



## WORK SESSION

May 10, 2021  
10:00 AM

Albany-Dougherty Government Center  
222 Pine Ave, Room 100, Albany, GA 31701

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### AGENDA

*To comply with the request set forth by the Chairman of Dougherty County, GA and the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) regarding the Coronavirus (COVID19) pandemic and social distancing, **face coverings (masks) are required for all meeting participants.***

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1. Call to meeting to order by Chairman Christopher Cohilas.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes.
  - a. Minutes of the April 19th Regular Meeting and April 26th Special Called Meeting.
4. Delegations *(The Commission will hear comments on those items pertaining to Dougherty County for which a public hearing has not been held or scheduled. Please be brief, to the point, and considerate of time for others).*
  - a. Chairman Cohilas will recognize Board of Tax Assessors member J. Bruce Gunnels for 24 years of service.
5. Purchases.
  - a. Recommendation to accept the bid to contract with LRA Constructors, Inc. (Albany, Georgia) to rehab the Historic Spring Run Bridge in Radium Springs for a total expenditure of \$679,100. Two bids were received with the highest being \$971,000. Funding will be provided by TSPLOST and a State Grant. The project is a reimbursable expense. Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison will address. Public Works Director Larry Cook and Public Works Engineer Jeremy Brown are present.

- b. Recommendation to accept the proposal from Edge Aquatic Services (Soperton, GA) for the chemical treatment & management of hydrilla in Radium Springs for an annual price of \$12,800, with the option to renew the services for consecutive one year periods for two (2) additional years. Three quoted proposals were received with the highest having an annual cost of \$24,000. Funding is available in the Special Services District Fund. Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison will address. Public Works Director Larry Cook and Project Engineer Jeremy Brown are present.
  - c. Recommendation to purchase a six-inch compressor-assisted, trailer mounted pump for Public Works from the Sourcewell Contract holder Thompson Pump (Port Orange, FL) in the amount of \$39,779. The equipment will be used during flooding events. Funding is budgeted in SPLOST VI. Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison will address. Public Works Director Larry Cook is present.
  - d. Recommendation to accept the Task Order for Solid Waste for the Site Acceptability Study and Report and D&O Plans for the expansion of the MSW and C&D landfills at the Fleming/Gaissert Road Landfill with the current vendor Atlantic Coast Consulting (Savannah, GA) in the amount not to exceed \$500,000. Funding is available in the Solid Waste Capital Outlay. Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison will address. Solid Waste Director Campbell Smith is present.
- 6. Additional Business.
  - a. Recommendation to accept a Resolution on behalf of the District Attorney's Office for the County to receive a supplement for State paid employees. A resolution is now required for the FY 2022 State Paid County Reimbursed (SPCR) Contract. District Attorney Greg Edwards will address.
- 7. Updates from the County Administrator.
- 8. Updates from the County Attorney.
- 9. Updates from the County Commission.
- 10. Adjourn.

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DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

April 19, 2021

The Dougherty County Commission met in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on April 19, 2021. Chairman Christopher Cohilas presided. Commissioner's present were Victor Edwards, Russell Gray, Clinton Johnson, and Ed Newsome. Commissioner Gloria Gaines participated via the audio-conferencing feature. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison, County Attorney Spencer Lee, County Clerk Jawahn Ware, and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person and via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel. Commissioner Anthony Jones was absent.

After the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, the Chairman called for approval of the March 15th Regular Meeting and March 29th Work Session minutes.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Chairman recognized Judge Ingrid Driskell to discuss the request for the Criminal Justice Grant Program in the amount of \$450,000. Her desire is to work with Sheriff Sproul to create a program that will address the ongoing needs in the community. To accommodate the Judge's schedule for Court, the Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation from Juvenile Court to apply for a Criminal Justice Incentive Grant Program in the amount of \$450,000 for Functional Family Therapy use. This is a 100% grant with no local match. Judge Ingrid Driskell addressed.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Edwards, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman recognized William Ashberry, Chairman of the Board of Tax Assessors who recognized Chief Appraiser, George Anderson, for 31 years of service as a Dougherty County employee and introduced Joseph McPherson as the successor for the Chief Appraiser position. Mr. Ashberry and Chairman Cohilas presented a plaque to Mr. Anderson. Mr. Ashberry shared that George Anderson served as the Chief Appraiser for the last 5 years and that Joseph McPherson has served in the department for six years.

The Chairman recognized Tax Director Shonna Josey to discuss the homestead exemption for the elderly. Mrs. Josey mentioned that this is a state exemption and is only for homestead and not investment properties. She shared that there are exemptions for veterans who are 100% disabled.

The exemptions can be applied for anytime of all year. However, the applicant needs to apply for the exemptions by April 1<sup>st</sup> for it to apply for the current year needed.

