To: All Vendors
From: Cindy Clack
Date: 6/29/16
Re: RFB2016-17 – OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING (P.I. NO. 0013973)

RFB2016-17 is attached for your consideration. Anyone accessing this Request for Bid from the Barrow County website www.barrowga.org is responsible to insure the latest documents are in their possession including any addenda. All addenda, questions and answers will be posted on this site. This site should be visited frequently to insure your awareness of any updates.

Please insure bids are submitted exactly as specified in the RFB. If you have any questions, please submit them in writing by email as called for in the RFB.

Thank you.
REQUEST FOR BIDS
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BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA
JUNE 29, 2016

DATE OF OPENING: JULY 28, 2016
REQUEST FOR BIDS
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BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

Date: June 29, 2016

PURPOSE:
The purposes of this request are: 1) to provide interested contractors with sufficient information to enable them to submit a uniform bid for the County’s review; and 2) to set forth a systematic method that will be fair and impartial to all parties concerned and to generate a response that can be equally evaluated by the County. This RFB is complex and requires your immediate and careful attention. This bid shall be evaluated and governed according to the Barrow County Purchasing Policy.

GENERAL:
Barrow County, Georgia (Owner) is in the process of securing sealed bids for approximately 2.74 miles of asphalt resurfacing, asphalt widening, deep patching, and striping on Old Hog Mountain Road in Barrow County. The Engineer for this project is BM&K Construction & Engineering. Special attention should be given to the Schedule and Conditions referenced below.

All work performed for this project shall be in accordance with Georgia Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads & Bridges, 2013 Edition, and attached modifications and special provisions.

Bidders shall inform themselves concerning Georgia Laws and comply with same.

All bidders must show prequalification by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

Bidders must satisfy themselves of the accuracy of the estimated quantities in the bid Schedule by examination of the site and a review of the drawings and specifications including any addenda. After bids have been submitted, the bidder shall not assert that there was a misunderstanding concerning the quantities of work or of the nature of the work to be done.

The Owner shall provide to bidders prior to bidding, all information which is pertinent to, and delineates and describes, the land owned and rights of way acquired or to be acquired. The contract documents contain the provisions required for the construction of the project. Information obtained from an officer, agent, or employee of the Owner or any other person shall not affect the risks or obligations assumed by the contractor or relieve him from fulfilling any of the conditions of the Contract.
Each bidder is responsible for inspecting the site and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the contract documents. The failure or omission of any bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any bidder from any obligation in respect to his/her bid.

**Regular and Uniform Proposal:** Each contractor must comply with all requirements for a regular bid as directed or required by this notice. Notice is hereby given to all contractors that if their proposals are defective or irregular, the same may be rejected immediately. To facilitate comparative analysis and evaluation of bids, it is desired that a uniform format be employed in structuring each bid. The required format will coincide with specifications given later in this notice. The contractor’s degree of compliance with the requirements of this notice will be a factor in the subsequent evaluation and award of contract for the project. All instructions are to be considered an integral part of this RFB.

**Firm Price:** Prices quoted by contractor shall be firm prices, and not subject to increase during the schedule hereinafter set-forth and shall not include Federal or State Tax. All prices shall be for delivery, our destination, F.O.B. freight prepaid Winder, Georgia, unless otherwise shown. Firm prices shall include all associated costs as defined in the Specifications.

**Liquidated Damages:** PROJECT COMPLETION WILL BE NINETY (90) CONSECUTIVE DAYS FROM DATE OF THE NOTICE TO PROCEED. Liquidated damages of Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00) per day will be assessed for each day after completion date until project is completed.

**Security:** Accompany bid with a bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid. The successful bidder will be required to submit to Barrow County a performance bond in the amount equal to one hundred ten percent (110%) of the contract amount and a payment bond in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract amount. Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department’s most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in Georgia. Only Barrow County bond forms will be accepted.

**INQUIRIES:** Contractors shall not contact any members, or employees, of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners or any Barrow County Elected Officer, or employees of Barrow County Elected Officers regarding this RFB, bid evaluation, or selection process from the time the RFB is issued until the time a notification of intent to award is announced. Questions relating to this RFB must be submitted in writing to: Cindy Clack (email: eclack@barrowga.org). The deadline for questions related to this RFB shall be 5:00 p.m., July 19, 2016. All questions submitted in writing, in a timely manner prior to the deadline will be compiled and answered in writing. All questions submitted in writing will be addressed and posted as an Addendum on the Barrow County website (www.barrowga.org).

