, but social connectivity and economic vitality as well. With the proposed expansion of the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve, strategic transportation planning ensures improved accessibility, supports a stronger, more resilient local business community, and promotes community health through better connections to green spaces and the river. This section of the Strategic Plan evaluates current infrastructure conditions, projects future demand, and identifies transportation needs that align with the park’s growth and surrounding land uses. It also explores how transportation networks support complementary development in nearby communities and facilitate coordination with local jurisdictions for seamless access to public lands.

Findings

The existing transportation network in the Ocmulgee region presents both challenges and opportunities for enhancing access to the proposed National Park and Preserve, and mobility throughout the area.

The corridor currently faces a major gap in east-west connectivity: there is no roadway crossing of the Ocmulgee River for over 20 miles between Macon and Highway 96. This underscores the importance of preserving the function of existing connections to maintain freight mobility and regional travel efficiency. Public transportation options to the park remain limited, and infrastructure is intentionally minimal in undeveloped natural areas to preserve ecological and archaeological integrity.

However, these conditions offer a chance to explore innovative, low-impact mobility solutions. Safety is also a concern particularly to the north and east of the existing National Historical Park where regional thoroughfares overlap heavily used pedestrian routes. The current park entrance is insufficient for growing demand without significant improvements, and while alternative or improved access points exist, they face notable physical and environmental constraints.

Bond Swamp’s expansive wetlands, high water table, and sensitive ecological zones complicate the design of a second entrance and the expansion of the current one, as well as the design of east-west crossing of the river corridor. These natural features underscore the importance of thoughtful planning that respects fragile habitats, cultural heritage, and areas of archaeological significance. Despite these constraints, the region has strong assets to build upon.

The Ocmulgee Heritage Trail already provides multimodal connections to the park and East Macon, and the trail’s extension offers potential for expanded access with improved interpretation and formal trailheads. Improvements to existing east-west connections are underway, and traffic safety and pedestrian improvements within East Macon and to downtown are underway.

With careful coordination and investment, transportation in the Ocmulgee region can evolve to meet future needs while honoring the area’s unique environmental and cultural landscape.

Key Challenges and Opportunities

Improving Access and Connectivity

Transportation infrastructure plays a critical role in shaping how people will experience and interact with the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve. As the park expands, improving access to nature and recreational spaces becomes a central priority. This includes enhancing river access for paddling and fishing, expanding trail networks within the preserve to support hiking and biking, and increasing parking availability to accommodate growing visitation. These improvements are designed to make the park more inclusive and navigable.

A key strategy involves studying the feasibility of a second entrance to the park or significantly improving the existing one. The current single-lane underpass of the historic railroad bridge leading to the Great Temple Mound is insufficient to meet rising demand, often leading to congestion. It precludes access for school buses and tour groups, and may slow emergency response. A new or expanded entrance would provide alternative routes and improve traffic flow but must be carefully planned to avoid disrupting sensitive ecological zones such as wetlands and areas of cultural or archaeological importance.

Introducing transit and shuttle services to and within the park offers a promising solution to accessibility challenges. Public transportation options are currently limited, especially for residents of East Macon and no stop currently exists at the entrance to the park or at the visitor center. A dedicated transit route to the park could reduce reliance on personal vehicles, ease traffic congestion, and promote sustainable tourism. A shuttle could additionally benefit tourism in Macon, increasing foot traffic to local businesses.

Moreover, expanded public transportation and active transportation infrastructure should build upon the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail to create stronger regional connectivity. Opportunities exist to extend trail connections that expand access to recreation, river access points, and cultural resources, particularly along the east side of the park boundary near Emery Highway where a former rail corridor has been identified as a potential shared use trail. Continued coordination with Macon-Bibb County, Jones County, and Baldwin County is recommended to advance ongoing feasibility efforts associated with the proposed Central Georgia Rail Trail, a 33-mile abandoned railway corridor connecting Macon, Jones County, and Milledgeville. This multi-purpose initiative would restore vitality to a dormant transportation asset while promoting healthy activity, human connectivity, and long term resource preservation. By linking communities across county lines and integrating with existing park infrastructure, these trail extensions would strengthen multimodal access, expand recreation opportunities, and reinforce the park’s role as a regional anchor.

Environmental and Cultural Sensitivity

While expanding access is essential, transportation and infrastructure planning must account for the ecological and cultural sensitivities of the Ocmulgee landscape. Roadway, trail, and utility improvements in and around the park must be designed to avoid destabilizing wetlands, intensifying flood risk, disturbing wildlife corridors, or impacting areas of archaeological and historical importance. The region’s high water table, low-lying soils, and concentration of culturally significant sites create unique engineering and siting constraints that require context-sensitive, low-impact infrastructure solutions.

Protecting the natural and cultural landscape is not only a shared value, it directly shapes how infrastructure can be built, maintained, and experienced. Any new transportation investment, whether a road improvement, river access point, trail connection, or transit facility, must be evaluated for its functional performance as well as its potential impacts on sensitive resources. This includes conducting appropriate environmental and engineering assessments, coordinating with Tribal and local partners, integrating resilient design practices, and ensuring that infrastructure enhances visitor access without diminishing the landscape’s character or cultural meaning.

Safety Enhancements

Safety is a major concern for both vehicular and pedestrian travel around the park and in East Macon. Many corridors experience conflicting priorities between high travel speeds and full access, limited sight distance, and gaps in pedestrian infrastructure, all of which pose risks to residents and visitors. Targeted safety interventions can improve pedestrian visibility, reduce conflict points, and calm traffic in critical areas.

These measures are intended to make travel safer and more predictable, particularly near park entrances and community access points where volumes are highest. Expanding pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure will further support non-motorized travel and encourage healthier, more sustainable transportation options.

Multi-Agency Coordination

Effective implementation depends on aligning regional and local planning efforts, coordinating capital investments, securing funding, and streamlining regulatory processes. Strong multi-agency collaboration will help ensure that infrastructure projects advance efficiently and remain consistent with broader environmental and cultural priorities.

Intergovernmental Coordination

The following partners play essential roles in shaping a transportation network that supports the park’s expansion, improves community access, and ensures infrastructure decisions preserve the area’s environmental and cultural context, working with the Nation and the NPS through the Policy and Action Committee.

GDOT: leads state roadway and interchange projects affecting park access and regional mobility.

Macon Area Transportation Study MPO (MATS MPO): aligns regional planning and funding to support long-term transportation needs.

Macon–Bibb County Transit Authority (MTA): integrates transit options and expands service coverage.

Macon Water Authority: oversees water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure critical to supporting new development and protecting environmental resources.

MGRC: provides cross-jurisdictional coordination and technical support.

Macon–Bibb, Houston, and Twiggs County Governments: manages local roadways, access points, and related policies.

Norfolk Southern: coordinates rail operations, crossings, safety considerations, and access near active rail corridors.

Macon–Bibb Emergency Management Agency: ensures emergency response access, evacuation routes, and public safety coordination related to park activities and infrastructure.

Robins AFB: ensures compatibility between park development and airfield base operations, including buffers, controlled access, and environmental compliance.

USFWS: oversees adjacent federal lands and reviews infrastructure near sensitive habitats.



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Strategic Framework and Priority Actions

The existing conditions, needs, challenges, and opportunities discussed earlier provide the foundation for a strategy and set of priority actions for transportation and infrastructure improvements around the proposed National Park and Preserve.

Targeted Improvements Around and Within the Park

Around the Park

Safety and connectivity upgrades around the park are essential to improving access and reducing hazards. Funded improvements to Gray Highway will address traffic risks near park entrances, while planned upgrades to Emery Highway will enhance pedestrian safety and access. A new multimodal safety and access study for East Macon would complement these improvements and facilitate connectivity between the park and nearby neighborhoods.

A Jeffersonville Road improvement project has long been considered but not advanced due to a railroad crossing. Whether or not the road project advances, sidewalk infrastructure improvements are recommended where feasible to enhance community connectivity and support non-motorized travel. At the main park entrance, improved vehicular access, including the potential construction of a roundabout, should be considered to streamline traffic and improve safety. Additionally, providing dedicated areas for bus parking and circulation would better accommodate group visits and reduce congestion at the main entrance.

Within the Park

Internal park improvements are designed to enhance mobility, orientation, and visitor experience. Reopening the bridge and walkway on the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail is a priority action that will restore a key pedestrian connection and improve trail continuity. Additional side paths and trail connections between the park and the preserve will create a more integrated trail system. Establishment of a sidewalk or trail along Ocmulgee National Park Road provides an alternative access route for walking and biking and adds variety to the visitor experience.

Future planning should also explore expanded connections to culturally significant sites within the park system. Brown’s Mount is currently open to visitors and provides an important opportunity to strengthen interpretive linkages and physical access within the broader trail network. Lamar Mounds, another nationally significant cultural site owned by NPS, is currently not open to the public due to high hazard conditions and ongoing erosion concerns. Substantial stabilization and safety improvements would be required before public access could be considered. Coordination with NPS will be necessary to evaluate long term options for site protection, stabilization, and potential future activation in a manner that prioritizes cultural resource preservation and visitor safety.

Gateway features and wayfinding signage should be installed to reinforce the park’s identity and help visitors navigate the landscape more effectively. A parking study is needed to evaluate the balance between internal and external parking options, aiming to minimize environmental impact while meeting the needs of visitors and nearby residents.

Advancing Priority Projects for Preserve and Natural Area Access

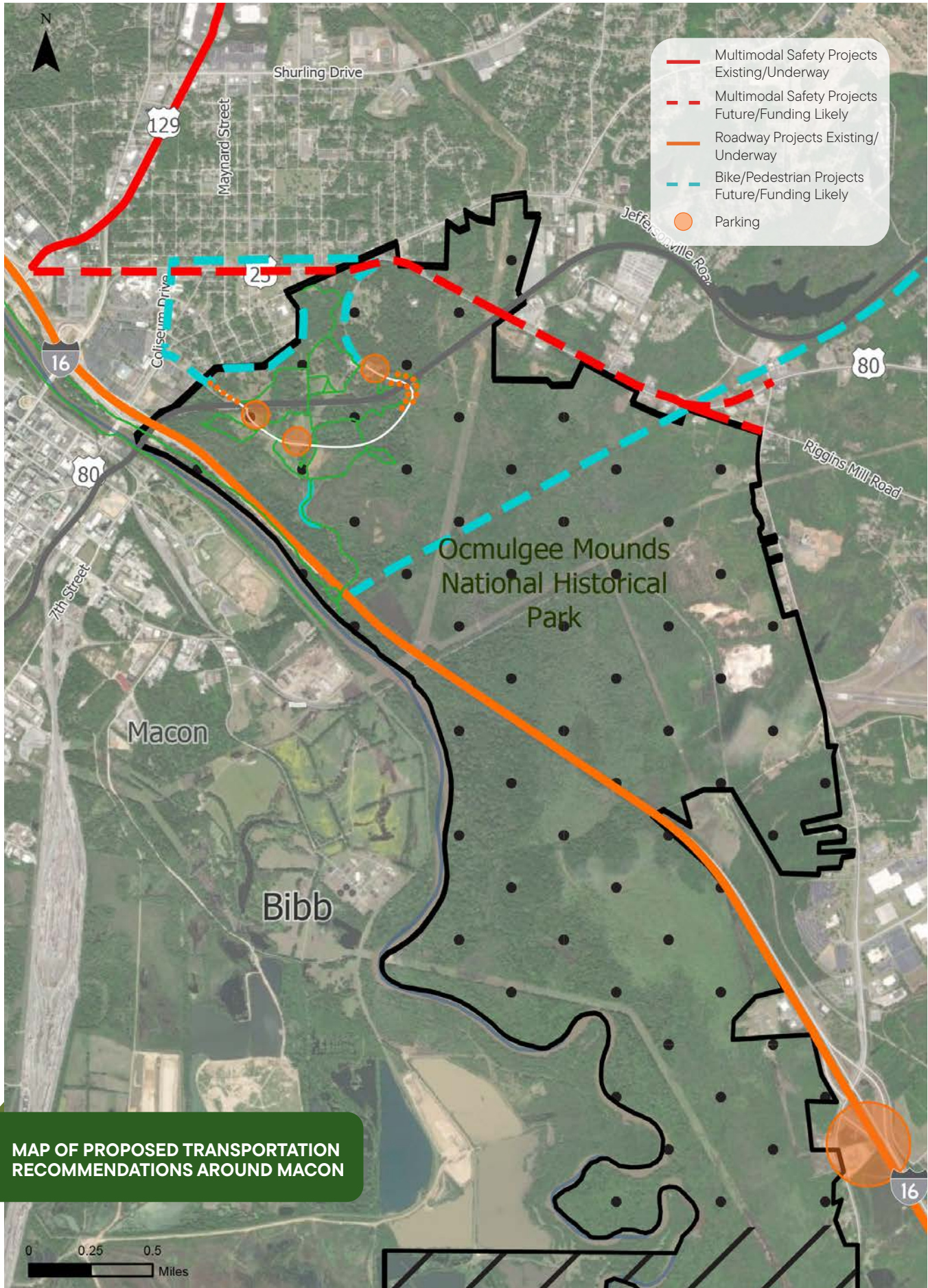
Several priority projects have been identified to improve access to natural areas and recreational destinations within the region. The Bondsview Road improvement project, which has secured funding, will ensure continued access to Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge and adjacent natural areas. Alongside, a new boat ramp will be established where Bondsview Road meets the Ocmulgee River. These upgrades will support conservation, recreation, and environmental education by making these spaces more accessible to the public.