The Chairman recognized Sheriff Kevin Sproul, City of Albany Police Chief Michael Persley and Captain Ted Thomas to discuss the Albany-Dougherty Youth Unit with the Commission. Chief Persley shared that it would be best for all entities to work together instead of creating their own program and he is in support of this program. Captain Thomas introduced other officers from the City of Albany and Dougherty County that would be involved. He stated that resources for the program will be shared [among the entities] and it will show that law enforcement [in the community] are unified. He mentioned that the goal is to help children to understand that the law enforcement has their best interest at heart; not just when they or a family member “get in trouble”. Officers want to be involved in positive events, academics, athletics, social interactions, life skills, arts, and community service to ensure that the children are productive citizens. Capt. Thomas asked that the Commission provide \$10,000 to purchase equipment and items for the students. If funding is provided by the City of Albany and Dougherty County students can participate and receive meals at no cost. There is no after school programs that includes law enforcement; by establishing this program a bond with the youth could be formed. The proposed operating hours will be Monday-Friday from 2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. for the after-school program; 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. during Dougherty County School System (DCSS) breaks; and 7:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. for summer camps. The future plans to have an Albany-Dougherty Public Safety complex were shared. DCSS Superintendent Ken Dyer has offered to give the organization the old Sylvandale school location if the City and County will be responsible for the renovations. The presentation concluded with the presentation of a ten-year plan. Under discussion, Captain Thomas clarified that other partnerships will be sought as well (i.e. with the YMCA & Boys & Girls Club) but the focus is to ensure that there is a prominent law enforcement presence. The City of Albany will also be asked for \$10,000. Commissioner Gray volunteered to work with Captain Thomas to get individuals in the community involved to provide gently used sport equipment. He also suggested that private partnerships be explored; mentioning that Albany High is the ideal location for the complex. Sheriff Sproul clarified that taxpayer dollars are not being used and the money is being used from the DATE fund. Commissioner Gaines also asked that a family component be added. After the discussion, the Chairman called for a two minute recess. The meeting reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

The Chairman recognized James Morgan, County Extension Coordinator, to update the Commission with the Quarterly Report. Mr. Morgan provided highlights from the first quarter.

The Chairman recognized citizen Bruce Capps to speak in reference to using Tift Park as the Albany Tennis Center. He shared that the area is a historical site and not “just a park”. He wanted the Commission to ensure that the center will not detract from the area’s historical preservation and asked that the Historical Preservation Commission (HPC) be involved in the plans as a stakeholder for their unique perspective. Attorney Lee addressed Mr. Capps concerns and shared that Mr. McCoy requested to be on the Historical Preservation Commission’s May 5, 2021 agenda. At that time, the HPC will be able to see the project and makes comments. Mr. Capps clarified that he was speaking as an individual and not as a Historical Preservation Commission member.

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation from the Recreation Committee to accept the proposed location of Tift Park for the Albany Tennis Center.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance and execution of the agreement by the County Administrator to hire EMC Engineering (Leesburg, GA) for engineering services of the tennis center as recommended by the Recreation Committee in the amount of \$120,140 and funding is available in SPLOST V.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously. Resolution 21-022 is entitled:

**A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF AN  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA AND EMC ENGINEERING  
SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TENNIS CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,140.00;  
REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation to approve the Alcohol Application Transfer of Ownership for VV Trading LLC, Venkateshwar Guntuka licensee, dba VV Food Mart, at 4324 Radium Springs Rd for Beer and Wine Package. The Albany-Dougherty Marshal's Office recommended approval.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Newsome, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation to approve the Alcohol Application Transfer of Ownership for Bagain LLC, Ayaz Ahmad licensee, dba Stop N Shop, at 2201 Liberty Expressway SE for Beer, Package. The Albany-Dougherty Marshal's Office recommended approval.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation from Human Resources to accept the 2021 Georgia County Internship Program (GCIP) Grant from the ACCG Georgia Civic Affairs Foundation in the amount of \$2,607.60. The grant will provide a summer internship for the CDBG Disaster Recovery Program.

Commissioner Johnson moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Gray, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the resolution providing for the acceptance and execution of the renewal of the Intergovernmental Support Agreement with the Marine Corps Logistics Base (MCLB) to provide canal maintenance. Resolution 21-023 is entitled:

A RESOLUTION  
ENTITLED  
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL  
OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARINE CORPS  
LOGISTICS BASE (ALBANY) AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
DOUGHERTY COUNTY, GEORGIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING CANAL  
MAINTENANCE; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS IN  
CONFLICT HEREWITH.  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Commissioner Newsome moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Johnson, the motion for approval passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation of the Government Affairs Committee that current plans continue for the county morgue ensuring to the degree possible that sufficient land is available at or near the selected site for the addition of a functional forensic science lab to be developed at some future date in partnership with Albany State University. Further, it is recommended that the Governmental Affairs Committee continue to work with Albany State University to assist where possible in the development of the lab.

Commissioner Gaines moved for approval. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with five ayes and one nay by Commissioner Gray.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK

DOUGHERTY COUNTY COMMISSION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

DRAFT

April 26, 2021

The Dougherty County Commission met for a Special Called Meeting in Room 100 of the Albany-Dougherty Government Center on April 12, 2021. Chairman Christopher Cohilas presided and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Commissioners present were Victor Edwards, Gloria Gaines, Russell Gray, Anthony Jones, and Ed Newsome. Commissioner Clinton Johnson participated via the audio-conferencing feature. Also present were County Administrator Michael McCoy, Assistant County Administrator Scott Addison, County Attorney Spencer Lee, County Clerk Jawahn Ware, and other staff. The public and representatives of the media participated in person, via live streaming of the meeting on the County's Facebook page and the government public access channel.

The Chairman called for approval of the April 5th Regular Meeting, April 12th Work Session and April 12th Special Called Meeting minutes.

