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TOWN OF CENTRALHATCHEE
AND CITY OF EPHEBUS**

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PLANNING PROCESS AND PURPOSE

This Solid Waste Management Plan has been completed pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia, Annotated, Section 12-8-20 et seq., also known as the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act. The Plan has been prepared according to the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures promulgated by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, which are intended to provide a framework to facilitate and encourage integrated, comprehensive solid waste management planning at the local, multi-jurisdictional, and regional levels.

The Plan is organized according to five core-planning elements: waste reduction, collection, disposal, land limitation, and education and public involvement. These core elements are preceded by an introductory waste stream analysis and followed by an implementation schedule. Each element of the Plan provides an inventory and assessment of the current status of solid waste management practices in the planning area, derives needs and goals from that assessment, and determines how an effective and comprehensive solid waste management program will be implemented within the jurisdiction.

The Solid Waste Management Act requires that this Plan:

- Provide for the assurance of adequate solid waste collection capability and disposal capacity within the planning area for at least ten years from the date of Plan completion.
- Promote a program to reduce by 25 percent the per capita rate of municipal solid waste disposed of statewide in solid waste facilities. (FY 1992 is to be considered the base year.)
- Identify solid waste handling facilities within the Plan's area as to size and type.
- Identify land areas in the planning area unsuitable for solid waste handling facilities based on environmental and land use factors.

This Plan is submitted to the Department of Community Affairs to fulfill these requirements as well as to provide the citizens of the planning area a guide for future solid waste management.

This Solid Waste Management Plan updates the original Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Multi-Jurisdictional Solid Waste Management Plan, adopted in 1991.

The Heard County Public Works Department/County Engineer assumed the lead in developing the Solid Waste Management Plan. This Department and the Emergency Management and Codes Enforcement staff provided data for this document. The Heard Comprehensive Plan Update 2006-2026 (draft) also served as a source-document for selected data. The Heard County Public Works Department/County Engineer was assisted in their efforts by Keck & Wood, Inc.

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This Solid Waste Management Plan covers both the unincorporated and incorporated Heard County including the City of Franklin, the City of Ephesus and the Town of Centralhatchee.

Heard County has met the Minimum Planning Standards requirement for two (2) Public Hearings and advertising public notification for the Solid Waste Management Plan process. The County held an initial Public Hearing on February 23, 2006 and a second Public Hearing on June 22, 2006 prior to the submittal of the draft plan to the Regional Development Center (RDC) and the Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

Heard County, incorporated in 1830, is located in the Piedmont region of west central Georgia, approximately 55 miles west of Atlanta and 60 miles north of Columbus. Heard County covers 296 square miles and includes the incorporated municipalities of Centralhatchee, Ephesus and Franklin. Historically, this small community has maintained an agrarian and textile economy.

1.1 Population

**Table 1.1
Historic Population Trends**

Historic Population				
Jurisdiction	1980	1990	2000	2005
Heard County	6,520	8,628	11,012	12,135
Centralhatchee	240	301	383	419
Ephesus	184	324	388	439
Franklin	711	876	902	950
Unincor. Heard	5,385	7,127	9,339	10,327
GEORGIA	5,462,989	6,478,149	8,186,453	8,868,675

Heard County grew by 27.6 percent between 1990 and 2000. This was the second fastest growth rate in the five-county CFRDC region. US Census estimates that the County has grown by another 10.1 percent between 2000 and 2005. Based on comparative analysis of Census, CAED and OPB projections and applying a Cohort Component analysis of the resident composition, it is anticipated the County should experience an approximate 20 percent growth rate by the 2010 Census to 13,258 residents. This trend should continue at a rate of 9 percent growth every five years through 2030.

**Table 1.2
Population Projections**

Heard County Population Projections							
Category	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Total population	11,012	12,135	13,258	14,381	15,504	16,627	17,750

Primary source: US Census Bureau; CDCI Cohort Comparison was within .3%.

1.2 Households

Households in the County continue to increase at the same rate as the population. As the population has continued to get older, the number of persons per household has continued to decrease. Projections concur with anticipated growth rates with households increasing at a rate of 1.5-2.0 percent annually for the next 24 years.

The number of housing units in Heard County has almost doubled since 1980. Single detached units comprise the majority of housing types at 56.1 percent in 2000. Manufactured housing or mobile homes continue to equate to over 35 percent of total housing stock. Since 2000, Heard County has experienced a reduction of manufactured housing as a result of stiffer codes and enforcement. Economics has slowed the overall building market in Heard County in the last three years. Due to lack of public wastewater outside Franklin, there continues to be a limited number of attached dwellings or multi-unit dwellings.

Table 1.3

Heard County Residential Building Permits Issued

Year	Site Built	Manuf. Housing	Total
2000	59	92	151
2001	61	64	125
2002	64	57	121
2003	60	54	114
2004	43	53	96
2005	45	38	81

Source: US Census Bureau

Table 1.4

Household Size

Heard County Average Household Size			
Census	1980	1990	2000
Persons per household	2.93	2.75	2.70

Source: US Census Bureau

Table 1.5

Household Totals and Projections

Heard County Household Projections											
Category	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Total households	2,204	2,649	3,093	3,568	4,043	4,503	4,963	5,422	5,882	6,342	6,802

Source: US Census Bureau

1.3 Economy

To understand Heard County's competitive advantage in terms of firms, employment and wages, this chart explores the importance of each to the County. Proportionately more people are employed in the Goods Producing sector than any other sector in Heard County and are primarily employed in construction. Heard County lags behind the state in Service Producing employment percentage while it exceeds the state in local government employment percentages for a population this size.

**Table 1.6
Employment by Industry Projections**

Heard County: Employment by Industry											
Category	1980	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Total Employed Civilian Population	2,581	3,142	3,702	4,161	4,619	5,129	5,638	6,148	6,657	7,167	7,676
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, hunting & mining	138	148	157	132	106	98	90	82	74	66	58
Construction	193	352	510	678	846	1,009	1,173	1,336	1,499	1,662	1,826
Manufacturing	1,110	1,220	1,329	1,142	955	916	878	839	800	761	723
Wholesale Trade	44	72	100	123	146	172	197	223	248	274	299
Retail Trade	254	363	472	469	466	519	572	625	678	731	784
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	198	224	249	308	366	408	450	492	534	576	618
Information	NA	NA	NA	NA	83	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	65	91	116	108	99	108	116	125	133	142	150
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	47	59	71	134	197	235	272	310	347	385	422
Educational, health and social services	316	329	342	550	758	869	979	1,090	1,200	1,311	1,421
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	50	26	2	106	209	249	289	328	368	408	448
Other Services	53	123	193	191	189	223	257	291	325	359	393
Public Administration	113	137	161	180	199	221	242	264	285	307	328

Source: US Census Bureau

The majority of the Heard County workforce continues to work outside of the County with percentages rising from 62% in 1990 to 67.7% in 2000. An additional 2.4% works outside the state of Georgia primarily commuting to East Alabama as far as Anniston and Phenix City. The lack of available higher wage positions inside the County drives this trend.

Heard County has evolved along the same lines as the statewide and national economies as employment has shifted from a manufacturing and production to a service based economy. However, the shift has been slower in Heard County because of the continued importance of forestry and agriculture to the local economy. The majority of residents do not work in the County and commute to employment options in Carrollton,

LaGrange and Newnan. The majority of the commuting labor force is employed in Construction, Manufacturing, Education, Retail Trade, Health and Human Service occupations. Major employers in the area include Tanner Medical and West Georgia Medical Centers, the University of West Georgia, Southwire Company, Wal-Mart Associates, and Gold Kist Inc.

Locally, the five largest employers include Eller & Sons Trees, Franklin Aluminum Co., Georgia Power Plant Wansley, Fluor Daniel and the Heard County School System. Many of these private industries offer opportunity for Heard County to attract support service industry, particularly in metal fabrication and power generation.

Heard County is uniquely situated within an hours drive to the expanding metropolitan Atlanta population moving westward. The advantage of this proximity could afford opportunity to attract tourism expenditures. The County has an abundance of pristine open space and outdoor recreation opportunities that could be utilized to attract day-trippers from Atlanta and areas to the northeast. Additionally the County has a large agricultural community and may be able to capitalize on this through the increased attraction of agribusiness industries.

1.4 Infrastructure

Heard County is fortunate to have a county-wide public water system. Started in 1988 with assistance from various state and federal funding sources, the Heard County Water Authority acquired the existing City of Franklin water and sewer system. With an expansion in 1992 and continued extensions of service, the county water system currently serves approximately 2,800 customers in Centralhatchee, Ephesus, Franklin and much of unincorporated Heard County, as well as being a wholesale provider to Randolph County, AL.

The system includes a 3.08 mgd treatment facility, raw water intake on the Centralhatchee and the Hillabahatchee Creek allowing for a total 4.0 mgd withdrawal permitted, a 15.6 MG raw water storage impoundment, .484 MG clearwell storage, elevated storage of 2.07 MG and a distribution system consisting of approximately 200 miles of water main.

Sewer service is provided by the Heard County Water Authority within and around the City of Franklin limits to approximately 330 customers in 2005. Sewer lines serve approximately 95 percent of the households in the City. The existing collection system is approximately 50-60 years old and the HCWA has aggressively pursued funding over the past five years for upgrades of the system. Recent upgrades and extensions have included repair of existing mains in the downtown residential areas from the treatment plant and a 12 inch main extended east along GA Hwy. 34 to service the new Heard Elementary School. This 2-mile extension has the capacity to facilitate future commercial and residential growth anticipated along this corridor.

Existing wastewater treatment includes a 160,000 mgd extended aeration treatment works discharging to the Chattahoochee River, and a collection network serving 330 customers in and around Franklin. Currently, the Heard County Water Authority is pursuing \$3 million in financing to build a new 1 million gpd wastewater treatment facility on property above the existing facility. This is significant in that the existing plant lies in

the 100-year floodplain and has historically been impacted during annual flooding of the Chattahoochee River, thus increasing incidents of infiltration and potential major spillage into the river. By constructing a new facility on higher ground, it is determined that this problem will be eliminated and afford opportunity for continued expansion of service.

Due to current lower density out in the County, public wastewater collection and treatment services are limited to the City of Franklin proper and would be cost prohibitive to develop. Thus, the remainder of County residents, as well as residents of Centralhatchee and Ephesus use individual septic systems.

Overall, the septic tanks are sufficient for residents and small businesses. However, older septic systems installed over 30 years ago are being identified by the Heard County Health Department for failing violations and are in need of replacement. Currently, Census estimates approximately 2 percent of Heard County households do not have complete plumbing, while the Health Department estimates that approximately 2 percent of households are experiencing failing septic tank systems.

1.5 Recreation

Heard County boasts over 5,000 acres of passive and active recreational area including County and city-maintained parks and greenways, state Wildlife Management Area, and US Army Corps of Engineers property.

The Heard County Parks and Recreation Department maintains the 21 acre Riverside Park adjacent to the Chattahoochee River in the City of Franklin. The land area is part of a long-term lease from the US Army Corp of Engineers. Riverside Park includes four baseball/softball fields, two tennis courts, a playground, and a gymnasium and administrative offices. There is a ½ mile walking track around the ballfields that connects to the passive greenway trail along the river's edge. The greenway trail also includes a pavilion, picnicking areas, rest areas and an observation tower overlooking the river. In addition, there is a boat launch into the Chattahoochee.

The Heard P&RD has an active recreational program including league and tournament football, baseball, softball, and t-ball. Current participation in these programs is estimated to exceed 3,000 annually.

This recreation area has served as the main facility for the Department for the past thirty years. During heavy rains the park floods on average of once a year. The disrepair and potential for ground contamination caused from these floods has continued to make this a questionable area for active recreation.

The County maintains a 180 acre lakeside recreational area, Brush Creek Park, also leased from the USCOE. This park is located approximately 8 miles southwest of Franklin and includes 30 RV camping sites, primitive camping, outdoor basketball court, restroom facilities, a playground, a picnic pavilion and a boat launch. This area has become an active location for Native American festivals and interpretive educational opportunities.

Another USCOE maintained recreational area, Snake Creek Park, lies across the river from Brush Creek Park and includes a boat ramp, picnic facilities and a pavilion. This

Park lies adjacent to the 5,000 acre West Point Wildlife Management Area maintained by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. This area is active during hunting season for reserved hunting of deer and turkey.

The Town of Centralhatchee and City of Ephesus maintain their own recreational parks. Centralhatchee has two including a new twenty-five acre park which offers a playground, basketball court, pavilion and walking trail. Future improvements will extend the walking trail and add ballfields.

Ephesus has recently received state funding to improve Hoyt Rogers Park which includes a ballfield, concessions, and walking trail. The improvements will include rehabilitation of the walking trail, added picnicking, an amphitheatre and an outdoor education area.

There are additional smaller recreational areas in the Corinth, Glenn and Enon Grove communities for local residents to utilize.

Heard County is currently assessing potential sites for a 150 acre recreation complex which would be the new home of the Recreation Department, add tournament level playing fields and enable the County to enhance programming such as adding soccer. Local SPLOST funds have been earmarked for this project and design will begin once a site has been chosen.

1.6 General Government

The Heard County government consists of a county commission with a full-time chairman and a five-member board of commissioners. Each municipality in the County maintains a mayor-council form of government with full-time city clerks.

Heard County and the three municipalities have adopted a formal Service Delivery Strategy for cooperative provision of a wide range of services to their residents, including public safety, fire protection, emergency services, water, and solid waste collection.

1.7 Growth Trends

New residential development has been concentrated in the northern and eastern sections of the County and has led to the increase in traffic on local roads in these areas. This increase in travel is the likely result of the continued increase in local residents employed in Carroll and Coweta Counties. The increase in population has been mirrored by the increase in the commuter labor force and is expected to continue. The results of this continuing trend will create further traffic congestion on local roads that have not been designed to accommodate the projected volumes.

**SECTION 2
WASTE DISPOSAL STREAM ANALYSIS**

2.1 Inventory of Waste Generators

The primary contributors to the overall waste stream in Heard County and its respective municipalities are residential, commercial and industrial Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) and construction and demolition (C&D) materials. Base Year 2005 quantity collection data by sector and collection agency is reflected in *Table 2.1*. This information was derived from "open market" solid waste handlers who could be identified; records maintained by the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation; records maintained by the City of Franklin and application of sector allocations from the 2005 State Solid Waste Management Plan (draft).

**TABLE 2.1
Quantity and Sector of MSW Collected
For the Base Year 2005
Heard County and its Municipalities**

Collection Agency	Type of Waste	Quantity of Solid Waste Collection tons/year
From "open market" solid waste handlers	Residential	2,193
	Commercial	1,558
	Industrial	802
	C&D	695
From The Heard County Drop-Off Convenience Centers	Residential	3,024
	Recyclables	544
From The City of Franklin	Residential	132
Total		8,948

Source: Private solid waste handlers; City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation; City of Franklin

2.1.1 Unique Conditions and/or Seasonal Variations

Heard County and its municipalities do not experience any significant seasonal changes in populations. There are some seasonal events such as festivals and special events which may have some very short-term impact on volumes and collection schedules but these are not consequential to the overall solid waste operation. There are some very minor variations, such as in C&D tonnage based on seasonal construction fluctuations, and therefore for the most part insignificant to the County's/municipalities' solid waste operation. Similarly, many commercial/industrial generators have peak seasonal or event related volumes which are also of minimum consequence to the County's/municipalities' overall operations.

2.1.2 Waste Generating Disasters

Heard County and its municipalities cannot reasonably project the additional amount of waste which might be potentially generated by unknown and unanticipated disasters. Obviously, based on the impact of past disaster events it can be anticipated that there will be additional waste that would require management for such incidents. Close coordination would be required with state/federal solid waste regulators and state/federal/local emergency management agencies. The collections and disposal sections of this document outline the County's and municipalities' contingency plans to address additional waste resulting from disasters.

2.2 Disposal Rates

Information from "open market" solid waste handlers operating in Heard County and its municipalities and records from the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation and the City of Franklin were used to determine waste stream volume and sector data. The records of LaGrange Commercial Sanitation and the City of Franklin are well maintained and reliable.

However, there are factors which may to some extent affect the completeness of the waste stream data. The first concerns identifying and securing data from solid waste handlers operating in the County/municipalities under the "open market" system. Since there is no registration, permitting or licensing required of these providers it is difficult to ensure all operating in the County/municipalities have been identified and difficult to compel the production of data when there is no requirement to do so. The major known private providers did respond when requested.

Secondly, there is a possibility that reported tonnage from the County/municipalities may be attributed to other jurisdictions because some contractors do not accurately distinguish collections among the various jurisdictions they serve when reporting source data.

While these factors, either individually or collectively, do not compromise the reliability of the overall data they are matters worthy of exploring alternatives to improve reporting completeness. This issue is further addressed in the Collection Section of this document.

Disposal rates are based on the quantity/sector data reflected in this section and the population data is for Heard County and its municipalities. That population projection is presented elsewhere in this document in *Table 2.5*. As indicated in the source note the population projections are extrapolated for the planning period from U.S. Census Bureau data in the 2006-2026 Heard Comprehensive Plan draft.

Table 2.2 below shows the amount of the waste disposed by sector based on the survey data received.

**TABLE 2.2
Reported Waste by Sector
For the Base Year 2005
Heard County and its Municipalities**

Sector	Tons to MSW Landfill	Tons to C&D Landfill	Diverted for Recycling	Total Tons
Residential	5349			5349
Commercial	1558			1558
C&D		695		695
Industrial	802			802
Recyclables			544	544
TOTALS	7577	695	544	8,948

Table 2.3 below shows that based on all the reported tonnage (8,948 tons) for the 2005 base year the disposal rate in Heard County and its municipalities is 4.04 pounds per person per day. Based on the 2005 tonnage excluding recyclables (8,404 tons) the disposal rate in Heard County and its municipalities is 3.79 pounds per person per day. These disposal rates are both, below the state average of 6.38 pounds per person per day.

**TABLE 2.3
MSW Disposal Rates in
Heard County and its Municipalities
(Total and Excluding Recyclables)**

Area	Tons Per Year 2005	Population (2005)	Pounds Per Person Per Day
Heard County and its Municipalities (all reported tonnage)	8948	12135	4.04
Heard County and its Municipalities (excluding recyclables)	8404	12135	3.79

There is no local level data as to the composition of the County's and its municipalities' waste stream so data from the RW Beck Waste Characterization Study completed in 2005 compiled/published at the direction of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (GA DCA) is utilized for purposes of this document. That information is depicted in Table 2.4. As noted, the composition of the waste stream includes paper, plastic, glass, metal organic, C&D and inorganic materials.

TABLE 2.4
Composition of Solid Waste (based on State Averages)
Heard County and its Municipalities
Base Year 2005

Waste Type	Percent of Total MSW
Paper	38.7%
Plastic	15.8%
Glass	3.7%
Metal	5.4%
Organic	27.1%
C&D	6.0%
Inorganic	3.3%

Source: RW Beck Waste Characterization Study 2005 (draft)

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TABLE 2.5
Composition of Solid Waste (Based on Chatt-Flint RDC Area Averages)
Heard County and its Municipalities
Base Year 2005

Waste Type	Percent of Total MSW
Paper	40.0%
Plastic	16.0%
Glass	4.3%
Metal	7.4%
Organic	25.2%
C&D	4.2%
Inorganic	2.9%

Source: RW Beck Waste Characterization Study 2005 (draft)

Summary population data from U.S. Bureau of Census 2005 data as contained in the Heard Comprehensive Plan 2006-2026 (draft) which establishes the estimated population for Heard County is extrapolated for the planning period of this document (2005-2015) in *Table 2.6*.

TABLE 2.6
Heard County and its Municipalities
Population Projections for Ten Year Planning Period
2005-2015

Year	Population
2005	12,135
2006	12,359
2007	12,583
2008	12,807
2009	13,031
2010	13,258
2011	13,482
2012	13,706
2013	13,930
2014	14,154
2015	14,381

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census 2005 from Heard County Comprehensive Plan 2006-2026 (draft).
 Projections are extrapolated based on county-wide projections at the straight-line annual percent change.

Using the information gathered in the inventory phase, anticipated waste amounts without reductions for the planning period have been calculated for the period 2005 through 2015 which encompasses the entire planning period. *Table 2.7* reflects the projected annual waste stream tonnage generated, disposed of, recycled and per capita pounds per day per-person. The population data is from the previously cited population projections (*Table 2.5*). The annual tonnage amounts are calculated on an incremental increase in volume basis consistent with the rate of annual population growth.

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Table 2.6

TABLE 2.7
Annual Projections Without Reductions
Municipal Solid Waste 2005-2015
Heard County and its Municipalities

Year	Population	Tons Disposed	Tons Recycled	Total Generated	Lbs./Person/Day Generated
2005	12,135	8,404	544	8,948	4.0
2006	12,359	8,558	554	9,112	4.0
2007	12,583	8,715	563	9,278	4.0
2008	12,807	8,875	573	9,448	4.0
2009	13,031	8,891	583	9,474	4.0
2010	13,258	9,054	594	9,648	4.0
2011	13,482	9,220	605	9,825	4.0
2012	13,706	9,389	616	10,005	4.0
2013	13,930	9,561	627	10,188	4.0
2014	14,154	9,736	639	10,375	4.0
2015	14,381	9,872	651	10,523	4.0

To calculate the pounds per person per day the annual total tons generated was divided by 365 to determine the total tons per day. Next, the total tons per day were multiplied by 2000 (2000 lbs. equals one ton to determine the pounds per day). That total was then divided by the projected population to determine the pounds per person per day of waste generated. This calculation was performed for each year 2005 through 2015 in *Table 2.7*.

Annual projections through the planning period for waste generated by composition without reductions are reflected in *Table 2.8*. This data was calculated by applying the pro rata percentage of each composition type from *Table 2.4* to the projected waste stream generated (exclusive of recyclables) contained in *Table 2.7* on an annual basis.

