



REGIONAL REVIEW NOTIFICATION

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DATE: Apr 14 2009

ARC REVIEW CODE: L904142

TO: Potentially Affected Local Governments and Other Interested Parties

FROM: Charles Krautler, Director

NOTE: This is digital
signature. Original on file.

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) has received the following proposal and is initiating a regional review to seek comments from potentially impacted jurisdictions and agencies. The ARC requests your comments related to the proposal not addressed by the Commission's regional plans and policies.

Name of Proposal: Recreational Trails Program: City of Holly Springs

Review Type: Parks and Recreation

Description: The trail project proposed by the City of Holly Springs consists of a hard surface trail that will follow several City-owned and privately owned floodplain lots through three different residential subdivisions. The project will also include trailhead and trailside amenities such as trash receptacles, benches, and directional signage.

Submitting Local Government: City of Holly Springs

Date Opened: Apr 14 2009

Deadline for Comments: Apr 27 2009

Earliest the Regional Review can be Completed: Apr 27 2009

THE FOLLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES ARE RECEIVING NOTICE OF THIS REVIEW:

ARC LAND USE PLANNING

ARC DATA RESEARCH

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

CITY OF HOLLY SPRINGS

ARC TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

ARC AGING DIVISION

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

COBB COUNTY

ARC ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

GEORGIA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

Attached is information concerning this review.

If you have any questions regarding this review, Please contact Jon Tuley at (404) 463-3309 or jtuley@atlantaregional.com. If the ARC staff does not receive comments from you by Apr 27 2009, we will assume that your agency has no additional comments and we will close the review. Comments by email are strongly encouraged.

The ARC review website is located at: <http://www.atlantaregional.com/landuse> .

ARC STAFF NOTICE OF REGIONAL REVIEW AND COMMENT FORM

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TO: ARC Land Use, Environmental, Transportation, Research, and Aging Division Chiefs

FROM: Jon Tuley, Extension: 3-3309

Reviewing staff by Jurisdiction:

Land Use: Tuley, Jon

Transportation: N/A

Environmental: N/A

Research: N/A

Aging: N/A

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Response:

- 1) ☐ Proposal is CONSISTENT with the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 2) ☐ While neither specifically consistent nor inconsistent, the proposal relates to the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 3) ☐ While neither specifically consistent nor inconsistent, the proposal relates to the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 4) ☐ The proposal is INCONSISTENT with the following regional development guide listed in the comment section.
- 5) ☐ The proposal does NOT relate to any development guide for which this division is responsible.
- 6) ☐ Staff wishes to confer with the applicant for the reasons listed in the comment section.

COMMENTS:

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

Version 7/03

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION Legal Name: Georgia		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): [5][8]-[1][1][3][0][9][4][5]		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	Federal Identifier
7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		Organizational Unit: Department: Department of Natural Resources Division: Parks & Historic Sites Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code) Prefix: Mr. First Name: Bryan Middle Name: K. Last Name: Alexander Suffix: Email: bryan_alexander@dnr.state.ga.us Phone Number (give area code): 404-656-6536 Fax Number (give area code): 404-651-5871	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) (See back of form for description of letters.) Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/>		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: U.S. D.O.T.--Federal Highway Administration	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: [2][0]-[2][1][9]		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: City of Holly Springs / Downtown Multi-Use Trail City of Holly Springs P.O. Box 990 Holly Springs, GA 30142	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.): City of Holly Springs, Cherokee County		13. PROPOSED PROJECT Start Date: Ending Date:	
14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF: a. Applicant 05 b. Project 6		15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:	
a. Federal \$ 100,000.00		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
b. Applicant \$ 25,000.00		a. Yes. <input type="checkbox"/> THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON DATE:	
c. State \$.00		b. No. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372	
d. Local \$.00		<input type="checkbox"/> OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
e. Other \$.00		17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
f. Program Income \$.00		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input type="checkbox"/> No	
g. TOTAL \$ 125,000.00			
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.			
a. Authorized Representative			
Prefix Mr. First Name Bryan		Middle Name K.	
Last Name Alexander		Suffix	
b. Title Grants Specialist		c. Telephone Number (give area code) 404-656-6536	
d. Signature of Authorized Representative		e. Date Signed 4/2/09	

