

REGIONAL REVIEW NOTIFICATION

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DATE: Mar 31 2006 ARC REVIEW CODE: R603311

TO: Chairman Charles Bannister ATTN TO: Jeff West, Planning Manager FROM: Charles Krautler. Director

Charles Krauther

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 regarding related to the proposal not addressed by the Commission's regional plans and policies.

Name of Proposal: New Trend Development Review Type: Development of Regional Impact

<u>Description:</u> The proposed New Trend Development is a mixed use development located on 165 acres in Gwinnett County. The proposed development will consist of 266 townhomes, 300 apartment units, 153 single family homes, 40,500 square feet of retail, and a 5,600 square foot drive-thru bank. The proposed development is located between I-85 and Old Peachtree Road. Site access will stem from an extension of Horizon Drive with a second access at Spriggs Road.

Submitting Local Government: Gwinnett County

Date Opened: Mar 31 2006

Deadline for Comments: Apr 14 2006

Earliest the Regional Review can be Completed: May 1 2006

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 SUWANEE
CITY OF BUFORD

ARC Transportation Planning
ARC Aging Division
Georgia Department of Transportation
Gwinnett County Schools

ARC ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
GEORGIA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
CITY OF SUGAR HILL

Attached is information concerning this review.

If you have any questions regarding this review, Please call Mike Alexander, Review Coordinator, at (404) 463-3302. If the ARC staff does not receive comments from you by 2006-04-14 00:00:00, 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/qualitygrowth/reviews.html .



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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT

DRI- REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

Instructions: The project described below has been submitted to this Regional Development Center for review as a Development of Regional Impact (DRI). A DRI is a development of sufficient project of sufficient scale or importance that it is likely to have impacts beyond the jurisdiction in which the project is actually located, such as adjoining cities or neighboring counties. We would like to consider your comments on this proposed development in our DRI review process. Therefore, please review the information about the project included on this form and give us your comments in the space provided. The completed form should be returned to the RDC on or before the specified return deadline.

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Preliminary Findings of the RDC: New Trend Development See the Prelimin	ary Report .			
Comments from affected party (attach additional sheets as needed):				
Individual Completing form:				
Local Government: Department:	Please Return this form to: Mike Alexander, Atlanta Regional Commission 40 Courtland Street NE Atlanta, GA 30303 Ph. (404) 462, 2302 Fer. (404) 462, 2354			
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Signature: Date:	Return Date: Apr 14 2006			

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PRELIMINARY REPORT SUMMARY

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

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PROJECT PHASING:

The project is being proposed in one phase with a project build out date for 2013.

GENERAL

According to information on the review form or comments received from potentially affected governments:

Is the proposed project consistent with the host-local government's comprehensive plan? If not, identify inconsistencies.

The project site is currently zoned a combination of M-1 (light industrial). The proposed zoning for the site is C-2 (general business district), RM-13 (multi-family residential, 13 units/acre), RTH (single family townhome), RZT (single family residential zero lot line), and R-60 (single family residential). Information submitted for the review states that the proposed zoning is not consistent with Gwinnett County's Future Land Use Map which designates the area as light industrial. Information submitted for the review states that the County does intend to amend its map to account for this development.

Is the proposed project consistent with any potentially affected local government's comprehensive plan? If not, identify inconsistencies.

This will be determined based on comments received from potentially impacted local governments.

Will the proposed project impact the implementation of any local government's short-term work program? If so, how?

This will be determined based on comments received from potentially impacted local governments.

Will the proposed project generate population and/or employment increases in the Region? If yes, what would be the major infrastructure and facilities improvements needed to support the increase?



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Yes, the proposed development would increase the need for services in the area for existing and future residents.

What other major development projects are planned near the proposed project?

The ARC has reviewed other major development projects, known as Area Plan (1984 to 1991) or as a DRI (1991 to present), within a three mile radius of the proposed project.

YEAR	NAME
2000	Peachtree Technology Center
2000	Trammell Crow Industrial Development
2000	Georgia Technology Park
1999	Market Place at Mill Creek
1999	Expansion of WRF Site
1997	Sentinel Apartments
1997	Venture 85/20 Office/Retail
1996	Proposed AWRF Site
1995	Woodward Mill Apartments
1989	Hurricane Shoals Mixed Use
1986	Shawnee Ridge

Will the proposed project displace housing units or community facilities? If yes, identify and give number of units, facilities, etc.

Based on information submitted for the review, the site is currently undeveloped.