TABLE 2.8
Annual Projections Without Reductions
Municipal Solid Waste Composition By Type 2005-2015
Heard County and its Municipalities

Year	Paper	Plastic	Glass	Metal	Organic	C&D	Inorganic
2005	3253	1327	310	454	2278	504	278
2006	3313	1352	317	462	2319	513	282
2007	3373	1377	322	470	2362	523	288
2008	3435	1402	328	479	2405	533	293
2009	3440	1405	329	480	2409	534	294
2010	3504	1431	335	489	2454	543	299
2011	3568	1457	341	498	2499	553	304
2012	3634	1484	347	507	2544	563	310
2013	3700	1511	354	516	2590	574	316
2014	3768	1538	360	528	2638	584	320
2015	3820	1560	365	533	2675	592	326

**TABLE 2.9
Waste Reduction Calculations
Heard County and its Municipalities**

<u>2005 Base Year</u>	
Population	12,135
Waste Landfilled	8,404 TPY
Material Recycled	544 TPY
Per Capita Disposal Rate	3.79 PPD
Per Capita Recycling Rate	0.25 PPD

**2015 Per Capita Waste Reduction Goal
for Heard County and its Municipalities**

- A. $3.79 \times 0.25 = 0.95$ PPD (25% of Base Year Disposal Rate)
- B. 0.95 PPD $- 0.25 = 0.70$ PPD (25% Red. - Recycling Rate)
- C. 3.79 PPD $- 0.70$ PPD = 3.09 PPD (Adj. Disposal Rate for 2015)

PPD = Pound Per Person Per Day

TPY = Tons Per Year

**TABLE 2.10
Illustrative Graduated Annual Changes in Disposal/Recycling Rates
With 2005 As The Base Year And 2015 As The Target year
Heard County, Georgia and its Municipalities**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Disposal PPD	3.79	3.72	3.65	3.58	3.51	3.44	3.37	3.30	3.23	3.16	3.09
Recycling Rate PPD	.25	.295	.34	.385	.43	.475	.520	.565	.61	.655	.70

2.2.1 Progress Toward Per Capita Reduction of MSW

According to the Multi-Jurisdiction Regional Solid Waste Management Plan prepared by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center in 1991 based on the waste stream data assembled for that report, the pounds per person per day of solid waste generated in Heard County was 5.16. According to the waste stream data compiled for this 2005 update, that rate equals 4.04 pounds per person per day, a 1.12 pounds per person per day or 22% decrease.

In the intervening years since the 1991 plan, Heard County in cooperation with its municipalities has completely reorganized its solid waste management collection, recycling and disposal system. Specifically, in the early 1990's Heard County

operated a solid waste system consisting of some 167 greenboxes at 82 locations at crossroads throughout the County. This system created a multitude of operational problems which are enumerated in the Collection Section of this Plan. Not least of these problems was the practical inability to control dumping at these locations from out of County and even out of State (Alabama) counties. Additionally, while there were fledgling recycling programs in the County they did not offer the scope and access available currently.

The greatest contribution to this significant reduction in the per capita rate is the overhauled solid waste system in the County. The system now provides six (6) strategically located convenience centers which are staffed during operating hours, fenced and lighted for security, offer ample hours of operation, are limited to Heard County residents with a valid year permit and provide recycling opportunities at each location.

Based on the reduction findings of 22% between 1991 and 2005 the County will continue its goal to reduce the amount of MSW disposed per capita by 25% from the 2005 base year to the 2015 target year. See *Tables 2.9 Waste Reduction Calculations and 2.10 Illustrative Graduated Annual Changes in Disposal/Recycling Rates*.

SECTION 3 WASTE REDUCTION ELEMENT

3.1 Inventory and Assessment of Waste Reduction Programs

3.1.1 Source Reduction Programs

Heard County and its municipalities do not provide waste reduction programs as a direct local government service. It is likely that commercial/industrial/institutional operations within the County and its municipalities have source reduction programs in place. However, documentation is not readily available to confirm the presence and scope of such activities.

3.1.2 Recycling Programs and Facilities

Heard County. Residents of Heard County (and the municipalities therein) have the option of self-delivering recyclables to one of the six (6) contract staffed and operated convenience centers strategically located throughout Heard County. The center locations and operating hours are listed below:

Old Field Road: Monday and Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Lane Road: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Victory Road: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Northwest Highway 100: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Cooksville Fire Station: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Centralhatchee: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

All sites have recycling bins for cardboard and co-mingled paper. In addition, the Old Field Road location has a scrap metal bin. Large bulk items (without Freon) are accepted at this location for a fee of \$50.00 per ton. This location has a newspaper recycling bin, an aluminum recycling bin operated by the 4-H Club and a Goodwill box. The Centralhatchee location is owned by the Town and made available to the County for a convenience center site. At this location the Town provides a scrap metal receptacle which is for the use of Centralhatchee residents only. Residents may obtain a user card for this purpose at the Town Hall.

In order to use the convenience centers, Head County households (both within the municipalities and the unincorporated area) must purchase a user permit for an annual fee of \$25.00 (\$12.50 for over 65 years-old). These permits may be purchased at the Heard County Courthouse in Franklin and at the Town/City Halls of Centralhatchee and Ephesus. *now*

According to available records, 544 tons of recyclables were collected from the convenience centers in the base year 2005. This represents just over 6% of the County's total waste stream for that year.

Heard County residents and businesses may also choose to utilize a private waste collector/hauler of their choice under the "open market" or "subscription" service approach. The County is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers. These services may provide recycling services the volume of which is not recorded.

3.1.3 Yard Trimmings Mulching/Composting

The City of Franklin also provides a yard trimmings mulching/composting service by appointment utilizing City employees and equipment. As required by regulations all yard trimmings must be separated from other waste. These trimmings are chipped and utilized for mulch or for compost materials. The mulch is used on City properties and made available to the general public. Presently the volume of the yard trimmings collected and mulched for reuse is not measured or recorded.

Heard County, the Town of Centralhatchee or the City of Ephesus do not provide a yard trimmings mulching/composting service. Such services may be provided in the areas described above under the available "open market" collection method but they are not regulated by the respective jurisdictions and therefore not readily identified. In addition, local utility companies, tree surgeons and landscapers likely grind limbs, stumps and trees outside the regulations of the jurisdiction.

While the County and its municipalities have no formal composting and mulching program it encourages private participation in these practices. There are numerous individual household composting activities by private citizens within the County and its municipalities but these are not reported and/or registered/permited so no documentation as to volumes are available.

3.1.4 Special Management Items

Neither Heard County nor its municipalities provide a formal program for special management items. The convenience centers do maintain a resource list of qualified firms which handle special management items and will refer citizens upon inquiry regarding the same.

3.1.5 Contingency Recycling Strategy

Should the current regular methods for providing recycling and waste reduction operations be interrupted or become unavailable the County and municipalities have an operational option.

There are a number of private solid waste providers located in the area proximate to Heard County capable of assuming the collection and transfer of recyclables if some or all of the convenience centers were temporarily inaccessible for use by the general public. These services would likely be provided at temporary collection locations available to the general public. In addition, there are a number of public and private recycling facilities within a short to moderate distance of Heard County that could temporarily accept recyclables from Heard residents/businesses. The

County can invoke through appropriate steps emergency procurement authorization to negotiate with firm(s) to provide the services described above. Under these same emergency procurement provisions the County might also choose to negotiate directly with firms representing specific commodity markets to provide a collection, transfer and marketing option on a temporary basis.

It is anticipated that one or more of these service options could be procured and authorized within a week with services beginning within that same time period subject to mobilization requirements.

3.2 Assessment of Waste Reduction Programs and Facilities

Heard County provides recycling opportunities for all its citizens (including those residing in the municipalities) in the form of the six (6) drop-off convenience centers strategically located throughout the County. These recycling services are reasonably available to the citizens of the County and its municipalities from multiple locations. The contract operated facilities are well maintained and managed.

In addition, County and municipal residents may avail themselves of the opportunity to retain a private solid waste handler for recycling under the "open market" approach to these services.

A review of the 2005 base year data shows that just over 6% of the waste stream is diverted by recycling. However, it is important to note that the recycling volume likely underreports reuse/recycling activities accomplished under the "open market" approach. ✓

There has been significant progress over the previous ten (10) years toward meeting the 25% per capita reduction goal. Comparing the per capita pounds per day from 1991 (5.16) with the 2005 rate of 4.04 there is a 1.12 or 22% pound per person per day decrease. This is due in large part to the reorganization of the County's collection/recycling/disposal system in the intervening years since 1991 which not only greatly reduced the flow of out of County and out of state waste to the County but also enhanced and expanded recycling opportunities for its citizens.

The City of Franklin provides a local government service yard trimmings mulching/composting program. With yard trimmings composing such a large part of the state's overall waste stream this is an important service. Similarly, the Town of Centralhatchee's metal collection receptacle at the convenience center in that community contributes to the overall waste reduction in the County and its municipalities.

3.3 Needs and Goals

According to available data since 1991, Heard County and its municipalities have reduced the disposal rate in pounds per person per capita by approximately 22% from 5.16 to 4.04.

The goal of the County and its municipalities is to reduce the disposal rate by 25% over the ten (10) year planning period. Additionally, it is the goal of the County and its municipalities to develop and implement a data collection reporting system for private "open market" providers of significance.

The County and its municipalities need to ensure accurate record keeping as to the amount and composition of the solid waste generated within the County/municipalities from private commercial/industrial collection firms and private sector firms for the purpose of accurately determining waste reduction progress.

The County and its municipalities need to target yard trimmings as a priority method to further reduce per capita solid waste disposal. The County and its municipalities should evaluate enhancing the City of Franklin's program using either a contracted program or participation in a multi-jurisdictional and/or regional program. One alternative is to have a mulching operator grind properly stored trimmings on a scheduled basis (monthly, quarterly, etc.).

The County and its municipalities need to encourage and support community-based recycling, reuse and reduction programs. The County and its municipalities need to actively support schools, churches, civic groups and businesses as both catalyst and participants in recycling, reuse and reduction efforts.

The County and its municipalities need to initiate a prioritized set of activities to significantly expand and enhance the education/public involvement program in the area as referenced in Element 7 (Education and Public Involvement).

The County and its municipalities need to additionally focus on paper products in the waste reduction effort based on its level of volume in MSW landfills of the region according to the DCA Waste Composition Study.

The County and its municipalities need to evaluate whether the Solid Waste Ordinance should include additional provisions to encourage recycling by private solid waste handlers.

SECTION 4 COLLECTION ELEMENT

4.1 Inventory and Assessment of Collection Programs

The methods for providing collection services vary around the State depending upon a number of internal/external local factors including community size and demographics. Among the more typical alternatives are:

- **Local Governmental Service** - The local government uses its own employees and equipment to directly provide service.
- **Contract** - Private waste hauling firms are hired by the jurisdiction to provide the service to all its residents under the terms and conditions of a contract or one local government might contract with another jurisdiction for the service.
- **Franchise** - The local jurisdiction enters into one or more franchise agreements with private waste hauling firms, granting each franchisee either an exclusive or non-exclusive right to offer specific types of collection services, to residents within a defined territory.
- **License/Permit/Local Ordinance** - This method requires any waste hauler operating within the jurisdiction to obtain a license or permit from that local government; the number of haulers usually isn't limited, and license requirements are usually related to the safe and nuisance-free operation of services, the adoption of a local ordinance might require additional services such as recycling.
- **No Oversight** - This method sometimes referred to as an "open market" or "subscription" service, allows residents to select the waste hauler of their choice; the local government is not involved with the provision of service.
- **Self-Haul** - Residents self-haul their MSW directly to a transfer/disposal facility.

4.1.1 Drop-Off Convenience Centers/Curb-side Collection

Examples of several of these methods can be found in Heard County, the City of Franklin, the Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus. Collection services available in the plan area are described below.

Heard County: Residents of Heard County (and the municipalities therein) have the option of self-delivering household waste and/or recyclables to one of the six (6) contract staffed and operated convenience centers strategically located throughout Heard County. The center locations and operating hours are listed below:

Old Field Road: Monday and Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Lane Road: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Victory Road: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Northwest Highway 100: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Cooksville Fire Station: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Centralhatchee: Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

All the sites accept household waste and have recycling bins for cardboard and commingled paper. In addition, the Old Field Road location has a scrap metal bin and three (3) furniture bins. Large bulk items (without Freon) are accepted at this location for a fee of \$50.00 per ton. This location has a newspaper recycling bin, an aluminum recycling bin operated by the 4-H Club and a Goodwill box. The Centralhatchee location is owned by the Town and made available to the County for a convenience center site. At this location the Town provides scrap metal and furniture receptacles which are for the use of Centralhatchee residents only. Residents may obtain a user card for this purpose at the Town Hall.

In order to use the convenience centers, Heard County households (both within the municipalities and the unincorporated area) must purchase a user permit for an annual fee of \$25.00 (\$12.50 for over 65 years-old). These permits may be purchased at the Heard County Courthouse in Franklin and at the Town/City Halls of Centralhatchee and Ephesus.

According to available records 3024 tons of disposable waste and 544 tons of recyclables were collected from the convenience centers in the base year 2005.

Heard County residents and businesses may also choose to utilize a private waste collector/hauler of their choice under the "open market" or "subscription" service approach. The County is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers. These services may provide street-side collection of waste and/or recycling and commercial service by means of greenboxes, roll-off containers, etc.

City of Franklin: The City of Franklin offers its residence a local government provided residential curb-side collection option. This service is provided by City employees utilizing City owned and maintained equipment. The service is available either once or twice weekly for a monetary fee of \$10.00 or \$17.50 respectively. The City does not use a standardized roll-out container for this collection system. The City will collect waste in the rear yard for customers with documented physical limitations.

Waste collected by the City under this method is hauled to and disposed of in the City of LaGrange I-85/SR 109 MSW landfill. According to available records the City collected and disposed of 132 tons of MSW during the 2005 base year. *950 people*

City of Franklin residents and businesses also have the options of utilizing the Heard County Convenience Centers (with a valid permit) or a private waste collector/hauler of their choice under the "open market" approach. Under the "open market" approach the City is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers.

The City of Franklin also provides a yard trimmings collection service by appointment utilizing City employees and equipment. As required by regulations all yard trimmings must be separated from other waste. These trimmings are chipped and utilized for mulch or for compost materials. The mulch is used on City properties and made available to

the general public. Presently the volume of the yard trimmings collected and mulched for reuse is not measured or recorded.

Town of Centralhatchee: The Town provides no direct local government service for solid waste collection. As noted previously, the Town does provide collection receptacles for metal and furniture for use by Town residents only at the Centralhatchee convenience center site.

The Town of Centralhatchee residents and businesses have the options of utilizing the Heard County convenience centers (with a valid permit) or a private waste collector/hauler of their choice under the "open market" approach. Under the "open market" approach the Town is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers.

City of Ephesus: The City provides no direct local government service for solid waste collection. The City's residents and businesses have the options of utilizing the Heard County convenience centers (with a valid permit) or a private waste collector/hauler of their choice under the "open market" approach. Under the "open market" approach the City is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers.

Map 4.1 depicts the location of the convenience centers locations.

4.1.2 Yard Trimmings and Bulk Item Collection

Heard County, the Town of Centralhatchee or the City of Ephesus do not provide a yard trimmings collection service. Such services may be provided in the areas described above under the available "open market" collection method but they are not regulated by the respective jurisdictions and therefore not readily identifiable. In addition, local utility companies, tree surgeons and landscapers likely grind limbs, stumps and trees outside the regulations of the jurisdictions.

As previously described, the City of Franklin does provide by direct local government service for the collection of yard trimmings. Collection is accomplished on an appointment basis and trimmings must be separated from other waste as required by regulation. The trimmings are subsequently chipped for mulch and compositing. The mulch material is used by the City on its public properties and is available to the general public.

Heard County operates a self-delivery bulk item collection service. All Heard County residents with a valid use permit may self-deliver bulk items (without Freon) to the Old Field Road convenience center. There is a \$50.00 per ton collection fee. In addition, the Town of Centralhatchee provides collection receptacles for self-delivery metals and furniture for use by Town residents only at the Centralhatchee convenience center location.

4.1.3 Illegal Dumping/Littering

In the early 1990's Heard County operated a system of some 167 greenboxes at 82 locations in the County as its local government service method of solid waste collection. While this approach was a generally acceptable practice in rural areas it often resulted in multiple problems including dumping and littering. These unstaffed often isolated and

infrequently policed greenboxes locations invited indiscriminate dumping and therefore often overfilled containers. As a result, users dumped waste on the ground around the full greenboxes or along the routes to and from the site. The sites became havens for abandoned and dead animals along with scavenging. Their condition became a strong impediment not to use the system rather than an inducement to do so. Ranking high among the results was increased dumping and littering in the County.

In the intervening years the County has significantly improved its collection system by streamlining the system to a more efficient, cost effective operation of six (6) strategically located convenience centers which are fenced, staffed during operating hours, lighted, available to permit holders only, serviced for hauling/disposal on a regular schedule and policed for litter five (5) days a week by County employees and inmate labor.

Illegal dumping and littering have been more effectively discouraged and contained due in large part to the opportunities to dispose of solid waste in an appropriate and legal manner presented by the convenience centers and other collection options described in this Section.

However, Heard County, while growing and on the cusp of even greater growth, is today very rural and sparsely populated in many areas. Dumping and littering are still problems but of lesser intensity and scope than 10 to 15 years ago. Accordingly, Heard County remains vigilant in its efforts to minimize the problem. The County has an illegal dumping section in its Solid Waste Ordinance (see *Appendix E*). The County's Code Enforcement Officer augmented by the Sheriff's Office and Public Works personnel monitor such activities. On the occasions a significant incident is identified, the County takes appropriate steps to initiate corrective action to accomplish clean-up and compliance. Although the situation may vary on a case by case basis depending upon severity and other circumstances the violator is given a time certain to correct the problem. If the violator fails to comply within the time frame established then a citation is issued and the case referred to the Magistrate Court for adjudication. The presiding judge may impose penalties as provided by the Ordinance and applicable State laws.

The County polices litter control using inmate labor on a daily basis to collect litter along the public right-of-way and public properties. The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) regularly collects litter along State routes in the County. There is also an active Adopt-A-Road Program sponsored by private businesses and civic organizations in the County.

The City of Franklin also has a Solid Waste Ordinance in place which prohibits illegal dumping and littering. Compliance is enforced through the Codes, Police and Public Works Departments. Illegal dumping and littering are more episodic than wide-spread in the City. When significant incidents are found the City moves immediately to begin corrective action. The typical process involves a warning with a time certain period for compliance. Failure to comply can lead to the issuance of a citation and referral to the City Court for adjudication. The presiding judge may impose penalties as provided by the Ordinance and applicable State laws.

The City also has an active program of litter eradication using City personnel, inmate labor and community service workers to police public right-of-ways and properties.

Public Education plays an important role in addressing littering. The City of Franklin is considering participation in the Keep Georgia Beautiful Program which works closely with local governments and other interested parties on a regular basis to educate citizens as to the cost and environmental degradation/aesthetic blight created by litter. Section 7, Education and Public Involvement provide a range of programs opportunities for consideration by the County and its municipalities.

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The Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus do not have Solid Waste Ordinances in place that address the issues of illegal dumping and littering. They currently provide minimal enforcement actions. Litter control is primarily handled by volunteer groups and civic organizations. Their relatively compact geographic size and small populations limit serious occurrences for the most part. Several windshield surveys of the respective communities did not identify any noticeable reoccurring incidents.

4.1.4 Collection Contingency Strategy

Should the current primary methods for collecting solid waste in Heard County be interrupted or become unavailable the County has a two-tiered interim alternative collection strategy.

There are a number of private solid waste collection providers in the area capable of assuming solid waste collection duties at the convenience centers. The first alternative collection strategy would be to retain one of these firms to provide the service on an interim basis. The County would invoke emergency procurement authorization to facilitate the commencement of immediate negotiations with available firms to provide collection services on a temporary basis. It is anticipated that these services could be procured and authorized within a week with collection services beginning within that same time period subject to mobilization requirements. The private firm would be responsible for locating and securing access for disposal to an approved landfill facility.

The County also has the option to contract with another public entity in the form of an intergovernmental agreement to provide collection services at the convenience centers on an interim basis.

Should the current primary methods for collecting solid waste in the City of Franklin be interrupted or become unavailable the City has a multi-tiered interim alternative collection strategy.

There are a number of private solid waste collection providers in the area capable of assuming solid waste collection duties in the City of Franklin. The first alternative collection strategy would be to retain one of these firms to provide the service on an interim basis. The City would invoke emergency procurement authorization to facilitate the commencement of immediate negotiations with available firms to provide collection services on a temporary basis. It is anticipated that these services could be procured and authorized within a week with collection services beginning within that same time period subject to mobilization requirements. The private firm would be responsible for locating and securing access for disposal to an approved landfill facility.

The City has the option to contract with another public entity in the form of an intergovernmental agreement to provide collection services at curbside on an interim basis.

The City also has the option of directing its residents to use the County's convenience centers, if operable, on an interim basis.

The Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus have no collection activities which are not addressed in the County's collection Contingency Strategy.

4.1.5 Natural Disaster/Emergency Situation

The Heard County Emergency Management Agency (HCEMA) is the agency responsible for the development and implementation of Emergency Management for the County and its member cities. HCEMA has an approved Emergency Operation Plan. The Plan establishes a framework for emergency planning and responses to: prevent emergency situations; reduce vulnerability during disasters; establish capabilities to protect residents from the effects of crisis; respond effectively and efficiently to actual emergencies; and provide for rapid recovery from any emergency or disaster that affects the local jurisdiction. In the event of a disaster rising to the level of a Presidential Disaster Declaration the resources of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) would be available to the County to assist with the collection and disposal of waste under a program coordinated with the County by HCEMA. ✓
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For a disaster or emergency of lesser scope the County would invoke its local emergency response plan for its internal use wherein on-call personnel would be mobilized to operate removal and collection equipment. Private contractors would also be retained under emergency procurement authorization as necessary. The top priority would be to clear emergency facilities and roadways.