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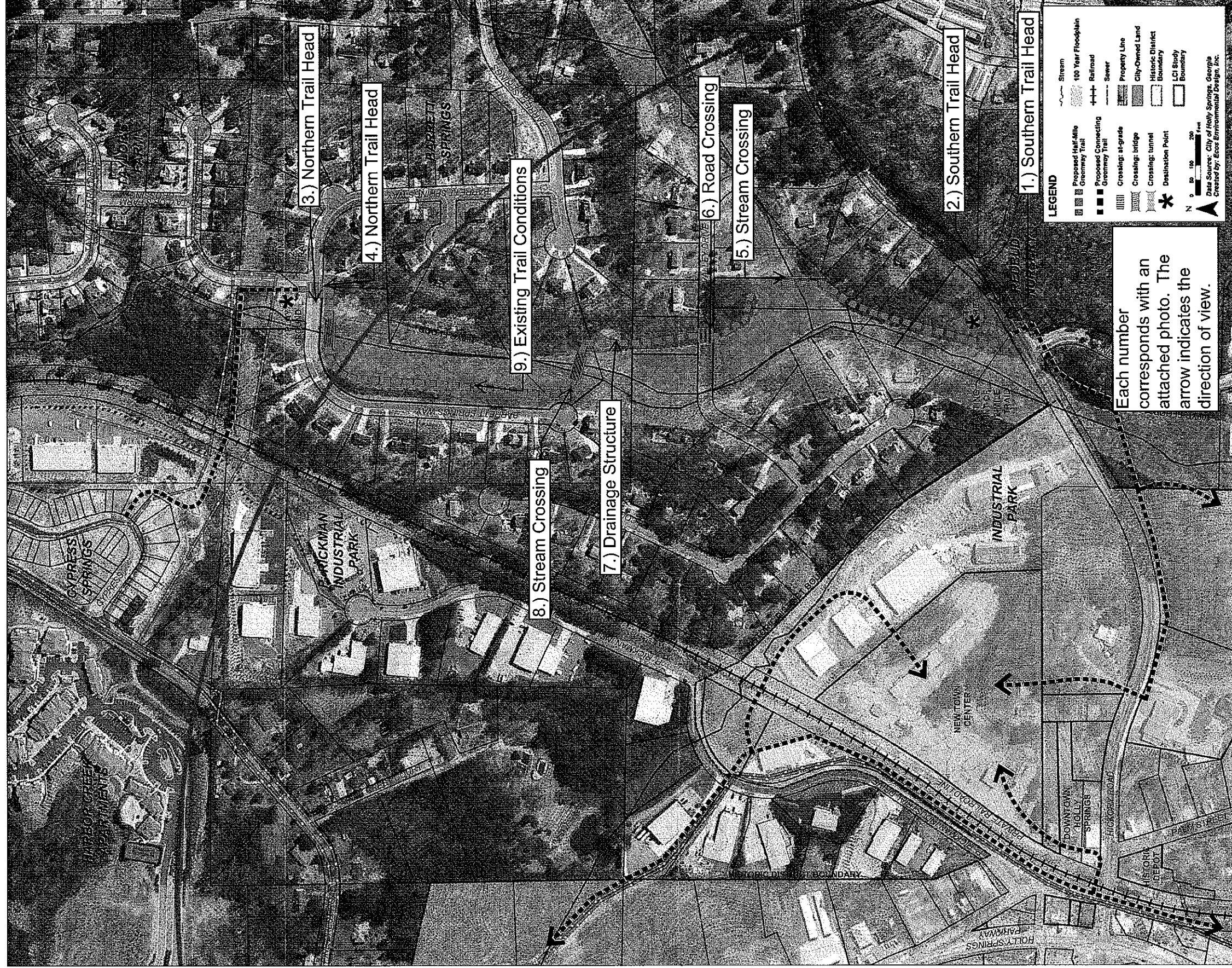
CITY OF HOLLY SPRINGS
DOWNTOWN MULTI-USE TRAIL
Environmental Review Narrative

The trail project proposed by the City of Holly Springs consists of a hard surface trail that will follow several City-owned and privately owned floodplain lots through three different residential subdivisions. The project will also include trailhead and trailside amenities such as trash receptacles, benches, and directional signage. The only structure within the project area is a drainage structure from an existing detention pond, which has been accommodated in the plans. The project utilizes several areas of the 100 year flood zone, but impacts will be minimal in terms of reducing the volume within the flood zone. No fill will take place within the flood zone, only minor surface grading for the purpose of preparing the trail base. There are no known historic resources located on the trail properties or on adjacent properties.

The only known endangered species in the area are several species of darter (Etowah Darter, Cherokee Darter, Amber Darter, etc.). According to the draft version of the Etowah Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan from 2007, the project area is located in Priority Area 3, which means that only minor provisions must be made to accommodate these endangered species. These provisions have already been accounted for in the design of the trail and it is not expected to have any negative impact on the endangered species. This was done because these provisions have become part of the local laws governing land development even though the HCP would not apply to public projects of this nature.