Will the development cause a loss in jobs? If yes, how many?

No.

Is the proposed development consistent with regional plans and policies?

The proposed New Trend development is a mixed use development that meets several of ARC's Regional Development Policies, yet fails to meet ARC's Air Quality Benchmarks. The proposed development received a score of 9 out of 15 points on the Benchmark Test. ARC staff would like to discuss with the developer and Gwinnett County ways in which to improve upon the score.

The proposed development is increasing mixed use development in a fast growing part of the region. The ARC forecasts significant population and employment growth in northern Gwinnett County over the next 25 years. ARC forecasts a population of over 270,000 residents in northern Gwinnett County and an employment base of greater than 109,000 jobs. Overall, Gwinnett County's population is forecasted by the ARC to be just under one million and a total employment base for the County of over half a million jobs by 2030. The incorporation of mix of housing types with convenient access to



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neighborhood services is essential to accommodating the expected growth efficiently. The proximity of the development to Interstate 85 and other transportation facilities will allow individuals to quickly access employment centers across the region.

The development is proposed as a predominately residential site. However, even with a mix of housing types, the overall development is disconnected and lends itself to encouraging automobile use within the development. Refinement of the site plan should include more open space and pocket parks throughout the residential areas. Total open space shown of the site plan is 10.6 acres of the 165 acres development. The proposed open space is predominately shown on the outer edges of the development which does not lend itself to active use by the residents of the development. It is strongly recommended that the site plan be revised to include pocket parks within the individual residential components that can be linked through a trail system throughout the development. Consideration should also be given to linking the trail system to the retail portion of the development and the amenity center. ARC staff would like to discuss with the developer to discuss the open space as well as the overall site design and street pattern.

The location and design of the retail component encourage automobile use within the development. Redesigning the retail to orient along Horizon Drive extension and create an entry way into the development is strongly encouraged. Moving the parking to the back of the retail development and providing adequate sidewalks from the retail to the residential portion of the site is strongly encouraged.



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PRELIMINARY REPORT

Regional Development Plan Policies

- 1. Provide development strategies and infrastructure investments to accommodate forecasted population and employment growth more efficiently.
- 2. Guide an increased share of new development to the Central Business District, transportation corridors, activity centers and town centers.
- 3. Increase opportunities for mixed-use development, infill and redevelopment.
- 4. Increase transportation choices and transit-oriented development (TOD).
- 5. Provide a variety of housing choices throughout the region to ensure housing for individuals and families of diverse incomes and age groups.
- 6. Preserve and enhance existing residential neighborhoods.
- 7. Advance sustainable greenfield development.
- 8. Protect environmentally sensitive areas.
- 9. Create a regional network of greenspace that connects across jurisdictional boundaries.
- 10. Preserve existing rural character.
- 11. Preserve historic resources.
- 12. Inform and involve the public in planning at regional, local and neighborhood levels.
- 13. Coordinate local policies and regulations to support the RDP.
- 14. Support growth management at the state level.

BEST LAND USE PRACTICES

Practice 1: Keep vehicle miles of travel (VMT) below the area average. Infill developments are the best at accomplishing this. The more remote a development the more self contained it must be to stay below the area average VMT.

Practice 2: Contribute to the area's jobs-housing balance. Strive for a job-housing balance with a three to five mile area around a development site.

Practice 3: Mix land uses at the finest grain the market will bear and include civic uses in the mix.

Practice 4: Develop in clusters and keep the clusters small. This will result in more open space preservation.

Practice 5: Place higher-density housing near commercial centers, transit lines and parks. This will enable more walking, biking and transit use.

Practice 6: Phase convenience shopping and recreational opportunities to keep pace with housing. These are valued amenities and translate into less external travel by residents if located conveniently to housing. Practice 7: Make subdivisions into neighborhoods with well-defined centers and edges. This is traditional development.

Practice 8: Reserve school sites and donate them if necessary to attract new schools. This will result in neighborhood schools which provide a more supportive learning environment than larger ones.

Practice 9: Concentrate commercial development in compact centers or districts, rather than letting it spread out in strips.



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Practice 10: Make shopping centers and business parks into all-purpose activity centers. Suburban shopping centers and their environs could be improved by mixing uses and designing them with the pedestrian amenities of downtowns.

Practice 11: Tame auto-oriented land uses, or at least separate them from pedestrian-oriented uses. Relegate "big box" stores to areas where they will do the least harm to the community fabric.