Complementary maintenance and wayfinding enhancements at Bond Swamp access points are also planned. These improvements will help visitors navigate the area more confidently and engage more deeply with its ecological and cultural features. Various new river access points are being developed to support recreational use such as kayaking and fishing, while also serving as platforms for environmental education and stewardship.

To accommodate increased visitation, expanded parking facilities adjacent to the Preserve, and in alignment with Tier 3 land use activity nodes (see Page 33), are a strategic priority. These enhancements will allow visitors to experience the preserve, reduce overflow parking in sensitive areas, and support a safe and welcoming visitor experience.



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Unlocking Transformative Access Opportunities

Improving access to the heart of the park and preserve is viewed as a transformative opportunity to elevate the visitor experience. Currently, access to the park is restricted at Clinton Street due to the heavily used Norfolk-Southern rail line. The entrance is not open to the public and maintenance vehicles can only cross the rail line at-grade. To address this constraint, a grade-separated crossing off Clinton Street is worthy of exploration. Potential barriers to this approach include the impact to viewshed for visitors (overpass), a high water table (underpass), potential archaeological disturbances, cost, and logistical hurdles.

Alternatively, expansion of the current underpass to accommodate buses and bi-directional traffic is a possibility. Historic preservation, ecological and archaeological, logistical, and monetary barriers also limit this option. To best understand the available crossing options, a feasibility study of both locations is necessary to properly weigh the benefits and limitations associated with each.

To further improve internal circulation and accessibility, shuttle services across existing entrances provide an additional approach to consider. These services would reduce vehicle traffic within the park, support mobility for all visitors, and enhance the overall experience by offering convenient, low-impact transportation options.

Development of the Central Georgia Rail-Trail connecting Milledgeville to the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail would complement other access improvements. This regional greenway network would offer substantial recreational and economic benefits, connecting the region and promoting outdoor recreation across Middle Georgia.

Strengthening Regional Access and Gateway Connectivity

A foundational priority of the strategic framework is to address transportation needs within the boundaries of the proposed National Park and Preserve alongside needs across the broader study area. Surrounding communities serve as gateways to the Proposed Park and Preserve, and their connectivity directly influences visitor experience, local mobility, and economic opportunity. Strategic investments in these areas ensure that transportation improvements benefit both visitors and residents, fostering inclusive access and regional cohesion.

Improving on and preserving the existing east-west connectivity of the region is a central regional access objective, particularly in the corridor between I-16 and I-75, where access remains limited. As previously noted, this area presents a significant limitation to regional mobility and freight efficiency. Addressing it through targeted infrastructure upgrades will improve travel flow, reduce congestion, and support economic development across Middle Georgia, while minimizing impacts to environmentally and culturally sensitive areas.

The ongoing I-16 interchange improvements are a key step towards enhancing existing facilities, providing smoother access to the park from the east and improving regional travel reliability.

State Route (SR) 96 is undergoing expansion, which will enhance east-west movement and provide an additional access corridor. However, to preserve safety and prevent future congestion, access management strategies must be implemented alongside this expansion. These may include establishment of a median, shared driveways and parallel access roads, or other complementary strategies. A wildlife crossing has also been proposed alongside future phases of expansion of SR 96, and has the potential to enhance habitat continuity throughout the area. Additionally, an extension of Sgoda Road and Sardis Church Road has been considered to relieve pressure on existing infrastructure and offer alternative routes to the park and surrounding areas. This extension, however, would require substantial capital investment, faces complicated environmental hurdles, and is in tension with both providing an unbroken habitat and wilderness experience to visitors of Bond Swamp.

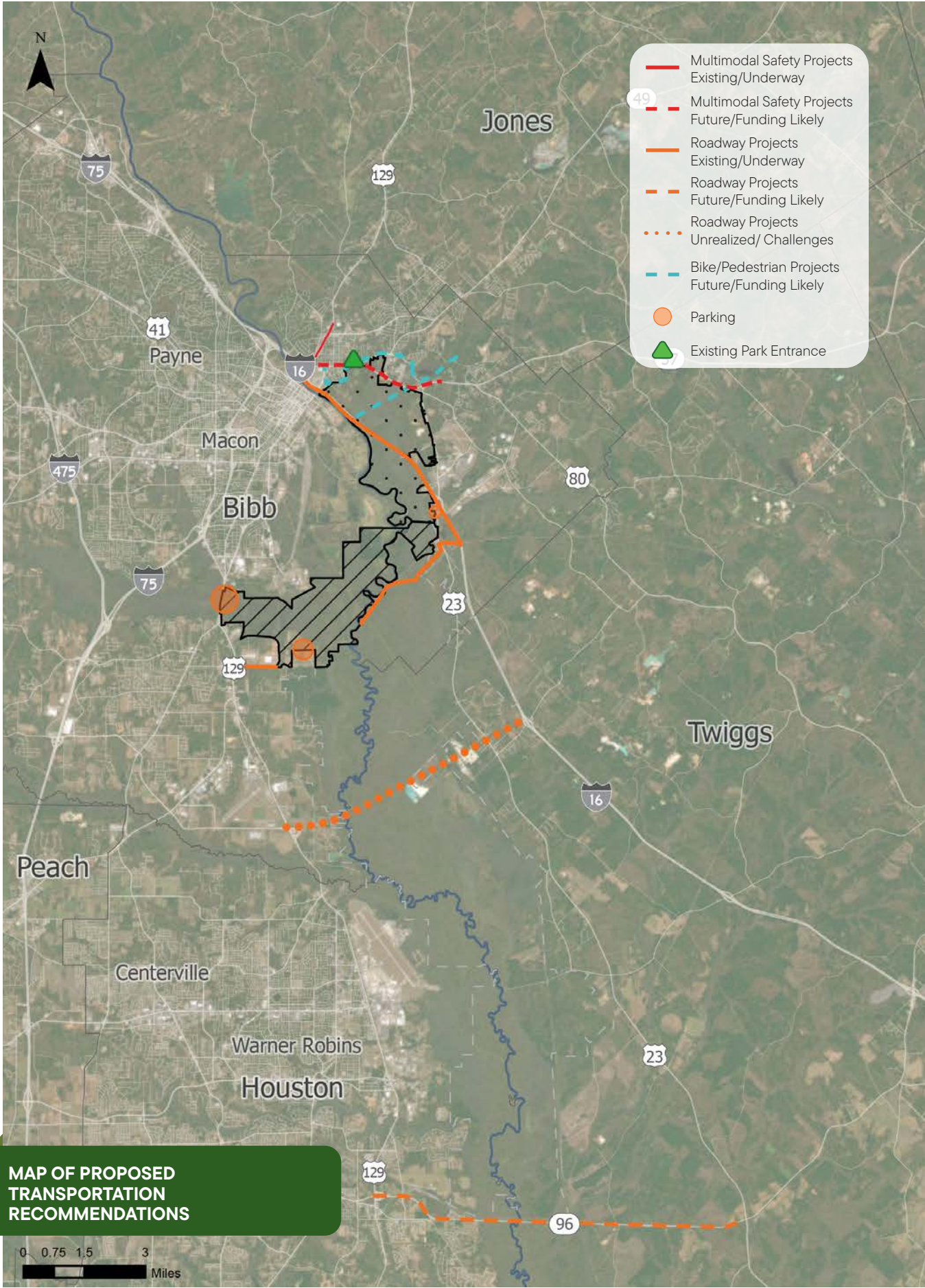
Addressing Implementation Challenges

While the strategic framework outlines steps toward implementation, several potential obstacles must be addressed to realize these transportation improvements and their associated benefits. Environmental constraints limit where and how infrastructure can be developed. Cultural and archaeological sensitivities also require careful planning to ensure that historic and sacred sites are preserved.

Experiential concerns must be considered to maintain the park’s natural and historical character. Infrastructure should enhance the visitor experience, preserving the sense of place and connection to the landscape. Finally, monetary and logistical challenges, including funding, permitting, and interagency coordination, present practical barriers to implementation. Overcoming these challenges will require strategic investment, stakeholder collaboration, and a commitment to sustainable development.



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Targeted Improvements Around and Within the Park

Objective: Upgrade internal circulation and adjacent infrastructure to enhance safety, reduce congestion, and improve visitor experience

Priority Actions:

- Complete a roadway safety audit and preliminary engineering for recommended solutions along Emery Highway, including a potential roundabout at the main entrance to the Park
- Conduct a multimodal access plan for East Macon focused on pedestrian and bicyclist safety
- Conduct a parking and mobility study for the Park and surrounding areas
- Re-open the entirety of the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail within the Park alongside development and enactment of flooding abatement and mitigation strategies to minimize the effects of future flooding
- Develop gateway features and wayfinding signage to reinforce the Park’s identity
- Establish a sidepath alongside Ocmulgee National Park Road from Emery Highway to the visitor center
- Establish bus parking at the park welcome center

Lead Entities: NPS, County DOTs, MATS, Macon-Bibb County

Success Metrics: Increase in multimodal access points to the Park; installation of gateway features and additional wayfinding; inclusion of safety improvements in Emery Highway safety improvements in the upcoming TIP cycle; completion of multimodal access and parking studies; bus parking at Park Visitor Center

Advancing Priority Projects for Preserve and Natural Area Access

Objective: Deliver priority transportation and access improvements, including wayfinding, parking, and river access, that enable safe, intuitive, and environmentally responsible public access to Bond Swamp, the Ocmulgee River, and adjacent natural areas

Priority Actions:

- Site and install wayfinding signage at Bond Swamp access points and along the river corridor
- Identify parking locations for enhanced access to the Preserve, in conjunction with establishment of Tier 3 land use nodes
- Support the development of new river access points

Lead Entities: NPS, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb County, Altamaha RiverKeepers, Houston County, MGRC, GDOT, Macon-Bibb Fire/EMA

Success Metrics: Installation of additional wayfinding signage; selection of preferred and alternate parking locations near Tier 3 land use nodes; determination of preferred and alternate additional river access points

Provide Transformative Access to the Park

Objective: Develop innovative transportation solutions that redefine how visitors experience and reach the park

Priority Actions:

- Conduct a feasibility study regarding potential park access improvements at the Clinton Street at-grade crossing and expansion of the underpass along the park road
- Determine funding for capital and operations of shuttle running from Visitor Center to the Great Temple Mound, or over the Clinton Street railroad crossing from the future site of the cultural center
- Coordinate with MTA to establish a transit stop at the Visitor Center

Lead Entities: NPS, MGRC, GDOT, MTA, MATS, Macon-Bibb County

Success Metrics: Completion of feasibility study regarding park access improvement options; Securing of capital and operations funding for shuttle service within the Park; addition of transit stop at the Visitor Center

Strengthen Regional Access and Gateway Connectivity

Objective: Facilitate regional travel and multimodal connections to the National Park and Preserve, ensuring safe access for all visitors while supporting local and regional economic vitality

Priority Actions:

- Develop an updated scoping study for the Central Georgia Rail-Trail running from Milledgeville to the Ocmulgee Heritage Trail
- Coordinate with Twiggs County and Houston County in establishing an access management policy along SR 96, between Cochran Short Route and US 129, to preserve mobility across the corridor

Lead Entities: NPS, GDOT, Jones County, Regional MPOs, County DOTs

Success Metrics: Model access management policies along SR 96 in Twiggs and Houston Counties; completion of scoping Study; addition of a bus stop at the Park Welcome Center



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INFRASTRUCTURE

Findings

Infrastructure in the Ocmulgee corridor underpins community safety, ecological health, visitor experience, and long-term resilience. While transportation systems connect people to the landscape, the supporting infrastructure determines how sustainably those connections function. As visitation grows and the proposed Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve takes shape, planning for infrastructure must balance access, safety, and education with protection of cultural resources and sensitive riverine environments.

A central component of floodplain infrastructure is the Macon levee, which extends approximately 5.5 miles along the Ocmulgee River. Constructed primarily as an earthen structure, the levee provides critical flood protection for developed areas near downtown Macon and safeguards several essential assets located behind the system, including Central City Park, a wastewater treatment plant, and a closed landfill facility that cannot be inundated by floodwaters. Flood resilience challenges extend beyond the levee itself. In several areas of the region, historic railroad construction and other development have altered natural drainage patterns, in some cases dividing existing drainage basins and contributing to localized flooding. Increased flooding was also observed in South Bibb County, particularly near Echeconnee Creek, where linear ditch systems and drainage constraints contribute to recurring issues.