The project will involve the crossing of streams in three places. After receiving verbal guidance from Jan Sammons with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division as well as our consultant who prepared the plans, it has been determined that a stream buffer variance is not required for the three crossings proposed in the project. This is counter to the statement submitted with the original grant application (see *Note regarding stream buffers pursuant to Exhibit A*), which stated a variance would be required. Care was taken during the planning process to keep the trail out of the buffer other than in the three places it has to cross the streams. The variance is not required because the project falls under the general variance granted for roadway drainage structures. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan addresses these "hotspots" and takes additional measures to protect the streams during and after construction.

NOTE: Please find the draft set of plans for the project attached. The plans were at 90% completion at the time of this submittal; not quite ready for construction, but they still provide valuable information about the project's environmental impact.



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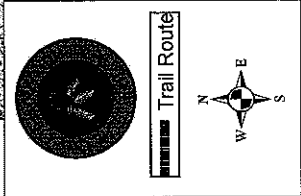
ROSS
CONSULTING
ENGINEERS, P.C.

Initial 1/2-Mile Trail Segment

Prepared for City of Holly Springs
DRAFT - September 18, 2008

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

CANTON QUADRANGLE
GEORGIA-CHEROKEE CO.
15 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



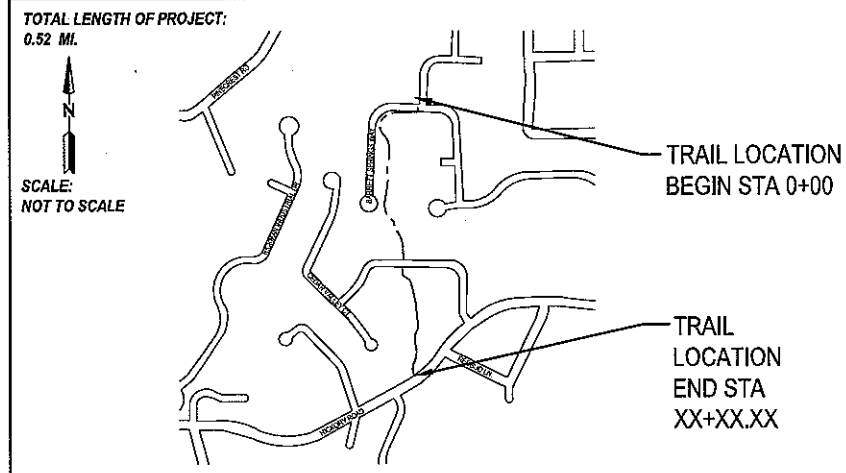
Produced by the United States Geological Survey
and Georgia Geological Survey
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1955. Field checked 1951. Revised from aerial photographs
taken 1956. Field checked 1951. Map edited 1952.
Projection and datum: Georgia State Plane, zone 16.
1927 North American Datum (NAD 27).
North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) is shown by dashed lines.
Rise in elevation areas in which contour lines are shown
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is not shown

SCALE 1:24,000
CONTINUOUS INTERVAL 40 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1955
COMPLIES WITH U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY STANDARDS FOR SPATIAL ACCURACY - CLASS 2
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35209
A POINT DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEYS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Primary Highway
Secondary Highway
Improved surface
Unimproved surface
Light-duty road, hard or
improved surface
Unimproved surface
Interstate Route
U.S. Route
State Route

