

# REGIONAL REVIEW NOTIFICATION

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DATE: December 30, 2022

**TO**: Chairman Jeffrey E. Turner, Clayton County

ATTN TO: Tiras Petrea, Zoning Admininstrator, Clayton County

**RE:** Development of Regional Impact Review

FROM: Mike Alexander, Director, ARC Center for Livable Communities

ARC has completed a preliminary regional review of the following DRI. ARC reviewed the DRI's relationship to regional plans, goals and policies – and impacts it may have on the activities, plans, goals and policies of other local jurisdictions as well as state, federal and other agencies. This preliminary report does not address whether the DRI is or is not in the best interest of the local government.

Name of Proposal: Victory Landing Logistics Center DRI 3816

**Submitting Local Government**: Clayton County

<u>Date Opened</u>: December 30, 2022 <u>Deadline for Comments</u>: January 13, 2023 <u>Date to Close</u>: January 13, 2023

<u>Description</u>: A DRI review of a proposal to construct 637,250 SF of warehouse/distribution space in 5 buildings on an 86-acre site off of Conley Road and Gilbert Road in Clayton County. The site is currently entirely wooded with a stream running through it.

## **PRELIMINARY COMMENTS:**

#### **Key Comments**

The Atlanta Region's Plan assigns the Regional Employment Corridor growth management designation to the project site. The project is somewhat aligned with Regional Center growth policies and recommendations which note: "There is a lack of accessible public greenspace within Regional Employment Corridors, which affects the overall aesthetics and quality of life for residents and workers"

The project is expected to generate a total of 1,124 daily new vehicular trips; several roadway improvements are proposed to mitigate the impact of these trips.

A multi-use trail is planned along Gilbert Road connecting to Conley Road and should be considered in the final project design.

No bicycle parking spaces, or EV charging spaces appear to be proposed; inclusion of a basic amount of both would be supportive of regional EV infrastructure and multi-modal transportation policies.

## **General Comments**

The Atlanta Region's Plan, developed by ARC in close coordination with partner local governments, is intended to broadly guide regional development in the 12-county metro region to ensure that required infrastructure and resources are in place to support continued economic development and prosperity. The Plan assigns a relevant growth management category designation with accompanying policy recommendations to all areas in the region. This DRI site is designated Regional Employment Corridor; corresponding policy recommendations are provided at the end of these comments.

# **Transportation and Mobility Comments**

ARC's Transportation Access and Mobility Group comments will be provided in the Final Report.

The project is expected to generate a total of 1,124 new vehicular trips. Several improvements are identified to reduce the impact of these new trips on surrounding roadways.

A large number of surface parking spaces are proposed. However, no bicycle parking spaces, or EV charging spaces appear to be proposed; inclusion of a generous amount of both would be strongly supportive of regional EV infrastructure and multi-modal transportation policies.

Six-foot sidewalks are proposed on both sides of Gilbert Road which is supportive of regional multi-modal transportation goals.

Several MARTA bus stops are within walking distance of the project on Conley Road. Care should be taken to ensure that these stops provide at least minimal passenger accommodations (concrete pad, shelter, etc.) and that they are connected by a safe walking route to the project.

Care should be taken to ensure that the development promotes an interconnected, functional, clearly marked and comfortable pedestrian experience on all streets, paths, entrances, and parking areas.

## **ARC Natural Resource Group Comments**

ARC's Natural Resources Group full comments will be provided in the Final Report.

## **Other Environmental Comments**

The project site is entirely wooded with several stream and flood plain areas. The project proposes no intrusions into the protected buffers of these areas which is in keeping with regional environmental policies. Ideally the protected natural area could be expanded where possible, and a mechanism could be provided for managing the substantial preserved open space.

The project can further support The Atlanta Region's Plan in general by incorporating other aspects of regional policy, including green infrastructure and/or low-impact design, e.g., pervious pavers, rain

gardens, vegetated swales, etc., in parking areas and site driveways, and as part of any improvements to site frontages.

# <u>Unified Growth Policy Considerations: Regional Employment Corridor</u>

According to the Atlanta Region's Plan, Regional Employment Corridors represent the densest development outside of the Region Core. Regional Employment Corridors connect several Regional Centers with the Region Core via existing capacity transportation facilities. These areas contain a large share of the region's jobs in a relatively small land area. These areas are also increasing in both housing and job density and are experiencing increased redevelopment and new uses in traditionally employment-focused areas.

There is a lack of accessible public greenspace within Regional Employment Corridors, which affects the overall aesthetics and quality of life for residents and workers.

The intensity and land use of this proposed project partially aligns with The Atlanta Region's Plan's recommendations for Regional Employment Corridor primarily through its preservation of a large amount of retained natural greenspace. This alignment could be increased by providing additional retained natural space and by creating a mechanism for managing the space. Clayton County staff and leadership, along with the applicant team, should collaborate closely to ensure maximum sensitivity to the needs of nearby local governments, stakeholders, and natural systems.

# THE FOLLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES RECEIVED NOTICE OF THIS REVIEW:

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCE
GEORGIA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
GEORGIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION

GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY
CITY OF ATLANTA
CITY OF EAST POINT
AEROTROPOLIS ATLANTA

GEORGIA CONSERVANCY CITY OF COLLEGE PARK CITY OF RIVERDALE DEKALB COUNTY
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For questions, please contact Donald Shockey at (470) 378-1531 or <a href="mailto:dshockey@atlantaregional.org">dshockey@atlantaregional.org</a>. This finding will be published to the ARC review website located at <a href="http://atlantaregional.org/plan-reviews">http://atlantaregional.org/plan-reviews</a>.