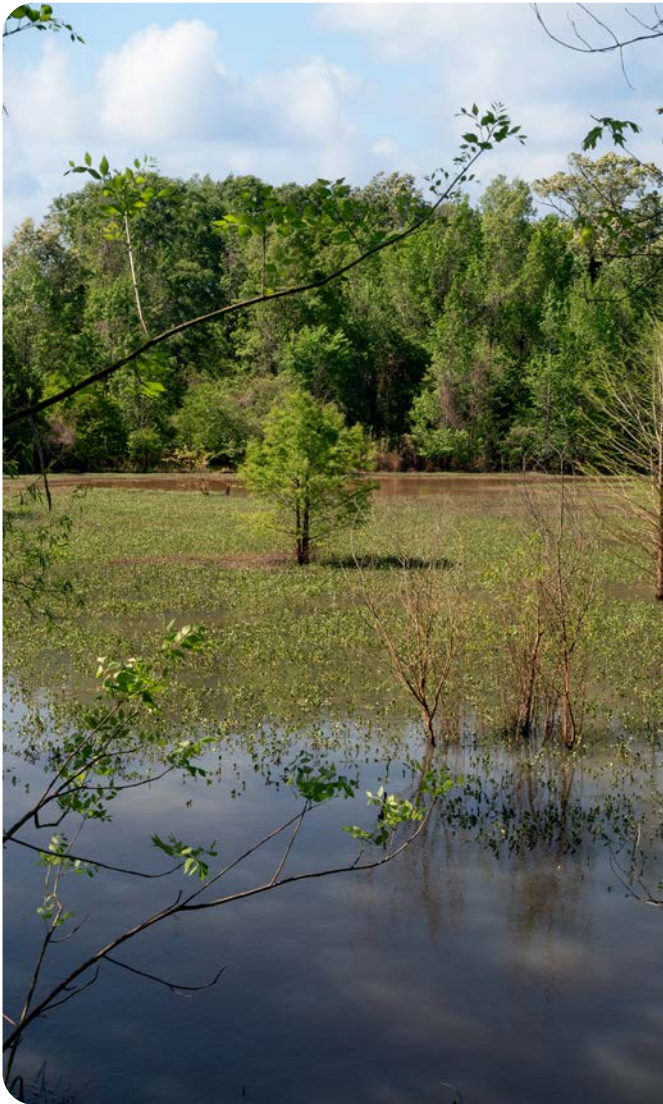
Macon faces significant aging stormwater infrastructure. Existing systems include terracotta pipes, rusted metal pipes, and brick storm drains that are approaching the end of their useful life. Earlier replacement efforts installed corrugated metal pipes, many of which are now deteriorating as well. As a result, many current repairs involve temporary patching rather than full system replacement. The Macon Water Authority has identified approximately \$4.5 million in capital improvement needs to stabilize and upgrade portions of the stormwater system.

This section focuses first on infrastructure within and immediately adjacent to the park, where visitor capacity, public safety, and environmental stewardship intersect most directly, and then expands outward to address corridor-wide stormwater, flood protection, water quality, and emergency coordination. Together, these systems form an integrated network that supports safe access to public lands, protects communities and cultural sites from flooding, and sustains the river and wetlands that define the Ocmulgee.

Key Challenges and Opportunities

The expansion of the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve presents an opportunity to modernize infrastructure systems in ways that enhance visitor experience, strengthen hazard resilience, and protect the river’s natural and cultural landscape. Coordinated investment can bridge long-standing gaps between local and federal infrastructure systems while introducing nature-based and technology-driven solutions.

However, these opportunities are matched by several challenges. The patchwork condition of existing stormwater systems complicates regional coordination, while the aging levee requires substantial funding and interagency alignment to restore its protective function. Increasing visitation will place new pressure on water supply, wastewater capacity, and solid waste management. Balancing improved river access with cultural and ecological protection requires clear design standards and consistent maintenance partnerships. Finally, advancing climate resilience, improved telecommunications, and emerging smart infrastructure will require significant initial investment and a clear long-term operations strategy.



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Intergovernmental Coordination

Muscogee (Creek) Nation: Provides sovereign leadership, cultural protocols, and review authority for projects affecting ancestral lands, river access, and shared management areas.

National Park Service (NPS): Coordinates federal planning, permitting, and resource protection for park access, visitor use, and infrastructure within and immediately adjacent to the National Park and Preserve.

USFWS: Provides guidance on habitat protection, wildlife considerations, and federal resource reviews for projects near sensitive ecological areas.

Macon Water Authority (MWA): Oversees water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure; evaluates impacts of new development; and ensures environmental compliance and system resilience.

Implementation should be led by the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee, supported by subcommittees focused on river access, emergency management, and regional infrastructure. Working together, the partners listed above ensure that coordination remains proactive, culturally grounded, and technically aligned all while advancing safe river access, resilient infrastructure, coordinated emergency response, and long-term stewardship of the Ocmulgee corridor.

Macon–Bibb County Emergency Management Agency (EMA): Leads emergency response planning, river safety coordination, public safety communication, and hazard mitigation activities within the corridor.

GDOT: Coordinates transportation, roadway, and safety improvements influencing access, mobility, and infrastructure adjacent to the river and the park.

USACE: Reviews and permits activities affecting waterways, wetlands, floodplains, and river access infrastructure in accordance with federal regulations.

Strategic Framework and Priority Actions

Visitor Infrastructure and Capacity

Within the core visitor areas of the park, the most immediate need is to plan for how many people the landscape can safely and sustainably accommodate. NPS and partners should consider developing two related planning tools:

- A **Visitor Use Management Plan**, which would define the number and type of visitors the park can support and identify capacity-based infrastructure needs such as parking, restrooms, shuttle staging, campsites, overlooks, and structured river access. Although not mandatory, this plan is strongly recommended as visitation increases.
- A **Site Development Plan**, which would lay out the physical organization of key sites—visitor centers, activity hubs, trailheads, campground areas, and utility corridors—and ensure that new development respects cultural sensitivities, hydrologic constraints, and long-term maintenance capacity.

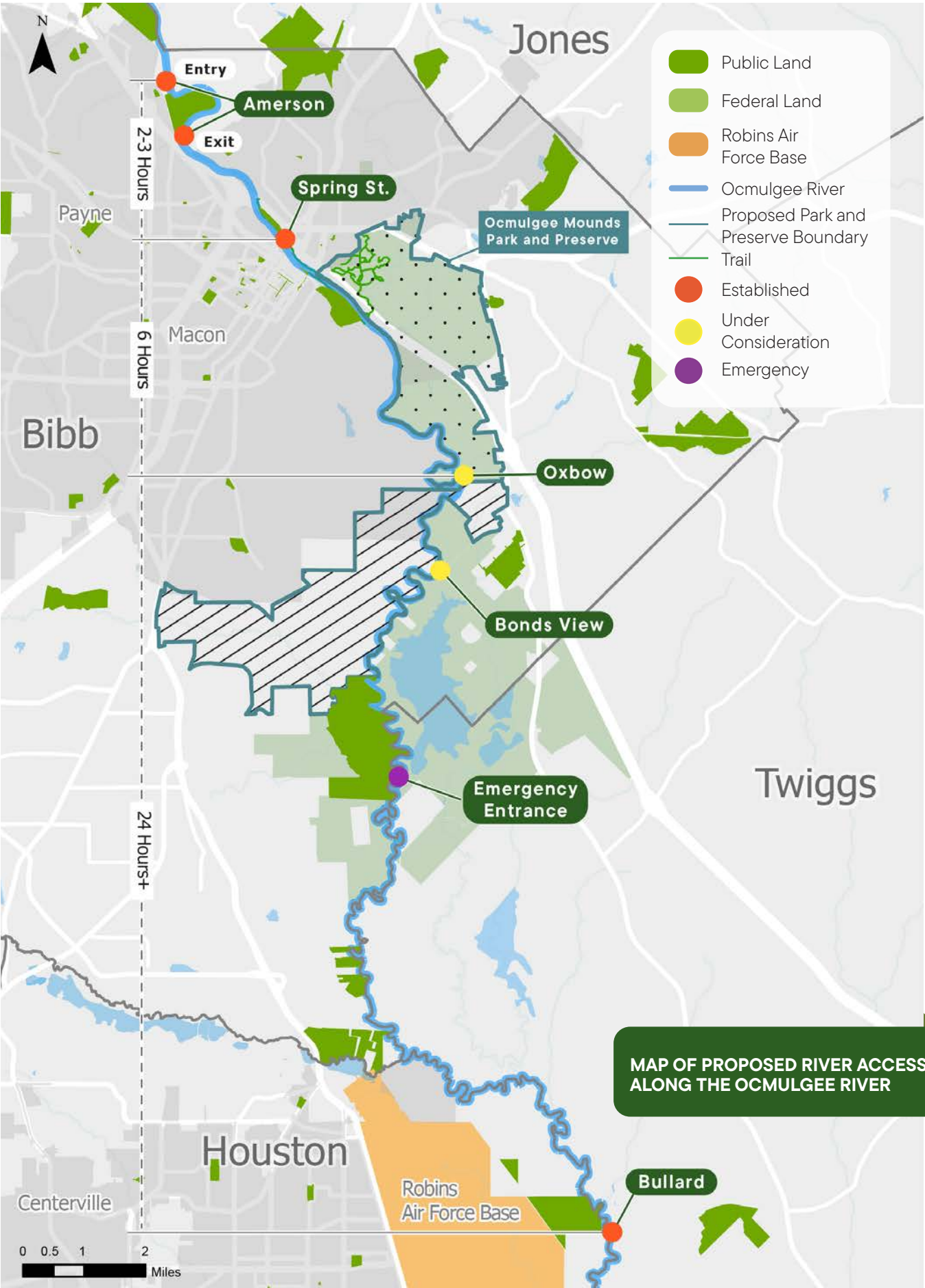
These tools create a framework for sizing and siting built features (visitor centers, parking lots, hardened river access points) before reactive construction begins, and they help clarify phasing: what must be built in the next two to five years versus what comes later.

As part of this planning, utility demands for water, wastewater, energy, and communications must be assessed at the existing visitor center and other high-use nodes. More people means more strain on bathroom capacity, potable water access, and waste handling. Scalable, low-impact systems—such as decentralized treatment with spray fields, vault or composting toilets, and water bottle refill stations—can support growth while minimizing environmental impact. Coordination with the MWA will be essential to assess capacity and explore service extensions.

Waste management also becomes an infrastructure issue: trash and recycling receptacles must be intentionally located; composting and waste-minimization practices should be built into operations; and service buildings for custodial and maintenance staff will be needed to keep public areas clean and safe.

Future visitor-facing improvements should also integrate smart and adaptive infrastructure. Motion-activated, low-glare lighting can improve safety along paths and in parking areas while limiting light pollution and conserving energy. Digital signage and interactive maps can provide real-time information on trail closures, river flow conditions, cultural interpretation, and safety advisories without printing and reprinting static materials. AI-supported monitoring tools, including intelligent cameras that can detect distress or trespass in restricted areas, and sensor-based crack gauges that monitor embankment or bluff stability, can strengthen public safety and staff awareness in a landscape defined by high water, steep banks, and sensitive archaeological sites. These features should be implemented in consultation with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to ensure they support cultural protection, not surveillance of cultural practice.

Finally, basic life-safety infrastructure such as emergency communication points, improved telecommunications coverage at high-use sites, and clearly marked emergency access routes will be critical as visitation grows. These resources will be critical to the potential implementation of camping sites or platforms along the river. As visitors spend more time at the National Park and Preserve, and along the Ocmulgee River corridor, dependency on supporting infrastructure will also grow. Access cannot be increased without also scaling sanitation, utilities, safety systems, and maintenance capability.



River Access

Improving river access along the Ocmulgee River provides important benefits for recreation, safety, and emergency response. Key access nodes identified on the corridor map, including Amerson, Spring Street, Oxbow, Bondsview, the Emergency Entrance south of Tobesofkee Creek, and Bullard Landing, should be upgraded to consistent corridor wide design standards. These upgrades should include flood resilient culverts and crossings, stabilized launch ramps, improved parking and staging areas, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant access routes, and clearly defined emergency response zones that allow first responders to reach the river when needed.

Each access point should undergo a site-specific assessment that examines visibility, safe entry and exit, bank stability, flood frequency, and reliable launch conditions during both low and high flows. Navigation markers, mile post identifiers, and standardized directional and hazard signage should be installed along the river to support recreation and to assist emergency personnel during response efforts. A map of the proposed river access points along with expected float times is displayed on the previous page.