Following this priority activity the County would use a private contractor(s) to collect and dispose of vegetative debris such as branches, limbs, trees, leaves, etc. and residential waste. Dependent upon the volume a temporary chipping/grinding operation might be initiated for the vegetative debris. In extreme circumstances the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) might be contacted to request permission for incineration using on-site air-curtain incinerators. The private collector would be responsible to find and utilize permitted or otherwise authorized disposal sites for MSW and/or debris.

4.2 Assessment of Collection Programs and Facilities

Heard County provides a collection system of six (6) strategically located drop-off convenience centers for household waste, recycling and limited bulk items. These drop-off centers are available to all Heard County residents (including those who reside within a municipality) with purchase of a valid user permit.

These facilities are both geographically dispersed and proximate to population/commercial/institutional centers of the County where persons congregate

for various purposes and therefore within reasonable access to most citizens. The Old Field Road site is open 42 hours per week. The remaining sites are open 26 hours per week. All locations offer extended Saturday hours. Under the County's "open market" approach to solid waste services persons, businesses, and industry may select a waste collector/hauler of their choice. Under this approach the County is not involved in the franchising, licensing/permitting of these providers.

The present six (6) site convenience center collection system is a far superior collection system to the 167 greenbox, 82 location system of a decade ago. It is more streamlined, cost-effective, consumer friendly, safe, in the interest of the public health safety/welfare, and less damaging to the environment than the previous system. It has also significantly reduced out of County waste disposal in Heard County.

The City of Franklin's local government provided collection system of once or twice weekly curbside residential service appears to satisfactorily accommodate those who desire this level of service within the City. The availability of curbside yard trimmings collection provided by City employees and equipment also offers an important reuse service in the community and a useful commodity in the form of mulch and compost materials for the City and general public.

The Town of Centralhatchee provides a special bulk item collection opportunity for its citizens only at the Centralhatchee convenience center. Outside this accommodation the Town does not provide any additional collection services. In conjunction with the above the County provided convenience center collection services and the "open market" availability of private contract providers appear adequate at this time.

The City of Ephesus provides no solid waste collection services. The City relies on the County provided convenience center collection services and the "open market" availability of private contract providers. This combination appears adequate at this time.

The privately operated convenience centers appear well managed, efficiently operated and customer service oriented. They are geographically dispersed, proximate to centers of congregation and operational during hours which generally reflect preferred utilization periods with emphasis on Saturdays. Similarly, the curbside residential waste and yard trimmings collection in Franklin seem efficiently operated, customer responsive and well received in the community. Centralhatchee and Ephesus also seem adequately served by access to the County system. The "open market" option provides additional capacity and flexibility for the collection system.

However, to ensure these services remain consistent and efficient over the planning period and to offer measurers for consideration which may improve the system over the period there are some needs and issues to be addressed.

4.3 Needs and Goals

Fiscally responsible, efficient, effective and responsive collection of MSW, recyclables, yard trimmings and items is important public service. It is the goal of the parties to this Plan to continue a shared public/private sector approach to provide these services and to enhance access to collection services for solid waste and recyclables to all residence and businesses in Heard County and its municipalities.

Accurate record keeping is essential to solid waste management planning and a key goal for the parties to this Plan. The City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation which picks-up, hauls and disposes of the County's, the City of Franklin's and the Town of Centralhatchee's (one furniture bin) solid waste maintains a good record base as to volumes collected at these publicly owned collection services. LaGrange Commercial Sanitation is also one of the primary "open market" providers in the County. As with many commercial haulers who pick-up waste in multiple jurisdictions using the same vehicle the allocation of volume among multiple jurisdictions served is less precise. This situation is similar with other "open market" providers. Additionally, under the "open market" approach there may be haulers operating which are not identified. This situation would indicate that volumes for MSW and recyclables may be underreported to some extent.

The County and the City of Franklin (Centralhatchee and Ephesus to a lesser extent) need to evaluate the franchising and/or licensing of private collection haulers for a number of reasons including service levels, equipment safety, public health, the required maintenance of records and accurate reporting of volumes.

The County provides an existing system of geographically dispersed drop-off collection/recycling centers. These centers provide a much needed solid waste function. The County needs to periodically review County population demographics and site specific center utilization levels to ensure locations and service levels remain responsive to evolving population growth.

The County and the City of Franklin need to consider on-demand agreements for alternative collection contractors to provide services in the event of contingencies and/or emergency/natural disasters. The jurisdictions may want to consider jointly seeking such an agreement with outside providers or a reciprocal mutual assistance intergovernmental between the jurisdictions.

The County, the City of Franklin, the Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus need to individually and collectively enhance efforts to prevent illegal dumping and littering and to take enforcement action against violators.

The Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus need to evaluate a solid waste ordinance appropriate for their respective communities.

The City of Franklin needs to consider standardizing curb-side collection receptacles to improve efficiency and enhance employee safety.

Given the importance of diverting yard trimmings from disposal to reuse and the value of the reuse material the County and the City of Franklin the Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus need to consider cooperatively expanding

the Franklin existing program. One alternative is to have a mulching operator grind properly stored trimmings on a schedule basis for multiple jurisdictions or on a regional basis.

The County and the City of Franklin should periodically examine their hauling/disposal contracts to ensure competitiveness with prevailing market conditions.

The City of Franklin needs to continue to maintain its collection and related solid waste equipment. The equipment should be repaired and replaced as required. The City needs to periodically evaluate staffing levels for solid waste collection and related services.

**SECTION 5
DISPOSAL ELEMENT**

5.1 Inventory and Assessment of Disposal Facilities Located in County and Region

5.1.1 Landfills

According to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity, there are four (4) permitted landfills two (2) MSW and two (2) C&D in the five (5) county Chattahoochee-Flint RDC area. *Table 5.1* below lists those facilities with accompanying details. These landfill facilities have estimated years remaining life ranging from 3 to 26 years and remaining capacity in cubic yards (CY) of 2,763,372.

**TABLE 5.1
Permitted Landfills – Remaining Capacity
Chattahoochee-Flint RDC Counties**

CFRDC County	Name	Facility Type	Owner Type	Remaining Capacity (CY)	Years Remaining	Estimated Fill Date
Coweta	Ishman Ballard Rd	C&D	Public	168,318	26	09/30/2031
Troup	LaGrange 1-85/SR 109	MSW	Public	2,333,694	16	07/07/2021
Troup	SR 109 Mountville DM	C&D	Public	141,998	10	02/16/2015
Troup	LaGrange 1-85 SR 109	MSW	Public	119,362	3	09/22/2008

Source: Georgia Environmental Protection Agency List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity

According to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity there are eighteen (18) permitted landfills in the ten (10) county ARC area (6 MSW and 12 C&D facilities). *Table 5.2* on page 30 lists those facilities with accompanying detail. These landfill facilities have estimated years of life ranging from 0 to 67 years and remaining capacity in cubic yard (CY) of up to 51,533,426.

TABLE 5.2
Permitted Landfills – Remaining Capacity
ARC Counties

ARC County	Name	Facility Type	Owner Type	Remaining Capacity (CY)	Years Remaining	Estimated Fill Date
Cherokee	Cherokee Co-Swim SR92 PH5	C&D	Private Commercial	90,000	2	01/31/2007
Clayton	Clayton Co – SR 3 Lovejoy Site #3	MSW	Public	3,284,010	17	11/15/2021
DeKalb	DeKalb Co – Seminole Rd. PH 2 (SL)	C&D	Public	330,726	4	11/18/2009
DeKalb	Rogers Lake Road C&D Landfill	C&D	Private Commercial	1759499	3	10/06/2007
DeKalb	APAC/GA – Donzi Ln PH 5A (L)	C&D	Private Commercial	1,999,606	3	10/08/2008
DeKalb	APAC/GA – Donzi Ln PH 5B (L)	C&D	Private Commercial	0	0	-
DeKalb	BFI – Hickory Ridge (MSWL)	MSW	Private Commercial	1,077,350	2	01/17/2007
DeKalb	DeKalb Co – Seminole Rd PH 2A, 3&4 (SL)	MSW	Public	50,733,121	67	12/18/2071
DeKalb	BFI – East DeKalb Landfill	C&D	Private Commercial	661,030	1	06/18/2006
Douglas	Douglas Co – Cedar Mt/Worthan Rd PH 1 (SL)	C&D	Public	461,735	8	12/13/2013
Fulton	Chadwick Rd Landfill, Inc.	C&D	Private Commercial	3,547,803	7	03/19/2012
Fulton	Chambers-Bolton Rd (SL)	MSW	Private Commercial	83,735	3	07/06/2008
Fulton	Safeguard Landfill Management C&D	C&D	Private Commercial	1,708,263	2	07/23/2007
Fulton	Willow Oak C&D Landfill	C&D	Private Commercial	15,672,309	25	02/26/2030
Gwinnett	BFI – Richland Creek Rd (SL)	MSW	Private Commercial	20,441,201	17	07/23/2007

Source: Georgia Environmental Protection Division List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity

TABLE 5.3
Permitted Landfills-Remaining Capacity
Other Proximate RDC Counties

County	Name	Facility Type	Owner Type	Remaining Capacity (CY)	Years Remaining	Established Fill Date
Butts	Butts Co-Pine Ridge Recycling (MSWL)	MSW	Private Commercial	36,948,250	35	08/26/2038
Floyd	Rome Walker Mtn Rd. Site 2	MSW	Public	5,525,650	24	04/04/2029
Floyd	Floyd Co - Rome Walker Mtn Rd C/D Landfill	C&D	Public	278,090	14	03/01/2019
Lamar	Lamar Co - Cedar Grove Regional MSWL	MSW	Public	385,535	9	04/09/2014
Macon	Macon Co - Middle GA SWMA Regional MSWL	C&D	Public	688,529	48	06/01/2053
Muscogee	Columbus, Pine Grove MSWL	MSW	Public	5,254,609	37	07/29/2042
Muscogee	Columbus, Pine Grove MSWL	MSW	Public	266,862	16	07/29/2021
Paulding	Paulding Co - Gullede Rd N Tract 1 (SL)	C&D	Public	2,152	4	03/15/2008
*Polk	Polk Co - Grady Rd (SL)	MSW	Public	74,660	0	12/27/2005
Spalding	Spalding Co - Griffin/ Shoal Creek Rd Ph 2	C&D	Public	24,282	1	07/19/2006
Taylor	Allied Services, LLC-SR 90/SR 137 Charing (SL)	SW	Private Commercial	45,503,657	25	01/16/2030

Source: Georgia Environmental Protection Division List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity
 * does not reflect all of Phase II cells

According to the Georgia Environmental Protection Division List of 2005 Landfill Remaining Capacity, there are eleven (11) additional permitted landfills in RDC counties proximate to Heard County. Table 5.3 above lists those facilities with accompanying detail. These landfills have estimated years of life ranging from 0 to 48 years and remaining capacity in cubic yards of 94,952,276.

There are no active MSW or C&D Landfills in Heard County or its municipalities. In October 1993 the Heard County Forleana Road MSW Landfill (Permit No. 074-0440) was closed. The County continues closure and monitoring activities in accordance with Georgia EPD regulations.

The majority of construction and demolition (C&D) waste from Heard County is disposed of in C&D landfills in the immediate proximate facilities located in Coweta, Troup and Spalding counties.

According to the GA EPD database 2005, there are two (2) inert landfills in Heard County as reflected in *Table 5.4* below. These inert landfills are usually on construction sites and used exclusively by the permit holder on a temporary basis.

**Table 5.4
Inert Landfills in Heard County**

County	Permit No.	Name	Address
Heard	PBR-074-031L	B. Thomas Miller	U.S. Hwy 27 GA Hwy 34/100, Bevis Rd
Heard	PBR-074-011L	GA Power-Plant Wansley Inert Landfill	Liberty Church Rd off Hwy 27

Heard County contracts with the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation to service the six (6) convenience centers, haul the MSW waste and dispose of the waste in the LaGrange I-85/SR 109 landfill in Troup County. The City of Franklin contracts with the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation to receive and dispose of the MSW waste collected in the City by City forces/equipment in the above facility. The Town of Centralhatchee contracts with the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation to service and haul the furniture bin of the Centralhatchee convenience center for disposal in the above facility. The City of Ephesus utilizes the County convenience centers only.

MSW landfills accepting Heard County solid waste are identified in *Table 5.5* below.

**Table 5.5
Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfills Accepting Waste From
Heard County and its Municipalities**

County	Facility Name	Permit Number	Location	Remaining Life Yrs
Troup	LaGrange - I 85/SR 109 (SL)	141-013D(SL)	Troup	16
Troup	LaGrange - I 85/SR 109 (SL)	141-013D(SL)	Troup	3

Source: GA EPD List of Waste Disposal Facilities and Landfill Remaining Capacity 2005.

There is currently a request before the governing authorities of Meriwether County, which is immediately southeast of Heard County, to provide local land use approval for a regional MSW landfill. At present the request is in process.

5.1.2 Transfer Stations

The GA EPD database (2005) identifies six (6) transfer stations permitted to operate in Heard County. These are the County's six (6) convenience center sites. The transfer stations included in the GA EPD database are listed in *Table 5.6* below.

**TABLE 5.6
Permitted Transfer Stations
Heard County, 2005**

Facility Name	Location	Permit Number
Heard	Old Field Road	PBR-074-04TS
Heard	Lane Road	PBR-074-05TS
Heard	Victory Road	PBR-074-06TS
Heard	N.W. Hwy 100	PBR-074-07TS
Heard	Cookville Fire Station	PBR-074-08TS
Heard	Centralhatchee	PBR-074-09TS

Source: GA EPD List of Transfer Stations, 2005

5.1.3 Disposal Contingency Strategy

Should the current primary method for disposing of solid waste in Heard County be interrupted or become unavailable the County has a two tiered interim disposal strategy.

As described in this element there are a number of landfills in the general area available to accept the County's waste. In the event the currently utilized landfill becomes unavailable, the County would work cooperatively to identify and secure permission to dispose of waste in one of the alternative permitted sites. If necessary the County would invoke emergency procurement authorization with available permitted sites. It is anticipated that these services could be procured and authorized within a week.

The County also has the option to contract with another public entity in the form of an intergovernmental agreement to provide disposal services on an interim basis.

Should the current primary methods for disposing of solid waste in the City of Franklin be interrupted or become unavailable the City has a two tiered alternative collection strategy.

There are a number of landfills in the general area of the City capable of accepting the City's collected MSW solid waste for disposal. The first alternative strategy would be to identify and secure permission to dispose of waste in one of the alternative permitted sites. The City could if necessary invoke emergency procurement authorization to expedite negotiations and select a site in the best interest of the City. It is anticipated these services could be procured and authorized within a week.

The City also has the option to contract with another public entity in the form of an intergovernmental agreement to receive the City's waste for disposal on an interim basis.

The Town of Centralhatchee and the City of Ephesus have no disposal responsibilities which are not addressed in the County's contingency strategy.

5.1.4 Natural Disaster/Emergency Situation

The Heard County Emergency Management Agency (HCEMA) is the agency responsible for the development and implementation of Emergency Management for the County and its member cities. HCEMA has an approved Emergency Operation Plan. The Plan establishes a framework for emergency planning and responses to: prevent emergency situations; reduce vulnerability during disasters; establish capabilities to protect residents from the effects of crisis; respond effectively and efficiently to actual emergencies; and provide for rapid recovery from any emergency or disaster that affects the local jurisdiction. In the event of a disaster rising to the level of a Presidential Disaster Declaration the resources of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) would be available to the County to assist with the collection and disposal of waste under a program coordinated with the County by HCEMA.

For a disaster or emergency of lesser scope the County would invoke its local emergency response plan for its internal use wherein on-call personnel would be mobilized to operate removal and disposal equipment. Private contractors would also be retained under emergency procurement authorization as necessary. The top priority would be to clear and dispose of waste from emergency facilities and roadways.

Following this priority activity the County would use a private contractor(s) to dispose of vegetative debris such as branches, limbs, trees, leaves, etc. and residential waste. Dependent upon the volume a temporary chipping/grinding operation might be initiated for the vegetative debris. In extreme circumstances the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) might be contacted to request permission for incineration using on-site air-curtain incinerators. The private collector would be responsible to find and utilize permitted or otherwise authorized disposal sites for MSW and/or debris.

In an extreme case, the County would use existing County vehicles/labor and set up temporary staging area and/or drop-off locations to receive debris and MSW to subsequently dispose of solid waste.

5.2 Inventory and Assessment of Disposal Facilities

All MSW collected from the County's system of convenience centers and the City of Franklin's local government provided solid waste collection service is disposed of in a permitted municipal solid waste landfill. (Centralhatchee and Ephesus generated waste are included with the County's convenience centers). That facility is identified in *Table 5.5*. The facility has an estimated remaining life of nineteen (19) years according to the GA EPD Remaining Capacity Report 2005. *Tables 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3* reflect the extent of MSW landfill capacity in the Chattahoochee-Flint RDC, Atlanta Regional Center and other proximate RDC counties to Heard and its municipalities. Similarly these tables reflect the availability of C&D capacity proximate to Heard County.

This data indicates there is adequate future MSW/C&D disposal capacity for the planning period within reasonable proximity to Heard County and its municipalities.

5.2.1 Assurance of Ten (10) Year Capacity

The County and City of Franklin have obtained certification from the LaGrange I-85/SR 109 MSW Landfill assuring the County and City that the landfill has enough disposal capacity to accept waste from the County and City for the ten (10) year planning period. GA EPD reports that LaGrange I-85/SR 109 is expected to have capacity through 2031 at current disposal rates. The capacity assurance certification is included in *Appendix B*.

The disposal needs of Centralhatchee and Ephesus are met as part of the assurance to the County since they use only County solid waste facilities in the form of the convenience centers.

5.3 Needs and Goals

The County and respective municipalities' goals are:

- To continue adequate C&D landfill capacity. To work with neighboring entities, private haulers and landfill operators to ensure continued sufficient capacity;
- To continue the adequacy of the convenience center system;
- To ensure that solid waste handling facilities located in the County and its municipalities will not adversely affect the environment or public health and safety;
- To ensure the solid waste handling operations are fiscally responsible, efficient and responsive; and
- To ensure there is available capacity to meet the MSW landfill needs of Heard County and its municipalities throughout the ten (10) year planning period.

The County and its municipalities need to continue to monitor MSW and C&D landfill capacity in the area through the ten (10) year planning period to ensure there are no unforeseen developments which might compromise disposal adequacy.

The County and its municipalities need to initiate discussions with neighboring jurisdictions, private solid waste handling providers and landfill operators to ensure continued C&D capacity.

The County needs to regularly evaluate the fee schedule for the centers and the City of Franklin should regularly evaluate its collection fee schedule.

The County and the City of Franklin need to periodically review and compare the competitive status of the contract fee and service efficiency of the disposal agreement with prevailing market conditions.

The County needs to continue the closure process for the former Heard-Forleana Road MSW Landfill in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements.

The County and its municipalities need to monitor and evaluate operating procedures to ensure that all solid waste handling facilities continue to be maintained in a manner consistent with best management practices that protects the community's public safety, health and welfare.

SECTION 6 LAND LIMITATION ELEMENT

6.1 Natural Environmental Limitations

The purpose of this element is to provide an inventory and assessment of areas in Heard County and its municipalities which are unsuitable for solid waste recycling, recovery, composting, or disposal facilities because of natural environmental limitations or land use criteria. Environmental limitations include such items as water supply watersheds, groundwater recharge areas, wetlands, river corridors, and protected mountains. Land use criteria refer to heavily developed areas, zoning, historic resources, and airports.

Maps referenced from this section identify areas which have a land use or natural environmental limitation. Solid waste handling facilities should be located in areas which are not restricted by existing and planned land uses and are environmentally conducive to facilities.

6.1.1 Floodplains

Georgia Department of Natural Resources (GA DNR) Rule 391-3-4.05(1)(d) stipulates that any solid waste landfill located in the 100-year floodplain shall not restrict the flow of the 100-year flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in a washout of solid waste so as to pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Floodplains in unincorporated Heard County and the cities of Centralhatchee and Franklin are protected through participation in the National Flood Insurance Program and adoption of FEMA's Flood Protection Ordinance mandating that all structures must be built outside of the 100-year floodplain. In addition, Heard County has adopted a Dam Break Flood Hazard District Ordinance to protect downstream development.

6.1.2 Wetlands

GA DNR Rule 391-3-16-.03(3)(e) establishes that solid waste landfills may institute an unacceptable use of wetland.

Wetlands in Heard County are few and scattered primarily in the central and southern areas of the County in and around the Chattahoochee River and stream beds feeding the river. Both Heard County and the City of Franklin have adopted a Wetlands Protection Ordinance under the requirements of Georgia's Environmental Planning Criteria. The Ordinance ensures proper coordination between each jurisdiction and the Corps of Engineers. Centralhatchee and Ephesus are not directly impacted by significant wetlands.

6.1.3 Groundwater Recharge Areas

GA DNR Rule 391-3-16-.02(3)(a) requires that in significant groundwater recharge areas, GA DNR shall not issue permits for new solid waste landfills not having synthetic liners and leachate collection systems.

Significant groundwater recharge areas are located in eastern and southern portions of unincorporated Heard County and within the city limits of Centralhatchee to the north. Heard County has adopted a Groundwater Recharge Area Protection Ordinance consistent with the Environmental Planning Criteria. Centralhatchee has not adopted this Ordinance. Although there is expanding accessibility to county-wide public water some subdivisions and many households rely on individual wells.

6.1.4 Water Supply Watersheds

GA DNR Rule 391-3-16-.10(7)cl requires that at any location within a small water supply watershed, new solid waste landfills must have synthetic liners and leachate collection systems; hazardous waste treatment or disposal facilities are prohibited; and new hazardous materials facilities are required to install impermeable surface with spill pad and leak collection systems.