Commissioner Edwards moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Jones, the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Chairman recognized William Wright, representative of AFRAM Tech, Inc. to update the Commission on the MBE Program Plan. Mr. Wright shared that an oversight SPLOST Committee is needed to ensure that the money is not shifted without public insight. He shared that additional information will be presented in another meeting and that he will provide an update on the PPP loan and the "Shuttered Venue Operator Grant." Mr. Wright clarified that his proposed MBE program is not race-based but is based on economic disadvantages and he announced his upcoming workshops and answered questions from Commissioner Gaines.

The Chairman called for consideration of the recommendation from the Emergency Medical Services Department to apply for an EMS Trauma Related Equipment reimbursement Grant in the amount of \$11,031.02 for use to purchase EMS Trauma Related Equipment. This is a 100% grant with no local match. EMS Director Sam Allen addressed.

Commissioner Jones moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Newsome, the motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman called for consideration the use of the Dougherty County Nuisance Abatement Resolution Number 20-034 to address one purported dilapidated structure located at 124 Lovers Lane. County Attorney Spencer Lee and County Administrator Michael McCoy addressed. Attorney Lee outlined that the resolution allows Code Enforcement to provide an analysis of the property. If the property owners cannot be located or do not act, then legal action can take place.

Commissioner Gray moved for approval. Upon a second by Commissioner Jones, the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Gray said he was thankful that no citizens lost their lines due to the recent storms and shared that citizens are complaining that calls are not being returned, specifically by the Magistrate Court. He said that customer service should continue [despite the building being closed]; and the Chairman asked Mr. McCoy to relay the message to the court.

There being no further business to discuss the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

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CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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COUNTY CLERK





## PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATION

DATE: May 5, 2021

TITLE: Spring Run Bridge Rehab, Radium Springs

DEPARTMENT: DOCO Public Works

REFERENCE NUMBER: 21-067

ACCOUNT NUMBER: T-SPLOST and State Grant

OPENING DATE: May 4, 2021

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$705,000

BUYER: Kimberly M. Allen

DEPARTMENT CONTACTS: Jawahn Ware

Yvette Fields

Yvette Fields, Director

### RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend contracting with **LRA Constructors, Inc. of Albany, Georgia** to rehab the Historic Spring Run Bridge in Radium Springs for a total expenditure of **\$679,100.00**.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Bid Ref. #21-067 was advertised in the local paper, on the local access channel, and on the Georgia Procurement Registry. The bid opening was May 4, 2021. Two (2) contractors submitted a bid.

The Scope of this project is to furnish all labor, materials, tools, and equipment necessary for the rehabilitation, repair and improvements to the Historic Springs Run Bridge and areas adjacent the bridge in the Radium Springs area in Dougherty County Georgia. Work associated with this project is to be performed adjacent to State Waters and is located in an area that is considered both historically and environmentally sensitive. The Contractor shall utilize all avenues available to protect the surrounding environment and historical integrity of the area.

It is the intent of this project to rehabilitate and improve an existing, historical bridge from the 1920's. Once complete, the bridge will be part of a larger system of multipurpose trails that will extend across the area. All repairs and structural improvements shall be consistent with the period of historic construction.

The contract time for this project is one hundred and fifty (150) calendar days.

Project is a reimbursable expense. T-SPLOST will be used for payment with reimbursement from State of Georgia.

Jeremy Brown, Project Engineer, and Larry Cook, Public Works Director, concur with this recommendation.

### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ACTION:

☒ APPROVED

☐ DISAPPROVED

☐ HOLD

DATE

5/6/21

[Signature]  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

### List of documents attached:

Detailed Bid Tabulation

CENTRAL SERVICES



## 2021 MANAGEMENT & CONTROL OF HYDRILLA IN RADIUM SPRINGS

### Proposal Summary

Following three (3) proposals were received:

1. Seminole Weed Control – Recommends two applications at \$24,000 (Additional applications can be applied at \$7,000/EA)
2. Aqua Services, Inc. – Recommends two applications at \$23,835 (Additional applications can be applied at \$11,917.50/EA)
3. Edge's Aquatic Services – Recommends one application at \$12,800 (Additional applications can be applied at a prorated price based on only the areas needing treatment)

Chemical product to be used is ProcellaCOR manufactured by the SePRO Corporation. DCPW discussed the project with the regional representative of SePRO, Todd Horton, and he recommends going with the approach of applying one application and, if needed, spot spraying trouble areas. Does not think 2 applications will be needed. Edge's proposal also includes monitoring the springs every few weeks during the growing season to ensure the application is done at the correct time.

Edge's Aquatic Services' proposal was forward to both Rob Weller with GA DNR and Dr. Burtle with UGA. Both are in agreement that this is a sound approach and that the contractor has taken in account the necessary things.



**Scott Addison**  
*Assistant County Administrator*

**DOUGHERTY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
ADMINISTRATION**

Agenda Item

Date: May 6, 2021

Meeting Date: May 10, 2021

Subject/Title: Six-Inch Trailer Mounted Pump

Presented for: Decision

Presenter: Scott Addison, Asst. County Administrator

Statement of Issue

The Public Works Department is requesting to purchase a six-inch compressor-assisted, trailer mounted pump.

History/Facts and Issues

The Dougherty County Public Works Department is requesting to purchase a six-inch, compressor-assisted, trailer mounted pump for use during flooding events. This purchase will be on Sourcewell Contract #SC-BL-2132 in the amount of \$39,779 from contract holder Thompson Pump (Port Orange, FL).