BEST TRANSPORTATION PRACTICES

- Practice 1: Design the street network with multiple connections and relatively direct routes.
- Practice 2: Space through-streets no more than a half-mile apart or the equivalent route density in a curvilinear network.
- Practice 3: Use traffic-calming measures liberally. Use short streets, sharp curves, center islands, traffic circles, textured pavements, speed bumps and raised crosswalks.
- Practice 4: Keep speeds on local streets down to 20 mph.
- Practice 5: Keep speeds on arterials and collectors down to 35 mph (at least inside communities).
- Practice 6: Keep all streets as narrow as possible and never more than four traffic lanes wide. Florida suggests access streets 18 feet, subcollectors 26 feet, and collectors from 28 feet to 36 feet depending on lanes and parking.
- Practice 7: Align streets to give buildings energy-efficient orientations. Allow building sites to benefit from sun angles, natural shading and prevailing breezes.
- Practice 8: Avoid using traffic signals wherever possible and always space them for good traffic progression.
- Practice 9: Provide networks for pedestrians and bicyclists as good as the network for motorists.
- Practice 10: Provide pedestrians and bicyclists with shortcuts and alternatives to travel along high-volume streets.
- Practice 11: Incorporate transit-oriented design features.
- Practice 12: Establish TDM programs for local employees. Ridesharing, modified work hours, telecommuting and others.

BEST ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICES

- Practice 1: Use a systems approach to environmental planning. Shift from development orientation to basins or ecosystems planning.
- Practice 2: Channel development into areas that are already disturbed.
- Practice 3: Preserve patches of high-quality habitat, as large and circular as possible, feathered at the edges and connected by wildlife corridors. Stream corridors offer great potential.
- Practice 4: Design around significant wetlands.
- Practice 5: Establish upland buffers around all retained wetlands and natural water bodies.
- Practice 6: Preserve significant uplands, too.
- Practice 7: Restore and enhance ecological functions damaged by prior site activities.
- Practice 8: Detain runoff with open, natural drainage systems. The more natural the system the more valuable it will be for wildlife and water quality.
- Practice 9: Design man-made lakes and stormwater ponds for maximum environmental value. Recreation, stormwater management, wildlife habitat and others.
- Practice 10: Use reclaimed water and integrated pest management on large landscaped areas. Integrated pest management involves controlling pests by introducing their natural enemies and cultivating disease and insect resistant grasses.
- Practice 11: Use and require the use of XeriscapeTM landscaping. XeriscapingTM is water conserving landscape methods and materials.

BEST HOUSING PRACTICES

- Practice 1: Offer "life cycle" housing. Providing integrated housing for every part of the "life cycle."
- Practice 2: Achieve an average net residential density of six to seven units per acre without the appearance of crowding. Cluster housing to achieve open space.



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Practice 3: Use cost-effective site development and construction practices. Small frontages and setbacks; rolled curbs or no curbs; shared driveways.

Practice 4: Design of energy-saving features. Natural shading and solar access.

Practice 5: Supply affordable single-family homes for moderate-income households.

Practice 6: Supply affordable multi-family and accessory housing for low-income households.

Practice 7: Tap government housing programs to broaden and deepen the housing/income mix.

Practice 8: Mix housing to the extent the market will bear.

LOCATION

Where is the proposed project located within the host-local government's boundaries?

The proposed project is located in Gwinnett County between Interstate 85 and Old Peachtree Road, just south of Spriggs Road, and north of Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road.

Will the proposed project be located close to the host-local government's boundary with another local government? If yes, identify the other local government.

It is entirely within the Gwinnett County boundaries; however, it is adjacent to the City of Suwanee.

Will the proposed project be located close to land uses in other jurisdictions that would benefit, or be negatively impacted, by the project? Identify those land uses which would benefit and those which would be negatively affected and describe impacts.

To be determined during the review.

ECONOMY OF THE REGION

According to information on the review form or comments received from potentially affected governments:

What new taxes will be generated by the proposed project?

Estimated value of the development is \$206,250,000 million with an expected \$2,662,275 in annual local tax revenues.

How many short-term jobs will the development generate in the Region?

Short-term jobs will depend upon construction schedule.

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

Yes.

In what ways could the proposed development have a positive or negative impact on existing industry or business in the Region?



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NATURAL RESOURCES

Will the proposed project be located in or near wetlands, groundwater recharge area, water supply watershed, protected river corridor, or other environmentally sensitive area of the Region? If yes, identify those areas.