Heard County lies completely within the Chattahoochee Watershed (95%) and the Tallapoosa Watershed (5%). Heard County has adopted a Water Supply Watershed Protection Ordinance consistent with Georgia's Environmental Planning Criteria limiting imperviousness within the watershed to 25 percent. Presently, the watershed is not vulnerable to degradation; however, because county-wide public water is available throughout the watersheds, the County is ripe for growth. Depending on the extent of development, the watershed may be vulnerable in the future. Heard County has completed a Joint Water Quality Assessment with Carroll County defining future protective measures to ensure impervious surface limits, at a minimum, below 25 percent.

6.1.5 River Corridors

GA DNA Rules prohibit the development of new solid waste landfills within protected river corridors.

The Chattahoochee River, which bi-sects the County from the northeastern corner through downtown Franklin and south to West Point Lake is classified as a protected river. Heard County and the City of Franklin have adopted a River Corridor Protection Ordinance consistent with the requirements of Georgia's Environmental Planning Criteria. The river is protected with a 300 foot buffer. In addition, the US Army Corps of Engineers, the Georgia Nature Conservancy and The Trust for Public Land maintain jurisdiction or have acquired approximately 2,000 acres along the river for either passive recreational use or protected greenspace.

6.1.6 Protected Mountains

GA DNR Rule 391-3-16.05(4)(1) prohibits the development of new solid waste landfills in areas designated as protected mountains. There are no protected mountains in Heard County.

6.1.7 Fault Areas

GA DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(f) requires that new landfill units and lateral expansions of existing landfills shall not be located within 200 feet of a fault that has had displacement in the Holocene Epoch unless the owner or operator demonstrates to EPD that an alternative setback distance of less than 200 feet will prevent damage to the structural integrity of the landfill unit and will be protective of human health and the environment.

6.1.8 Seismic Impact Zones

GA DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(g) prohibits that development of new landfill units and lateral expansions in seismic impact zones unless the owner or operator demonstrates to EPD that all containment structures, including liners, leachate collection systems, and surface water control systems are designed to resist the maximum horizontal acceleration in lithified earth material for the site.

6.1.9 Unstable Areas

GA DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(h) requires owners or operators of new landfill units, existing landfill units, and lateral expansions located in unstable areas to demonstrate that engineering measures have been incorporated in the landfill unit's design to ensure that the integrity of the structural components of the landfill unit will not be disrupted.

6.2 Land Use and Zoning Limitations

6.2.1 Zoning Restrictions

The Heard County Zoning Ordinance allows Recycling Collection Stations in the GC and I zoning districts. Solid waste transfer stations are a permitted use only in the I zoning district. Landfills (MSW or C&D) are permitted in the I zoning district with a special use permit.

According to the Ordinance for uses not included on the list where the Codes Enforcement Officer is unable to determine clear placement, application shall be made to the Planning Commission for an amendment to the table under the provisions of the Ordinance for text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the Zoning Procedures Act.

Solid waste landfills are prohibited in the County's Chattahoochee River Corridor Protection District.

The Town of Centralhatchee's Zoning Regulations allow sanitary landfills as a conditional use only in the Industrial (I) zoning district. The Ordinance does not reference or specify districts where other solid waste handling facilities may be located whether as permitted or conditional uses.

The City of Ephesus does not utilize traditional zoning as part of its land use development regulations. Rather, the City has in place a Land Development Regulations Ordinance which includes five (5) areas: 1) Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance; 2) Subdivisions and Land Development; 3) Improvements Required for Subdivisions and Land Development; 4) Manufactured Homes Compatibility Standards; and 5) Manufactured Home Parks.

None of the areas address the locations of solid waste facilities except the Manufactured Home Park provisions which require the location of pads for solid waste disposal receptacles such as green boxes.

The City of Franklin is in the final administrative and legislative stages of adopting a new Comprehensive Land Use Ordinance including Zoning Regulations. This is the legal basis for Land Use Zoning which will be in place for the period of this Solid Waste Management Plan under the provision of this soon to be formally adopted Ordinance Recycling Collection Stations are allowed in the Rural Development (RD); Single Family Residential (R-2); Multi-Family Residential (R-3) zoning districts only if a special use permit is granted by the City Council. Recycling Centers are permitted uses in the General Commercial (GC) and General Industry (GI) zoning districts. Solid Waste Transfer Stations are a permitted use only in the GI zoning district.

The permitted use table of the Ordinance does not designate a landfill (MSW or C&D) as a permitted use in any zoning district. For uses not included in this list where the building inspector is unable to determine clear placement, application shall be made to the Planning Commission for interpretation.

Solid waste landfills are prohibited in the City's Chattahoochee River Corridor Protection District.

6.2.2 Sites Listed on the National Register of Historic Places (Heard County and its Municipalities)

No solid waste facility should be located in or adjoining as to negatively impact a district or site on the National Register. A list of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places in Heard County follows: In Heard County, one individual property is listed on the National Register. The Heard County Jail (NR #81000199) located on Court Square in downtown Franklin, is a Romanesque brick structure now serving as the Heard County Historical Society and Museum.

A list of potentially eligible sites for the National Register of Historic Places follows: Heard County's historic structures were surveyed in 1977 by Georgia DNR/HPD and again in 1988 by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center via funding from DNR/HPD. The 1988 survey identified 474 historic sites. Of these, the

preponderance of structures were found in and around Franklin (57), Centralhatchee (32), and Ephesus (17). Between 5-10 structures were documented in Glenn, Corinth, Roosterville, Texas, Waresville and Cooksville. As a result of the surveys, these crossroad communities have been highlighted as potentially eligible National Register Districts, along with 23 churches deemed architecturally significant.

Since the 1988 survey, many of the identified structures have been lost due to neglect. Unfortunately, this window into the rural agrarian heritage of Heard County is lost forever. In order to preserve remaining structures, the County has identified the need to pursue a NR Multiple Property Nomination.

6.2.3 Surface Water Intake

According to GA DNA Rule 391-3-19-.01, solid waste landfills must have engineer modifications such as liners, leachate collection systems, and groundwater monitoring systems if they are located within two (2) miles of a surface water intake for a public source, unless such a site is the only feasible location. Other alternatives should be considered.

6.2.4 Airport Safety

GA DNR Rule 391-3-4-.05(1)(c) requires that new solid waste landfill units or lateral expansions of existing units shall not be within 5,000 feet of any runway planned or used for piston-type aircraft or within 10,000 feet of any runway planned or used for turbo-jet or piston-type aircraft.

There are no active public airport facilities in Heard County.

6.2.5 Proximity to Adjoining County Boundaries

The Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act prohibits the siting of a MSW landfill within one half mile of another County's borders without the approval of the jurisdiction's governing authority. Heard County borders three (3) Georgia counties and one Alabama county.

6.2.6 Developed and Built-Up-Areas

There are only very minimal developed and built-up-areas in Heard County. They are in the City of Franklin and northern Heard County near the Carroll County line.

6.3 Needs and Goals

While there are several factors in the unincorporated County and within the respective municipalities limiting the location of solid waste handling/disposal facilities much of the County remains largely rural with less constraint on potential

locations. County and municipal representatives have indicated there is strong satisfaction with the solid waste disposal practices currently in place wherein the County and the respective municipalities utilize a MSW landfill facility outside the jurisdiction. Therefore, it is not likely the governing entities will need such a facility within the County for disposal purposes. However, there may be a need for and certain sites may lend themselves to, facilities such as additional drop-off centers, recycling, mulching, composting or material separation/recovery facilities. Accordingly, it is important that all parties to this Plan clearly define the type of solid waste facilities permitted in respective zoning districts (or by other land use regulations), establish operating rules for any such permitted facilities and develop a formal application process for such facilities.

The goal of the County and the respective municipalities is to ensure that proposed solid waste facilities are consistent with applicable zoning ordinances or related land use regulations, meet federal, state and local environmental requirements, and consistent with the land use plans of the County and the respective municipalities and the Joint Solid Waste Management Plan.

The County and the respective municipalities need to review their zoning ordinances (or other appropriate land use regulations) to ensure there is sufficient specification regarding the type of solid waste facilities permitted in various zoning district and the scope of any conditions thereto.

The County and the respective municipalities need to continue to ensure that proposed solid waste handling facilities are located in areas suitable for such developments, are compatible with surrounding uses, and are not considered for locations in areas which have been identified by the community or region as having environmental or other development or land use limitations.

The County and the respective municipalities need to create rules and procedures regarding solid waste disposal/handling facilities that will be reflective of its newly updated Joint Solid Waste Management Plan.

The County and the respective municipalities need to include as part of the new rules and procedures a formal application process that is specific to the Joint Solid Waste Plan. In this application process the applicant seeking to use, own and/or operate a solid waste disposal/handling facility or any type of solid waste management facility should be required to submit an application specific to a type of facility, such as municipal solid waste/Subtitle D, construction and demolition and/or inert. The County should also request necessary information related to the operation of the landfill. Such requested information could include the following: hours of operation, location and size of facility, capacity, materials accepted, disposal fees, private or public usage and number of employees.

Maps 6.1 – 6.2 indicate the Natural Environmental and Land Use Limitations from this Section.

SECTION 7 EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT ELEMENT

7.1 Inventory and Assessment of Education and Public Involvement

For the most part, education and public involvement by Heard County, Franklin, Centralhatchee and Ephesus are limited to the County Extension Office, volunteers and local materials/information disseminated by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center. One example of private volunteer effort is the Adopt-A-Highway Program which is active in the County.

At present, perhaps the most frequent and best-received exchange of information in the County and respective municipalities regarding solid waste education takes place at County and City offices and the Public Works Departments. One-on-one contact between County/municipal and residents by telephone, fax, email or in person serves as an invaluable and arguably the most effective local communication tool for information sharing on this topic. Additionally, the Codes Enforcement Office has been a growing resource in the area of litter control information.

This minimal activity is not from a lack of interest, intent or concern but rather a matter of resources, both monetary and staffing, sufficient to coordinate a sustained effort over time. The County and all the municipalities are very leanly staffed particularly in administrative positions often responsible for coordinating or directing this type programming.

Of course, the County, the City of Franklin and the Town of Centralhatchee do publish annual full cost solid waste reports as required by regulation. The City of Ephesus has no direct solid waste costs or revenues. In addition, two (2) Public Hearings were held as part of the Solid Waste Management Plan process.

7.2 Needs and Goals

In the context of the local situation the County and municipalities need to explore the following approaches to maximizing education and public involvement with limited monetary and staffing resources:

- Evaluate participating in a multi-jurisdictional or regional program of education/public involvement that would combine resources and limit costs;
- Evaluate utilizing university/college interns to staff the education/public involvement program;
- Evaluate requesting civic organizations to coordinate a county-wide education/public involvement program as a club project;
- Consider developing a business or civic organization sponsored reward and recognition program for the community to encourage waste reduction as the focal point of an education/public involvement program;

- Consider using the many resources offered (often free or at a minimal cost) by agencies/organizations such as the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Keep Georgia Beautiful, United States EPA, private solid waste providers and university/colleges to establish an education/public involvement program. Utilize brochures, flyers, video and audio materials from these and other agencies/organizations to form a local information library;
- Evaluate compiling a list of the many environmental education websites for dissemination to local citizens, civic groups, schools, etc. as requested;
- Consider taking advantage of the Keep Georgia Beautiful technical assistance and public information assistance to local governments;
- Consider as an initial step to developing an education/public involvement program participating in one or more Keep Georgia Beautiful programs and activities related to solid waste;
- Consider requesting the support of the City of LaGrange/LaGrange Commercial Sanitation (which provides collection/hauling/disposal services to all the parties to this plan) in establishing an education/public involvement program in Heard County or partnering in their existing program;
- Consider as an initial focus of a local education public involvement program making residents aware that littering streets, roads and highways carries a high cost to clean-up, the negative impact of visual blight and the potential danger of adversely affecting natural resources;
- Consider as an alternative initial focus emphasizing recycling/reuse activities which are directed at paper products and yard trimmings; and
- Consider expanding opportunities for community involvement by including local civic organizations, schools, church groups and volunteers in program development and implementation.

Obviously, not all these activities can be implemented immediately. However, they provide a range of activities (not all inclusive by any means) that can be prioritized and initiated over time to develop a robust education/public involvement program and to serve as a springboard for additional alternative education/public involvement opportunities.

SECTION 8 IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

8.1 Goals and Strategies

This section provides an implementation strategy to meet the goals and needs identified in the Waste Reduction, Collection, Disposal, Land Limitation, and Public Education and Information Sections of this Plan. The needs and goals upon which this implementation strategy is based, taken from the previous sections of this Plan, are summarized below.

Waste Reduction Element

Goal 1: To seek a 25% per capita PPD reduction of waste being received at disposal facilities by promotion of source reduction, reuse, composting, recycling and other applicable waste reduction programs.

Strategies:

1. Target yard trimmings/mulching/composting as a priority method to further reduce per capita solid waste disposal. Evaluate expanding the City of Franklin's yard trimming/mulching/composting program to a multi-jurisdictional/regional program.
2. Focus on paper products in the waste reduction effort based on its level of volume in MSW landfills of the region.
3. Initiate a prioritized set of education/public involvement activities.
4. Evaluate whether solid waste ordinances should include additional provisions to encourage recycling by private solid waste handlers.
5. Develop and maintain a working relationship with local businesses/industries to encourage their participation in the countywide waste reduction and recycling efforts.
6. Encourage and promote composting as a means of waste reduction. Encourage individual "backyard" household composting of organic waste such as leaves, yard trimmings and garden reuse. Various public agencies such as DCA, EPD and the UGA Extension Service and private consultants provide information on this practice.
7. Identify and use incentives to encourage participation in recycling and waste reduction.
8. Encourage and support community-based recycling and waste reduction programs in schools, churches, businesses and civic clubs.

9. Participate in appropriate solid waste related workshops and seminars to educate public officials on developing technologies, methodologies and successful implementation regarding solid waste planning/management.

Goal 2: To more accurately determine and record the amount and composition of solid waste generated and recycled/reused within the County and its municipalities in order to have a sound information base upon which to plan and implement solid waste management and more accurately measure waste reduction.

Strategies:

1. Continue existing program of waste collection/disposal record keeping for County convenience centers and City of Franklin curbside service.
2. Develop and implement a comprehensive data collection reporting system for "open market" private collection/disposal providers of significance either through voluntary cooperation or if necessary by registration/permitting ordinance with noncompliance penalties.
3. Evaluate a more effective process to determine the volume of waste actually being disposed of from within the County related to areas outside the County.

Collection Element

Goal 1: In a fiscally responsible, efficient and responsive manner continue a shared public/private approach to provide collection of MSW, recyclables, yard trimmings and special management items. Enhance access to collection services for MSW and recyclables for all residence and businesses in Heard County and its municipalities.

Strategies:

1. Periodically review County population demographics and site specific convenience center utilization levels to ensure locations and service levels remain responsive.
2. Periodically examine alternative collection approaches and related solid waste rules, regulations and ordinances.
3. Consider on-demand agreements with collection contractors to provide services in the event of emergency/ natural disasters.

4. Evaluate the franchising and/or licensing of private collection solid waste handlers (County and its municipalities).
5. Periodically review competitiveness of contract fee and service efficiency for collection services with prevailing market conditions. (Heard County and the City of Franklin).
6. Individually and collectively enhance efforts to prevent illegal dumping/littering and enforcement against violators (County and its municipalities).
7. Evaluate the need to develop a solid waste ordinance appropriate for the respective communities of Centralhatchee and Ephesus.
8. Given the cost of collection and the importance of diversion evaluate enhancing the City of Franklin's existing chipping/mulching and composting program perhaps as a multi-jurisdictional or regional program.
9. Continue to maintain collection and related solid waste equipment. Repair and replace as necessary. Periodically evaluate staffing levels for solid waste collection and related services (City of Franklin).
10. Consider standardizing curb-side collection receptacles to improve efficiency and employee safety (City of Franklin).

Goal 2: Accurate record keeping is essential to productive solid waste management and planning including the collection process. A consistent level of record keeping is not applicable among all participants in the collection process.

Strategies:

1. Develop and implement a data collection reporting system for "open market" private solid waste handlers.

Disposal Element

Goal 1: Ensure there is available capacity to meet the MSW landfill needs for Heard County and its municipalities through the ten (10) year planning period; continue to utilize private contractors to transfer and dispose of solid waste collected from the County convenience centers in appropriately permitted landfill facilities.

Strategies:

1. The County and its municipalities should continue to monitor MSW and C&D landfill capacity in the area through the ten (10) year planning period to ensure there are no unforeseen developments which might compromise disposal adequacy.

Goal 2: Ensure that solid waste handling facilities located in the unincorporated County will not adversely affect the environment or public health and safety.

Strategies:

1. The County should continue the closure process for the former Heard-Forleana Road landfill in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements.
2. The County and its municipalities should continue to monitor and evaluate operating procedures to ensure that all solid waste handling facilities are maintained in a manner consistent with best management practices that protect the community's public safety, health and welfare.

Goal 3: Ensure the solid waste handling operations are fiscally responsible, efficient and responsive.

Strategies:

1. Regularly evaluate fee schedules for all solid waste handling facilities and activities in the County and its municipalities.
2. Periodically review and compare the competitive status of the existing hauling/disposal contract fee and service efficiency with prevailing marketing conditions by the County and its municipalities.
3. Consider on-demand agreements with disposal facilities to provide services in the event of emergency/natural disasters by the County and its municipalities.

Land Limitation Element

Goal 1: Ensure that proposed solid waste handling facilities are consistent with the Zoning Ordinances of the County and its municipalities and any other applicable land use regulations; compatible with surrounding land uses, comply with all applicable environmental requirements and consistent with the land use plans of the County and its municipalities and the Joint Solid Waste Management Plan.

Strategies:

1. Review the Zoning Ordinances (or other applicable regulations) of the County and its municipalities to clarify/specify the type of solid waste facilities permitted in the respective zoning districts.
2. Continue to ensure that proposed solid waste handling facilities in the County and its municipalities are located in areas suitable for such developments, are compatible with surrounding uses, and are not considered for locations in areas which have been identified by the community or region as having environmental or other development land use limitations.
3. Create rules and procedures regarding solid waste disposal/handling facilities for the County and its municipalities that will reflect the newly updated Joint Solid Waste Management Plan.
4. Maintain maps for the County and its municipalities depicting land restricted from solid waste facility locations based on zoning, land use and natural environmental limitations.

Education and Public Involvement

Goal 1: In the context of the resources available explore a number of approaches to initiate a more active education and public involvement program.

Strategies:

1. Evaluate participating in a multi-jurisdictional or regional program of education/public involvement.
2. Evaluate utilizing university/college interns to staff the education/public involvement program.
3. Evaluate requesting civic organizations to coordinate a county-wide education/public involvement program.
4. Consider developing a business or civic organization sponsored reward and recognition program for the community to encourage waste reduction as the focal point of an education/public involvement program.
5. Consider using the many resources offered (often free or at a minimal cost) by state/regional/federal agencies/organizations.
6. Evaluate compiling a list of the many environmental education websites for dissemination to local citizens, civic groups, schools, etc.

7. Consider taking advantage of the Keep Georgia Beautiful technical assistance and public information assistance to local governments.
8. Consider expanding opportunities for community involvement by including local civic organizations, schools, church groups and volunteers in program development and implementation.

Goal 2: Ensure that all residents of the County and its municipalities have access to information about solid waste reduction and management. Assist the citizens in developing an awareness of the social and environmental issues, problems, concerns and opportunities associated with the broad scope of solid waste management.

Strategies:

1. Prioritize the program alternatives from Goal 1 and incrementally implement the same (or other appropriate activities) to develop a comprehensive program of education and public involvement.