Recommended Action

Recommend Dougherty County Commission approves the purchase of a six-inch compressor-assisted, trailer mounted pump from Sourcewell Contract holder Thompson Pump for a total expenditure of \$39,779.

Funding Source

SPLOST VI



## TASK ORDER NO. 2021-02

To the AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL CONSULTING SERVICES  
For Major Modification for a Horizontal and Vertical Expansion of  
the Dougherty County Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill

This Task Order, made and entered into by and between DOUGHERTY COUNTY hereinafter called the "CLIENT" and ATLANTIC COAST CONSULTING, INC., hereinafter called the "CONSULTANT", shall be incorporated into and become a part of the AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL CONSULTING SERVICES (the "AGREEMENT") entered into by the parties hereto on July 20, 2006.

**A. PURPOSE**

This Task Order authorizes and directs the CONSULTANT to proceed with assisting the CLIENT in providing assistance in preparing a Major Modification for a Horizontal and Vertical Expansion of the Dougherty County Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill.

**B. CONSULTANT'S SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The Scope of Services, dated March 26, 2021, is enumerated in Exhibit A. It is entitled Major Modification for a Horizontal and Vertical Expansion of the Dougherty County Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill and consists of seven (7) pages.

**C. CONSULTANT'S COMPENSATION**

As consideration for providing the services enumerated within Item B (Exhibit A) of this Task Order, the CLIENT shall pay the CONSULTANT for this Task Order as enumerated in the attached Exhibit B (1 page).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Task Order AGREEMENT on this, the \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2021.

DOUGHERTY COUNTY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

ATLANTIC COAST CONSULTING, INC

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Joel Scott  
Print Name

Title: Vice President - Landfill Operations

## Exhibit A

### SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### Major Modification for a Horizontal and Vertical Expansion of the Dougherty County Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill

TASK ORDER NO. 2021-02

March 26, 2021

#### Project Understanding

CLIENT operates the Dougherty County- Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfill (Landfill) under Solid Waste Permit No. 047-014D(SL). The site was originally permitted in 1982 with twelve MSW disposal trenches and an inert / construction and demolition (C&D) disposal area. The original design and operation (D&O) plan did not include the requirements for a flexible membrane or high-density polyethylene (HDPE) liner, hence the first six MSW trenches, or cells, were constructed without a flexible membrane liner component. In 1991 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency adopted regulations requiring all MSW landfills to be constructed with improved containment systems that include the use of a flexible membrane as a component in the liner and leachate collection system. This prompted the modification of the facility D&O plan to include a requirement for the use of a HDPE liner in future cells. This modification was approved in 1998 and the construction of Cells 8, 10, and 12 followed soon after. Cells 1-6 were subsequently resigned to inactivity since they no longer met the Subtitle D regulations. There was a major modification for a vertical expansion in 2008 and the current D&O Plan for this facility was approved by Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) June 12, 2008.

The proposed expansion consists of:

- ) Expanding the MSW limit of waste to the east, north and west of existing MSW cells (approximately 78 acres). It is worth noting that expanding the landfill to the east will require relocating the header that conveys landfill gas to the nearby Marine Corps Logistics Base (MCLB)
- ) Expanding the C&D landfill to the east and north (approximately 43 acres).
- ) Depending on an updated wetland determination, approximately 14 acres located to the northwest of Cells 9 and 11 are being considered for MSW expansion.
- ) Under consideration is an additional MSW or C&D area south of the existing C&D landfill (approximately 27 acres).

The proposed expansion is depicted in the attached Figure 1, titled "Site Map" (note that the existing wetlands and flood plain info depicted are derived from readily available Geographic Information System - GIS data, and may not be representative of actual site conditions).

CONSULTANT performed a waste mining feasibility analysis prior to this proposal effort. In accordance with that mining feasibility study, there will be no waste mining of Cells 1-6. This option may be explored later if it becomes feasible in the future. There will be no expansion onto the adjacent surface mine plat to the west because it has a restrictive covenant that will

not allow it to be converted to a landfill. The MSW expansion area immediately west of the existing MSW cells(Figure 1) is an inactive borrow area located within the existing, permitted landfill property boundary.

The proposed expansion of the existing Landfill footprint is defined by GA EPD rules as a major modification of the facility's existing solid waste handling permit. The purpose of this project is to complete the investigation and engineering required by GA EPD to apply for a major permit modification. Based on the project understanding, CONSULTANT proposes the seven tasks, as detailed below.

### **Task 1– Waste Management Needs Meeting**

The permitting process begins with public participation. Any municipality beginning the process to select a site for a new landfill or landfill expansion must first call a public meeting to discuss the waste management needs of the local government and to describe the process to select a site. The notice of the public meeting must be published at least once per week for two weeks immediately preceding the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation serving Dougherty County. CONSULTANT will assist CLIENT with the preparation of the public notice and publication in the paper. CONSULTANT will participate in the meeting. CONSULTANT will obtain and submit to GA EPD copies of an affidavit from the newspaper advertisement documenting the proper public notice and copies of the minutes of the meeting.