A coordinated access network should reflect the different conditions found along the river. Upstream reaches near Amerson experience high recreational use and require improved safety management, clear exit points, and on site supervision during peak seasons. Central access locations such as Spring Street and Oxbow support shorter trips and should serve as dependable staging areas. Further downstream, sites such as Bondsview and Bullard Landing require structural improvements including culvert replacement, bank stabilization, and upgraded access roads to ensure reliable and safe river entry. South of Macon-Bibb, where long and quiet reaches are common and deadfall often obstructs the channel, access

planning should incorporate designated emergency pull outs and coordination with emergency management staff trained for river response.

The placement and design of new or improved access points should be guided by hydraulic and floodplain modeling and implemented with partners such as the Ocmulgee Water Trail Partnership. Modeling results that describe velocity, shear stress, inundation patterns, and expected flood behavior under future conditions will help identify which areas provide safe and stable public access and which areas may require reinforcement or should be avoided. Integrating these analyses into planning will ensure the corridor builds an access network that is safe, resilient, and compatible with the natural dynamics of the river. Where access features are proposed near Robins AFB, final locations and design should include coordination with Robins AFB security and operations teams to confirm compatibility with base safety and operational needs.

Emergency Response

A coordinated Emergency Response Plan developed jointly by NPS, the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb County EMA and Fire Department, and Houston County Fire Rescue should address both river-based and land-based emergencies across the park and surrounding communities. This plan should identify designated swiftwater rescue sites, safe egress and evacuation routes, and shared training and equipment standards for responding agencies.

Interagency MOUs should formalize procedures for entering and operating on federal land during emergencies, ensuring clarity on jurisdiction, liability, and reimbursement protocols. These agreements can also establish unified communication protocols and delineate roles for incident command, allowing for more efficient coordination during floods, wildfires, severe weather events, and other emergencies that may affect the river corridor and adjacent lands.

At the time of publication of this strategic plan, the Macon-Bibb County Emergency Management Agency initiated an update to its Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan. The strategic plan and the Hazard Mitigation Plan will be closely coordinated to ensure alignment of priorities, shared data, and complementary implementation strategies within the proposed park boundary and surrounding corridor.

Stormwater, Flood Resilience, and Restoration

The Ocmulgee River corridor’s long-term resilience is closely tied to how water moves through the broader landscape, from upland drainage systems to floodplain storage and river processes. Flood risk management, aging stormwater infrastructure, and ecological restoration are interconnected challenges that require a coordinated, watershed-scale strategy aligned with the goals of the Strategic Plan.

Questions have been raised about how the Macon levee may influence river hydraulics, downstream habitat, cultural resources, and public safety as recreational use of the Ocmulgee River continues to grow. Further evaluation in coordination with the Macon Water Authority (MWA) and the USACE could help clarify how the levee interacts with the surrounding floodplain and whether adjustments to management strategies or infrastructure approaches could improve overall system performance.

One potential pathway for evaluation is the USACE Section 1135 Program, authorized under the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, which allows USACE to study and implement modifications to existing projects where they may have contributed to environmental degradation. A feasibility study could assess opportunities to maintain necessary flood protection while improving ecological connectivity, river function, and floodplain conditions. Future assessments may also consider which levee segments remain essential for protecting critical infrastructure and developed areas

and whether other segments could be modified to improve ecological function while maintaining appropriate flood risk management. Portions of the levee occur on privately owned land, including rail yards and mining areas, which can complicate access, coordination, and long-term maintenance.

Water quality restoration and riverbank stabilization present opportunities for landscape-scale collaboration across public and private lands. Expanding native riparian buffers, including reintroducing rivercane (*Arundinaria gigantea*) in historically vegetated areas, along with adjusting mowing practices and implementing agricultural erosion controls can reduce sediment and nutrient loading while strengthening bank stability and improving habitat continuity. Where shoreline protection is needed, restoration strategies should prioritize living shoreline approaches over hard armoring whenever feasible. Techniques such as native vegetation establishment, stabilized slopes, floodplain reconnection, floodplain benching, and side-channel reconnection can reduce erosion, absorb flood energy, and restore natural river processes while maintaining channel flexibility.

Addressing stormwater and flooding challenges will require a corridor-wide assessment of stormwater and flood infrastructure to identify priority retrofit locations and coordinate investments across the watershed. Improvements should combine traditional infrastructure upgrades with nature-based approaches such as bioswales, restored wetlands, and expanded riparian buffers to store floodwater, reduce peak flows, and improve water quality. Hydraulic and floodplain modeling should guide where restoration, infrastructure upgrades, and public access improvements are most appropriate. This analysis should incorporate future-conditions floodplain mapping that accounts for changing rainfall patterns, upstream development, and watershed dynamics so that investments remain effective over time.



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Visitor Infrastructure and Capacity

Objective: Plan, size, and phase visitor infrastructure to safely accommodate increased visitation while protecting cultural resources, hydrologic constraints, and long-term maintenance capacity

Priority Actions:

- Complete coordinated assessments of water, wastewater, energy, communications, waste management, and sanitation needs at existing and proposed high-use nodes
- Initiate Visitor Use Management Plan and Site Development Plan to define visitor capacity thresholds and guide siting of facilities (parking, restrooms, staging areas, campsites, overlooks, utility corridors)
- Integrate scalable, low-impact utilities (composting/vault toilets, decentralized treatment, refill stations) and smart/adaptive infrastructure such as digital signage, motion-activated low-glare lighting, and monitoring systems
- Establish maintenance and custodial service needs, including trash, composting, and recycling strategies
- Expand sanitation, access, and visitor safety infrastructure as usage grows (communication points, telecom coverage, emergency access routes)

Lead Entities: NPS, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb County, MWA, MGRC

Success Metrics: Visitor capacity established; reduced congestion and resource strain; improved visitor safety and satisfaction; scalable utilities functioning at high-use nodes; culturally sensitive siting of facilities approved by the Nation

River Access

Objective: Develop a safe, resilient, and consistent river access network that supports recreation, emergency response, and cultural stewardship across the Ocmulgee corridor

Priority Actions:

- Conduct site-specific access assessments evaluating visibility, bank stability, flood frequency, safe entry/exit, staging areas, and ADA routes
- Upgrade priority access points to corridor-wide design standards
- Incorporate hydraulic and floodplain modeling into siting and design decisions
- Install standardized signage, mile markers, navigation aids, and hazard indicators along the river corridor
- Coordinate emergency pullouts, emergency access zones, and clear response routes with local EMS and swiftwater rescue teams

Lead Entities: NPS, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb County, Houston County, MGRC, GDOT, Macon-Bibb Fire/EMA

Success Metrics: Number of upgraded access points; reduced incidents; faster emergency response times; consistent corridor-wide standards; positive visitor feedback on river safety/access

Emergency Response

Objective: Establish unified, intergovernmental emergency response protocols for river-based and land-based events, ensuring safe public access, coordinated jurisdiction, and rapid incident management

Priority Actions:

- Develop a coordinated Emergency Response Plan incorporating swiftwater rescue, evacuation routes, incident command roles, and interagency communication
- Formalize MOUs across NPS, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb EMA, and Fire/Rescue to clarify jurisdiction, liability, reimbursement, and procedures for entering federal land
- Identify and map designated rescue sites, safe pullouts, and river access/egress points
- Standardize training, equipment, and communication protocols across responding agencies
- Integrate smart monitoring tools and emergency communication points into high-use areas

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, Macon-Bibb Fire Department, Macon-Bibb EMA, Houston County responders, Robins AFB

Success Metrics: Adopted emergency response plan; established MOUs; improved response times; reduced safety incidents; consistent training standards across agencies

Stormwater, Flood Resilience, and Restoration

Objective: Strengthen corridor-wide flood resilience through modernized stormwater systems, levee evaluation, nature-based solutions, and restoration strategies informed by detailed hydraulic and future-conditions modeling

Priority Actions:

- Complete regional assessments of stormwater conveyance, culverts, aging infrastructure, and priority retrofit needs
- Pursue nature-based stormwater improvements such as bioswales, wetlands, rivercane buffers, and modified mowing regimes to reduce peak flows and improve habitat
- Coordinate modernization of the Macon levee system and pursue FEMA HMGP and related funding aligned with the Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Implement shoreline restoration strategies prioritizing living shorelines, bank stabilization, floodplain reconnection, and side-channel restoration informed by shear stress and velocity modeling
- Use future-conditions floodplain mapping to site protective improvements and identify at-risk areas for cultural resources, access points, and public infrastructure

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, Macon-Bibb County, MWA, USACE, MGRC, GDOT, USDA/NRCS

Success Metrics: Reduced localized flooding; improved water quality; restored riparian habitat; increased resilience under future hydrologic conditions; leveraged federal hazard mitigation funding; measurable protection to cultural sites

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The designation of Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park as a National Park and Preserve represents a transformative economic development catalyst for Middle Georgia. The proposed National Park and Preserve will function as an integrated component of the region’s broader economic ecosystem, amplifying existing strengths while creating new pathways for sustainable prosperity across urban and rural communities.

The region has articulated its economic development vision in the Middle Georgia Regional Plan: “Middle Georgia is a diverse region of opportunity where people want to live, innovate, and thrive.” This vision emphasizes leveraging natural and cultural resources as economic assets while building sustainable prosperity across all communities. This economic impact section builds sequentially upon the Cultural Resources, Interpretation, and Education and Land Conservation and Protection study areas, recognizing that economic strategies can only extract meaningful value from place-based assets when cultural significance and co-management roles are understood and protected. Similarly, this section is aligned with the Transportation and Infrastructure and Land Use and Development study areas, recognizing that both have an impact on the resulting visitor experience.

Three Foundational Principles

Muscogee (Creek) Nation Leadership. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation is established in the legislation as a key management partner for the proposed Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve, providing the Nation with a leading role in the interpretation of Muscogee history, culture, and contemporary identity within the park and along related tourism corridors. At the same time, the Ocmulgee corridor reflects a layered and evolving history. An inclusive interpretive framework should recognize the Nation’s primary role in telling its own story while also collaborating with local partners to present the full breadth of the corridor’s cultural, military, agricultural, environmental, and community histories in a balanced and historically grounded manner. This differentiation will set the National Park and Preserve apart from other regional parks and visitor demand drivers, inspire higher visitation levels, and make it more competitive in drawing visitors to Middle Georgia.

Connected Regional Heritage. This co-management arrangement will reframe the Ocmulgee Mounds from an archaeological landmark into a living testament to the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s thousand-year relationship with the land, while positioning the Park and Preserve as the anchor of a broader regional story. By extending the narrative beyond park boundaries and connecting it to communities and destinations across Middle Georgia, the region can elevate its brand in a competitive tourism marketplace. Middle Georgia’s layered history creates a powerful, interconnected heritage experience. Through coordinated marketing, curated touring routes, and partnerships among regional destination organizations, chambers, museums, and community stakeholders, the Park can serve as the catalyst for a world-class cultural heritage destination that tells the full story of Middle Georgia.

Community Economic Readiness. The region recognizes that small business growth will naturally follow increased visitation, but the organic market response creates risk of supply lagging demand. Strategic planning and collaboration allows the region to accelerate business ecosystem readiness by creating enabling infrastructure before visitation grows—through targeted incentives, fast-track permitting, and mentorship. This proactive approach ensures that when Park and Preserve designation catalyzes visitor growth, the business ecosystem is positioned to translate visitation into widespread job creation and community prosperity without overtaxing the communities that surround the National Park and Preserve.



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Findings

Park and Preserve as Transformative Demand Driver. The designation of Ocmulgee Mounds as a National Park and Preserve will function as a transformative demand driver for Middle Georgia visitation. Initial economic analysis projects a six-fold increase in annual visitation within fifteen years, growing from approximately 150,000 to 1.3 million visitors annually. This projection reflects national park visitation research that suggests a six-fold increase once a park receives its designation, though realizing this potential requires strategic differentiation rather than generic promotion.

Extending Impact Beyond Park Boundaries. The National Park and Preserve will draw visitors to Middle Georgia who might otherwise bypass the region. First-time visitors frequently remain longer than anticipated, extending stays to explore complementary attractions, events, and outdoor experiences. Strategic, intentional marketing will maximize this opportunity. Strategic marketing positions Ocmulgee as the entry point to broader Middle Georgia exploration that ensures that first-time visitors become repeat visitors and extended-stay guests.

Heritage Tourism Market Differentiation. The National Park and Preserve’s singular competitive advantage is rooted in its Indigenous foundation and the unprecedented co-management partnership with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. At the same time, the Ocmulgee River corridor reflects layered and overlapping histories including African American, agricultural, industrial, and contemporary community narratives that all collectively shape the region’s identity.