Stream Buffers and Watershed Protection

The property is not within the 2000-foot Chattahoochee River Corridor but it is located in the Corridor watershed. The USGS 1:24,000 coverage for the project area shows two blue line streams crossing the project property, with a third at or near the property's northeastern boundary. All three are tributaries to Ivy Creek, which in turn is a tributary of Suwanee Creek, a tributary of the Chattahoochee River. As required under the Metropolitan River Protection Act, the property is subject to the requirements of the Gwinnett County Tributary Buffer Ordinance. In addition, Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District requires local governments to adopt a stream buffer ordinance at least as protective as the model ordinance developed by the District.

The County stream buffer ordinance was adopted in March, 2005 and covers both the Water District and Metropolitan River Protection Act requirements. The ordinance requires a 50-foot undisturbed buffer and an additional 25-foot impervious surface setback on most streams in the County. The proposed site plan shows a 25-foot buffer on the streams in the center of the property. While buffers are not specifically identified on the project plans, all development, except for road crossings, appears to be at least 100-feet from the nearest stream bank. The proposed project will need to meet all County requirements and the plans need show the required County buffers on all applicable streams on the property.

For all state waters on the property, the State 25-foot erosion and sedimentation buffer is required. Any work in those buffers must conform to the state E & S requirements and must be approved by the appropriate agency.

The Chattahoochee Basin upstream of Peachtree Creek is also a large water supply watershed (over 100 square miles). Under the Part 5 minimum criteria, the only requirements in a large water supply watershed without a water supply reservoir are restrictions on the handling of certain hazardous materials (specified by DNR) within seven miles upstream of an intake.

Stormwater / Water Quality

The project should adequately address the impacts of the proposed development on stormwater runoff and downstream water quality. During construction, the project should conform to the relevant state and federal erosion and sedimentation control requirements. After construction, water quality will be impacted due to polluted stormwater runoff. ARC has estimated the amount of pollutants that will be produced after construction of the proposed development. These estimates are based on some simplifying assumptions for typical pollutant loading factors (lbs/ac/yr) from typical land uses in the Atlanta Region. The loading factors are based on the results of regional stormwater monitoring data from the Atlanta Region. Impervious coverage may differ from the percentages used in these calculations because the plans show open areas that were not completely factored out as open space.



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Actual pollutant loadings will depend on the actual impervious coverage developed on the property and may differ from the figures shown. The following table summarizes the results of the analysis:

Estimated Pounds of Pollutants per Year

Land Use	Land Area (ac)	Total Phosphorus	Total Nitrogen	BOD	TSS	Zinc	Lead
Commercial	15.00	25.65	261.00	1620.00	14745.00	18.45	3.30
Med Dens. SF (0.25-0.5 ac)	63.47	85.68	375.11	2729.21	50839.47	21.58	5.08
Townhouse/Apartment	86.68	91.01	928.34	5807.56	52441.40	65.88	12.14
TOTAL	165.15	202.35	1564.45	10156.77	118025.87	105.91	20.51
Total % impervious	43%						

• In order to address post-construction stormwater runoff quality, the project should implement stormwater management controls (structural and/or nonstructural) as found in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual (www.georgiastormwater.com) and meet the stormwater management quantity and quality criteria outlined in the Manual. Where possible, the project should utilize the stormwater better site design concepts included in the Manual.

HISTORIC RESOURCES

Will the proposed project be located near a national register site? If yes, identify site.

None have been identified.

In what ways could the proposed project create impacts that would damage the resource?

Not applicable.

In what ways could the proposed project have a positive influence on efforts to preserve or promote the historic resource?

Not applicable.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Transportation

How many site access points will be associated with the proposed development? What are their locations?

The site will have one access point from Horizon Drive. The proposed Horizon Drive Extension will extend from the existing Horizon Drive, north of Old Peachtree Road, at the south end of the site.



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How much traffic (both average daily and peak am/pm) will be generated by the proposed project?

Street Smarts performed the transportation analysis. GRTA and ARC review staff agreed with the methodology and assumptions used in the analysis. The net trip generation is based on the rates published in the 7th edition of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) Trip Generation report; they are listed in the following table:

Land Use	A.M. Peak Hour			P.M. Peak Hour			24-Hour
Land Osc	Enter	Exit	2-Way	Enter	Exit	2-Way	2-Way
153 Single family houses	29	88	117	99	58	157	1538
300 Apartments	30	121	151	119	64	183	1954
266 Town houses	19	94	113	90	44	134	1474
40,500 sq ft	56	35	91	166	179	345	3774
5,600 sq ft Bank	39	30	69	128	128	256	1278
Reductions	-10	-10	-20	-194	-195	-389	-3239
TOTAL NEW TRIPS	163	358	521	408	278	686	6779

What are the existing traffic patterns and volumes on the local, county, state and interstate roads that serve the site?