### **Task 2 – Fatal Flaw Analysis**

CONSULTANT will conduct a preliminary fatal flaw analysis to determine if the proposed expansion areas meet the primary siting requirements of the current GA EPD guidance document entitled Criteria for Performing Site Acceptability Studies for Solid Waste Landfills in Georgia – Circular 14 (Circular 14). The analysis is primarily a desk top exercise and does not include the detailed field investigation that will ultimately be required for permit approval. The purpose of completing this analysis is to identify any fundamental regulatory issue that could potentially prevent the site from being expanded as currently proposed. The results of the analysis will be presented in a technical memorandum and reviewed with CLIENT prior to proceeding with other site investigation tasks. If no “fatal flaws” are identified, information from this review would be incorporated into the Site Acceptability Report.

### **Task 3 – Confirmation of Consistency with Zoning and Solid Waste Management Plan**

The next step in the permitting process is to obtain letters confirming that the project complies with all local zoning and land use ordinances, and the approved Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP). CONSULTANT will prepare an example zoning letter of consistency for use and consideration by the CLIENT. The CLIENT will then prepare a letter certifying that the proposed expansion of the landfill complies with zoning and local land use ordinances and that the expansion is also consistent with the SWMP. Scope for this task does not include any efforts required to rezone or obtain a conditional use for the expansion property, or revision to the SWMP, if necessary.



## Task 4 - Site Investigation

A delineation of jurisdictional wetlands and State Waters of the 162 acres will be conducted during this task. If wetlands are identified, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers jurisdictional application may be required (and cost would be provided separately for this).

Field reconnaissance will be performed by a Professional Geologist registered in the State of Georgia and will include an evaluation of geologic conditions with an emphasis on identifying potential natural or geologic hazards. The subsurface geology of the expansion areas will be characterized by a drilling investigation.

The landfill area(s) considered for expansion were included in previous site suitability<sup>1</sup>, studies, except for the inactive borrow area west of the existing MSW cells. For the currently permitted landfill area, there have been approximately 83 borings installed for previous site suitability studies and for installation of groundwater and methane monitoring wells. However, some of these borings were not installed for site suitability purposes and may not meet Circular 14 criteria. Thus, the approach for this proposal is to obtain new data from borings that meet Circular 14 criteria and use appropriate data from historic subsurface investigations to supplement the current investigation.

Circular 14 criteria recommend a greater density of borings for sites located in areas of Karst terrain. Based on a 2003 investigation<sup>2</sup>, there was evidence of a potential Karst feature (potential infilled sinkhole) in the southern portion of the inactive borrow area (Boring location K-2 on Figure 1). Due to the potential of a Karst feature, it is recommended to have a meeting with GA EPD, prior to initiating the hydrogeologic study, to review the proposed boring density and investigation approach. However, it is proposed that the field program will consist of a maximum of eleven (11) borings across the 162 acres (this boring density exceeds minimum Circular 14 criteria). Geophysical analysis can be a cost-effective means of supplementing the boring data in potential Karst areas, and costs to complete appropriate geophysics in the borrow area are included.

The borings will be completed by a drilling contractor with a valid bond on file with the Water Well Standards Advisory Board. Borings will be advanced to a depth of 20 feet below the top of the water table. Soil material will be drilled using hollow-stem augers with split spoon Standard Penetration Test (SPT) samples advanced at least once every five feet to bedrock (if encountered). At least one (1) Shelby Tube soil sample will be collected from the three (3) proposed suitability borings in the inactive borrow area and submitted for the required geotechnical analysis. Soils encountered during drilling will be logged by a geologist identifying Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) classifications for material encountered. The soils testing anticipated include sieve, proctor, and direct shear testing on at least three soil samples. The borings may require drilling into bedrock to intercept groundwater; therefore, rock coring would be performed following Circular 14 criteria. Where borings are cored, rock quality designations (RQD) will be provided for each core run. Circular 14 requires a minimum

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<sup>1</sup> Figure 2 of the August 1981 Sanitary Landfill Site Selection Report, Betz, Converse, Murdoch, Inc.

<sup>2</sup> Karst Investigation, Fleming/Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill, Permit No. 047-014D(SL), May 9, 2003.

of 10 feet of rock coring and completion when core recovery is 95 percent or higher. Our fee estimate is limited to 210 feet of rock coring (see assumptions).

A piezometer will be installed in each borehole, and the location and top of casing elevation will be surveyed by a Georgia Registered Land Surveyor. Depths to groundwater will be gauged and recorded from the new piezometers and existing, adjacent groundwater monitoring wells. CONSULTANT will conduct a total of twelve (12) monthly water level gauging events from the newly installed piezometers and adjacent groundwater monitoring wells. The water level readings will be used to develop a seasonal high-water table map as required by GA EPD. Note that the permit application can be submitted to GA EPD prior to completion of twelve (12) months of piezometer water levels (with supplemental water level data submitted to GA EPD during their review). Site-wide water level readings will be used to develop a groundwater potentiometric surface map for the Landfill and expansion areas. CONSULTANT will compare the CLIENT supplied historical depth to groundwater measurements at the existing landfill with the newly collected data to develop the seasonal high water table surface in the expansion areas. Aquifer rising head “slug” tests will be conducted in the new piezometers to provide an estimate of aquifer hydraulic conductivity. Aquifer test results are used to meet aquifer permeability requirements of Circular 14.