Heritage tourists remain 40–60% longer than average park visitors, spend 2–3 times more per day, and demonstrate strong repeat visitation patterns. These visitors seek authentic, place-based experiences that reflect multiple cultural perspectives and living histories. Expanding interpretive programming, guided tours, arts and foodways experiences, and locally owned accommodations can celebrate both the Indigenous origins of the landscape and the diverse communities that have shaped and continue to shape Middle Georgia.

Existing regional assets such as historic neighborhoods, cultural institutions, community-led initiatives, and established heritage sites, including the Douglass Theatre, Tubman Museum, Johnston-Felton-Hay House, Grand Opera House, The Big House (Allman Brothers Band Museum), Rose Hill Cemetery, Fort Hawkins, Jarrell Plantation State Historic Site, can be integrated with park visitation to create a broader heritage ecosystem. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s leadership in programming and interpretation remains foundational, while partnerships with African American heritage organizations, local historians, and cultural institutions can ensure a more complete and evolving narrative.

This framework acknowledges that interpretation is a starting point and that historical understanding will continue to expand over time. By positioning the park within a broader cultural landscape, the designation creates year-round visitation opportunities and strengthens regional storytelling beyond traditional recreation demand drivers.

The economic implications are substantial—a heritage tourist staying four days and spending \$250 daily generates \$1,000 in direct spending, compared to a day-trip recreation visitor spending \$40-60. If the National Park and Preserve visitation reaches 1.3 million annually with heritage/cultural tourists representing 30-40% of visitation, incremental economic activity shifts dramatically upward.

Visitor Diversification and Extended Stays. Sustainable growth depends on capturing multiple visitor segments and intentionally extending regional stays. Critical opportunities exist with military families visiting Robins AFB, business travelers attending conferences, festival attendees, relatives visiting residents, and I-75 road-trippers.

- **Road-trippers transiting on I-75.** Positioning the proposed National Park and Preserve as a high-quality, 2-3 hour experience converts convenience stops into meaningful experiences with associated spending on lodging, meals, retail, and services. Quality first experiences create the foundation for future overnight visits.
- **Festival Attendees.** The Cherry Blossom Festival alone draws tens of thousands annually from 50+ miles away. Continuing to coordinate itinerary packaging linking festivals to Park experiences, with bundled pricing and coordinated marketing, extends stays and amplifies visitor spending.

Extending visitor stay duration by even a half-day on average increases regional economic impact by 15-25%; extending from day trip to overnight multiplies spending impact 4-5 fold.

Revenue Generation and Community Benefit: The most direct revenue stream flowing to community benefit is Hotel-Motel Tax (Lodging Tax). Currently, Macon-Bibb County generates over \$6 million annually in lodging tax revenue from 4.7 million overnight trips. Tourism research demonstrates that heritage and cultural park designations generate 20-30% higher per-night rates. Conservative analysis suggests Macon-Bibb County alone could generate \$15-25 million in annual lodging tax revenue by year 15 of the National Park and Preserve’s operations.

Beyond lodging tax, total visitor spending generates broader tax benefits. Over \$200 million in incremental annual visitor spending translates to approximately \$13-15 million in incremental sales tax revenue. The region’s SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) programs can capture incremental sales tax growth to fund critical infrastructure: lodging infrastructure development, public parking and visitor access improvements, wayfinding and interpretive signage, multimodal transportation options, river access facilities, and technology supporting visitor services.

Strategic reinvestment of both Hotel-Motel Tax and sales tax revenues into community benefit programs, workforce development, small business support, and cultural programming ensures that visitation growth translates into tangible improvements for residents and communities. Revenue mechanisms must be designed with transparent governance ensuring benefits flow equitably to historically underserved neighborhoods near the proposed Park and Preserve, rural counties, and Muscogee (Creek) Nation communities. Community investment funds supported by dedicated percentages of incremental tax revenues can direct resources toward recreation facilities, infrastructure improvements, workforce training, business development assistance, and cultural programming.

Small Business Development as a Primary Job Creation Engine. Sustainable job creation will not derive primarily from recruitment of national lodging chains or large-scale attractions, but rather from explosive growth in small business development oriented toward visitor service needs. The small business ecology supporting heritage tourism encompasses extraordinary diversity: outdoor guides and outfitters, cultural interpreters, artisan retailers, specialty restaurants, equipment rentals, adventure companies, alternative lodging, retail shops, event planning, and education facilitators.

Peer parks demonstrate that this ecosystem generates 80-90% of park-related employment, substantially outnumbering accommodation and food service alone. This distributed entrepreneurial model creates employment opportunities throughout the region rather than concentrating economic benefit in a handful of large operations.

However, small businesses will not spontaneously emerge simply because market opportunity exists. Prospective entrepreneurs must perceive sufficient market demand, possess access to capital and technical support, navigate regulatory requirements, and have business development skills and mentorship networks. Strategic planning creates tangible value by preparing the ecosystem for growth through targeted incentives, fast-track permitting, mentorship networks, market research support, and tourism-specific training.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation citizens establishing tourism enterprises retain business profits within tribal communities and families, building long-term economic capacity and cultural sovereignty. Local residents trained through workforce development programs gain hospitality, business ownership, and skilled trade employment. Minority entrepreneurs establishing enterprises generate family wealth and community economic development. When community members own and operate tourism businesses, economic multiplier effects amplify throughout local economies.

Outdoor recreation represents a defining asset: the Ocmulgee River Water Trail spans more than 200 miles, flowing adjacent to the Park and Preserve and offering extensive opportunities for paddling, fishing, and wildlife viewing. However, infrastructure remains underdeveloped—limited river access points, insufficient outfitter services, inadequate signage, and minimal overnight lodging near recreation sites. Addressing these gaps represents a primary opportunity for small business development and outdoor economy expansion throughout the region (See Transportation and Infrastructure Sections for Proposed River Access).

Peer Park Examples

Examples of Regional/Small National Parks:

- Big Cypress National Preserve (FL)
- Big Thicket National Preserve (TX)
- Chattahoochee River National Recreational Area (GA)
- Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park (MD/WV/DC)
- Congaree National Park (SC)
- Cuyahoga Valley National Park (OH)
- Delaware Water Gap National Recreational Area (NJ/PA)
- New River Gorge National Park (WV)
- St. Croix National Scenic Riverway (WI/MN)
- Timucuan Ecological and Historical Preserve (FL)

Examples of Cultural Heritage Peer Parks:

- Chickasaw National Recreation Area (OK)
- Nez Perce National Historical Park (ID/MT/OR/WA)
- Effigy Mounds National Monument (IA)



Big Cypress National Preserve (Adobe Stock)



Chattahoochee River National Recreational Area (Adobe Stock)



Cuyahoga Valley National Park (Adobe Stock)



Effigy Mounds National Monument (Adobe Stock)

Key Challenges and Opportunities

Visitor Readiness and Services

The region faces infrastructure constraints limiting visitation accommodation. Lodging capacity is concentrated in Macon-Bibb and Houston counties; rural counties collectively offer only 202 hotel rooms across eight properties. Visitor amenities including parking, restrooms, information resources, and wayfinding signage are inconsistent or absent. The current park entrance via US 80 creates an underwhelming arrival experience. Transportation infrastructure lacks multimodal options connecting the park to surrounding attractions and communities.

Strengthening physical and interpretive connections between sites within the park boundary and other historic and cultural destinations across Middle Georgia will be critical to creating a cohesive visitor experience. Coordinated trail linkages, gateway improvements, and regional heritage routing can better connect park resources with sites such as Fort Hawkins, downtown Macon cultural institutions, and other corridor assets, encouraging longer stays and broader economic benefit.

Strategic investment through SPLOST funding and public-private partnerships can address critical gaps. The possibility of a second entrance through Clinton Street just off I-16 presents a valuable opportunity to dramatically improve visibility, access, and arrival experience while catalyzing development in the East Bank Gateway. Incentive programs

can attract diverse lodging development in both urban centers and rural counties. Comprehensive wayfinding and interpretive signage systems using consistent branding will create cohesive regional experiences. Implementation of multimodal transportation options, including visitor shuttles, bike share programs, pedestrian infrastructure, and river shuttles, will improve access and strengthen connections throughout the corridor.

Authentic Interpretation and Destination Differentiation

Without strategic positioning that emphasizes the unique cultural heritage of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Park and Preserve are at risk of being regarded as one of the many regional and smaller national parks. The proposed National Park and Preserve marketplace grows increasingly crowded. Many destination marketing organizations and tourism businesses lack an understanding of heritage tourism market dynamics and cultural sensitivity protocols to the extent and expertise built by Visit Macon. Risk exists of cultural commodification or superficial representation without genuine Muscogee (Creek) Nation leadership and continuation of the relationship model between Muscogee (Creek) Nation and Visit Macon.

The proposed National Park and Preserve’s unprecedented Muscogee (Creek) Nation co-management represents a singular competitive advantage. Strategic positioning as a premier heritage tourism destination opens access to higher-

spending, longer-stay visitor segments with demonstrated propensity for repeat visitation. Muscogee (Creek) Nation-led authentic cultural interpretation creates compelling, shareable experiences that generate organic media coverage and word-of-mouth marketing far beyond traditional advertising. The co-management partnership itself becomes a powerful marketing asset—representing a new national model for destination organization-tribal cooperation.

New Attraction and Visitor-Facing Business Creation

The region lacks sufficient visitor-facing businesses to support projected growth. Limited outfitters and guides, few authentic cultural experience providers, insufficient specialty retail and artisan shops, minimal equipment rental operations, and gaps in ethnic restaurants and farm-to-table dining represent real market gaps. Prospective entrepreneurs face barriers including uncertain market demand, limited capital access, unfamiliarity with visitor/traveler behavior, and absence of mentorship networks. Rural counties face particular challenges in becoming more visitor-ready.

The proposed National Park and Preserve designation sends a strong market signal that reduces entrepreneurial risk. National media coverage, projected visitation, and anticipated infrastructure investment collectively demonstrate credible future demand. Targeted business development support can further accelerate ecosystem readiness. Priority support for Muscogee (Creek) Nation entrepreneurs will help these individuals capture economic opportunities while maintaining authentic cultural interpretation. Similarly, targeted support for the neighborhoods adjacent and proximate to the proposed National Park and Preserve can help activate these benefits to the local community.

Workforce Development and Business Ecosystem Readiness

Existing workforce shortages, especially in hospitality, will intensify as the region grows and the National Park and Preserve becomes more popular. Local residents, particularly in underserved communities and rural counties, lack access to tourism-focused training. Regional educational institutions offer limited programming aligned with heritage tourism and outdoor recreation needs. The business ecosystem lacks organizational infrastructure supporting rapid scaling.

Educational institutions, including Mercer University, Middle Georgia State University, College of the Muscogee Nation, and technical colleges, can develop hospitality management, outdoor recreation, cultural interpretation, and entrepreneurship programs with industry-designed curricula. Academic partnerships can create internship and apprenticeship programs connecting students directly to tourism businesses. Priority workforce development initiatives targeting Muscogee (Creek) Nation community members and residents of underserved neighborhoods surrounding the National Park and Preserve ensure that economic benefits reach populations most in need.

Intergovernmental Coordination and Governance

Tourism promotion and economic development coordination is fragmented across multiple organizations—Visit Macon,

Visit Perry, Visit Warner Robins, regional chambers, MGRC, Newtown Macon, and local Main Street programs. Economic development planning across jurisdictions lacks coordination on business development strategies for visitor-facing business and traveler amenities and hospitality-focused workforce initiatives.

The proposed National Park and Preserve designation creates a catalyst for establishing a robust coordination mechanisms for nurturing the regional tourism sector. Formation of an Ocmulgee Tourism Development Coalition could bring together primary decision-makers (i.e., Muscogee [Creek] Nation, NPS, Visit Macon, Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce, MGRC) with a clear governance structure that would create strategic alignment. The Coalition could coordinate unified regional marketing strategy (with Visit Macon continuing to be the primary national promoter for the National Park and Preserve proper), joint business development programming, coordinated workforce initiatives, and aligned infrastructure investment. Integration with the broader ONPPI Policy and Action Committee structure ensures economic development strategies align with cultural resource protection, land conservation, and infrastructure planning.

Equitable Benefit Distribution for Businesses

Without intentional intervention, benefits risk concentrating among established businesses and outside investors rather than local entrepreneurs, Muscogee (Creek) Nation community members, minority-owned businesses, and rural operators. Small businesses and prospective entrepreneurs (particularly from underrepresented populations) face systemic barriers navigating business creation processes and connecting to technical assistance.

Strategic design of business support programs can intentionally distribute economic opportunities equitably. Priority business development support for visitor-facing businesses targeting Muscogee (Creek) Nation entrepreneurs, minority-owned businesses, women-owned businesses, and rural operators can level the playing field. Establishment of a Muscogee Business Development and Enterprise Office would provide dedicated mechanism coordinating entrepreneurship support. Preferential contracting opportunities for Muscogee (Creek) Nation-owned and local businesses in park-adjacent development ensure that economic activity flows toward priority populations.