8.2 Implementation Strategy

The implementation strategy identifies the activities that the County and/or its municipalities will undertake to meet these goals and needs over the next ten (10) years, from 2006 through 2015. Some of the activities continue existing programs while others reflect changes in policy/procedures or new programs. A summary of each of the proposed activities and programs listed by planning element (waste reduction, collection, disposal, land limitation and education/public involvement) follows:

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Plan Element & Implementation Activity	Year to Be Implemented										Responsible Party	Estimated Costs (\$)	Funding Source
	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15			
Waste Reduction													
Evaluate expanding the City of Franklin yard trimming program to multi-jurisdictional/regional program		X	X								County, City of Franklin, Municipalities, RDC	\$5,000	County, Municipalities, Grants
Continue the on-going program of recycling at drop-off convenience centers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	\$20,000 yr	County
Focus on paper products in the waste reduction efforts	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities, Private Providers	-	-
Participate in solid waste reduction and recycling workshops	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities, Volunteers	\$1,000 yr	County, Municipalities, Volunteer Groups
Evaluate whether solid waste ordinances should be revised to encourage private provider recycling		X	X								County, Municipalities, Private Providers	-	-
Initiate a prioritized set of education/public involvement activities		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities, Civic/Volunteer Groups	\$1,250 yr	County, Municipalities, Volunteer Groups
Promote home composting		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County Municipalities, Extension Service	\$500 yr	County, Municipalities, Grants
Use incentives to encourage participation in waste reduction	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities civic/volunteer groups, schools, private businesses	\$750 yr	County, Municipalities civic/volunteer groups,
Develop and implement a data collection reporting system		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$3,500	County, Municipalities, Grants

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Plan Element & Implementation Activity	Year to Be Implemented										Responsible Party	Estimated Costs (\$)	Funding Source
	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15			
Collection													
Periodically review population trends and drop-off center utilization		X		X		X		X		X	County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$2,500	County, Municipalities
Periodically examine alternative collection approaches			X		X		X		X		County, Municipalities	-	-
Continue to operate drop-off convenience centers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	\$250,000 yr	County, Permit Fees, MSL Fees
Consider on-demand agreements with private providers for contingencies/emergencies		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Evaluate franchising or licensing private solid waste handlers		X									County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$1,000	County, Municipalities
Periodically review competitiveness of contract fee and service		X			X			X			County, Municipalities	-	-
Enhance efforts to address illegal dumping and littering		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		County, Municipalities	Self-performed	County, Municipalities Labor/Equipment, Inmate Labor/Community Ser
Evaluate the need to develop solid waste ordinance for Centralhatchee and Ephesus		X									Centralhatchee, Ephesus, Consultant	\$1,500	Centralhatchee, Ephesus, Consultant
Maintain collection equipment-repair and replace as needed	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Franklin	\$15,000 to \$40,000 yr	Franklin
Consider standardizing curb-side collection receptacles		X									Franklin	\$5,000	Franklin
Develop & implement a data collection reporting system for private solid waste handlers		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		County, Municipalities, Consultants	\$3,000	County, Municipalities

Plan Element & Implementation Activity	Year to Be Implemented										Responsible Party	Estimated Costs (\$)	Funding Source
	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15			
Disposal													
Continue to monitor MSW and C&D landfill capacities in the area	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Continue the post closure for Heard-Forleana Road	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County	\$15,000 yr	-
Monitor and evaluate solid waste facility operating procedures	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Periodically review fee schedules for all solid waste handling facilities	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Periodically review hauling/disposal contract for competitiveness	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Consider on-demand agreements with disposal facilities in the event of emergency disposal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities	-	-
Maintain City disposal equipment. Repair and replace as required	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Franklin	\$10,000 to \$40,000 yr	Franklin

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Plan Element & Implementation Activity	Year to Be Implemented										Responsible Party	Estimated Costs (\$)	Funding Source	
	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15				
Land Limitation														
Review zoning ordinances to clarify the type of solid waste facilities permitted in districts	X	X										County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$2,500	County, Municipalities
Create rules/procedures for solid waste facilities that reflect the update Joint Solid Waste Management Plan	X	X										County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$3,500	County, Municipalities
Develop a formal solid waste disposal/handling facility application		X										County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$5,000	County, Municipalities
Maintain maps depicting land restricted from solid waste facility location	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	County, Municipalities, Consultant	\$1,250	County, Municipalities

Plan Element & Implementation Activity	Year to Be Implemented										Responsible Party	Estimated Costs (\$)	Funding Source	
	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15				
Education and Public Involvement														
Evaluate participating in a range of education/public involvement activities designed to reflect County/municipalities resources	X	X										County, Municipalities	\$500	County, Municipalities
Implement selected programs to develop education/public involvement programs	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		County, Municipalities, Civic Groups, Volunteers	\$1,000 yr	County, Municipalities

8.3 Financing

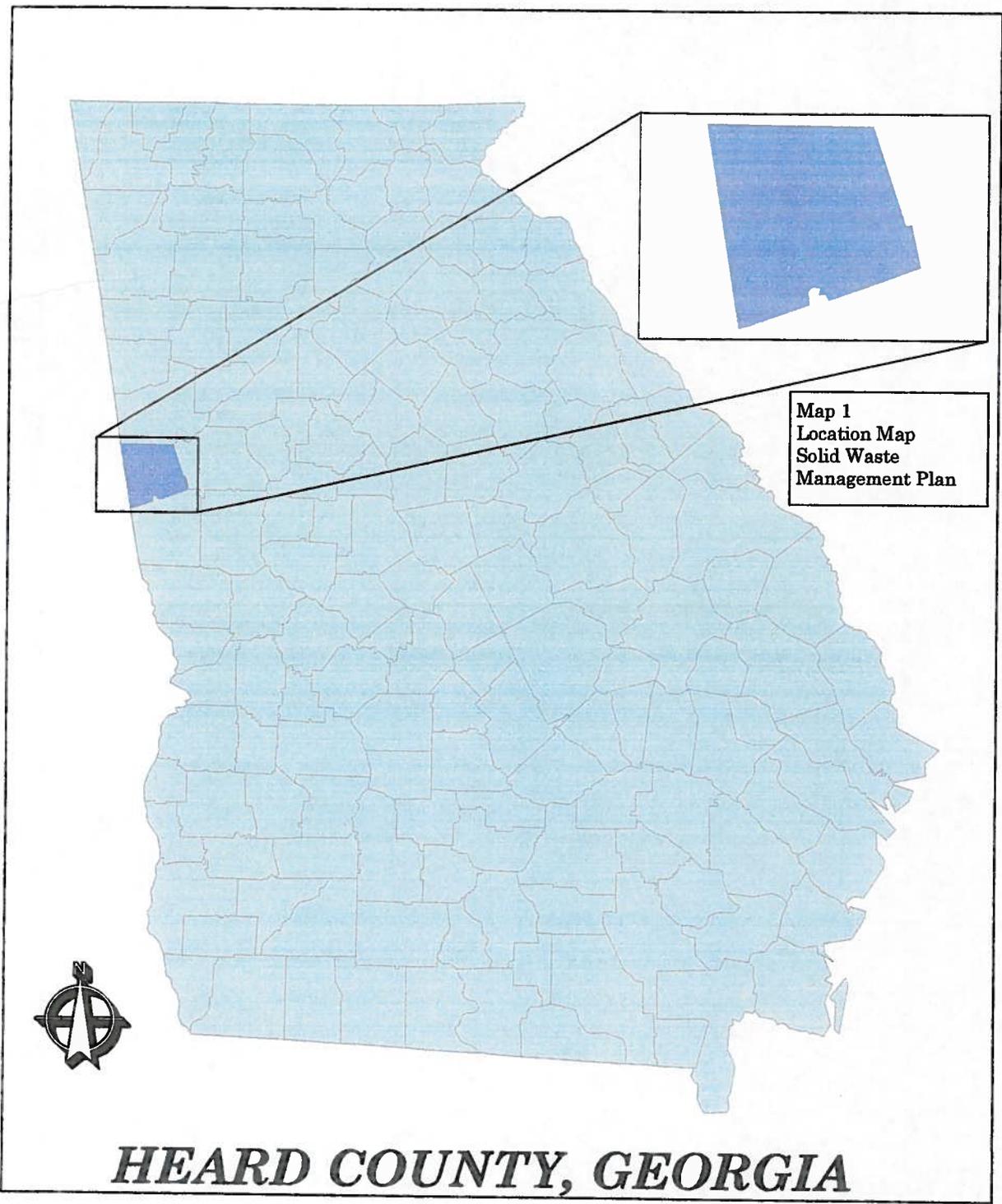
In 2005, according to the Solid Waste Full Cost Reports submitted by Heard County, the City of Franklin and the Town of Centralhatchee (Ephesus has no direct solid waste costs or revenues) fees for said services did not cover full costs for any of the jurisdictions (see *Appendix H*).

The County and its municipalities will need to review the financial operations of their respective solid waste services. A periodic review of costs and revenues is suggested in appropriate sections of this Plan.

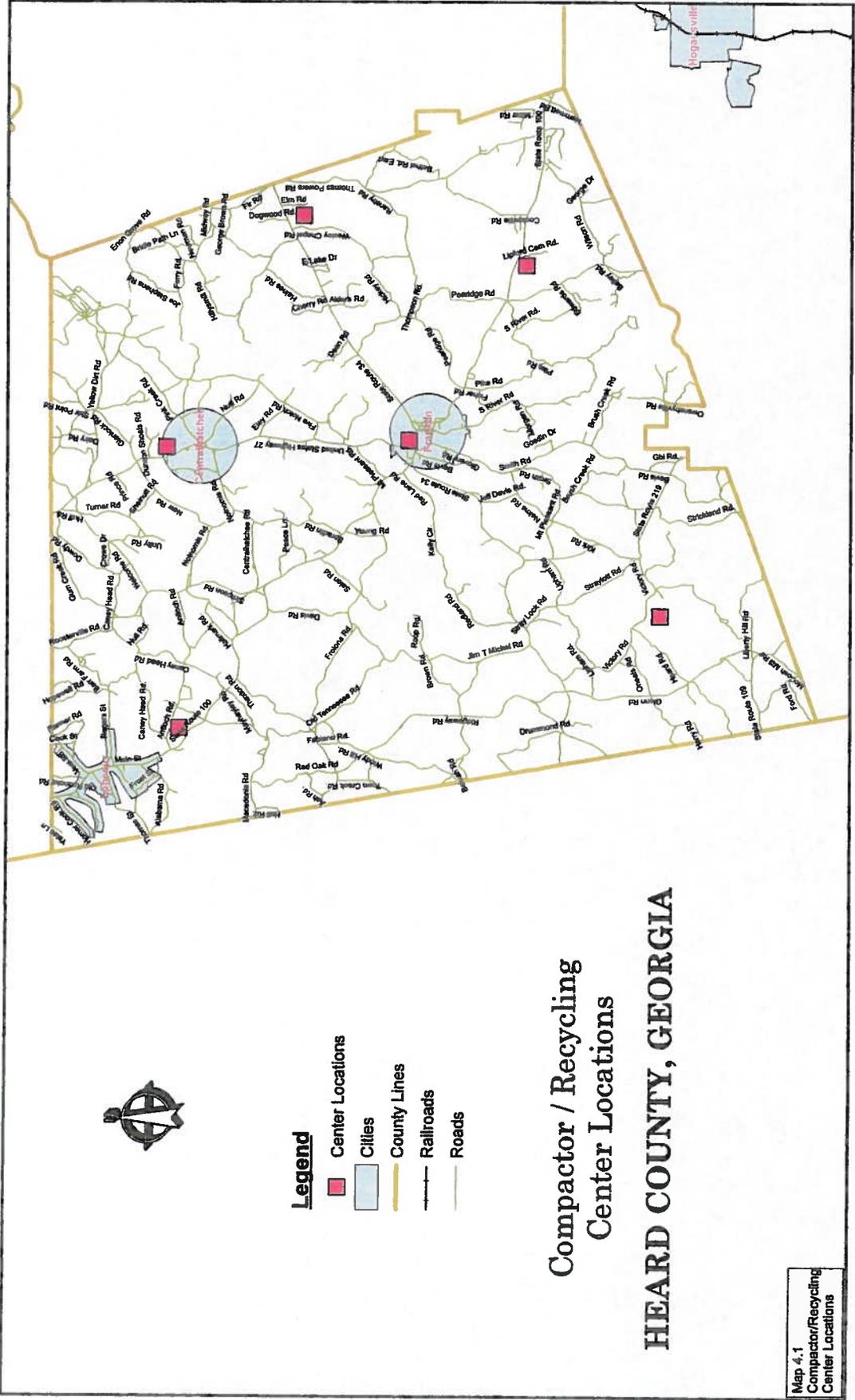
8.4 Plan Updates and Amendments

The Implementation Strategy will be reviewed annually as the County and its municipalities prepare their Annual Solid Waste Management Surveys and Full Cost Reports to submit to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. In addition, the County and its municipalities will update the Implementation Strategy as part of the Short Term Work Program Update.

MAPS



HEARD COUNTY, GEORGIA



Legend

- Center Locations
- Cities
- County Lines
- Railroads
- Roads

**Compactor / Recycling
Center Locations**

HEARD COUNTY, GEORGIA

Map 4.1
Compactor/Recycling
Center Locations

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(INCLUDING THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, THE CITY OF EPHEBUS
AND THE TOWN OF CENTRALHATCHEE) TO THE
CHATTAHOOCHEE-FLINT REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
CENTER**

WHEREAS, Heard County (including The City of Franklin, The City of Ephesus, and The Town of Centralhatchee) has prepared a Solid Waste Management Plan for the years 2006-2015; and

WHEREAS, The Solid Waste Management Plan was prepared in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management Plans Established by the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, two (2) Public Hearings on the Plan were held at the Heard County Courthouse, Commission Chambers in Franklin, Georgia on February 23, 2006, and June 22, 2006.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Heard County does hereby submit the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center for review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 27th day of June 2006 for submittal on June 30, 2006.

BY:

June Jackson
Chairman

Patty A. Giles
County Clerk



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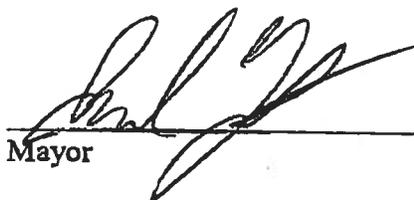
WHEREAS, The Solid Waste management Plan was prepared in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management Plans established by the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, two (2) Public Hearings on the Plan were held at the Heard County Courthouse, Commission Chambers in Franklin, Georgia.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of The City of Franklin does hereby submit the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center for review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 1 day of June, 2006 for submittal on June 30, 2006.

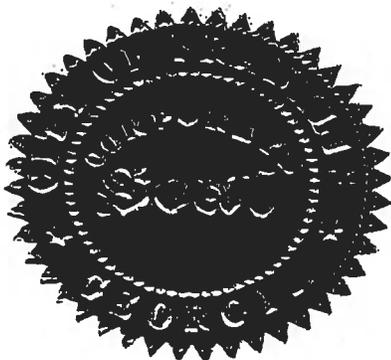
BY:



Mayor



City Clerk



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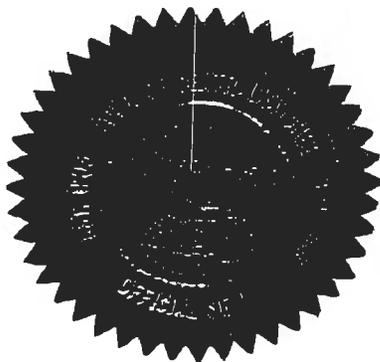
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Centralhatchee does hereby submit the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center for review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this 5th day of June 2006 for submittal on June 30, 2006.

BY:

Barbie Chockett
Mayor

Maria Gunn
City Clerk



**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Ephesus does hereby submit the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center for review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this _ day of June 2006 for submittal on June 30, 2006.

BY

Alvin H. Roy

Mayor

Linda Yawood

City Clerk



APPENDIX B

RETURN TO:
 REMAINING CAPACITY REPORT
 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
 LAND PROTECTION DIVISION
 4244 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 104
 ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 30354
 For assistance call: (404) 352-2696

Data Entry

REMAINING MSW CAPACITY REPORT

Permit Holder: City of LaGrange
 Address: P.O. Box 430, LaGrange, GA 30241
 Site Name: Troup Co. - City of LaGrange I-85/SR 109 Municipal Solid Waste Landfill
 EPD Permit Number: 141-013D(SL)

	calculated	
I. SURVEY DATA		
A. Date of Topographic Survey	July 20, 2005	
B. Remaining MSW Volume (Available Fill Volume Based on Survey)	2,917,118	cy
C. Estimated Percent by Volume of Total Used by Cover Soil	20	%
D. Net Remaining MSW Waste Volume (Line B Reduced by Line C)	→ 2,333,694	cy
II. AMOUNT OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSED		
E. Tons Per Day Received for Disposal	334	tons/day
F. Total Operating Days per Year	312	days
G. Total Estimated Annual Tons Disposed	→ 104,300	tons
III. WASTE PLACEMENT		
H. Estimated Waste Compaction Density	1,427	lb/cy
I. Estimated Waste Compaction Density	0.71	tons/cy
J. Net Volume Used Per Day (Line E Divided by Line I)	→	488 cy/day
K. Net Volume Used Per Day (Line G Divided by Line I)	→	146,181 cy/yr
IV. REMAINING CAPACITY (SITE LIFE)		
L. Remaining Capacity (Line D, Divided by Line J)	→	4,986 days
M. Remaining Capacity (Line D, Divided by Line K)	→	16 years
N. Estimated Date of Completion for Facility	→ July 7, 2021	
V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		

I hereby certify the above determination was performed under my direct supervision

Daniel E. McGeorge
 Registered Professional Engineer
 Georgia Registration No. 18119
 7/29/05
 Date



City of LaGrange, GA
 Permit Holder
Dick E. ..., Dir. of Public Services
 7/29/05
 Date

(seal)

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Date Entry

REMAINING C&D CAPACITY REPORT

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 Address: P.O. Box 430, LaGrange, GA 30241
 Site Name: Troup Co. - City of LaGrange I-85/SR 109 Municipal Solid Waste Landfill
 EPD Permit Number: 141-013D(SL)

	calculated	
I. SURVEY DATA		
A. Date of Topographic Survey	July 20, 2005	
B. Remaining C&D Volume (Available Fill Volume Based on Survey)	148202	cy
C. Estimated Percent by Volume of Total Used by Cover Soil	20	%
D. Net Remaining C&D Waste Volume (Line B Reduced by Line C)	→	119362 cy
II. AMOUNT OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSED		
E. Tons Per Day Received for Disposal	60.2	ton/day
F. Total Operating Days per Year	312	days
G. Total Estimated Annual Tons Disposed	→	18782 tons
III. WASTE PLACEMENT		
H. Estimated Waste Compaction Density	1000	lb/cy
I. Estimated Waste Compaction Density	0.5	ton/sy
J. Net Volume Used Per Day (Line E Divided by Line H)	→	120 cy/day
K. Net Volume Used Per Day (Line G Divided by Line I)	→	37585 cy/yr
IV. REMAINING CAPACITY (SITE LIFE)		
L. Remaining Capacity (Line D, Divided by Line K)	→	991 days
M. Remaining Capacity (Line D, Divided by Line J)	→	3 years
N. Estimated Date of Completion for Facility	→	September 22, 2008
V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		

I hereby certify the above determination was performed under my direct supervision

Register Professional Engineer
 Georgia Registration No. 18119

7/28/2005
 Date



City of LaGrange, GA
 Permit Holder
 Daniel S. McGeorge, Dir. of Public Services
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APPENDIX C

e. Discuss Personal Property with Tax Assessors - Mr. Jim Kuchenbaker, Chairman of the Heard County Board of Assessors addressed the Board with a list of needs and concerns for the Heard County Tax Assessors office. Ms. Tammy Ivy, Chief Appraiser also expressed her concerns. After much discussion, Commissioner Boone made a motion to move the part-time clerk position, that is currently in the Assessor's office, to a full-time position at \$8.00 an hour and with full benefits. There being no second, the motion died on the floor. Commissioner Adams stated he would like to have more details about the cost of moving this position to full time before any decisions are made. Commission Chair Jackson asked Ms. Ivy to return to the next Commissioners meeting with more detail about the cost of moving this position to full time. All agreed. **Agenda Item # 8 New Business - a. Non-Conforming Use Application -**

and have Commission Chair Jackson sign the resolution.

Approve Commission Chair Business Expenses - Commission Chair Jackson requested that the Board approve her November, 2005 and January, 2006 mileage expenses totaling \$215.76. On motion

(Caldwell) and second (Adams), the Board unanimously approved Commission Chair Jackson's November, 2005 and January, 2006 mileage expenses. There being no further business, on motion (Caldwell) and second (Adams), the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.

The Department and County tag agents do not charge a fee for any of the disabled persons parking placards.

The three placards are also available through the mail. Individuals should mail the

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NOTICE

The Development Authority of Heard County meets regularly on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the Chamber/Development Office.

Public

Heard County Management Agency with the Chamber of Commerce Regional Development Authority will hold a public hearing on the draft of the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The hearing will be held on February 28, 2006 at the Heard County Courthouse, Franklin, Georgia.

PUBLIC NOTICE

A Public Hearing will be held by Heard County on February 23, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse at 215 East Court Square, Franklin, Georgia 30217 to consider the following: Preparation of a new Solid Waste Management Plan as required by the Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Act of 1990 and its associated Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures. The purpose of the hearing is to inform the public that Heard County (including the City of Franklin, the City of Ephesus and the Town of Centralhatchee) is initiating the planning process and to encourage public participation. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

By: Patty Jiles, County Clerk
 Heard County, Georgia

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- ie Sarge, Tiphany Shaw
- chel Singleton, Corey
- th, Steven Studdard

Samantha Foubly, Patrick Foreman, Sasha Prady, Anthony Garrett, Amber George, Levi George, Richie Gibson, Johnny Gilliam, Jeanelle Gordon, Hannah Gore, Forsuh Goss, Ariassa Gosa, Jessica Gray, Zerick Green, Goody Grewal, Steven Griffin, Sandi Hamilton, Jessica Harris,

Jeffrey Head, Kellyn Helian, Patrick Henderson, Ashley Hiers, Kristy Hogg, Chase Holloway, Daphne Holtzclaw, Sheneka Hughley, Ariana Humphries, Laura Hutchins, Jeremy Huttsell, Dontavius Jackson, Kayla Janney, David Johns, J.J. Johnson, Randy Johnson, Amy Jones, Ashley Julien, Dec. Dee Kendrick, Kristie Kirk, Nick Klein, Dylan Lannan, Jessica Lasbley, Staci Lashomb, Tara Lewis, Josh Loftin, Candie Lohrey, Bradford Lowe, Kayla Malone, Tara Manners, Lisa Mashburn, Ryan Maseey, Inga Matallnova, Lutrel McClendon, Kimberly McCormick, Chad McCullough, Bridget McKinnay, Victoria Mencham, Casey Merrill, James Meyerholtz, Michael Millam, Andrew Mills, Johnathan Moore, Trina Morgan, Amanda

HEATHER WHITESTONE AWARD WINNER: WHITNEY COTHRAN



1995 Miss America, Heather Whitestone McCollum

Do you remember Heather Whitestone, Miss America 1995? She is the first winner of the pageant series with a disability. Diagnosed as "profoundly deaf" at the young age of eighteen months, Heather has made outstanding accomplishments through hard work, determination and "with God's help". A

competing in local "beauty pageants". She needed the scholarship funds available for winners.

Twice the second place winner of the MISS ALABAMA PAGEANT, Heather was "ready to quit". Family and friends encouraged her to enter one more time. She knew it was possible to win. Had she not misheard the pronunciation of her name, although it took six (6) years to do so! She worked very hard that year. She was crowned Miss Alabama and on September 17, 1994 she was crowned Miss America, 1995.

Whitney Cothran of Heard County recently won the coveted **HEATHER WHITESTONE AWARD** when she was contestant in the Miss Alabama pageant. Whitney, as many know, has a congenital hearing problem that was undetected until age 18 (18).