#### **Task 5 – Site Acceptability Report**

A solid waste handling permit and request for site suitability application for the expansion will be prepared for CLIENT execution. CONSULTANT will assemble the permit application, letters of consistency, information obtained from the site investigation, other data and information obtained from the fatal flaw analysis, topographic and boundary surveys (prepared by others) into a Site Acceptability Report. The report will be submitted to CLIENT for review. CLIENT comments, if any, will be incorporated and the report certified by a Professional Geologist and finalized for submittal to GA EPD. CONSULTANT will monitor the progress of GA EPD’s review of the report. Upon receipt of comments regarding technical error or omissions from GA EPD, CONSULTANT will provide available additional information or clarification in an addendum to the report. Other GA EPD comments would be addressed, upon approval by CLIENT, on a time and materials basis, with a separate fee estimate provided.

One (1) electronic copy of the draft report and two (2) hard copies of the final report will be provided. Upon CLIENT approval, CONSULTANT will upload final solid waste handling permit and request for site suitability application documents to the Georgia EPD Online System (GEOS).

#### **Task 6 – Topographic Survey Data and Concept Grading Plans**

CONSULTANT will contract with a local surveying firm to collect data related to existing utilities in place. These will include existing leachate gravity sewer, storm drains (not available in recent as-built files), and the leachate pump station located near the existing leachate storage tanks. Additionally, CONSULTANT will contract with an aerial survey contractor to collect aerial topography data for the entire landfill parcel. The aerial survey will also include topography up to fifty (50) feet beyond the landfill property boundary as required by GA EPD.

CONSULTANT will prepare concept base and final grading plans for the MSW and C&D areas that will include the anticipated horizontal expansion areas. This effort will be based on preliminary seasonal high-water table (SHWT) developed during Task 5 and will be provided to the CLIENT for use in final determination of extents of the expansion areas. The concept grading plans will not include previously unlined Cells 1-6. The CLIENT will be provided up to two concept grading plans.

#### **Task 7 - Design and Operational Plan and Design Calculations**

CONSULTANT will utilize the concept grading plans created in Task 6 to prepare a Design and Operational (D&O) plan for the Landfill expansion that meets current GA EPD requirements. The new D&O Plan will replace the existing plan and thus will incorporate previous modifications that are still applicable. CONSULTANT will use the survey collected in Task 6 as the basis for the expansion design. It is anticipated that the plan will include the following drawings:

<u>Drawing Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Cover Sheet
2	Existing Conditions, General Notes & Legend
3	Environmental Monitoring Plan
4	Base Grading Plan
5	Final Grading Plan
6-11	Phasing Plans
12	Master Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
13	Solidification Plan and Details
14	Solidification Operational Narrative
15-20	Cross Sections
21-24	Details
25	Operational Narrative
26	Odor Control Plan
27-30	Groundwater and Methane Monitoring Narrative
31	Closure/Post-Closure Care Plan
32-35	Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Plan

The plans will be supported by the applicable calculations for base grade settlement, slope stability, final cover design, surface water management, leachate collection and conveyance, liner system analysis including filter fabric and geocomposite analysis, erosion and sedimentation, airspace, and site life. Draft copies of the drawings will be submitted to CLIENT for review. CLIENT comments if any will be incorporated and the plans finalized for submittal to GA EPD. CONSULTANT will monitor the progress of GA EPD's review of the modification.

Upon receipt of comments from GA EPD, CONSULTANT provide CLIENT with an additional fee estimate for modifications to the plans and/or provide additional calculations to respond to the comments, on an additional hourly basis. The revised plans will be submitted to CLIENT for review, approval and then submitted to GA EPD.

## Task 8 – Public Notices, Meetings, and Hearings

CONSULTANT will assist CLIENT with the various additional public notices, meetings, and hearings required by existing state laws and/or regulations. Upon completion, CONSULTANT will obtain the required documentation of these activities, and submit these to GA EPD.

The process to document consistency with the SWMP described in Task 3, will conclude with the Siting Decision Meeting. This meeting and all subsequent required public meetings must be held by the CLIENT. Notice of the meeting must be published in the legal organ for Dougherty County (Albany Herald), a newspaper of general circulation serving Dougherty County. The advertisement must run at least once per week for two weeks immediately preceding the date of the meeting per requirements of Official Code of Georgia Annotated (O.C.G.A.) 12-8-26(b). CONSULTANT will coordinate with CLIENT to assist in this process. CONSULTANT will prepare this notice and ensure that it is published in the paper to meet the requirements of the regulations.

Within 15 days of submitting the permit application, CONSULTANT will prepare and send a public notice of the submittal to the legal organs (newspaper of general circulation of each affected Municipality) to be run in the papers as required by (O.C.G.A.) 12-8-32(a). CONSULTANT will prepare and send the public notice and letters to each affected Municipality, regional development center, and local government in the affected Municipality(s) publicizing of the permit application. CONSULTANT will obtain affidavits from each legal organ, and each affected Municipality confirming that the Municipality has properly placed a copy of the Public Notice in their courthouse for public display.

CONSULTANT will prepare and send a public notice publicizing the receipt of a letter of site suitability to the newspaper of general circulation of each affected Municipality to be advertised in the paper within 15 days of receipt of the letter of site suitability, as required by {O.C.G.A. 12-8-32(c)}. CONSULTANT will prepare and send the public notice and letters to each affected Municipality, regional development center, and local government in the affected Municipality(s) publicizing of the receipt of a letter of site suitability. CONSULTANT will obtain affidavits from the newspapers, and each affected Municipality confirming that the Municipality has properly placed a copy of the Public Notice in their courthouse for public display.