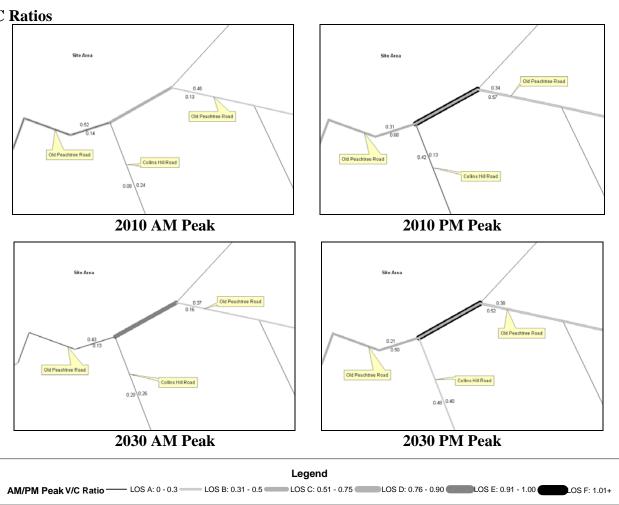
Incorporating the trip generation results, the transportation consultant distributed the traffic on the current roadway network. An assessment of the existing Level of Service (LOS) and projected LOS based on the trip distribution findings helps to determine the study network. The results of this exercise determined the study network, which has been approved by ARC and GRTA. If analysis of an intersection or roadway results in a substandard LOS "D", then the consultant recommends improvements.

Projected traffic volumes from the Regional Travel Demand Model are compared to the assigned capacity of facilities within the study network. This data is used to calculate a volume to capacity (V/C) ratio. The V/C ratio values that define the LOS thresholds vary depending on factors such as the type of terrain traversed and the percent of the road where passing is prohibited. LOS A is free-flow traffic from 0 to 0.3, LOS B is decreased free-flow from 0.31 to 0.5, LOS C is limited mobility from 0.51 to 0.75, LOS D is restricted mobility from 0.76 to 0.9, LOS E is at or near capacity from 0.91 to 1.00, and LOS F is breakdown flow with a V/C ratio of 1.01 or above. As a V/C ratio reaches 0.8, congestion increases. The V/C ratios for traffic in various network years are presented in the following table. Any facilities that have a V/C ratio of 1.0 or above are considered congested.



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V/C Ratios



For the V/C ratio graphic, the data is based on 2005, 2010 and 2030 A.M./P.M. peak volume data generated from ARC's travel demand model for Mobility 2030, the 2030 RTP and the FY 2005-2010 TIP, approved in December 2004. The travel demand model incorporates lane addition improvements and updates to the network as appropriate. As the life of the RTP progresses, volume and/or V/C ratio data may appear inconsistent due to (1) effect of implementation of nearby new or expanded facilities or (2) impact of socio-economic data on facility types.

List the transportation improvements that would affect or be affected by the proposed project.

2005-2010 TIP*

ARC Number	Route	Type of Improvement	Scheduled Completion Year
AR-470	I-85 NORTH ATMS COMMUNICATION/SURVEILLANCE	Roadway Operations	2007
GW-AR-191	I-85 NORTH	Roadway Capacity	2011
GW-119	MCGINNIS FERRY ROAD EXTENSION	Roadway Capacity	2007
GW-301	SR 20 (NELSON BROGDON BOULEVARD/BUFORD DRIVE) ATMS	Roadway Operations	2008
GW-325	LAWRENCEVILLE-SUWANEE ROAD ATMS	Roadway Operations	2006



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2030 RTP*

ARC Number	Route	Type of Improvement	Scheduled Completion Year
AR-H-100	I-85 NORTH HOV LANES	HOV Lanes	2012
GW-020C, D	SR 20 (BUFORD DRIVE / MALL OF GEORGIA PARKWAY): SEGMENT 3	Roadway Capacity	2030
GW-308C	EAST CROSS-COUNTY CONNECTOR	Roadway Capacity	2030

^{*}The ARC Board adopted the 2030 RTP and FY 2005-2010 TIP in December 2004. USDOT approved in December 2004.

Summarize the transportation improvements as recommended by consultant in the traffic study for Horizon Drive Mixed-Use Site.