Daughter of Bobby and Leesa Stutta Cothran, Whitney promotes hearing

Heard County Board Of Education Meeting of June 13

The Heard County Board of Education met in a regular meeting on June 13, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office in Franklin. Present were Chairman Tim Holtzclaw, Vice Chairman Roger Harrod, Carolyn Bell, Merris Lohy, Mike Crockett, and Superintendent Benjamin Hyatt.

I. Mr. Holtzclaw called the meeting to order and Mr. Long gave the invocation.

II. Mr. Crockett moved to adopt the Agenda. The Second was by Mr. Long. Unanimous. See attachment book for agenda.

III. Mr. Harrod moved to approve the minutes of the May 8 and 30, 2006, Board meetings. The Second was by Mrs. Bell. Unanimous.

IV. There was no public participation.

V. Upon Mrs. Cole's recommendation, Mr. Crockett moved to approve the books as listed for the Vocational Textbook Adoption Cycle. The Second was by Mr. Long. Unanimous. See attachment book for list.

Mrs. Cole also presented to the Board a history of Perfect Attendance for Employees for each 9 weeks for 2005-2006. See attachment book for report.

Upon Mr. Finton's recommendation, Mrs. Bell moved to approve the Heard County School System Wellness Plan. The Second was by Mr. Crockett. Unanimous. See attachment book for plan.

VI. Superintendent Reports
A. Mr. Hyatt reported fund balances and SMOET activity. With 82% of the year completed, the system has received 94% of expected revenue and expended 89% of expected expenditures. Mr. Harrod moved to accept the Financial Report. The Second was by Mrs. Bell. Unanimous.

all current construction projects. The Field House project at Heard County Comprehensive High School is on schedule and projected to be completed by early July.

D. Mr. Hyatt reported on interest from West Georgia Technical College in using seats of the Old Heard Elementary facility. Mr. Hyatt has met with Linda Griffin, director of the Franklin campus for West Georgia Technical College and will continue discussions with her concerning use of some of the facility. Mr. Harrod moved to give Mr. Hyatt authority to negotiate and finalize an agreement with West Georgia Technical College to rent mobile classrooms currently stored at the old Heard Elementary site. The Second was by Mr. Crockett. Unanimous.

E. Mr. Long moved to purchase a page with three pictures in the Heard County Chapter of Commerce magazines. The Second was by Mrs. Bell. Unanimous. Mr. Hyatt reported to the Board on recent accomplishments of the Heard County Comprehensive High School Varsity Cheerleaders. At their recent camp, Trish Acker, Kelsey Null, and Megan Turner were awarded All-American Cheerleaders. The Varsity squad was the Overall Spirit Squad and was invited to attend National Competition. Mr. Furgerson and Mr. Rogers wished to report these accomplishments to the Board and commend the Varsity Squad for representing the school so well.

VII. Personnel
A. Upon Mr. Hyatt's recommendation, Mr. Harrod moved to approve Deana Crews, Rebekah Rogers, and Kimberly Wright for a temporary certified contract for the 2006-2007 school year. The Second was by Mrs. Bell. Unanimous.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Heard County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed FY2006-2007 Budget at 5:30 p.m. on June 27, 2006 in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse. The Proposed FY2006-2007 budget will then be presented for adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Heard County Board of Commissioners at 6:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse. The budget period is for July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. A summary of the budget is as follows:

REVENUES:	
Taxes	\$ 7,558,500.00
Intergovernmental Revenues	346,900.00
Charges for Services	1,344,500.00
Other Revenues	1,831,556.00
TOTAL REVENUES:	\$10,980,556.00
EXPENDITURES:	
General Government	\$ 3,209,442.00
Tax Administration	336,025.00
Courts	\$ 814,036.00
Public Safety	4,410,512.00
Public Works	1,169,908.00
Health and Welfare	459,817.00
Agriculture	34,581.00
Other	545,165.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$10,980,556.00

Copies of the detailed budgets are available for inspection in the Heard County Commissioners Office, Room 15, Heard County Courthouse, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Heard County will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 22, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Heard County Courthouse, 215 East Court Square, Franklin, Georgia. The hearing is being held to brief the community on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan; provide an opportunity for suggestions, additions or revisions; and inform the community when the Plan will be submitted to the RDC and DCA.

6-7-1421

FOOD, Games, Rides & Entertainment

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APPENDIX D

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 1st day of November, 2001, by and between the City of LaGrange, Georgia, a municipal corporation of Troup County, Georgia, and Heard County, Georgia, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia.

WHEREAS, the City of LaGrange, Georgia (hereafter "City") owns and operates a solid waste disposal facility located at 2233 Greenville Road, LaGrange, Georgia, and is engaged in the hauling of solid waste, both commercial and residential; and

WHEREAS, Heard County, Georgia (hereafter "Heard County") is authorized to collect and haul solid waste on behalf of its citizens, and has resolved to contract with City to perform said services on its behalf; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of setting forth the terms and conditions by which City will remove, haul and dispose of certain solid waste of Heard County for acceptance by and disposal in City's landfill; and

WHEREAS, the parties are competent to enter this Agreement for solid waste hauling and disposal pursuant to their respective charters, the general laws of the State of Georgia and Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, in exchange for the mutual covenants and conditions herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1.

COMMENCEMENT AND DURATION

This Agreement shall commence on the 1st day of November, 2001, and shall continue for a period of one (1) year, unless sooner terminated or extended pursuant to the provisions herein contained. During the term of this Agreement, or any extension thereof, either party may terminate the contract contained herein upon a ninety (90) day written notice. Unless sooner terminated as provided herein, this Agreement shall automatically renew on a year to year basis, *NOT TO EXCEED 50 (fifty) YEARS.*

2.

SOLID WASTE HAULING AND DISPOSAL

For the period of this agreement, and any extension(s) thereof, City shall pick up, remove, haul and dispose of the solid waste collected by Heard County as hereinafter defined. City shall pick up, remove and dispose of the waste contained within no more than one hundred five (105) dumpsters, at six (6) individual collection sites, on a schedule of two (2) times per week, excluding the holidays of Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Years Day. City will, however, remove, haul and dispose of such waste the day before or the day after each aforementioned holiday.

3.

RATE

The annual fee for removal, hauling and disposal of the waste referenced above so long as Heard County maintains six (6) collection sites shall be \$173,700.00, which fee shall be invoiced on a monthly basis by City to Heard County. City reserves the right to increase the rate as outlined herein at the conclusion of the initial one-year term of this agreement by notice to Heard County.

4.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Upon reasonable notice, Heard County may request that City remove, haul and dispose of solid waste an additional day (other than the two days per week herein agreed upon) with the rate for such extra collection and disposal being \$353.00 for the entire route.

5.

MISCELLANEOUS

Removal of solid waste under this contract shall be from six (6) and eight (8) yard dumpsters which shall be provided by Heard County for the term or any extension of the term of the agreement. An increase in the number of dumpsters from the one hundred five (105) dumpsters herein referenced will require a modification of the rate(s) as described herein.

CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA

BY: Cheri Howell

ATTEST: Rennie Cantrell

HEARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BY: [Signature]

ATTEST: Julia Pepe

APPENDIX E

AN ORDINANCE OF HEARD COUNTY, GEORGIA, TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO PLACE CERTAIN ITEMS IN OR OUTSIDE OF COUNTY OWNED GARBAGE CONTAINERS AND THE HEARD COUNTY LANDFILL, TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL FOR PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF COLLECTION OR HAULING GARBAGE, WASTE OR TRASH TO USE SAID CONTAINERS, TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL FOR CONTRACTORS OR OTHERS TO PLACE WASTE MATERIALS IN OR OUTSIDE OF SAID CONTAINERS, TO SCAVENGE, SORT OR REMOVE THE CONTENTS OF A CONTAINER, TO SET A FIRE TO THE CONTENTS OF A CONTAINER, OR TO PLACE HIGHLY FLAMMABLE MATERIALS IN CONTAINERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Commissioner of Heard County, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same that a new ordinance No. _____ is hereby added to the code of enacted ordinances for said Heard County, Georgia, to read as follows:

"It shall be unlawful: (a) To place appliances, automobile parts, farm implements, furniture or parts thereof, dead animal carcasses or parts, trees or tree limbs, industrial, manufacturing or processing waste in or outside garbage containers owned and placed by Heard County within said county; (b) For persons engaged in the business of collecting or hauling garbage, waste or trash to place such garbage, waste or trash in or outside containers; (c) For contractors to place waste or refuse resulting from the performance of contracts or agreements in or outside of garbage containers; (d) To scavenge, sort or remove the contents of a garbage container or in the Heard County Landfill; (e) To set fire to the contents of the container or the Heard County Landfill or to place any highly flammable materials in said garbage containers or in the Heard County Landfill; (f) For any person, not a resident of Heard County, or any other person possessing or hauling refuse, garbage, waste or trash originating outside of Heard County, to place said refuse, garbage, waste or trash in the Heard County Landfill or in Heard County trash containers or on County Road rights-of-way; (g) For any person to place trash, refuse, garbage, and/or waste of any kind other than in the Heard County Landfill or county maintained dumpsters.

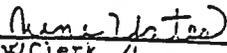
Any person, firm or corporation violating this ordinance shall be punished in accordance with Code Section 23-9918 of the Code of the State of Georgia.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed."

Adopted in open session this 10th day of Oct, 1989.


Sole Commissioner

ATTEST:


County Clerk

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

County Attorney

BE IT RESOLVED, and it is hereby resolved by the Commissioners of Heard County, Georgia, in open session, that from and after the adoption of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any non-resident of Heard County, Georgia, to deposit trash, refuse, garbage and/or waste of any kind or description in Heard County dumpsters or on county road rights-of-way.

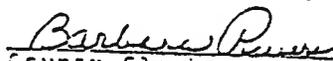
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it be unlawful for any person to deposit trash, refuse, garbage and/or waste at any place other than a designated waste landfill or county dumpsters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a violation of this ordinance shall be punishable as provided in Section 15-10-60 of the Official Code of Georgia.

Approved this 12th day of March 1985.


Steve Lippard, Commissioner
Heard County

Attest:


County Clerk

Solid Waste Ordinance
Heard County, Georgia

An ordinance of Heard County, Georgia, setting forth requirements for the storage, collection and disposal of solid waste within the political subdivision of Heard County.

Article I
Purpose and Enactment

The Board of Commissioners of Heard County for the purpose of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the county do hereby adopt the following Articles into law.

Article II
Definitions

All words shall have their customary dictionary meaning except the word "shall" is mandatory and the word "any" is permissive.

Article III
Exemptions

Provisions of these regulations shall not apply to any individual disposing of solid waste originating from his own residence onto land or facilities owned by him, or individuals who have received permission from such a person, when disposal of such waste does not thereby create a nuisance or adversely affect the public health or the environment.

Article IV
Solid Waste Containers

All containers used by any firm, corporation, person or party

for the storage and/or collection of solid waste must have lids which will keep the contents free of rodents, flies or other insects. All solid waste not placed or stored in containers shall be kept free of rodents, flies and other insects. No waste may be stored, collected or disposed of in a condition or manner which creates a health hazard, a public nuisance, or is conducive to the breeding and/or existence of rodents or insects.

Article V Dumping and Disposal

No firm, corporation, person or party shall dispose of solid waste in an area unless the area has been approved and/or designated by the Board of Commissioners of Heard County, Georgia. No solid or human waste shall be dumped or disposed on a landfill, site or dump which does not have a permit from the Heard County Board of Health after January 1, 1974.

Article VI Collection of Solid Waste

Where collection of solid waste is provided, solid waste shall be collected a minimum of once weekly.

Article VII Penalties and Enforcement

Any person violating any provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be punished for each offense according to law. Each day such violation con-

tinues shall be considered as a separate offense. The Heard
County law enforcement agencies and the Board of Health shall be
enforcement officers of this ordinance.

Adopted

C. H. Goodson
Neal Wilson
Walter Miles

10/8/73
Date

W. P. Johnson
Attested

CHAPTER 12: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Section

12-101	Purpose
12-102	Definitions
12-103	Pre-collection
12-104	Collection
12-105	Disposal
12-106	Fees
12-107	Billing
12-108	Penalties

Section 12-101 **Purpose**

The purpose of the rules and regulations contained in this chapter is to provide for the protection of the public health by prescribing the manner of storage, collection, transportation, and disposal of residential and industrial waste, rubbish, garbage, and refuse.

Section 12-102 **Definitions**

Unless the context specifically indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used in this chapter shall be as follows:

1. **Garbage.** Garbage shall mean all vegetable and animal matter, food and other refuse from a kitchen, market, store or elsewhere, including all matters that decay, attract flies or create disagreeable odors.
2. **Trash.** Trash shall mean ashes, dirt, paper, yard sweepings and all other accumulations of similar nature and small in size that are not included in the above definition of garbage.
3. **Rubbish.** Rubbish shall mean bushes, trees, limbs, boxes, planks, boards, old furniture, scrape iron, tin and all other articles of similar nature and large in size that are not included in subsections (1) and (2) above.
4. **Single Residential Unit.** Single residential unit shall mean any dwelling place occupied by one family.
5. **Multiple Residential Unit.** Multiple residential unit shall mean any duplex, apartment or groups of apartments under a single roof and used for dwelling places for more than one family.

6. Plastic Bag. Plastic bag shall mean a polyethylene or other heavy-duty plastic bag meeting the national Sanitation Foundation standard of 1.5 mils and not exceeding a thirty (30) gallon capacity, with securing twist tie. An untied plastic bag shall not be an approved container.
7. City. The term "City" shall mean the Mayor and City Council of Franklin.
8. Debris. Debris shall include residue of any nature accumulating from the activities defined in paragraph (9) below.
9. Contractor. Contractor as used in this article shall include every person, firm, partnership, or corporation, and the agents and employees thereof, engaged in construction, electrical, mechanical, air conditioning, heating, plumbing, roofing, demolition, landscaping, masonry, and allied-type work, and shall include nurserymen, and tree trimmers.

Section 12-103

Precollection

1. In General. No person including contractors as defined in Section 12-102, shall keep or store solid waste outside of any residence or building within the city, except in proper containers for collection or otherwise prepared, as set forth herein or under the express prior approval of the Mayor and Council. Any unauthorized accumulation of solid waste is hereby declared to be a nuisance and is prohibited. The City Clerk, by written notice, shall notify the owner or occupant of any premise with such solid waste accumulation to remove same. Failure to remove such accumulation within two (2) weeks of the date of such written notice to do so shall be deemed a violation of these regulations and subject to penalties hereinafter set forth. A separate violation shall be deemed committed each day during or upon which such unlawful accumulation continued.
2. Containers.
 - A. Garbage containers shall be provided by the owner or occupant of each residence or establishment sufficient in number to accommodate such waste generated by the residence or establishment between collections. Containers shall be of durable metal or plastic, water-tight, nonabsorbent, rust-resistant, rodent-proof, and easily cleanable. They shall be equipped with handles and tightly fitted covers and shall have a capacity of not less than fifteen (15) gallons nor more than thirty (30) gallons, except that bulk containers of a type accepted by the Mayor and Council as suitable for mechanical collection by publicly owned equipment used for such collection may be used. Containers failing to comply with these provisions or which have defects causing them to scatter waste upon the ground during collection or causing them to hamper or to injure the persons collecting waste shall be promptly replaced.
 - B. Disposable plastic bags of a type, size, and material designed for solid waste disposal may be used to contain refuse for storage and collection such that normal handling will not cause the bag to open.

3. **Rubbish.** Rubbish may be stored for collection in trash bags strong enough to retain the waste; loose paper or cuttings shall be tied in bundles. Rubbish containers or bundles shall not exceed fifty (50) pounds in weight. Limbs or cuttings shall not exceed four (4) inches in diameter nor four (4) feet in length. Rubbish containers or bundles shall be placed for collection beside the solid waste containers.
4. **Placement.** On days designated by the Mayor and Council as collection days for the respective routes, garbage and/or rubbish shall be placed for collection on the curb or beside the roadway in front of the residence or establishment owning same, or if the property abuts on an alley, at the rear of the property, but not in the gutter or in the street or alley in such manner as to interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
5. **Scavenging.** No person other than the owner or authorized collection personnel shall sift the contents of or remove anything from containers, boxes, or bundles containing garbage or rubbish.

Section 12-104 Collection

1. **Limitations.** Industrial waste, large animals over thirty (30) pounds, or waste from construction, demolition, landscaping, or processing operations will not be collected, transported, or disposed of by public facilities. Such waste collection, transportation, and disposal shall be by the owners and/or generators of such waste or animals.

It shall be a violation of these regulations to place or cause to be placed in any container, box, or bundle, or otherwise for collection, any hazardous waste of any kind except upon specific prior arrangement with the Mayor and Council.

2. **Private Contractors.** No person other than employees of the city or county shall collect, transport, or dispose of solid waste for pay in the city without having first applied for and received a license to engage in such business.

Section 12-105 Disposal

All disposal of solid waste shall be at disposal sites operated in accordance with state laws including certification and with rules and regulations of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, and at no other place. Large appliances, stumps, or logs shall not be deposited at publicly operated disposal sites except by prior arrangement with the Mayor and Council. Fees for such disposal shall be billed and collected as hereinafter set forth.

Section 12-106

Fees

1. **Charges for Public Collection and Disposal.** Monthly charges for public collection and disposal of solid waste shall be determined from time to time by the Mayor and Council.

Section 12-107

Billing

1. **Against Whom Levied.** Service charges in accordance with the schedule determined by the Mayor and Council are levied against both the owner and the occupant of premises served, jointly and severally, but collecting from one shall relieve the other.
2. **Charges For Solid Waste Collection and Disposal.** Charges for solid waste collection and disposal service shall be billed and collected monthly in a manner approved by the City Council.

Section 12-108

Penalties

Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or be imprisoned not to exceed thirty (30) days or both at the discretion of the Judge of the Municipal Court.

APPENDIX F



Heard County Convenience Center Hours & Locations



Old Field Road:

Monday & Thursday: 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday & Friday: 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Saturday: 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Old Field Road Convenience Center will accept large items

Cost: \$50.00 per ton

Lane Road, Victory Road, Northwest Hwy 100, Cooksville Fire station, & Centralhatchee:

Tuesday & Thursday: 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Saturday: 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

**ALL PERMITS WILL EXPIRE JUNE 30 OF THE
FOLLOWING YEAR**

**IF PERMITS ARE LOST, YOU MAY PURCHASE
ANOTHER ONE FOR A FEE OF \$5.00**

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APPENDIX G

	A-1	RD	R-1	MR	MHP	GC	I
Carpet and Rug Sales, Floor Covering and Storage						X	X
Cemetery, Private - Any plot of ground, building, mausoleum, or other enclosure used for the burial of persons of one collateral line of descent. Private cemetery shall not be located in floodplain.	S	S	S			X	X
Cemetery, Religious Institution - A plot of ground, building, mausoleum, or other enclosure owned by or adjacent to a religious institution but used for the burial of persons who are generally members of that religious institution. Cemetery shall not be located in floodplain.	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Cemetery, Public - A plot of ground, building, mausoleum, or other enclosure not located on property owned by or adjacent to a religious institution but used for the burial of persons. Cemetery shall not be located in floodplain.	S	S				S	S
Child Care Center, Group						X	X
Child Care Facility						X	
Child Care Home. Child care home shall conform to regulations in Article - Home Occupation Regulations.	S	S	S	S	S	X	X
Child Care Institution Churches	S	S	S	S	S	X	X
Cinema, Movie Theater						X	
Clinic, Public or Private						X	X
Club and Lodges	S	S	S			X	
College, University or Junior College							X
Commercial Timber Production (To qualify as a commercial timber tract the tract must be under an approved forestry management plan per the Georgia Forestry Commission.)	X	X					X
Concrete/Stone Cutting, Fabrication							X
Congregate Personal Care Home						X	X
Contractor Equipment - Material Storage						X	X

S.S. School
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* Landfill, Confs. + Demo Waste

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	A-1	RD	R-1	MR	MHP	GC	I
Office Supplies						X	
Parking Lot or Garage, Commercial						X	X
Park and Recreational Facilities	S	S	S			S	X
Pet and Dog Grooming Shop						X	
Print Shop						X	X
Produce Stand - Provided that a minimum of four (4) off street parking spaces are provided and that such stand is used only for selling products grown or produced by the owners of the premises	X	X				X	X
Radio, TV and Communication Transmission Tower - provided all tower sites are in accordance with the provisions of Article 10 of this Ordinance.	S	S				S	S
Railroad Station						X	X
Recycling Center w/processing facilities							X
* Recycling Collection Station						X	X
Repair Service, General Merchandise						X	
Repair Service (Heavy Equipment)						X	X
Restaurant - drive in						X	X
Restaurant - non drive in						X	
Retail Stores offering common merchandise						X	
Rooming and Boardinghouse				X		X	
RV Park, Campground - subject to regulations as set forth in Article 11 of this ordinance	<i>S</i> <i>07-25-03</i>	S				X	X
School, Public, Private or Parochial	X	S	X	X	X	X	X
Secondary Detached Dwelling - permitted only in cases of medical hardship. See Article 5, section 5.9 and	S	S	S				
Sewerage Treatment Facilities, Public or Private		S	S	S	S		X

	A-1	RD	R-1	MR	MHP	GC	I
Shoe Repair						X	
Shopping Center						X	
Storage Yard, Equipment						S	X
Storage Warehouse						X	X
Studio for Art, Photography and Similar Uses						X	
Taxidermy		S				X	
Tire Sales and Service						X	
Transfer Station, Solid Waste							X
Truck Terminals, Freight Handling							X
Utility Facilities (gas, electric, telephone transformer stations). These uses refer to transmissions lines and not to generating facilities.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Veterinary Clinic/Animal Hospital/Grooming		S				X	X
Video Sales and Rental						X	
Vocational School						X	X
Water Treatment Facilities		X	X	<i>Must be Approved</i>			X <i>Bo</i>
Wholesale Trade/Warehouse/Distribution Facilities							X
Wreckage Services, Temporary Storage							S

	RD	R2	R3	GC	GI
Livestock - Raising/Keeping for Personal Pleasure- Provided that all structures used for housing or feeding livestock shall be at least fifty (50) feet from any property line	X				
Machine Shop, Fabrication, Welding, Sales etc.					X
Machinery Sales, Service and Repair				X	
Manufacturing Facility involving the mechanical or chemical conversion of raw materials into semi-finished or finished products					X
Manufacturing Facility involving only the assembly of pre-manufactured component parts.					X
Mini-Warehouse (self-storage facility)				X	X
Motel				X	
Museum				X	
Nursery and Greenhouse - provided that no structure shall be located closer than one hundred (100) feet to any adjoining residential property.	X				
Office, Business and Professional				X	
Office Supplies				X	
Parking Lot or Garage, Commercial				X	
Parks and Recreation Facilities	S	S	S	S	S
Pet and Dog Grooming Shop	S			X	X
Print Shop				X	
Recreational Vehicle Parks				X	
* Recycling Collection Station	S	S	S	X	X
Recycling Center w/processing facilities				X	X
Repair Service (Heavy Equipment)				X	X
Repair Service, General Merchandise				X	
Restaurant - drive in				X	

	RD	R2	R3	GC	GI
Restaurant - non drive in				X	
Retail Stores offering common merchandise				X	
Rooming and Boardinghouse	S	S	S	X	
School, Public, Private or Parochial	S	S	S	S	
Sewerage Treatment Facilities, Public or Private	S	S	S	S	X
Shoe Repair				X	
Shopping Center				X	
Taxidermy	S				
Tire Sales and Service				X	
* Transfer Station, Solid Waste					X
Truck Terminals, Freight Handling					X
Veterinary Clinic/Animal Hospital/Grooming	S			X	X
Video Sales and Rental				X	
Vocational School	S			X	X
Water Treatment Facilities					X
Wholesale Trade/Warehouse/Distribution Facilities					X
Wreckage Services, Temporary Storage of wrecked and inoperable vehicles.					X

12.3-12 **Recreational usages** consistent either with the maintenance of a natural vegetative buffer or with river-dependent recreation. For example, a boat ramp would be consistent with this criteria, but a hard-surface tennis court would not. Parking lots are not consistent with this criteria, but paths and walkways would be.