Regional Economic Resilience and Diversification

Rural counties struggle with limited industry diversity, population decline, and persistent poverty. Youth talent out-migration to larger metros undermines long-term vitality.

The National Park and Preserve designation provides a transformative economic diversification catalyst creating employment distributed across tourism, hospitality, outdoor recreation, cultural interpretation, retail, and food service. Small business-driven tourism creates thousands of independent operators retaining profits locally—generating robust economic multiplier effects. Heritage tourism positioning appeals to affluent retirees and educated professionals, creating potential to address both economic diversification and brain drain through quality-of-life advantages.



Picture Credit: Stephen Cook

Intergovernmental Coordination

To ensure coordinated economic development across the corridor, tourism and business growth must operate within the same governance framework that guides cultural, land, and infrastructure decisions. The ONPPI Policy and Action Committee will serve as the central coordinating body, with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s appointed representatives ensuring that all decisions reflect the Nation’s sovereign leadership and narrative authority.

Tourism and Narrative Governance: Placemaking and tourism development across the corridor remains fragmented—Visit Macon, Visit Perry, the Houston County CVB, regional chambers, MGRC, Newtown Macon, and local Main Street programs each operate independently, limiting the region’s ability to market a unified experience. The Ocmulgee Tourism Development Coalition resolves this by aligning these organizations under a tiered framework: Tier 1 partners (Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, Visit Macon, Greater Macon Chamber, and MGRC) will jointly steward messaging, identity, and placemaking for the area immediately surrounding the Park and Preserve, while regional partners—Visit Perry, the Houston County CVB, local chambers, and Main Street programs—both amplify the Park’s national brand through local and drive-market outreach and connect their own communities’ stories, histories, and identities to the Park and Preserve (as applicable), positioning the broader corridor as a multi-destination cultural experience. The Coalition will serve as the primary governance group for regional tourism brand alignment and narrative coordination, feeding directly into the Policy and Action Committee to ensure all tourism promotion reflects Muscogee (Creek) Nation narrative authority and aligns with cultural resource protections.

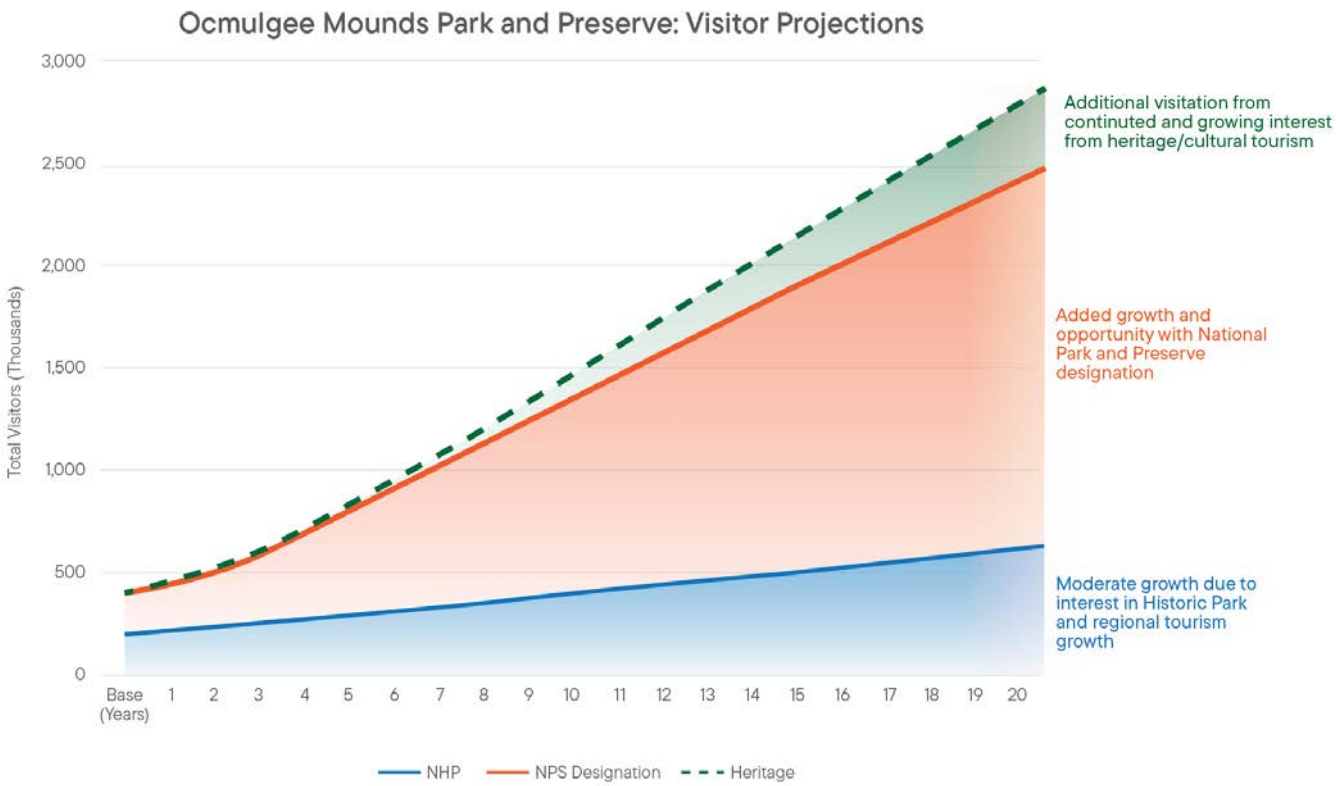
Economic Development Governance: An *Economic Development and Business Growth Task Force* will serve as the working-level body for coordinating business development, small-business support, and entrepreneurship programming, the Task Force will work through LTC 5 and the Nation’s ED representative. The Task Force will conduct unified market assessments, organize business support infrastructure, and ensure policies intentionally prioritize Muscogee (Creek) Nation entrepreneurs, minority-owned businesses, and rural operators. Its recommendations will be elevated to the Policy and Action Committee for alignment with broader corridor planning.

Regional Attractions and Hospitality Recruitment Committee: This committee will coordinate high-level recruitment of lodging, attractions, outfitters, guides, and culturally aligned tourism investments that match the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s narrative and the land-use recommendations of the Strategic Plan. The Committee ensures recruitment aligns with zoning, conservation priorities, Tier 1–3 node visions, and cultural authority. Together, these bodies operate within the ONPPI governance framework rather than outside it. They ensure that tourism, narrative coordination, business development, and investment recruitment all reflect the Nation’s sovereign leadership, align with cultural protocols, integrate with land-use and infrastructure planning, and remain coordinated across all jurisdictions in the corridor.



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Economic Impact Spotlight



The graph illustrates 20-year visitation trends under three scenarios:

- Continuation as a National Historical Park
- Designation as a National Park and Preserve
- Designation paired with sustained regional marketing and investment in Muscogee (Creek) Nation-centered heritage tourism

Under the status quo, visitation at Ocmulgee Mounds would grow gradually from roughly 200,000 to a little over 600,000 visits over 20 years, driven by overall growth in visitation to National Park Service history sites and Middle Georgia’s tourism market, with no major step-change from national park designation or new preserve lands. With NPS designation alone, visitation increases to nearly 1.8 million by Year 20—roughly three times higher than the status quo. This assumes a three-year ramp-up, with gains building over time through media exposure, guidebook and website updates, expanded inclusion in travel itineraries, and stronger visibility within NPS marketing.

The heritage tourism scenario builds on this growth by assuming intentional development and promotion of Muscogee (Creek) Nation-centered experiences, further increasing visitation beyond designation alone.

Assumptions include ongoing branding (not a one-time launch), regular cultural programming and events, and increased repeat visitation from heritage travelers and the regional drive market. Together, these factors sustain growth beyond the initial designation bump, preventing a plateau and supporting continued increases in visitation, ultimately adding several hundred thousand visits per year.

Strategic Framework and Priorities

Foundation Building and Partnership Development

Objective: Establish governance structures embedding MCN leadership into all economic development aspects while ensuring coordinated implementation

Priority Actions:

- Establish Ocmulgee Tourism Development Coalition with three-tier governance structure (Tier 1: Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, Visit Macon, Greater Macon Chamber; Tier 2: regional organizations; Tier 3: municipal partners)
- Develop Muscogee (Creek) Nation-led narrative transformation from archaeological site to living landscape through storytelling exchanges, interpretive programming, cultural ambassador programs, and digital storytelling
- Design and implement 5-10 authentic cultural experiences owned and operated by Muscogee (Creek) Nation citizens, with revenue-sharing ensuring economic benefits flow to Muscogee (Creek) Nation communities

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation (co-lead), NPS (co-lead), Visit Macon, MGRC

Success Metrics: Coalition operational with joint decision-making; Muscogee (Creek) Nation approval protocol documented and implemented; 5-10 cultural experiences operational with Muscogee (Creek) Nation ownership; measurable visitor spending on cultural experiences

Visitor Ecosystem Development

Objective: Build robust and diverse visitor services infrastructure supporting sustained visitation growth

Priority Actions:

- Incentivize growth of visitor-facing small businesses through targeted loan programs, fast-track permitting, incubator space, mentorship, and tourism-specific training
- Grow outdoor recreation economy through Ocmulgee Outdoor Alliance, programs to encourage local hunting and fishing outfitters and services aligned with the land conservation principles established, signature recreation events, and skills training pipelines
- Connect tourism development to workforce development through educational partnerships, priority for Muscogee (Creek) Nation and underserved residents, apprenticeship programs, and continuing education
- Develop a Middle Georgia Cultural Heritage Trail connecting the National Park and Preserve to other significant regional sites—including the Tubman Museum, Griswoldville Battlefield, the Allman Brothers Band Museum, the antebellum districts of Forsyth and Perry, and the agricultural heritage landscapes of Houston and Peach counties—through coordinated interpretive signage and digital storytelling

Lead Entities: Visit Macon, Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce, Warner Robins CVB, Muscogee (Creek) Nation Economic Development, educational institutions, MGRC

Success Metrics: Number of new tourism businesses; jobs created; diversity of business ownership; visitor satisfaction; local resident workforce participation

Regional Integration and Tourism Corridor Development

Objective: Expand economic impact beyond park vicinity through strategic tourism corridor development

Priority Actions:

- Align regional destination marketing through coordinated task force linking Visit Macon, Visit Perry, Visit Warner Robins, other destination organizations and place-based organizations promoting Middle GA, rural chambers, and Muscogee (Creek) Nation tourism representatives
- Create Muscogee (Creek) Nation Heritage inspired Tourism corridors connecting the National Park and Preserve to other culturally significant sites; enhance river-bond swamp connectivity; develop touring routes with interpretive signage
- Develop a Middle Georgia Cultural Heritage Trail connecting the National Park and Preserve to other significant regional sites through coordinated interpretive signage and digital storytelling, including the Tubman Museum, Griswoldville Battlefield, the Allman Brothers Band Museum, the antebellum districts of Forsyth and Perry, and the agricultural heritage landscapes of Houston and Peach counties
- Launch Sister Cultural Interpretive Centers linking Georgia facilities with Muscogee (Creek) Nation cultural institutions in Oklahoma through shared branding and joint programming
- Create layered visitor experiences through integrated itineraries, bundled tickets and passes, seasonal themes and campaigns, and complementary attraction development

Lead Entities: Visit Macon (marketing), MGRC (planning), Muscogee (Creek) Nation (cultural corridors), GDOT (infrastructure)

Success Metrics: Increased visitor stay duration; expanded geographic spending distribution; multi-destination itinerary growth; rural county economic impact; visitor satisfaction

Sustainable Development and Community Benefit

Objective: Ensure tourism growth generates tangible community benefits while protecting environmental/cultural resources

Priority Actions:

- Engage and empower communities to continue to engage in the development of the Park and Preserve and the region’s visitor ecosystem through co-creation workshops, Muscogee (Creek) Nation-curated events calendar, and prioritized local hiring
- Address hospitality infrastructure gaps through strategic programming, public-private partnerships, and design standards ensuring cultural and environmental compatibility
- Monitor and mitigate negative impacts through carrying capacity studies, environmental monitoring, visitor use management strategies, and responsible tourism education
- Advance sustainable practices through conservation easements, climate resilience strategies, and habitat restoration partnerships
- Secure sustainable funding through tax revenue reinvestment, grant pursuit, philanthropic partnerships, and public-private collaborations

Lead Entities: Muscogee (Creek) Nation, local governments, NPS, MGRC

Success Metrics: Community satisfaction; local resident employment and business ownership; environmental conditions; housing affordability; funding diversity and equity; benefit distribution

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

In order to honor this shared history, a structure must be established that translates partnership into practice. Achieving the long-term vision for the Ocmulgee corridor requires a unified framework that connects every study area—from cultural preservation and education to infrastructure, business development, and environmental resilience. By aligning the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, NPS, local counties, state agencies, and other local partners around shared priorities, the region can build a cohesive and enduring foundation for collaboration. This recommended framework provides that structure, linking long-term vision with day-to-day decision-making and ensuring that planning, funding, and implementation occur collaboratively across jurisdictions.