CONSULTANT will assist the CLIENT with advertising notice of and holding a public meeting, within 45 days of receipt of a letter of site suitability {O.C.G.A. 12-8-32(c)}, to inform affected residents and landowners in the area of the proposed expansion of (1) Receipt of the letter of site suitability and (2) The opportunity to engage in a Facilities Issues Negotiation (FIN) process. If there is sufficient public interest to trigger the FIN process, CONSULTANT can assist CLIENT with preparation for these meetings. No FIN meetings are included in the fee estimate for this project and can be provide on a time and material basis, if warranted.

The final public hearing in the permitting process should be held after the D&O Plan has been submitted to GA EPD. Per O.C.G.A. 12-8-24(e)(2), notice of the hearing will be posted at the site and advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in the County at least 30 days prior to the hearing. A photograph of the sign at the landfill will be obtained. A transcript of this public hearing is required. CONSULTANT will coordinate with a certified court reporter to prepare this transcript. CONSULTANT will obtain documentation of all public participation activities and submit it to the GA EPD via GEOS.

## Documents Provided By the Owner

1. Copies of any as built surveys documenting that cells were constructed at approved grades.
2. Full copy of the current Solid Waste Management Plan.
3. Copies of all as-built monitoring well logs.
4. Full copies of all previous site suitability studies.
5. Copies of all minutes, agendas, or sign-in sheets for the public meetings.

## Assumptions and Exclusions

1. Any additional survey required will be provided by others.
2. CLIENT to provide utility clearance and access to suitability drilling locations.
3. Eleven (11) new suitability borings/piezometers are proposed for obtaining site suitability.
4. Fee estimate is limited to a total of 706 feet of soil drilling and 210 feet of NQ Rock Coring for the 11 the site suitability borings/piezometers.
5. The fee estimate is limited to laboratory geotechnical tests in three of the eleven proposed suitability borings (includes Grain size, Horizontal Permeability, Vertical Permeability, USCS classification, Cation Exchange Capacity, and Atterburg limits).
6. If additional Karst areas are identified during the suitability drilling, or if EPD requires more suitability borings, geophysics, or supplemental data at any of the proposed expansion areas beyond that scoped in this proposal an additional fee estimate would be provided to CLIENT for added scope changes.
7. Response to GA EPD comments will be provided on an additional hourly basis.

## Schedule

Task	Description	Months to Completion From Notice to Proceed
1, 2 & 3	Complete Waste Management Needs Meeting, Fatal Flaw Analysis, and Zoning and SWMP Consistency Confirmation	2
4	Complete Site Subsurface Investigation	5
5	Submit Site Acceptability Report to GA EPD	8
-	Receive Letter of Site Acceptability from GA EPD	12*
6	Submit Design and Operational Plans and Design Calculations to GA EPD	18

\*Note that regulatory review times are difficult to predict and not within control of the CONSULTANT.

**Exhibit B**

**Consultant's Compensation Methods for Task Orders**

**Major Modification for a Horizontal and Vertical Expansion of  
the Dougherty County Fleming / Gaissert Road Municipal Solid Waste Landfill**

**TASK ORDER NO. 2021-02**

**March 26, 2021**

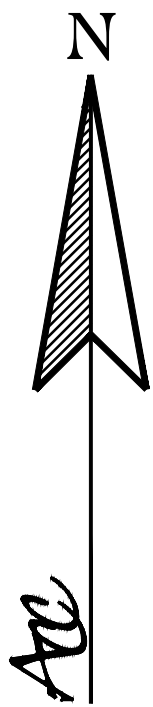
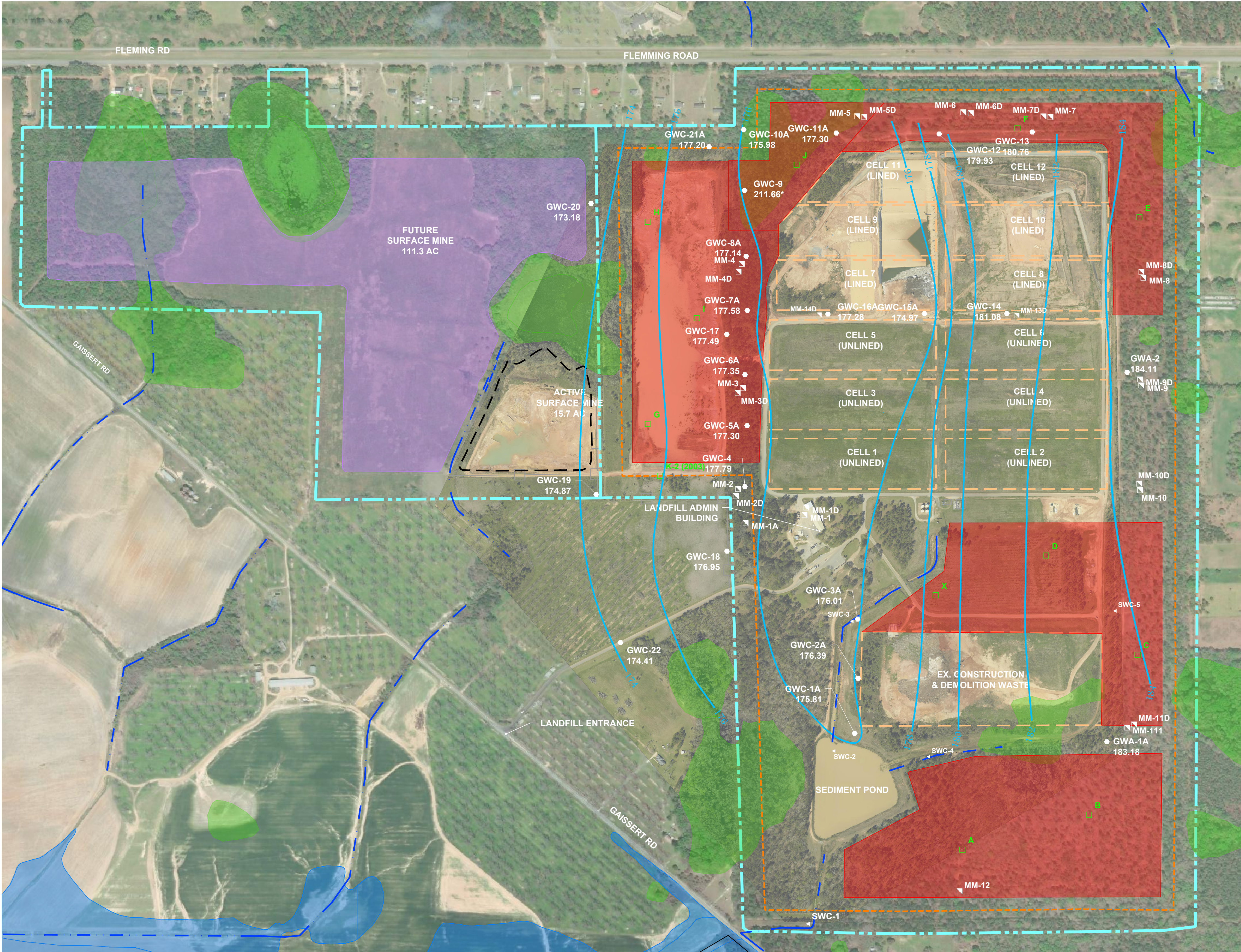
When the CLIENT authorizes the CONSULTANT to proceed with the work outlined in Item B of the Task Order, CLIENT agrees to pay the CONSULTANT monthly, for work completed, on the basis of the standard hourly billing rates in effect when services are provided by the CONSULTANT's employees of various labor grades.