12.3-13 **Other uses** as permitted by the Georgia Department of natural Resources or under Section 404 of the Federal Clean Water Act.

12.4 **Prohibited uses.**

12.4-1 Handling areas for the receiving and storage of hazardous wastes.

12.4-2 Hazardous waste or solid waste landfills

12.4-3 The standards and requirements in this article of the City of Franklin Ordinance do not supercede those contained in the Metropolitan River Protection Act or the Erosion and Sedimentation Act.

ARTICLE X

INDUSTRIAL

This district classification is established to provide appropriate locations for industrial operations. All of which shall be nuisance free and not generators of hazardous wastes.

Permitted uses

1. Any commercial or industrial use which involves manufacturing, processing or assembly operations or the storage and sale of heavy materials, products or equipment; but not including uses which may cause injurious or obnoxious noise, vibrations, smoke, gas, fumes, odor, dust, fire hazard or other objectionable conditions to nearby areas.
2. Bottling plants.
3. Cold storage, ice plants and freezer lockers.
4. Dairy plants and ice cream manufacturing.
5. Distribution of products and merchandise.
6. Electronic manufacturing and assembly plants.
7. Fabricating shops such as woodworking, upholstery and sheet metal shops.
8. Garage, repair shops and machine shops.
9. Mini-warehouses.
10. Printing, publishing and reproducing establishments.
11. Textile manufacturing plants.
12. Customary accessory buildings and uses.
13. Commercial feed mills.

Conditional Uses

1. Sign painting and fabricated shops.
2. Tire recapping.

3. Brick, tile and terra cotta manufacturing.
4. Cement, lime, gypsum or plaster of paris manufacture.
5. Concrete, cement products or clay products manufacture.
6. Foundry or forging plants.
7. Rock, sand, or gravel distribution or storage.
8. Poultry killing, plucking or processing.
9. Manufacture of fertilizer and explosives.
10. Central mixing plant for cement, mortar, plaster, and/or building materials.
11. Asphalt and concrete batching plants.
12. Bone rendering plants.
13. Sanitary landfills.
14. Salvage and junk yards, provided any such use is screened from public view by a solid wall, planted screen or similar opaque partition at least eight(8) feet in height, provided such a wall or opaque partition is set back at least fifty (50) feet from all property lines.
15. Wholesaling or warehousing.
16. Grain elevator.

Industrial District Development Standards

- A. Minimum Lot Area: 3 Acres
- B. Minimum Lot Width at Building Line: 200 feet
- C. Minimum Yard Requirement:
 1. **FRONT:** From the center line of:
 State or Federal Highway, one hundred (100) feet;
 County Road, ninety (90) feet;
 Residential Street, ninety (90)feet.

septic tanks are utilized. Where a common sewerage system is utilized the dwelling unit space sizes may be reduced to 8,000 square feet minimum.

- (c) On each individual dwelling unit space within a Higher Density Residential District there shall be a minimum twenty (20) foot rear and side yard.
- (d) No dwelling unit in a Higher Density Detached Residential District shall be placed nearer than seventy-five (75) feet to any public street centerline or forty (40) feet to any property line.
- (e) An accessory building, when located in a rear yard, shall not be located closer than (10) feet to a side yard or rear property line. The front yard shall not be nearer than seventy-five (75) feet to any public street, center line or forty (40) feet from property line.

4. **Conditions of Operation**

- (a) No dwelling unit shall be located in a Higher Density Detached Residential District until all the improvements required are complete and both Preliminary and Final Plats have been approved pursuant to the Centralhatchee Sub-Division Regulations and the Heard County Health Department. If approval has been given to develop the Higher Density Detached Residential in sections then only those section which are completed may be occupied by dwelling units.
- (b) No dwelling unit shall be occupied until the proper decals, if any, have been secured from the tax collector and displayed in a proper manner.
- (c) Drives. Paved or graveled drives at least 20 feet wide, which serve as the principal means of ingress and egress to and from the dwelling unit spaces, shall be provided to each dwelling unit and to laundry or other service buildings and recreation areas.
-  (d) Refuse collections facilities. One refuse collection station shall be provided for each twenty families or fraction thereof, conveniently located to serve tenants, not more than two hundred feet from any manufactured home served, and shall be conveniently located for collection. Such station shall be constructed with a concrete floor.
- (e) Laundry facilities. Laundry facilities shall be connected to approved sanitary facilities and shall be provided at the rate of two double laundry trays and two washing machines for each fifty manufactured homes or

sites not connected to the park/campground sewer system.

2. Utility buildings providing flush toilets and showers for each sex shall be provided at convenient intervals throughout the park. Utility buildings shall be located within three hundred feet of those spaces that are not provided with individual sewer connections. The City upon recommendation by the Health Department shall determine the number of toilets and showers. All sewage from RV's and park buildings shall be discharged into a sewage disposal system approved by the appropriate agency.

F. Fire Protection Standards

1. All RV park or campground proposals shall be reviewed by the Heard County Fire Chief to insure adequate ingress and egress and internal circulation for emergency vehicles.
2. The Fire Chief shall review all RV park or campground proposals to determine what fire protection measures are necessary for the park/campground. The provisions of the Uniform Fire Code shall apply for purposes of satisfying the required fire flows.

 **G. Solid Waste**

1. The storage, collection and disposal of solid waste in a RV park or campground shall be accomplished so as to prevent fire and health hazards, rodents, insect breeding, accidents, and odor. Upon the recommendation of the Health Department, the operator of an RV park/campground may be required to enter into a contract for regular collection with an approved solid waste disposal firm.
2. Approved solid waste containers shall be located not more than one hundred fifty feet from any RV/camp site.
3. Collection areas shall be screened with a view obscuring fence and properly identified.

H. Utilities

1. Sanitary sewer and grey water systems shall be connected to the City's sanitary sewer system when available.
2. All utilities such as domestic water, irrigation water, fire protection, storm drainage systems, etc. shall be installed in accordance with established guidelines. All power and communication lines shall be placed underground.

ARTICLE IX

F-H - Flood Hazard District

Provisions of this District are superimposed on and become a part of each of the other Districts.

Description of District

The limits of the Flood Hazard (FH) District are hereby determined to be areas subject to frequent periodic flooding and delineated alluvial soils by the Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and/or the Centralhatchee Planning Commission as identified on the Zoning Map.

Intent

The intent of the regulations within this Zoning District is to limit the use of such flood plain lands to:

1. Prevent flood damage to persons and properties and minimize expenditures for flood relief programs, flood control, projects and flood damage repair.
-  2. Preserve drainage courses that will be adequate to carry storm water runoff from existing and future land development by (a) prohibiting any structures that would restrict or alter the free flow of flood waters and (b) prohibiting land fills, junk yards, dumps, outdoor storage of materials or other obstructions to the flow of flood waters, except those included in the permitted uses listed below.
3. Preserve natural conditions that will (a) allow sufficient absorption to maintain an adequate subsurface water level and (b) filter sediment from adjacent or upstream developments.
4. Minimize danger to public health by preserving natural drainage patterns and preventing stagnant or trapped water areas.

Permitted Uses

Within the Flood Hazard District the following uses are permitted subject to the regulations of the original district on which the Flood Hazard District is superimposed:

1. Agriculture, including forestry and livestock raising requiring no structures within the Flood Plain, and including agricultural and forestry access roads provided that these roads would not restrict or alter free flow of flood waters.
2. Dams provided they are constructed in accordance with specifications of the

U.S.D.A. Soil Conservation Service or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

3. Fences provided no material obstruction to the free flow of water, provided water gaps are allowed.
4. Outdoor Advertising Signs.
5. Parking areas, provided that there will be proper drainage of the parking area and that it does not obstruct the free flow of flood waters.
6. Roads, provided adequate capacity for the free flow of flood waters is provided by means of culverts or bridges, with designs approved by the Georgia Department of Transportation and/or Centralhatchee, and further that in no case will a culvert be located at an elevation higher than the level of the original stream bed.
7. Public, semi-public, private, and commercial recreation uses requiring no structures within the flood plain.
8. Greenbelts or yards.
9. Public utility poles, towers, pipe lines, and sewage treatment outfalls.

Procedure Available for Determining Flood Hazard

If a property owner can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Centralhatchee Planning Commission and Town Council that an error has been made in establishing the Flood Hazard District boundary line and that his property or a designated portion of it that now lies in the Flood Hazard District is actually not subject to flooding, the Planning Commission and Council may recommend correction of the Flood Hazard District boundary line in question accordingly.

The Centralhatchee Planning Commission and the property owner involved may seek the advice and assistance of the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the flood hazard of a parcel of land in question.

Town Liability

The granting of a building permit in any Flood Hazard District shall not constitute a representation, guarantee, or warranty of any kind by the Town of Centralhatchee or by an official or employee thereof of the practicability or safety of any structure, use or other plan proposed, and shall create no liability upon, or a cause of action against such public body, official or employee for any damage that may result pursuant thereto. Although alluvial soils represent the areas most often inundated by waters and represent the most realistic flood plain, infrequent flood will exceed the limits of alluvial soils. The designation of

APPENDIX H



February 28, 2006
Georgia Environmental Protection Division
Solid Waste Management Program
4244 International Parkway, Suite 104
Atlanta, Georgia 30354

Re: Financial Assurance Requirements
EPD Permit # 141-013D (SL), Greenville Road, LaGrange, Georgia

Dear Mr. McDaniel:

I am writing on behalf of the City of LaGrange, Georgia with respect to the Financial Assurance Requirements for Solid Waste Handling and Processing Facilities effective April 9, 1997. The audit firm of Abbott, Jordan & Koon applied the necessary financial tests to ensure that we are in compliance with the financial assurance requirements. These tests were applied based on the financial statements of the City of LaGrange, Georgia, fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, which I have enclosed.

The financial statements for the City of LaGrange, Georgia are prepared in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting principles for governments. The City of LaGrange, Georgia has not had an operating deficit of 5% or more in each of the past two consecutive fiscal years, is not in default on any outstanding general obligation bonds, and does not have outstanding general obligation bonds that are rated less than investment grade.

The assured costs related to the City of LaGrange Landfill are identified in both the annual operating budget and the general purpose financial statements. For costs assured for closure and post-closure care, the City of LaGrange is in conformance with Governmental Accounting standards Board Statement 18. A copy of the comprehensive annual financial report is available to the public at City Hall for compliance with the public notice component of the financial assurance test. As of June 30, 2005 assured costs were approximately 6 % of total revenues, which meets the requirements of the relative financial strength ratio.

CITY OF LAGRANGE
OFFICE OF ACCOUNTING
P. O. Box 430 • LaGrange, Georgia 30241 • (706) 883-2036 • Fax (706) 883-2044

A copy of this letter, a letter from an external CPA regarding the financial assurance of the City of LaGrange Landfill, the financial assurance tests applied and their results, and the general purpose financial statements will be maintained in the operating records of the City of LaGrange Landfill. Should you have any questions, please call me at (706) 883-2010

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John Bell', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

John Bell
Clerk-Treasurer



Abbott, Jordan & Koon, LLC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

P.O. Box 809 □ 405 Second Street □ Manchester, GA 31816
(706) 848-8401 □ Fax (706) 846-3370

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
P.O. Box 430
LaGrange, Georgia 30241

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Environmental Protection Division, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertion about the City of LaGrange, Georgia's compliance with the financial assurance provisions of the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Criteria under subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act during the period ending June 30, 2005. The City of LaGrange, Georgia's management is responsible for the City's accounting records. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. Our procedures and findings are as follows:

- 1(a). We computed the financial test alternative 2 ratios. The resulting liquidity ratio for the City of LaGrange, Georgia was computed at .33. Therefore, the City of LaGrange, Georgia meets the threshold for the ratio of cash plus marketable securities to total expenditures. The City of LaGrange, Georgia's ratio value of .33 is greater than .05, the minimum threshold established by the regulations. The debt service ratio was computed to be .04. The City of LaGrange, Georgia's ratio value of .04 is less than .20, the minimum threshold established by the regulations.
- 1(b). The relative financial strength ratio was computed to be .06. The City of LaGrange, Georgia's ratio value of .06 is lower than .43 which indicates that the City of LaGrange, Georgia could use the financial test to demonstrate financial assurance for its total obligations for closure and postclosure care.

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
GEORGIA SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

2. We verified that the City of LaGrange, Georgia has not run an operating deficit of 5% or more in the past two (2) consecutive fiscal years.
3. We verified that the City of LaGrange, Georgia's annual financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. In our report on the financial statements of the City of LaGrange, Georgia for the year ended June 30, 2005, our opinion was unqualified.
4. We verified that the City of LaGrange, Georgia has identified the cost assured by the financial test in its annual financial statements and annual operating budget.
5. We verified that the City Manager of the City of LaGrange, Georgia has written a letter containing the information specified in the regulations [40 CFR 258.74(f)(3)(i)(A)] and has placed a copy of this letter in the operating record of the City of LaGrange, Georgia's municipal solid waste landfill.
6. We verified that the City of LaGrange, Georgia meets the requirements of *Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 18*. We also verified that the City of LaGrange, Georgia's annual financial statements disclose the GASB 18 requirements and that a copy has been placed in the operating record of the City of LaGrange, Georgia's municipal solid waste landfill.
7. We verified that a copy of the report of the independent certified public accountant on the City of LaGrange, Georgia's financial statement for the year ended June 30, 2005 has been placed in the operating record of the City of LaGrange, Georgia's municipal solid waste landfill.

We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on the City of LaGrange, Georgia's compliance with the financial assurance provisions of the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Criteria under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of the City of LaGrange, Georgia, and the parties listed in the first paragraph, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Albert Garden & Koon

Manchester, Georgia
February 22, 2006

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CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
Year Ended June 30, 2005

Financial component: Alternative 2
 Georgia EDP permit numbers: 141-013D(SL)
 Year ending: June 30, 2005

Closure costs	\$	1,587,398
Post-closure costs		3,313,621
Corrective action costs		0
Total assured costs	\$	<u>4,901,019</u>

1(a) Resulting Liquid Ratio

$$\frac{(\$21,885,064 \text{ Cash} + \$3,835,210 \text{ Marketable Securities})}{\$78,708,073 \text{ Total Expenditures}} = .33 \text{ Resulting Liquid Ratio}$$

Resulting Liquid Ratio of .33 is greater than 0.05

Cash found on page 9 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

Total Expenditures found on pages 13 and 16 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

1(b) Resulting Annual Debt to Service Ratio

$$\frac{\$3,053,005 \text{ Annual Debt Service}}{\$78,708,073 \text{ Total Expenditures}} = .04 \text{ Resulting Debt to Service Ratio}$$

Resulting Debt to Service Ratio of .04 is less than 0.20

Annual Debt Service found on pages 13 and 16 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

Total Expenditures found on pages 13 and 16 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
Year Ended June 30, 2005

2. **Relative Financial Strength Ratio**

$$\frac{\$4,901,019}{\$88,802,825} = .06$$

Total Assured Cost / Total Revenue = Relative Financial Strength Ratio

Relative Financial Strength Ratio of .06 is less than 0.43

Total Assured Cost found on page 37 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

3. **Operating Deficit Requirement**

$$\frac{(\$88,802,825 - \$87,039,106) / \$88,802,825}{\text{Revenues}} = .02$$

Total Annual Revenues / Total Annual Expenditures / Revenues = Operating (Deficit) Profit

Operating profit of .02 is greater than a deficit of .05

Total Annual Revenues found on page 7 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

Total Annual Expenditures found on page 7 of our government's annual financial statements for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

12.4 Full Cost Information

Name of Local Government	Town of Centralhatchee
Fiscal Year	2004
Total Full Cost	961.60
Total Program/Operations Revenue	405.65
Total Federal/State Grant Revenue	0.00
Percentage of Full Costs covered by Program/Operations Revenue	42%
Percentage of Full Costs covered by Federal/State Grant Revenue	0.00%

12.5 For further information about this notice, please contact:

Name of Solid Waste Coordinator	Marcia Gann
Telephone	770-854-5801
Fax	770-854-5802
E-mail Address	centralhatchee@charter.net
Office Hours and Days of the Week	Monday-Friday 9:30-5:00

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Centralhatchee Masonic Lodge
will sponsor a charity ride on
September 17.

Centralhatchee Masonic Lodge
will sponsor a charity ride on
September 17 to raise money for its bene-
fice fund. Cost is \$25 per
cyclist. Ride will be approxi-
mately 45 miles and will start at
noon at Kessler's store at the in-
tersection of Hwy. 27 and Gum-
mings Airport Road. Hamburgers
and hot dogs will be served at the
ride in Centralhatchee after the
ride. For information call Rick Hol-
mes at 770-854-4095 or 770-801-

ACTION DATES

32 (d) (3) (A), the
following dates and
offices of Mayor and
Council.

September 16, 2005
Monday and Friday-
12:00 p.m.
between the hours of
12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.
for lunch

Franklin City Hall with



PUBLIC NOTICE

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The Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act requires HEARD COUNTY to develop a strategy for reducing the amount of solid waste going into landfills and other disposal facilities. This reduction may be accomplished by many techniques, including recycling materials such as plastic, aluminum, and newspaper. It can also be accomplished by diverting yard waste from disposal facilities into backyard or other composting operations. Methods for reducing our solid waste are available. Most of these methods are available. and effort. If you have information about what you need, please contact the person listed below.

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The Act also requires all local governments to disclose to its citizens the full cost of providing solid waste management services. This and other required information is included below:

Name of Government HEARD COUNTY
Fiscal Year: From 07/01/04 - 06/30/05
Total Operating Revenues: \$ 54,065.00
Total Other Dedicated Revenues: \$ _____
Total Revenues from other Funds: \$ _____
Full Cost: \$ 286,817.00
Percentage of Full Cost Funded by User Fees: 18.8%

For further information about this notice, please contact:

Name of Solid Waste Coordinator SAMUEL G. NOLES
Address P.O. Box 40
City FRANKLIN GA Zip 30217
Telephone (706) 675-3821
Office Hours and Days MON. - FRI 8:30 - 5:00



Surveys



Reports



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Solid Waste Survey. 12 - Full Cost Report

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Full Cost Report

Report Full Costs for your government's *most recently completed fiscal year*. Do not report any Full Costs for any part of your current fiscal year.

12.1 Enter the ending date of the subject local government's most recently completed fiscal year. low.

December

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* 12.2 Does account for solid waste management or more enterprise funds?

Yes

No

12.3 In the following matrix, indicate the subject local government's Full Costs, Program/Operations Revenues, and Federal/State Grant Revenues for each Solid Waste Management Service listed. Report in whole dollars only by rounding to the nearest dollar. (For definitions of cost, revenues, and solid waste services please see below)

	Full Cost	Program/Operations Revenue	Federal/State Grant Revenue
Solid Waste & Recycling Administration	1500		
Solid Waste Collection	20674	16044	
Solid Waste Disposal	4332		
Recyclables Collection			
Recyclable Operations			
Closure & Post-			

Closure			
Future Landfill/Cell			
Public Education			
Yard Trimmings Collection & Management			
Other*			
TOTALS	26506		

* Only report costs or revenues on the 'Other' line if they cannot be easily attributed to specific solid waste services.

Definitions and Solid Waste Management Service Descriptions

Full Cost - Direct and Indirect costs of providing solid waste services. Direct costs are costs directly and clearly attributable to a solid waste activity such as salaries, benefits, equipment, supplies, oil and gasoline, utilities, internal and external billable costs, depreciation of equipment, interest on long-term debt, and closure/post-closure care. Indirect costs are costs of providing solid waste services that support general government operations such as personnel administration, accounting/auditing, executive services, purchasing, and records management.

Program/Operations Revenue - Income received for provision of solid waste service such as user and tipping fees, franchise fees, and fines/forfeitures.

Federal/State Grant Revenue - Income from federal and/or state grant(s).

Solid Waste & Recycling Administration - Expenditures for the general administration of solid waste and recycling activities.