The Ocmulgee corridor is shaped by a range of agencies and governmental bodies at all levels, each with a shared interest in the long-term stewardship of this landscape. Effective coordination among these partners is essential to advancing shared goals for conservation, education, recreation, and cultural protection. Federal recognition of the Nation’s treaty rights and ancestral ties to these lands establishes a foundation for meaningful participation in planning and decision-making. Strengthened through local agreements, MOUs, and consultation protocols, this framework ensures that the Nation’s voice is not only heard but embedded as a core partner in the region’s governance and management of the land.

To operationalize this coordination, the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee will serve as the central body for communication, decision-making, and accountability. The Committee will include representatives from the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Macon-Bibb County, the NPS, and other regional partners.

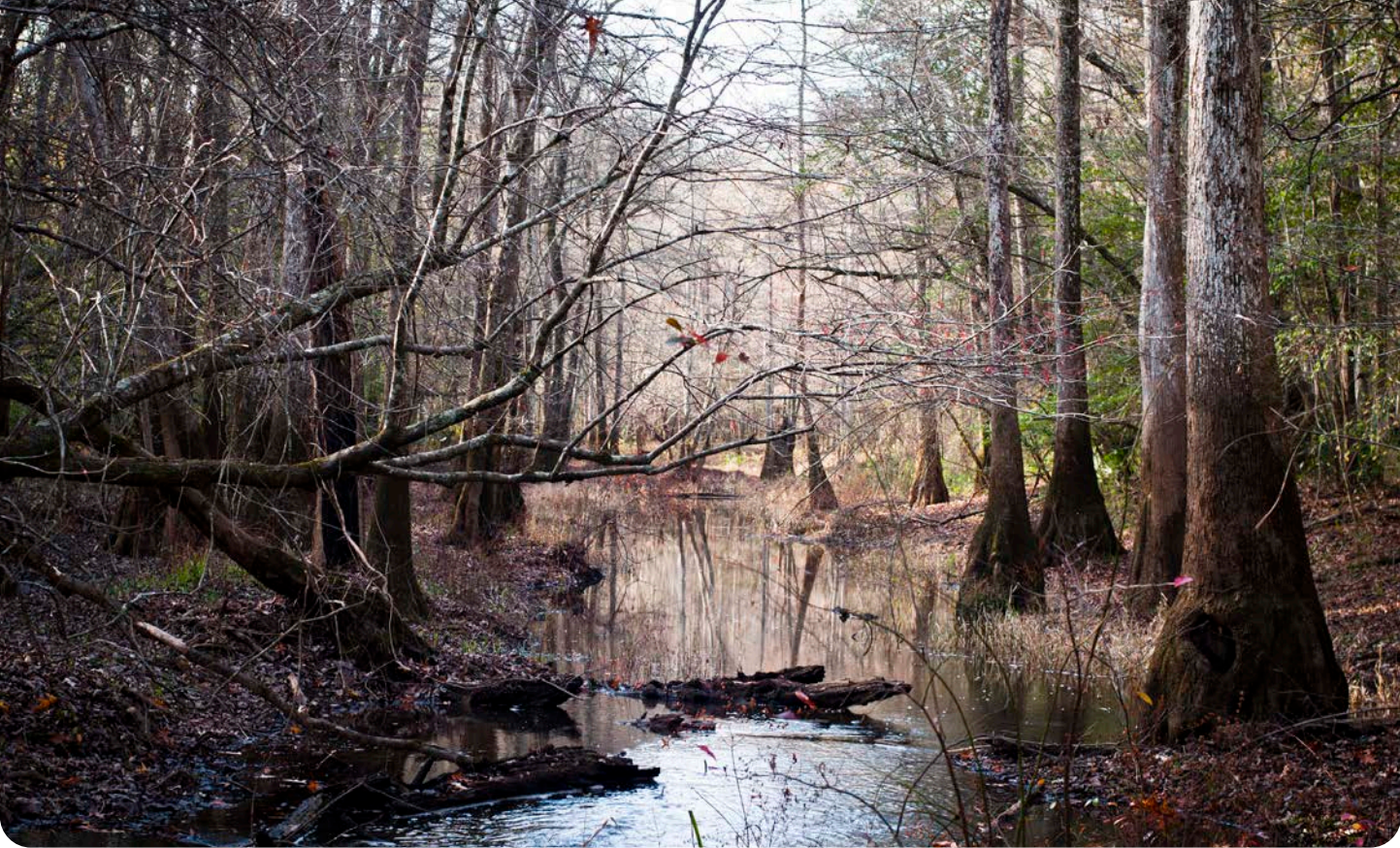
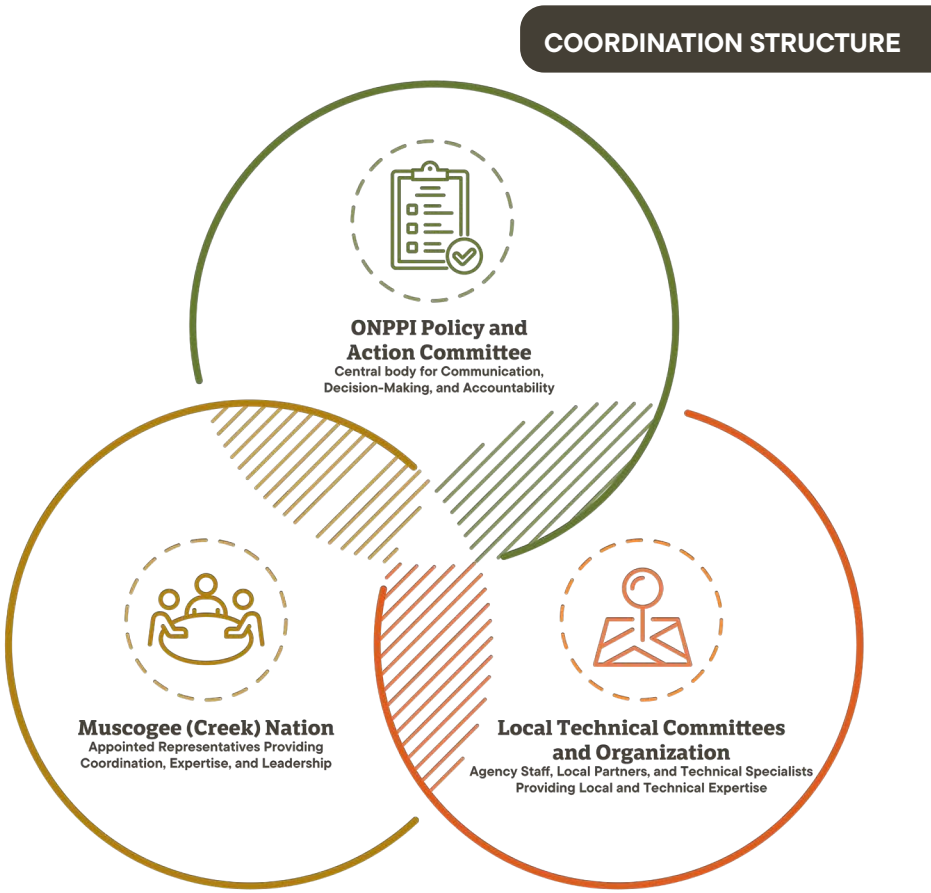
The Nation will appoint five standing representatives, each aligned with one of the Strategic Plan’s major focus areas—Cultural Resources and Education, Land and Natural Resource Management, Transportation, Infrastructure, and Safety, Tourism and Community Engagement, and Economic Development and Revenue. These appointed officials will serve as the primary points of coordination between the Nation and the Policy and Action Committee, ensuring that Muscogee (Creek) Nation leadership informs all phases of planning, project review, and implementation.

Supporting the Policy and Action Committee will be a series of LTCs—flexible, working-level groups composed of agency staff, local partners, and technical specialists. These LTCs will coordinate closely with the Nation’s designated representatives, bringing forward recommendations, project concepts, and policy issues for review and alignment.

This tiered structure establishes clear lines of accountability, facilitates consistent coordination across agencies and jurisdictions, and ensures that consultation with the Muscogee (Creek) Nation occurs through a defined and empowered process.

Expanding the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s presence on civic boards, advisory bodies, and regional working groups will further strengthen proximity, understanding, and procedural consistency—allowing all partners to navigate complex projects with shared knowledge and mutual respect. Looking ahead, this coordination framework should evolve to address future-oriented priorities such as education, workforce development, housing, and hazard mitigation alongside traditional cultural and natural resource management. Cooperative ventures, shared leases, and joint business partnerships with the Nation and approved vendors can serve as models for equitable participation in regional growth and opportunity.

Ultimately, this framework reframes coordination not as compliance, but as collaboration grounded in respect, reciprocity, and shared land management—ensuring that the Muscogee (Creek) Nation’s leadership remains central in shaping the cultural, environmental, and economic future of the Ocmulgee corridor.



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Purpose and Approach

The Implementation Plan provides the structure needed to move from vision to action. It aligns partners around shared priorities, clarifies roles and responsibilities, and sequences activities in a way that is realistic, coordinated, and achievable. Central to this framework is the leadership of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. Implementation activities, funding decisions, and public-facing outcomes must reflect the Nation’s cultural priorities and its role as a key partner in managing their ancestral lands. The Implementation Framework is organized around two core elements:

- 1. Governance and Coordination:** The organizational structure that defines how decisions are made and how partners work together. This includes the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee and five LTCs that guide day-to-day coordination, project development, and partner alignment.
- 2. Phased Implementation Strategy** The sequencing of work over time, moving from foundational readiness to activation, implementation, and long-term stewardship. Each phase builds internal capacity, trust, and shared accountability among partners.

Governance and Coordination

ONPPI Policy and Action Committee

The ONPPI Policy and Action Committee serves as the central decision-making body for Strategic Plan implementation. The Committee is responsible for setting priorities, confirming project scopes, aligning partner investments, and maintaining accountability across agencies and jurisdictions.

The Committee includes representatives from:

- The Muscogee (Creek) Nation (minimum of five designated representatives, at least one aligned each focus area/LTC)
- ONPPI
- MGRC
- NPS
- Macon-Bibb County
- Regional and state partner agencies, as needed

The Committee ensures that:

- The Nation remains centered in decision-making
- Cultural values guide planning, development, programming, and site stewardship
- Implementation activities are documented, tracked, and evaluated over time
- Committee processes will include shared project review protocols, consultation pathways, and clear documentation of decisions, funding agreements, and program outcomes

Local Technical Committees (LTCs)

Five Local Technical Committees support implementation by coordinating technical work, advancing project development, and elevating recommendations for Policy and Action Committee approval. Each LTC aligns with a major implementation area and the subcommittee categories shown in the Implementation Plan.

Subcommittee/LTC	Primary Focus	Example Responsibility Areas <i>(to be refined during Phase 0)</i>
Land Use and Natural Resource Management	Land use planning, habitat conservation, floodplain management	Comprehensive plan updates, small-area plans, zoning revisions, habitat corridor mapping, conservation partner development
Cultural Resources and Education	Cultural protection, interpretation, education, and Nation-led storytelling	Cultural resource surveys, interpretive framework development, education programming
Tourism and Community Engagement	Visitor experience, volunteer networks, tourism partnership development	Visitor welcome strategies, community events, stewardship training
Infrastructure, Safety, and Resilience	Transportation access, emergency preparedness, river safety and response	National Park and Preserve site access design, River Response and Safety Plan, multimodal infrastructure coordination
Economic Development and Revenue	Funding strategy, business development, co-management agreements	Co-management MOUs, revolving funding tools, commercial partnership guidance

Each LTC is responsible for developing work plans, recommending projects, and coordinating with partner agencies through the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee. This tiered structure ensures alignment across federal, state, and local entities while embedding Muscogee (Creek) leadership in every stage of decision-making.

Robins AFB Coordination

Implementation activities adjacent to Robins AFB should follow a formal coordination protocol to ensure transparency and documented interagency review. Robins AFB Cultural Resources staff and other appropriate technical leads should be notified of proposals affecting bordering areas and included in review processes, with participation or written concurrence recorded in the project record. The process should include regular tracking and reporting of cumulative effects including visitor pressure, erosion, and access demands.

Phased Implementation Strategy

Implementation of the Strategic Plan follows a phased approach that builds organizational capacity, aligns partners, and delivers visible on-the-ground outcomes over time. Each phase represents a distinct level of readiness and coordination, acknowledging that successful implementation requires sustained partnership, trust, and clear roles and responsibilities. The phases are not strictly linear; they are iterative and adaptive, allowing the Policy and Action Committee to adjust priorities as new opportunities, funding, and community needs emerge.