According to the findings, there will be some capacity deficiencies as a result of future year **background** traffic. The transportation consultant has made recommendations for improvements to be carried out in order to upgrade the existing level of service.

Horizon Drive at SR 317

- Add a northbound and southbound left-turn lane with protected phasing.
- Add an eastbound and westbound left-turn lane on SR 317 with protected phasing.
- Add a southbound through lane on Horizon Drive along with a receiving lane.
- Make the southbound right-turn lane operated with permitted/overlap phasing.

Collins Hill Road at Old Peachtree Road

• Add a northbound through lane on Old Peachtree Road along with a receiving lane.

Rock Springs Road and Old Peachtree Road

• Add a traffic signal.

According to the findings, there will be some capacity deficiencies as a result of future year **total** traffic. The transportation consultant has made recommendations for improvements to be carried out in order to upgrade the existing level of service. The recommendations stated in the no-build condition are also applicable to the build condition.

Horizon Drive and Old Peachtree Road

• Add a westbound left-turn lane on Old Peachtree Road with protected phasing.

Collins Hill Road at Old Peachtree Road

 Add northbound and southbound through lanes on Old Peachtree Road along with corresponding receiving lanes.

Rock Springs Road and Old Peachtree Road

- Add a traffic signal.
- Make the northbound left-turn lane operate with protected/permitted phasing.
- Make the eastbound right-turn lane operate with permitted/overlap phasing.



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Is the site served by transit? If so, describe type and level of service and how it will enhance or be enhanced by the presence of transit? Are there plans to provide or expand transit service in the vicinity of the proposed project?

Transit service is provided by GRTA Xpress bus routes #410 and #412 along with GCT bus route #101 via the Discover Mills park and ride lot located approximately 6 miles from the proposed site.

- GRTA Xpress route #410 provides service from Discover Mills to the Lindbergh MARTA rail station Monday through Friday during the morning and evening rush periods. Service is provided from 6:00 a.m. till 8:00 a.m. in the morning with headways of 45 minutes. Evening service is provided from 4:45 p.m. till 7:00 p.m.
- GRTA Xpress route #412 provides service Monday through Friday during the morning and evening rush periods from Discover Mills to Midtown and Downtown Atlanta. Service is provided in the morning from 5:30 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. with headway of 30 and 60 minutes.
- GCT route #101 provides service from Discover Mills to Downtown Atlanta, Monday through Friday during the morning and evening rush periods. Service is provided from 5:45 a.m. till 8:00 a.m. with headways every 15 minutes. Service is provided in the evening from 4:10 p.m. till 7:10 p.m. with headways every 15 minutes.

What transportation demand management strategies does the developer propose (carpool, flex-time, transit subsidy, etc.)?

None proposed.

The development **PASSES** the ARC's Air Quality Benchmark test.

Air Quality Impacts/Mitigation (based		
on ARC strategies)	Credits	Total
Where Residential is dominant, 10% Retail or		
10% Office		4%
Bike/ped networks that meet Mixed Use or		
Density target and connect to adjoining uses		5%
Total		9%

What are the conclusions of this review? Is the transportation system (existing and planned) capable of accommodating these trips?

The roadway network in this area suffers from high peak hour volume as demonstrated in the impact section of the traffic study. The addition of the project's traffic onto the roadway challenges existing capacity. It is suggested that all recommended improvements be implemented prior to completion of this project. It is also suggested the developer work with GCT to establish transit service closer to this proposed project site.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Wastewater and Sewage



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Based on regional averages, wastewater is estimated at 0.25 MGD.

Which facility will treat wastewater from the project?

The F. Wayne Hill facility will provide wastewater treatment for the proposed development.

What is the current permitted capacity and average annual flow to this facility?

The capacity of F. Wayne Hill Site is listed below:

PERMITTED CAPACITY MMF, MGD 1	DESIGN CAPACITY MMF, MGD	2001 MMF, MGD	2008 MMF, MGD	2008 CAPACITY AVAILABLE +/-, MGD	PLANNED EXPANSION	REMARKS
20	20	9	20	0	Expansion to 60 mgd by 2005.	Combined discharge to Chattahoochee River with Crooked Creek plant. 40 mgd expansion to discharge to Lake Lanier.

MMF: Maximum Monthly Flow. Mgd: million of gallons per day.

What other major developments will be served by the plant serving this project?

ARC has reviewed a number of major developments that will be served by this plant.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Water Supply and Treatment

How much water will the proposed project demand?

Water demand also is estimated at 0.29 MGD based on regional averages.