CANTON, GA.
3408484T-024
1952
DMA 432 (3) NW-GENUS 1945

LOCATION SKETCH



HOLLY SPRINGS

CONSTRUCTION PLANS

HOLLY SPRINGS TRAIL PHASE 1

CHEROKEE COUNTY

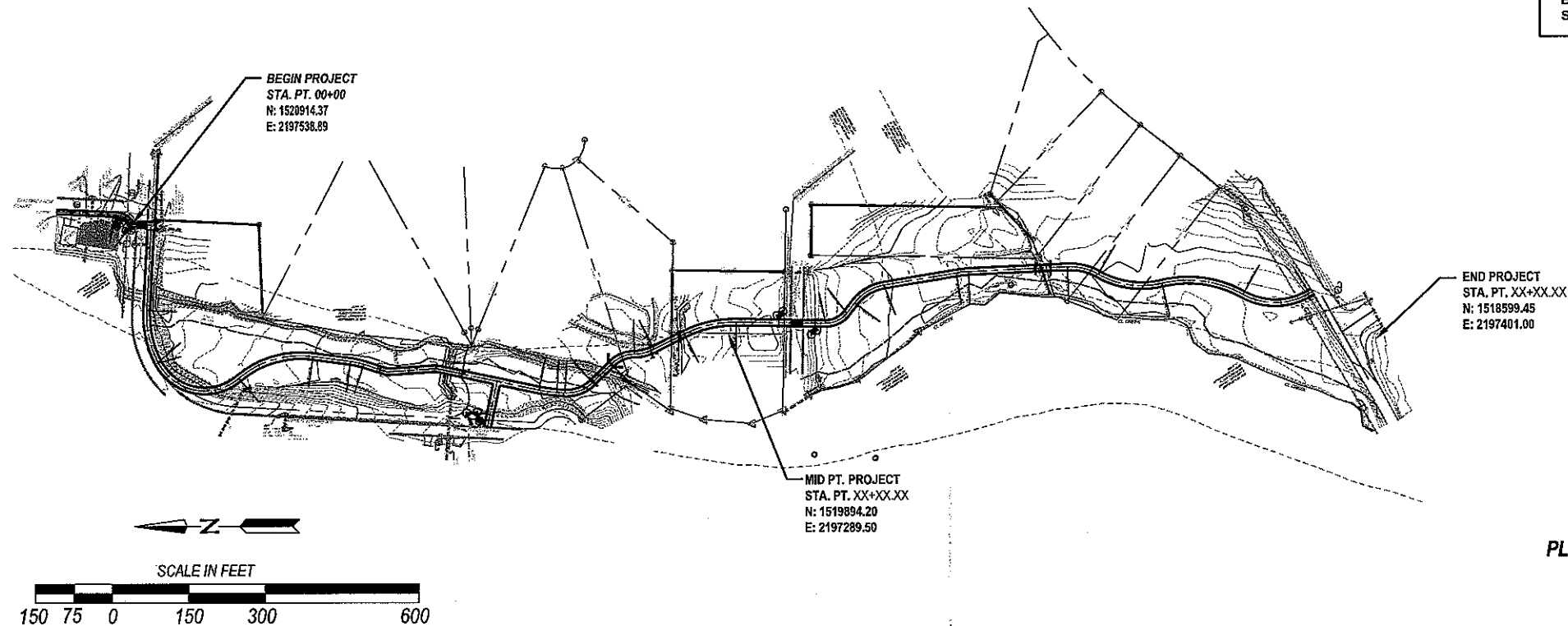
THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN DESIGNED TO COMPLY WITH
TITLE II PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICANS WITH
DISABILITIES ACT (ADA).

THIS PROJECT IS LOCATED 100% IN CHEROKEE COUNTY

PRIOR TO THE LAND-DISTURBING ACTIVITIES, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SCHEDULE A
PRECONSTRUCTION MEETING WITH THE AREA EROSION CONTROL/SITE DEVELOPMENT
INSPECTOR. CALL THE CITY OF HOLLY SPRINGS TO CONTACT THE INSPECTOR.

THE ESCAPE OF SEDIMENT FROM THE SITE SHALL BE PREVENTED BY THE INSTALLING
OF EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES AND PRACTICES PRIOR TO, OR
CONCURRENT WITH LAND-DISTURBING ACTIVITIES.

EROSION CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES. IF FULL
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE APPROVED PLAN DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR EFFECTIVE
EROSION CONTROL, ADDITIONAL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES
SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED TO CONTROL OR TREAT THE SEDIMENT SOURCE.



SURVEY AND COORDINATE DATA

HORIZ. DATUM-GA. STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM (1983)
VERT. DATUM-NAVD 1929
COORDINATE ZONE-GEORGIA WEST
PROJECT UNITS-ENGLISH



PLANS PREPARED BY: MATTHEW WILDER, PROJECT MANAGER

ECOS
ECOS ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN, INC.
834 INMAN VILLAGE PARKWAY, SUITE 100
ATLANTA, GA. 30307
404-221-1900

RECOMMENDED FOR
APPROVAL BY: _____

Total Site Area: xxxx acres
Total Area of Disturbance: xxxx acres

LENGTH OF PROJECT	MILES
NET LENGTH OF TRAILWAY	0.52
NET LENGTH OF PROJECT	0.52
GROSS LENGTH OF PROJECT	0.52

THE DATA, TOGETHER WITH ALL OTHER INFORMATION SHOWN ON THESE PLANS OR IN ANY WAY
INDICATED THEREBY, WHETHER BY DRAWINGS OR NOTES, OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER, ARE BASED UPON
FIELD INVESTIGATIONS AND ARE BELIEVED TO BE INDICATIVE OF ACTUAL CONDITIONS. HOWEVER, THE
SAME ARE SHOWN AS INFORMATION ONLY, ARE NOT GUARANTEED, AND DO NOT BIND THE DESIGN TEAM
NOR THE CITY OF HOLLY SPRINGS IN ANY WAY.

PLANS COMPLETED		
DATE	REVISIONS	SHEET NO.
03/13/09	90% REVIEW	

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION
Holly Springs Trail Phase 1
COVER SHEET

01-001