Direct expenses (such as travel, subsistence, field equipment, communications, subconsultant services, etc.) are reimbursable at cost plus five percent (5%).

The total contract amount for the Task Order shall not exceed \$500,000.00 without prior authorization by the CLIENT.



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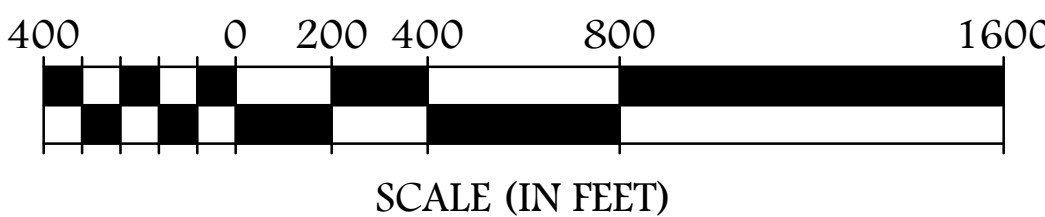
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SITE MAP

FIGURE 1



LEGEND:

	WETLANDS
	FEMA FLOOD ZONE
	POTENTIAL EXPANSION
	FUTURE SURFACE MINE
	PROPERTY LINE
	200' BUFFER
	LANDFILL WASTE LIMITS
	EXISTING STREAM/DRAINAGE DITCH
	POTENTIOMETRIC CONTOUR
	GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL
	METHANE MONITORING POINT
	PROPOSED BORING LOCATION
	SURFACE WATER MONITORING POINT

NOTES:

1. LANDFILL AND ADJACENT PROPERTY BOUNDARIES PROVIDED BY DOUGHERTY COUNTY.
2. WETLANDS INFORMATION PROVIDED BY GIS DATA CLEARING HOUSE NATIONAL WETLANDS INVENTORY DATED 1999.
3. FLOOD PLAIN INFORMATION PROVIDED BY FEMA NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM DATED DECEMBER 21, 2017.



## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the District Attorney for the Dougherty Judicial Circuit serves the citizens of Dougherty County and is jointly funded by appropriations from the State Legislature, Dougherty County and Federal grants; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately one fourth of the employees of the District Attorney's Office are funded by the State of Georgia with all of the benefits of State employees, including medical, dental and life insurance options; and

**WHEREAS**, it is equitable and desirable by the District Attorney and the Dougherty County Commissioner to offer the same benefits package to all similarly situation employees of the District Attorney's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the 1997 session of the Georgia General Assembly, at O.C.G.A. §15-18-20.1 allows the counties to contract with the State in order to allow certain funds to be processed through the State payroll system and other purposes;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes funding to provide additional persons under the State Paid County Reimbursement Program (SPCR) for the Dougherty County Judicial Circuit as its designee for the limited purpose of contracting with the State of Georgia in order to comply with the provisions of O. C.G.A. §15-18-20.1 and the District Attorney shall be responsible for transferring to the State the required funds necessary to cover the contracted compensation for those designated employees provided such funds are available within the approved County budget for the District Attorney's Office.

**BE IT SO RESOLVED**, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Christopher Cohilas, Chairman  
Dougherty County Board of Commissioners