How will the proposed project's demand for water impact the water supply or treatment facilities of the jurisdiction providing the service?

Information submitted with the review suggests that there is sufficient water supply capacity available for the proposed project.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Solid Waste

How much solid waste will be generated by the project? Where will this waste be disposed?

Information submitted with the review 1,300 tons of solid waste per year and the waste will be disposed of in Gwinnett County.



¹ Source: Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District **SHORT-TERM WASTEWATER CAPACITY PLAN**, August 2002.

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Other than adding to a serious regional solid waste disposal problem, will the project create any unusual waste handling or disposal problems?

No.

Are there any provisions for recycling this project's solid waste?

None stated.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Other facilities

According to information gained in the review process, will there be any unusual intergovernmental impacts on:

- · Levels of governmental services?
- Administrative facilities?
- · Schools?
- · Libraries or cultural facilities?
- Fire, police, or EMS?
- · Other government facilities?
- Other community services/resources (day care, health care, low income, non-English speaking, elderly, etc.)?

To be determined during the review.

HOUSING

Will the proposed project create a demand for additional housing?

No, the project will provide an additional 719 housing units that will include single family homes.

Will the proposed project provide housing opportunities close to existing employment centers?

No.

Is there housing accessible to the project in all price ranges demanded?



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The site proposed for the development is located in Census Tract 502.02. This tract had a 23.0 percent increase in number of housing units from 2000 to 2003 according to ARC's Population and Housing Report. The report shows that 86 percent of the housing units are single-family, compared to 69 percent for the region; thus indicating a lack of housing options around the development area.

Is it likely or unlikely that potential employees of the proposed project will be able to find affordable* housing?

Likely, assuming the development is approved with multiple price ranges of housing.



^{*} Defined as 30 percent of the income of a family making 80 percent of the median income of the Region – FY 2000 median income of \$51,649 for family of 4 in Georgia.

Your DRI ID NUMBER for this submission is: 1010
Use this number when filling out a DRI REVIEW REQUEST.
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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Gwinnett County Initial DRI Information (Form1b)

This form is intended for use by local governments within the Metropolitan Region Tier that are also within the jurisdiction of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA). The form is to be completed by the city or county government for submission to your Regional Development Center (RDC), GRTA and DCA. This form provides basic project information that will allow the RDC to determine if the project appears to meet or exceed applicable DRI thresholds. Local governments should refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process 110-12-3 and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds established by DCA.

Local Government Information				
Submitting Local Government:	Gwinnett County			
*Individual completing form and Mailing Address:	Jeff West Gwinnett Dept. of Planning & Dev. 446 W. Crogan St., Suite 150 Lawrenceville, GA 30045			
Telephone:	678-518-6200			
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E-mail (only one):	jeffrey.west@gwinnettcounty.com			

*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: New Trend Developments, LLC			
Development Type		Description of Project Thresholds	
Mixed Use	46100 commer	cial sq ft; 300 apartments; 268 nomes; 153 single-family	View Thresholds
Developer / Applicant and Mailing Address:		New Trend Developments, LLC of McGarity, PC 1505 Lakes Parkwa 30043	
	Telephone:	770-822-0900	
	Fax:		
	Email:	msullivan@atmlawfirm.com	
Name of property owner(s) if different from developer/applicant:		Brand Partners, LP	
Provide Land-Lot-D	District Number:	Dist 7, LL 172	
What are the principal streets or roads providing vehicular access to the site?		Horizon Drive	
Provide name of nearest street(s) or intersection:		Horizon Drive @ Old Peachtree Road	
Provide geographic coordinates (latitude/longitude) of the center of the proposed project (optional):		/	
If available, provide a link to a web general location map of the provided (http://www.mapblast.com are helpfu	roposed project (optional). apquest.com or		
Is the proposed project entirely local local governmen	ated within your	Υ	
If yes, how close is the boundary of th		Adjacent to Suwanee city limits	
If no, provide the following information:			
In what additional jurisdictions is the p	project located?		
In which jurisdiction is the majority of the project located? (give percent of project)		Name: Gwinnett County (NOTE: This local government is review process.)	responsible for initiating the DRI
		Percent of Project: 100	
Is the current proposal a continuation or	expansion of a	N	

previous DRI?	
If yes, provide the following information (where applicable):	Name:
	Project ID:
111	App #:
The initial action being requested of the local government by the applicant is:	Rezoning
What is the name of the water supplier for this site?	Gwinnett County
What is the name of the wastewater treatment supplier for this site?	Gwinnett County
Is this project a phase or part of a larger overall project?	N
If yes, what percent of the overall project does this project/phase represent?	
Estimated Completion Dates:	This project/phase: Overall project: 2009-2010