Solid Waste Collection - Expenditures for collecting garbage and other refuse and delivering it to the place of disposal.

Solid Waste Disposal - Expenditures for disposing of garbage and other refuse.

Recyclables Collection - Expenditures for collecting recyclable material and delivering it to the place of recycling.

Recyclable Operations - Expenditures for the operation of recycling facilities.

Closure & Post-Closure Care - Estimated total current cost of the landfill's closure and post-closure, based on applicable federal, state, or local laws.

Future Landfill/Cell Development - Expenditures for development of future landfills and future disposal cells within existing landfills.

Public Education - Expenditures for educating a local government's citizens about solid waste management.

Yard Trimmings Collection & Management - Expenditures for the

APPENDIX I

1984 Ford	F-700	1FDNF60H8EVA8183	Dump Truck	1986	2,500
1993 Ford	F-250	1FTHF25Y7PNB35937	Light Truck	1993	5,500
1994 Ford	Crown Victoria	2FALP71W7RX138322	Supervisor Auto	1994	15,471
1997 Ford	F-171	1FTD1728VNC35429	Light Truck	1997	15,500
1998 Ford	Tractor 189 Chassis	1FDNF80C3WVA13460	Garbage Truck	1998	83,000
2001 Ford	F-150	1FTZF17281NA70630	Light Truck	2001	14,786
2002 Ford	LGT CONVTL '8	3FDNF65632MA17908	Dump Truck	2002	41,600
2005 Ford	F-250 SD	1FTNFB205505EA12381	Truck	2004	16,005

APPENDIX J

County	Facility Name	Permit Number	Status	Facility Type Description	Dominion	Year	Remaining Capacity (CY)	Average Daily Tons	Rate Of Fill (CYD)	Yrs Remaining	Estimated Fill Date	Comments
Appling	Appling Co - Roaring Creek PH 1&2 (SL)	001-006D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	469,650	21	42	44	9/30/2048	
Atkinson	Atkinson Co - SR 50 MSWL	002-009D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	138,352	210	239	2	9/9/2007	
Atkinson	Atkinson Co - SR 50 MSWL	002-009D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	162,170	153	239	3	1/9/2008 C&D	
Baldwin	Central State Hospital - Freeman Bldg (L)	005-015D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	7,918	1	1	44	6/8/2049	
Baldwin	Baldwin Co - Union Hill Ch Rd, Ph 3 (MSWL)	005-017D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	2,413,500	86	172	49	8/31/2054	
Banks	Chambers R & B Landfill Site #2	006-009D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	20,947,469	3,021	4,648	16	3/18/2021	
Barrow	Republic Waste - Oak Grove MSWLF SR324	007-020D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Commercial	2005	4,274,000	3,009	4,241	307	1/26/2009	
Bartow	Bartow Co - SR 294	008-008D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	20,000	1	2	46	10/31/2051	
Bartow	Emerson MSWL PH 2&3	008-016D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,007,000	313	474	7	1/31/2013	
Ben Hill	Fitzgerald, Kiochee Church Rd, Ph.2	009-005D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	631,176	2	3	757	12/9/2762	
Ben Hill	Fitzgerald, Kiochee Church Rd, Ph.2	009-005D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	87,371	1	1	286	1/9/2292 C&D	
Bibb	Macon - Walker Rd Ph 2 (SL)	011-017D(SL)	Operating	Unlined Sanitary Landfill	Public	2005	2,548,628	430	861	10	12/6/2014	
Bibb	Swift Creek Landfill	011-018D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private	2005	373,028	15	26	54	12/2/2058	
Bibb	Swift Creek MSW Landfill	011-026D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	1,837,805	1,200	1,655	4	6/8/2009	
Burke	Burke Co - Clarke Rd (SL)	017-002D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	148,930	26	105	5	6/13/2005	
Butts	Butts Co-Pine Ridge Recycling (MSWL)	018-008D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	36,948,250	2,757	3,939	35	8/26/2038	
Camden	Camden Co-SR110 MSWL	020-017D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Commercial	2005	1,901,275	183	366	18	2/18/2023	
Camden	Camden Co - S.R. 110 C/D/I Waste Landfill	020-019D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	23,262,619	350	389	193	7/18/2198	
Candler	Candler Co-SR 121 Phase 2 MSWL	021-006D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	399,166	49	76	20	8/19/2025	
Chariton	Chesser Island Road Landfill, Inc. MSWL	024-006D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	12,616,015	1,200	1,500	29	1/29/2034	
Chatham	Savannah-Dean Forest Rd (SL)	025-051D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	211,748	248	496	1	12/30/2006	
Chatham	Superior Landfill & Recycling Center	025-070D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	4,636,217	1,177	1,570	11	10/21/2015	
Chatham	Savannah Regional Industrial Landfill, Inc	025-072D(L/I)	Operating	Industrial Landfill	Commercial	2005	3,748,729	965	1,430	9	6/12/2014	
Cherokee	Cherokee Co-Pine Bluff Landfill, Inc.	028-039D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	51,533,426	3,671	5,120	35	8/22/2040	
Cherokee	Cherokee Co-Swims-SR 92 Ph 5	028-040D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private	2005	90,000	344	73	2	1/3/2007	

Cherokee	Cherokee Construction and Demolition Landfill	028-043D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	3,063,353	339	493	22	8/16/2027
Clarke	Clarke Co - Athens Dunlap Rd (SL) Ph 2,3,& 4	029-012D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,558,470	281	562	9	7/5/2014
Clayton	Clayton Co-SR 3 Lovejoy Site # 3	031-037D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	3,284,010	320	642	17	1/5/2021
Coffee	Transwaste Services, Inc. C.R. 129/17 Mile River	034-005D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	575,942	46	92	57	3/23/2006 Reduction of incoming waste extended anticipated life of site.
Columbia	Columbia Co - Baker Place Rd (SL), Ph 2	036-010D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	78,401	240	358	1	5/29/2006
Columbia	Columbia Co-Sample & Son (C AND D)	036-017D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	1,446,152	105	159	29	9/14/2034
Cook	Cook Co-Taylor Rd Adel (L)	037-008D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	76,375	50	100	3	4/16/2008
Cook	Cook Co. - Taylor Rd, Site 2 (MSWL)	037-010D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	631,675	50	100	23	2/16/2028
Coweta	Coweta Co. - Ishman Ballard Rd C/D Landfill	038-015D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	168,318	10	21	26	9/30/2031
Crisp	Crisp Co-US 41S Site 2 (Ph 4&5) MSWL	040-008D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	10,445,468	157	373	111	5/19/2115
Decatur	Decatur Co-SR 309 Bainbridge Ph 2 (SL)	043-006D(SL)	Operating	Unlined Sanitary Landfill	Public	2005	97,054	102	204	1	1/30/2006
DeKalb	DeKalb Co-Seminole Rd Ph 2 (SL)	044-037D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	330,726	254	267	4	1/18/2009
DeKalb	Rogers Lake Road C&D Landfill	044-041D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	1,759,499	1,370	2,108	3	10/6/2007
DeKalb	APAC/GA - Donzi Ln Ph 5A (L)	044-042D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	1,999,606	2,399	1,935	3	10/8/2008
DeKalb	APAC/GA - Donzi Ln Ph 5B (L)	044-044D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	0	0	0	0	Same as 044-042D(L)
DeKalb	BFI-Hickory Ridge (MSWL)	044-048D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	1,077,350	1,728	1,965	2	1/7/2007
DeKalb	BFI-East DeKalb Landfill	044-049D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	661,030	1,517	1,731	1	6/18/2006
DeKalb	DeKalb Co-Seminole Rd Ph 2A,3&4 (SL)	044-050D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	50,733,121	1,509	2,416	67	12/18/2071
Dooly	Dooly Co - CR 101 (SL)	046-006D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	14,109	15	29	2	10/3/2007
Dougherty	Dougherty Co-Fleming/Gaissant Rd (SL)	047-014D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	4,078,675	317	627	21	10/13/2026
Dougherty	Dougherty Co-Fleming/Gaissant Rd (SL)	047-014D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	393,071	116	153	8	12/13/2013 C&D
Douglas	Douglas Co-Cedar Mt/Worhan Rd Ph 1 (SL)	048-009D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	461,735	107	196	8	6/5/2012
Floyd	Rome Walker Mtn Rd, Site 2	057-020D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	5,525,650	381	762	24	4/4/2029
Floyd	Floyd Co - Rome Walker Mtn Rd C/D Landfill	057-021D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	278,090	40	67	14	3/1/2019

Forsyth	Eagle Point Landfill	058-012D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	22,988,778	1,600	2,667	30	12/11/2034
Forsyth	Eagle Point Landfill	058-012D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	2,098,350	590	983	8	5/6/2012 C&D
Forsyth	Greenleaf Recycling LLC	058-013D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	640,471	218	440	5	10/26/2010
Fulton	Chadwick Rd Landfill, Inc.	060-072D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	3,547,803	1,224	1,835	7	3/19/2012
Fulton	Chambers - Bolton Rd (SL)	060-083D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	83,735	78	107	3	7/6/2008
Fulton	Safeguard Landfill Management C & D	060-088D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	1,708,263	1,231	2,462	2	7/23/2007
Fulton	Willow Oak C&D Landfill	060-089D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	15,672,309	1,442	2,219	25	2/26/2030
Glynn	Eller-Whitlock Ave (L)	063-025D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	86,352	18	36	8	2/13/2013
Gordon	Gordon Co - Redbone Ridges Rd (SL)	064-016D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	12,914,974	138	388	119	6/8/2123
Grady	Cairo - 6TH Ave (SL)	065-002D(SL)	Operating	Unlined Sanitary Landfill	Public	2005	357,763	71	142	10	9/23/2015
Gwinnett	BFI - Richland Creek Rd (SL)	067-032D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	20,441,201	2,962	4,424	17	4/17/2022
Habersham	Habersham Co - SR13 MSWL	068-020D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	992,497	58	109	30	4/8/2035
Habersham	Habersham Co - SR13 MSWL	068-020D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	63,564	28	61	3	1/8/2009 C&D
Hall	Reliable Tire Services, Monroe Dr.	069-014D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	2,792,015	629	861	11	10/16/2016
Hall	Hall Co - Candler Rd (SR 60)	069-015D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	5,921,494	238	475	40	9/2/2045
Houston	Houston Co - SR 247 Klondike MSWL	076-020D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	4,376,996	532	887	16	1/12/2021
Houston	Houston Co - SR247 Klondike C/D Landfill	076-024D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	3,556,999	140	280	41	2/3/2046
Jasper	Jasper Co - SR 212 Monticello (SL)	079-004D(SL)	In-Closure	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	0	0	0	0	Ceased accepting waste 11/9/04.
Jefferson	Jefferson Co - CR 138 MSWL	081-011D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,415,997	55	111	46	8/11/2051
Jenkins	Jenkins Co-CR54 Phase 2 MSWL & C&D Site	082-005D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	777,513	26	103	29	6/6/2034
Lamar	Lamar Co - Cedar Grove Regional MSWL	085-007D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	385,535	146	155	9	4/9/2014
Laurens	Laurens Co - Old Macon Road MSWL	087-015D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	8,055	95	134	1	7/14/2006
Laurens	Laurens Co - Old Macon Road MSWL	087-015D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	66,508	73	161	1	12/14/2006 C&D
Liberty	US Army - Ft Stewart Main Cantonment (SL)	089-010D(SL)	Operating	Unlined Sanitary Landfill	Public	2005	862,832	64	129	23	8/8/2024
Liberty	US Army-Ft Stewart Main Cantonment (L)	089-020D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	2,482	1	1	35	8/8/2036
Lowndes	Pecan Row Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	092-019D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	3,333,344	2,211	2,457	5	4/4/2010

Macon	Macon Co. - Middle Ga SWMA Regional MSWL	094-009D(MSWL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	688,529	19	55	48	6/1/2053
McIntosh	McIntosh Co - King Rd (SL)	098-003D(SL)	Operating	Unlined Sanitary Landfill	Public	2005	682,504	50	100	22	2/6/2027
Monroe	Monroe Co - Strickland Loop Rd	102-008D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	2,350,528	47	95	80	10/28/2084
Murray	Murray Co. - US 411 Westside Site 2 MSWL	105-014D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,452,939	246	492	11	6/3/2014
Muscogee	Columbus, Pine Grove MSWL	106-016D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	5,254,609	280	561	37	7/29/2042
Muscogee	Columbus, Pine Grove MSWL	106-016D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	266,862	32	64	16	7/29/2021 C&D
Newton	Newton Co - Forest Tower/Lwr Rvr Rds (SL)	107-013D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	74,156	68	136	2	1/9/2007
Newton	Newton Co - Lower River Rd Site #2 HE MSWL	107-013D(SL)(2)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,381,586	132	264	14	1/9/2020
Oglethorpe	Oglethorpe Co - US 78 Ph 2 C/D Landfill	109-003D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	959,793	98	196	16	3/5/2021
Paulding	Paulding Co - Guiledge Rd N Tract 1 (SL)	110-005D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	2,152	1	2	4	3/15/2008
Polk	Polk Co - Grady Rd (SL)	115-008D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	74,660	882	1,470	0	12/27/2005 Phase II.
Rabun	Rabun Co - Boggs Mountain Rd C/D Landfill	119-006D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	252,000	17	38	26	2/20/2031
Richmond	US Army - Ft Gordon Gibson Rd Ph 1-3 (SL)	121-014D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	144,165	35	70	12	10/7/2017
Richmond	Richmond Co - Deans Bridge Rd Ph 2C (SL)	121-016D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	298,349	1,151	1,880	1	1/14/2006
Spalding	Spalding Co - Griffin/Shoal Creek Rd Ph 2	126-009D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	24,282	67	134	1	7/19/2006
Stephens	Stephens Co - SR 145 Ph 2&3 (SL)	127-003D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	47,750	15	30	5	7/26/2010
Taylor	Allied Services, LLC -SR 90/SR 137 Charing (SL)	133-003D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Private	2005	45,503,657	4,400	5,867	25	1/16/2030
Thomas	Thomasville/Sunset Dr Phase 4 MSWL HE	136-012D(SL)(3)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	2,903,073	314	581	18	9/5/2023
Thomas	Thomas Co - Thomasville/Sunset Dr Ph 3 C/D Landfill	136-012D(SL)(4)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	459,069	127	190	9	5/5/2014
Tift	Tifton-Omega/Eldorado Rd Ph 3 (SL)	137-007D(SL)(3)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	895,940	216	270	13	4/16/2018
Toombs	Toombs Co-S1898, Phase 3 (MSWL)	138-006D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,786,689	150	300	21	8/11/2026
Toombs	Toombs Co - S1898 Construction/Demolition Landfill	138-007D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	270,046	50	100	10	3/8/2015
Troup	LaGrange-I 85/SR 109 (SL)	141-013D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	2,333,694	334	468	16	7/7/2021

Troup	LaGrange-I 85/SR 109 (SL)	141-013D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	119,362	60	120	3	9/22/2008 C&D
Troup	Troup Co - SR 109	141-023D(SL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	141,998	25	49	10	2/16/2015
Twiggs	Twiggs/Wilkinson US HWY 80 MSWL	143-008D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	4,469,927	39	78	183	7/8/2200
Twiggs	Twiggs/Wilkinson US HWY 80 MSWL	143-008D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	194,791	9	18	34	7/18/2039 C&D
Walker	LaFayette-Coffman Springs Rd (L)	146-013D(L)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	96,747	1	1	1927	8/17/3931
Walker	Walker Co - Marble Top Rd Site 2 MSWL	146-015D(MSWL)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Public	2005	107,957	168	336	1	11/24/2006 Only includes developed cells. Facility has an additional 533528 CY of undeveloped cells.
Walton	US 78 Construction and Demolition Landfill	147-012D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	13,940,634	291	527	104	9/1/2109
Walton	Walton Construction & Demolition Landfill	147-013D(C&D)	Operating	Construction and Demolition Landfill	Private Commercial	2005	3,326,500	180	360	33	10/3/2038
Washington	Washington Co-Kaolin Rd S #3 (SL)	150-010D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	1,118,008	38	107	40	11/16/2045
Washington	Washington Co-Kaolin Rd S #3 (SL)	150-010D(MSWL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public Private	2005	74,982	18	45	6	12/16/2011 C&D
Wayne	Broadhurst Environmental	151-014D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Commercial	2005	10,697,451	1,949	2,599	14	9/2/2019
Whitfield	Whitfield Co - Dalton, Old Dixie Hwy, Ph 6	155-047D(SL)	Operating	Municipal Solid Waste Landfill	Public	2005	8,780,928	709	1,233	23	8/19/2028
Whitfield	Whitfield Co - DWFRSWA Old Dixie Hwy Baled Carpet	155-048D(LI)	Operating	Industrial Landfill	Public	2005	1,462,263	119	433	11	6/19/2016

**A RESOLUTION
TO TRANSMIT THE CHATTAHOOCHEE-FLINT REGIONAL
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE
FOR REGIONAL REVIEW**

Whereas, Heard County has participated in the development of an updated Short Term Work Program for the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Solid Waste Management Plan; and

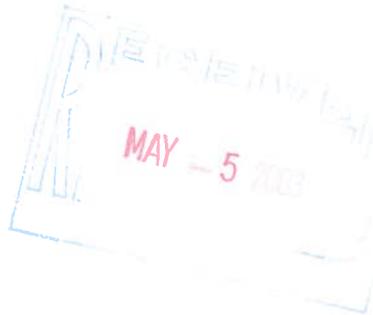
Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program was prepared to meet the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management Plans as adopted by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

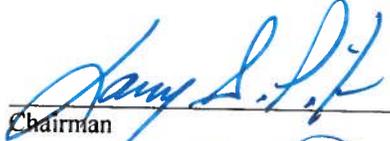
Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program reflects the activities and priorities to be carried out with respect to the collection, reduction and disposal of solid waste in Heard County; and

Whereas, the initial and final public hearing were held at the regional level to receive public input into the updated Short Term Work Program; and

Now, be it therefore resolved by the Heard County Commissioners of Heard County that the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Solid Waste Management Plan be transmitted into the Regional Review process for review and approval by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

Resolved this 24th day of April, 2003.




Chairman


District 1


District 2


District 3


District 4


District 5


Clerk



A Resolution

Whereas, Heard County has developed an updated three year Short Term Work Program for the Regional Solid Waste Management plan in compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act and;

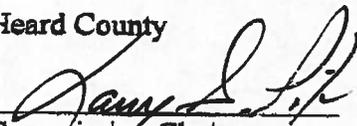
Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program has been reviewed and approved by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

Whereas, the public had the opportunity for input into the Short Term Work Program in an initial and final public hearing was held on the 15th day of January, 2003 and 19th day of February, 2003 and a regional review of the Short Term Work Program was held on the 23rd day of May 2003

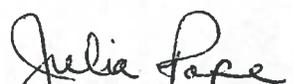
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman and County Commissioners of **Heard County** shall officially adopt the updated Short Term Work Program for the three year period of 2003-2006.

So resolved this 9th day of October, 2003.

Heard County


Commission Chairman

ATTEST:


Heard County Clerk

A Resolution

Whereas, the Town of Centralhatchee has developed an updated five year Short Term Work Program for the Regional Solid Waste Management plan in compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act and;

Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program has been reviewed and approved by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

Whereas, the public had the opportunity for input into the Short Term Work Program in an initial and final public hearing was held on the 15th day of January, 2003 and 19th day of February, 2003 and a regional review of the Short Term Work Program was held on the 23rd day of May 2003

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Centralhatchee shall officially adopt the updated Short Term Work Program for the five year period of 2003-2008.

So resolved this 15th day of December, 2003.

Town of Centralhatchee

Ely Loftis

Mayor

ATTEST:

Marcia Lann

Town Clerk

A Resolution

Whereas, the Town of Ephesus has developed an updated five year Short Term Work Program for the Regional Solid Waste Management plan in compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act and;

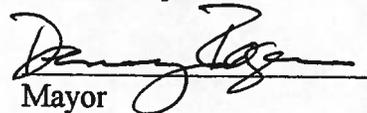
Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program has been reviewed and approved by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

Whereas, the public had the opportunity for input into the Short Term Work Program in an initial and final public hearing was held on the 15th day of January, 2003 and 19th day of February, 2003 and a regional review of the Short Term Work Program was held on the 23rd day of May 2003

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Ephesus shall officially adopt the updated Short Term Work Program for the five year period of 2003-2008.

So resolved this 4th day of Dec., 2003.

Town of Ephesus


Mayor

ATTEST:


Town Clerk

A Resolution

Whereas, the City of Franklin has developed an updated five year Short Term Work Program for the Regional Solid Waste Management plan in compliance with the Solid Waste Management Act and;

Whereas, the updated Short Term Work Program has been reviewed and approved by the Chattahoochee-Flint Regional Development Center and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs; and

Whereas, the public had the opportunity for input into the Short Term Work Program in an initial and final public hearing was held on the 15th day of January, 2003 and 19th day of February, 2003 and a regional review of the Short Term Work Program was held on the 23rd day of May 2003

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Franklin shall officially adopt the updated Short Term Work Program for the five year period of 2003-2008.

So resolved this 4th day of December, 2003.

City of Franklin

Jeresa Chapman
Mayor

ATTEST:

Myna Braswell
City Clerk



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Sonny Perdue
GOVERNOR

June 26, 2003

Mr. Henry Booker
Chattahoochee-Flint RDC
Post Office Box 1600
Franklin, Georgia 30217

Dear Henry:

Our staff has reviewed the Solid Waste Short-Term Work Program (STWP) update for Heard County and the cities of Centralhatchee, Ephesus, and Franklin. We find the update to be in compliance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Solid Waste Management.

The plan adoption due dates for Heard County and the cities of Centralhatchee, Ephesus, and Franklin is June 30, 2003. As soon as we receive notification that the County and cities have adopted the STWP update, we will send official notification of their continued eligibility to receive solid waste permits, grants, and loans.

Sincerely,

Rick Brooks, Director
Planning and Environmental Management Division

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