# **Developments of Regional Impact**

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## **DRI #3816**

# DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Initial DRI Information

This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide basic project information that will allow the RDC to determine if the project appears to meet or exceed applicable DRI thresholds. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.

#### **Local Government Information**

Submitting Local Government: Clayton Individual completing form: Tiras Petrea

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E-mail: Tiras.Petrea@claytoncountyga.gov

\*Note: The local government representative completing this form is responsible for the accuracy of the information contained herein. If a project is to be located in more than one jurisdiction and, in total, the project meets or exceeds a DRI threshold, the local government in which the largest portion of the project is to be located is responsible for initiating the DRI review process.

## **Proposed Project Information**

Name of Proposed Project: Victory Landing Logistics Center Location (Street Address, GPS 3996 Gilbert Rd, Atlanta GA 30354

Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description):

Is property owner different from

Is the proposed project entirely

located within your local government's jurisdiction?

developer/applicant?

Brief Description of Project: Master-planned industrial park totaling 690,000 SF

Development Type:			
(not selected)	Hotels	Wastewater Treatment Facilities	
Office	OMixed Use	Petroleum Storage Facilities	
Commercial	Airports	Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs	
Wholesale & Distribution	OAttractions & Recreational Facilities	OIntermodal Terminals	
Hospitals and Health Care Facilities	Post-Secondary Schools	Truck Stops	
Housing	Waste Handling Facilities	Any other development types	
Industrial	Quarries, Asphalt & Cement Plants		
If other development type, describe:			
Project Size (# of units, floor area, etc.): 686,000 SF over 90 acres			
Developer: OA	Development, Inc.		
Mailing Address: 100 Ashford Ct N #310			
Address 2:			
City	::Atlanta State: GA Zip:30338		
Telephone: 678	.441.0001 x1005		
Email: josh	n@oadevelopment.com		

(not selected) Yes No

If yes, property owner: Gilbert Road Joint Venture and Victory Landing Partners

(not selected) Yes No



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### **DRI #3816**

## **DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Additional DRI Information**

This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide information needed by the RDC for its review of the proposed DRI. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.

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### **Project Information**

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DRI ID Number: 3816

Developer/Applicant: OA Development, Inc.

Telephone: 678.441.0001 x1005 Email(s): josh@oadevelopment.com

## **Additional Information Requested**

Has the RDC identified any additional information

required in order to proceed with the official regional

(not selected) Yes No

review process? (If no, proceed to Economic

Impacts.)

If yes, has that additional information been provided

(not selected) Yes No

to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA?

If no, the official review process can not start until this additional information is provided.

## **Economic Development**

Estimated Value at Build-

75,000,000

Estimated annual local tax revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be

550.000

generated by the proposed development:

Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand created by the proposed project?

(not selected) Yes No

Will this development displace any existing uses?

(not selected) Yes No

If yes, please describe (including number of units, square feet, etc):

## Water Supply

Name of water supply provider for this site:

Clayton County Water Authority

What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.03		
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No		
If no, describe any plans to e	expand the existing water supply capacity:		
Is a water line extension required to serve this project? (not selected) Yes No			
If yes, how much additional 0.5 miles of water main exter	line (in miles) will be required? nsion.		
Wastewater Disposal			
Name of wastewater	·		
treatment provider for this site:	Clayton County Water Authority		
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.03		
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	○(not selected) Yes No		
If no, describe any plans to expand existing wastewater treatment capacity:			
Is a sewer line extension required to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No		
If yes, how much additional line (in miles) will be required?			
Land Transportation			
How much traffic volume is expected to be generated by the proposed development, in peak hour vehicle trips per day? (If only an alternative measure of volume is available, please provide.)	Daily Trips 1,124; AM Peak Hour Trips: 82 entering, 24 existing; PM Peak Hour Trips: 31 entering, 78 exiting		
Has a traffic study been performed to determine whether or not transportation or access improvements will be needed to serve this project?	○(not selected)  Yes No		
Are transportation improvements needed to serve this project?	○(not selected)◎ Yes ○No		
If yes, please describe below:See detailed traffic study for more information.			
Solid Waste Disposal			
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	620 tons		
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No		
If no, describe any plans to expand existing landfill capacity:			
Will any hazardous waste be generated by the development?	(not selected) Yes No		
If yes, please explain:			
Stormwater Management			
What percentage of the site	-		
is projected to be	10 /0		

is projected to be impervious surface once the

proposed development has been constructed?			
Describe any measures proposed (such as buffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking areas) to mitigate the project's impacts on stormwater management:Buffers, Bioretention Ponds, and Detention Ponds.			
Environmental Quality			
Is the development located within, or likely to affect any of the following:			
Water supply watersheds?	(not selected) Yes No		
Significant groundwater recharge areas?	(not selected) Yes No		
3. Wetlands?	(not selected) Yes No		
4. Protected mountains?	(not selected) Yes No		
5. Protected river corridors?	(not selected) Yes No		
6. Floodplains?	(not selected) Yes No		
7. Historic resources?	(not selected) Yes No		
8. Other environmentally sensitive resources?	(not selected) Yes No		
If you answered yes to any question above, describe how the identified resource(s) may be affected:			
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