Local Government Comprehensive Plan	
Is the development consistent with the local government's comprehensive plan, including the Future Land Use Map?	N
If no, does the local government intend to amend the plan/map to account for this development?	Υ
If amendments are needed, when will the plan/map be amended?	LUP map revision if rezoned

Service Delivery Strategy	
Is all local service provision consistent with the countywide Service Delivery Strategy?	7
If no, when will required amendments to the countywide Service Delivery Strategy be complete?	

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Land Transportation Improvements	
Are land transportation or access improvements planned or needed to support the proposed project? Y	Υ
If yes, how have these improvements been identified	d:
Included in local government Comprehensive Plan or Short Term Work Program?	
Included in other local government plans (e.g. SPLOST/LOST Projects, etc.)?	
Included in an official Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)?	
Developer/Applicant has identified needed improvements?	Υ
Other (Please Describe): See Traffic Impact Study	Y

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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT DRI Review Initiation Request (Form2a)

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Local Government Information		
Submitting Local Government:	Gwinnett County	
Individual completing form:	Jeff West	
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Email (only one):	jeffrey.west@gwinnettcounty.com	

Proposed Project Information		
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DRI Review Process	
Has the RDC identified any additional information required in order to proceed with the official regional review process? (If no, proceed to Economic Impacts.)	
If yes, has that additional information been provided to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA? Y	
If no, the official review process can not start until this additional information is provided.	
Economic Impacts	
Estimated Value at Build-Out: \$206,250,000.00	
Estimated annual local tax revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be generated by the proposed development: \$2,662,275.00 ann. prop.	
Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand created by the proposed project?	
If the development will displace any existing uses, please describe (using number of units, square feet., etc): n/a	
Community Facilities Impacts	
Community Facilities Impacts	

If the development will displace any existing uses, please describe (using number of units, square feet., etc): n/a		
Community Facilities Impacts		
Water Supply		
Name of water supply provider for this site:	Gwinnett County	
What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.29 mgd	
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	Υ	
If no, are there any current plans to expand existing water supply capacity?		
If there are plans to expand the existing water supply capacity, briefly describe below:		
If water line extension is required to serve this project, how much additional line (in miles) will be required?		
Wastewater Disnosal		

Wastewater Disposal	·	
Name of wastewater treatment provider for this site:	Gwinnett County	
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.25 mgd	
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?		
If no, are there any current plans to expand existing wastewater treatment capacity?		
If there are plans to expand existing wastewater treatment capacity, briefly describe below:		
If sewer line extension is required to serve this project, how much additional line (in miles) will be required?	2.5 mi. per developer	
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.)

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Has a traffic study been performed to determine whether or not transportation or access improve needed to serve	ments will be this project?	Υ
If yes, has a copy of the study been provided to the local	government?	Υ
If transportation improvements are needed to serve this project, please describe below: See TIS		
Solid Waste Disposal		
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	1,300 tons/ar	าทนฑ
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	Υ	
If no, are there any current plans to expand existing landfill capacity?		
If there are plans to expand existing landfill capacity, briefly describe below:		
Will any hazardous waste be generated by the development? If yes, please explain below:	N	
Stormwater Management		
What percentage of the site is projected to be impervious surface once the proposed development has been constructed.		
Is the site located in a water supply watershed	? Y	
If yes, list the watershed(s) name(s) below: Chattahoochee		
Describe any measures proposed (such as buffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking area project's impacts on stormwater management: Buffers, detention pond(s).	is) to mitigate t	ihe
Environmental Quality		
Is the development located within, or likely to affect any of the following:		
1. Water supply watersheds?		Υ
2. Significant groundwater recharge areas?		Υ
3. Wetlands?		N
4. Protected mountains?		N
5. Protected river corridors?		N
If you answered yes to any question 1-5 above, describe how the identified resource(s) may be affecte Buffers, detention pond(s).	d below:	
Has the local government implemented environmental regulations consistent with the Department of Na Rules for Environmental Planning Criteria?	atural Resourc	es' Y
Is the development located within, or likely to affect any of the following:		
1. Floodplains?		N
2. Historic resources?		N
3. Other environmentally sensitive resources?		N
If you answered yes to any question 1-3 above, describe how the identified resource(s) may be affecte	d below:	