Phase 0 — Framework Setup (0–6 Months) establishes the governance and coordination systems necessary to carry out the Strategic Plan. This includes confirming representation on the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee and forming the LTCs that will support implementation across key focus areas. During this phase, partners will also establish consultation pathways, shared project review procedures, and data-sharing agreements to ensure that planning and decision-making consistently reflect the leadership and cultural priorities of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. This foundational work ensures that subsequent actions are aligned, collaborative, and supported by clear roles and accountability.

Key Actions:

- Establish and adopt the ONPPI Policy and Action Committee charter.
- Appoint a minimum of five Nation representatives aligned to implementation focus areas.
- Form and convene LTCs.
- Establish cultural review, consultation, and shared project approval protocols.
- Confirm preliminary funding mechanisms and interagency data-sharing processes.

Phase 1 — Foundation (6–12 Months) focuses on aligning existing planning tools, data resources, and policies with the Strategic Plan. Counties, regional agencies, and federal partners begin incorporating recommendations into comprehensive plans, transportation plans, and related policy documents. Baseline mapping, cultural resource analysis, and interpretive framework development begin during this phase, setting the stage for coordinated programming and development. The intent is to create a shared technical and policy foundation that reflects corridor-wide priorities and supports thoughtful decision-making.

Phase 2 — Activation and Funding (Years 1–2) focuses on activating priority projects and coordinating funding strategies after the governance and planning foundations are in place. This phase advances technical studies, planning documents, and pilot initiatives, while also identifying and pursuing grants and funding mechanisms. Co-managed programs, cultural interpretation initiatives, business development supports, and corridor conservation activities begin to take form. This period emphasizes partnership-building, feasibility assessment, and preparing implementation pathways for larger-scale work.

Phase 3 — Implementation (Years 2-3) moves from planning to visible execution. Infrastructure improvements, interpretive programming, business and workforce development initiatives, and conservation actions begin to materialize in public space. Community members and visitors will begin to see tangible expressions of the shared vision: improved park access, early cultural programming, visitor experience enhancements, and initial corridor restoration or protection efforts. This phase demonstrates momentum, builds trust, and reinforces the value of collaboration.

Phase 4 — Growth & Evaluation (Years 3–4) expands successful programs and evaluates outcomes to refine long-term approaches. Projects and policies piloted in earlier phases are scaled to additional locations, communities, or programmatic areas. The Policy and Action Committee and LTCs conduct performance reviews to assess progress, identify barriers, and adjust strategies where needed. Evaluation mechanisms developed in earlier phases ensure transparency and support continued learning, adaptation, and shared ownership.

Phase 5 — Emerging Priorities and Long-Range Actions (Year 5+) are for recommendations that require additional coordination, feasibility assessment, community engagement, or funding alignment before advancing. These longer-range actions remain important components of the Strategic Plan and should be monitored and revisited regularly through the Policy and Action Committee. These initiatives will move forward as capacity grows, partnerships strengthen, and early-phase outcomes inform future direction. This phase ensures that the Strategic Plan remains dynamic, allowing new opportunities and priorities to evolve over time while maintaining alignment with the Nation’s cultural values and stewardship vision.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MATRIX

The implementation plan brings together priority actions and recommendations from the six original study areas and organizes them into five consolidated categories known as LTCs. These committees serve as the structure for guiding implementation. The plan follows a phased timeline, beginning with immediate actions under the Framework Set Up, scheduled for the first 0 to 6 months after plan adoption. Completion of these Phase 0 items (listed to the right) is essential, as they lay the groundwork for all subsequent phases. The following phases of implementation items unfold over the next several years, with the final phase outlining long-term initiatives projected beyond the five-year mark.

**Phase 0:
Framework Set-Up
(0-6 months)**

- Establish ONPPI Policy Action Committee
- Appoint Nation representatives, a minimum of 1 per committee
- Form LTCs

Category/Subcommittee	Phase 1: Foundation (6 months to year)	Phase 2: Activation and Funding (Year 1-2)	Phase 3: Implementation (Year 2-3)	Phase 4: Growth/Evaluation (Year 3-4)	Phase 5: Beyond (Year 5+)
Cultural Resources and Education (LTC 1)	• Conduct targeted LiDAR and cultural landscape documentation under Muscogee (Creek) Nation leadership • Establish secure data governance protocols for confidential site information • Develop corridor-wide guidance for identifying potential federal nexus and initiating early Section 106 coordination • Begin interpretive framework and curriculum roadmap (schools, visitors, residents) • Identify priority education partners (school districts, museums, libraries, CMN, universities) • Draft event and programming calendar outline aligned to Muscogee (Creek) Nation cultural seasons and community capacity	• Integrate cultural resource considerations into local comprehensive plans and development review processes • Develop baseline education initiative: teacher resources, field modules, visitor orientation materials • Provide training for local governments and project sponsors on Section 106 triggers and cultural resource responsibilities • Establish training pathway for Muscogee (Creek) Nation-led guides and interpreters (e.g., curriculum, certification, safety, protocols) • Pursue grants and partnerships for exhibit fabrication, archival needs, and program delivery	• Apply Cultural Protection Zones in local planning and project review discussions • Track early coordination efforts and Section 106 engagement across federally connected projects • Roll out Muscogee (Creek) Nation-led interpretive programming: guided experiences, seasonal events, workshops, presentations • Install interpretive elements at priority sites (e.g., signage, kiosks, digital media, quiet zones) • Launch school and youth programming: field experiences, educator PD, junior interpreter programs	• Evaluate the effectiveness of early coordination and cultural protection measures and refine guidance based on consultation feedback and development trends • Evaluate participation, learning outcomes, and visitor feedback; adjust programs and zone management, as needed • Expand interpreter training cohorts; formalize paid internship and apprenticeship tracks • Extend interpretation to additional nodes and partner venues; iterate digital content and multilingual access	• Develop multi-site Sister Cultural Interpretive Centers (Georgia ↔ Oklahoma) and shared digital archives • Scale language revitalization and oral history integration into visitor media and curricula
Land Use and Natural Resource Management (LTC 2)	• Incorporate Strategic Plan activity center land use recommendations into local (County/City) Comprehensive Plan Updates • Begin zoning and development code review for Tier 1 and 2 nodes as well as cultural and ecological sensitivity • Align regional development and economic development practices with Strategic Plan • Publish priority map identifying critical conservation, cultural, and access zones • Develop and approve corridor-wide governance structure (LTC coordination roles and Muscogee (Creek) Nation review protocols) • Establish shared GIS and monitoring datasets (habitat, floodplain, cultural sensitivity, access nodes)	• Initiate or update Small Area Plans for Tier 1 Nodes/Activity Centers, including the Coliseum Area, Downtown Macon with connectivity to the Muscogee River and National Park area, and East Macon • Conduct Tier 3 node feasibility screening and site planning (transportation access, market potential, cultural and ecological sensitivity) • Complete floodplain connectivity and habitat linkage mapping to guide siting • Draft and refine conservation funding document aligning local, state, federal, and philanthropic sources • Draft co-management MOUs for conservation oversight and review authority • Define regional conservation corridor overlay and siting criteria for compatible development	• Advance Tier 2 node small area plans and/or land use, zoning updates, and economic development strategies to align local development codes and regulations • Launch pilot conservation actions: riparian restoration, buffer enhancements, floodplain reconnection where feasible • Initiate priority easement or acquisition conversations with willing landowners • Coordinate easement or acquisition discussions with partners • Finalize shared access agreements for coordinated use (hunting, cultural practice, research, stewardship) • Integrate cultural protection measures into development approvals • Align transportation access improvements with adopted small area plans	• Coordinate Tier 3 plans with cultural, conservation, and environmental efforts to formalize low impact implementation and maintenance practices • Implement zoning updates, project planning, and other implementation items from Tier 1 small area plans • Operationalize long-term funding strategy and acquisition pipeline • Expand conservation corridors and habitat connectivity areas to additional nodes • Integrate monitoring data into periodic reports demonstrating habitat gains, flood resilience, and community benefits • Adjust overlay, restoration priorities, and access agreements based on observed ecological and community performance	• Implement zoning updates, project planning, and other implementation items for Tier 2 nodes • Advance Tier 2–3 planning, conservation corridor expansion, and multi-jurisdiction code continuity • Scale long-range conservation corridor implementation across the full watershed and cultural landscape • Establish a permanent corridor management entity to steward cross-jurisdiction coordination

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MATRIX

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Transportation, Infrastructure, and Safety (LTC 3)	- Identify transportation access needs to park gateways, trailheads, and river access points - Coordinate with counties and MATS to align transportation recommendations with local/regional plans - Compile baseline data on parking, road capacity, pedestrian safety, bike network gaps, and river staging conditions	- Develop Visitor Use Management Plan (includes routing, circulation, parking strategy, and visitor arrival zones) - Develop Site Development Plan for park and preserve access, trailheads, and recreational entry points - Conduct targeted floodplain and hydraulic studies for river access and low-lying road segments - Draft River Response and Safety Plan in coordination with Nation, NPS, DNR, Emergency Management Agency (EMA), and county sheriff - Evaluate multimodal and transit connection feasibility (shuttle loops, bike networks, trail-to-town routes)	- Construct or improve: - River access points, boat launches, and trailheads - Parking, staging, and visitor orientation areas - Pedestrian and bicycle access improvements to key sites - Install unified wayfinding and safety signage corridor-wide - Implement River Response Plan protocols, training, and emergency communication systems - Incorporate engagement with Mvskoke language within the park where applicable	- Evaluate visitor circulation, emergency response performance, and transportation network capacity - Adjust access, signage, and circulation patterns based on use trends - Integrate transportation and access improvements into SPLOST, GDOT, LWCF, and federal grant capital planning	- Regional heritage shuttle system connecting the park, river access nodes, cultural destinations, and downtowns - Long-range bike and paddle trail networks integrating multi-county recreation routes - Climate and flood resilience upgrades for low-lying transportation routes
Tourism and Community Engagement (LTC 4)	- Establish Ocmulgee Tourism Development Coalition - Develop unified visitor messaging emphasizing Muscogee (Creek) Nation co-management and cultural authenticity - Identify priority communities, civic partners, and anchor cultural destinations for corridor programming - Begin destination image and perception research to inform marketing strategy	- Develop unified regional marketing strategy under the Tourism Development Coalition - Launch pilot itineraries linking the park to nearby towns, events, cultural sites, and outdoor recreation areas - Develop and test integrated marketing that positions the park as the gateway to the broader region - Co-host community events emphasizing cultural education and corridor identity - Develop visitor orientation tools (maps, digital guides, suggested routes, seasonal itineraries)	- Implement coordinated regional tourism marketing campaigns - Establish cross-county seasonal programming and cultural festival alignments - Expand volunteer stewardship and community ambassador programs - Strengthen partnerships with Robins AFB, Mercer University, I-75 traveler capture strategies, and festival tourism	- Evaluate visitor patterns, stay length, spending profile, and repeat visit behavior - Refine itinerary packaging to extend overnight stays across counties - Expand messaging toward heritage tourism, cultural travelers, and international markets	- Develop full regional Heritage corridor: signage, touring routes, branded trail experiences, cultural wayfinding - Launch cross-region Sister Cultural Interpretive Center programming (Georgia ↔ Oklahoma)
Economic Development and Revenue (LTC 5)	- Establish Economic Development and Business Growth Task Force and the Regional Attractions and Hospitality Recruitment Committee - Conduct market and business ecosystem gap analysis (visitor services, lodging, guides, experiences, retail) - Define priority support pathways for Muscogee (Creek) Nation entrepreneurs and local small businesses	- Launch Small Business + Cultural Enterprise Support Program - Establish tier-specific commercial and hospitality recruitment targets aligned with Tier 1–3 nodes - Initiate outdoor recreation business development (outfitters, river guides, cultural tour operators) - Begin workforce training partnerships with Mercer, MGA, CMN, and technical colleges	- Expand visitor-facing business ecosystem across corridor towns - Host entrepreneurship training cohorts focusing on hospitality, retail, and cultural experiences - Support development of new lodging, food, and visitor service businesses through incentives - Implement regional workforce apprenticeship and certification pathways for tourism and cultural interpretation	- Coordinate attraction and hospitality recruitment strategy through the Regional Attractions and Hospitality Recruitment Committee - Align business development programs with regional marketing and corridor branding led by LTC 4	- Long-range lodging development strategy distributed across corridor communities - Recruitment of heritage-aligned attractions and hospitality partners consistent with Muscogee (Creek) Nation narrative authority - Institutionalized regional tourism workforce network and entrepreneurial ecosystem - Implement long-range lodging development strategy in coordination with the Regional Attractions and Hospitality Recruitment Committee



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