**SEALED BID:** An original (un-bound) and three copies of the bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope/package, addressed to Owner. Each sealed envelope/package containing a bid must be plainly marked on the outside as “RFB2016-17 – Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing”. If the bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope/package containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope/package to the attention of the Owner at the address previously given and also marked on the outside as “RFB2016-17 – Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing”. The Owner will not be responsible for late mail deliveries, and no bid will be
accepted if received after the time as stipulated by this RFB. No bid may be withdrawn or modified in any way after the deadline for the RFB opening. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

**PRE-BID MEETING:** A Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting will be held July 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Historic Courthouse located at 30 North Broad Street, Winder, Ga. 30680. If it is determined that a field inspection is necessary we will move to the project site at the conclusion of the meeting. **Failure to attend this mandatory pre-bid meeting disqualifies you from submitting a bid. NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

**EVENTS:** The following dates and times apply to this RFB:

- Issue Request for Bid: June 29, 2016
- Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting: July 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
- Deadline for Questions: July 19, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
- Bid Due Date: July 28, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.
- Bid Opening: July 28, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
- Selection Recommendation to BOC: August 2016
- Work to Begin: September 2016

Sealed bids will be accepted no later than 12:00 Noon, Thursday, July 28, 2016. Any bid received after said time and date will not be considered by Owner. Bids will be opened in the Conference Room of the Historic Courthouse 30 North Broad Street, Winder, Ga. 30680 at 2:00 p.m., July 28, 2016. Bids will be reviewed and a recommendation will be presented to the Barrow County Board of Commissioners within sixty (60) days of bid opening.

**BIDS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO:**
Barrow County Board of Commissioners
Clerks Office
30 North Broad Street
Winder, GA  30680

**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:** The contractor selected for this project will be required to meet the insurance requirements stipulated in the Barrow County Construction Agreement.

**CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT:** All submitting contractors are required to execute the Construction Agreement included in this package to indicate the willingness to comply with all terms of the Construction Agreement and to submit the executed Construction Agreement with the bid. Upon award of the Project to the winning contractor, the County will execute the Construction Agreement. Please be advised that the contractor’s execution of the Construction Agreement prior to the award of the Project does not constitute the acceptance of an offer by the County or otherwise bind the County in any way until such time as the County executes the Construction Agreement. **Exhibits B, D, E & G to the Construction Agreement must be completed when submitting the bid.**
FORMAT: An original (un-bound) and three copies of the bid are to be submitted. Each should include a cover page which should identify the RFB number, title, and the name of the company submitting the bid.

It is the responsibility of each contractor to ensure that all information in the bid is easily readable by Owner. Owner, at its sole discretion, may reject any bid which is unclear in any way.

DOCUMENTS: The following are included in this Request for Bids:

- Memo (1 Page)
- Request for Bid (6 Pages)
- General Conditions (2 Pages)
- Special Provisions (61 Pages)
- Plans (17 Pages)
- Bid Form (2 Pages)
- Amendment Certification Form (1 Page)
- Drug and Alcohol Compliance Form (1 Page)
- References Document (2 Pages)
- Bid Bond (2 Pages)
- Payment Bond (3 Pages)
- Performance Bond (3 Pages)
- Construction Agreement (34 Pages)
- Notice Of Award (1 Page)
- Notice To Proceed (1 Page)
- Barrow County Ethics Policy (30 Pages)

DELIVERABLES: The following are required in bid submittals:

- Bid Form (Submit One Original and Three Copies)
- Bid Security (Use Barrow County Form Only)
- Executed Construction Agreement Including Everify (Please Submit as Stated Earlier)
- Proof of Pre-Qualification by Georgia Department of Transportation
- Evidence of Insurance
- Executed Amendment Certification Form
- Drug and Alcohol Compliance Form
- Copy of Business License
- References Document

RIGHT TO SUBMITTED MATERIALS: All responses, inquires, or correspondence relating or in reference to this schedule, exhibit, and other documentation by the bidding contractor shall be properly identified with their name and will become the property of the Owner when received.

EVALUATION AND SELECTION: Bids will be reviewed and one bid will be selected that, in the opinion of the Owner, is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
Barrow County reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted, or where it may serve the best interest of the County, to request additional information or clarification from those submitting bids. The County, in its sole discretion, also reserves the right to waive any formalities or technicalities relative to any or all bids. Where two or more contractors are deemed equal, the County reserves the right to make the award to one of the contractors. At the County’s discretion, presentations may be requested as part of the evaluation process. Barrow County reserves the right to retain all bids submitted.

There is no expressed or implied obligation for Barrow County to reimburse any contractor for any expense incurred in preparing or presenting a bid in response to this RFB.

**ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS:** It is agreed that the bidding contractor selected will not assign, transfer, convey, or otherwise dispose of a contract that results from this invitation or his right, title, or interest in or to the same, any part thereof, without written consent by the Owner.

**WARRANTY:**
The contractor selected for this project will be required to provide the warranty of goods and services stipulated in the Barrow County Construction Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**GDOT REQUIREMENT:**
Nondiscrimination: The County, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that they will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 23 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or handicap/disability in consideration for an award.
GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. 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 Barrow County in any way. The attention of the bidder is specifically directed to sections 102.04, 102.05, and 104.03 of the specifications.

2. The attention of the contractor is specifically directed to section 107.09 of the specifications regarding barricades, danger, warning, and detour signs.

3. In preparation of the roadway prior to resurfacing, the contractor shall wash and sweep the existing pavement with a water truck and/or street sweeper. The cost of this work shall be included in the overall bid price.

4. Debris displaced by the cleaning operation prior to resurfacing shall be removed from all lawns, driveways and sidewalks in order to match existing ground conditions, and as specified in section 104.05 of the specifications, at no additional cost to the department.

5. The contractor shall perform all patching as directed by the engineer, prior to resurfacing operations. The cost of patching will be included in the unit price bid for patching.

6. The contractor shall be responsible for maintaining all drainage structures within the limits of the project throughout the duration of the project. Any debris that goes in drainage structures as a result of the milling, street cleaning and paving operation shall be cleaned out by the contractor at no additional cost to the department.

7. The contractor shall remove and reset any signs and/or mailboxes and/or delineators in conflict with the work. The cost shall be included in the overall bid price. The contractor shall be responsible for protecting and storing removed signs and delineators until being reset.

8. All paved drives and paved city/county street/road intersections shall be paved to the radius return. All unpaved drives shall be paved with a minimum apron, as directed by the engineer.

9. The contractor and all of its employees and or subcontractors shall be in uniform at all times and refrain from associating with any of the County's residents located in construction zone.

10. The contractor shall at no time block any driveways or deny any of the County residents access to and from their homes.
SPECIAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 105-CONTROL OF WORK

105.05 COOPERATION BY CONTRACTOR:  Add the following:

The on-site Project Superintendent must have a minimum of 10 years experience as a Superintendent on projects similar in size and complexity. In this context, the Project Superintendent shall be the individual with overall responsibility for management, quality, and production on the project. The Project Superintendent is subject to removal by the Engineer for non-compliance with requirements specified in the Contract and for failure to manage the project to insure timely completion.

Approval of the on-site Project Superintendent is required prior to the start of construction. The Contractor shall submit a resume for the proposed Project Superintendent describing his experience with references and qualifications to the Engineer for approval. The Engineer reserves the right to interview the proposed on-site Project Superintendent at any time in order to verify the submitted qualifications.

SECTION 108-PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS

Delete paragraphs one through four of Subsection 108.01 and substitute the following:

The contractor shall not sublet, sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of the Contract or Contracts, or any portion thereof, or of his/her right title, or interest therein, without written consent of the Engineer. For Subcontracts, consent of the Engineer will not be considered until after award of the Contract.

In case such consent is given, the Contractor will be permitted to sublet a portion thereof, but shall perform, with his/her own organization, work amounting to not less than seventy percent (70%) of the total Contract cost, including materials, equipment, and labor.

As a further exception, any items designated as "Specialty Items" may be performed by Subcontract and the cost of any such Specialty Items so performed by Subcontract may be deducted from the total cost before computing the amount of work required to be performed by the Contractor with his/her own organization.

Purchase of materials by the Prime Contractor for use by a Subcontractor will not be allowed when computing the 70% requirement.
SECTION 109 - MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

Delete the second paragraph of Section 109.07.A. and add the following to Section 109:

Prime Contractors who sublet a portion of their work shall pay their subcontractors for satisfactory performance of their contracts no later than 15 calendar days from receipt of each payment made to them. Any delay or postponement of payment among the parties may take place only for good cause with prior written approval from the County.

The Prime Contractor shall produce a signed affidavit verifying final and complete payment of subcontractors before final acceptance will be made by the County.

If the contractor is found to be in noncompliance with these provisions, it shall constitute a breach of contract and further payment for any work performed may be withheld until corrective action is taken. If corrective action is not taken, it may result in termination of the contract.

All subcontract agreements shall contain this requirement.

SECTION 150 - TRAFFIC CONTROL

Add the following:

150.1 General
This section as supplemented by the Plans, Specifications, and Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) shall be considered the Traffic Control Plan. Activities shall consist of furnishing, installing, maintaining, and removing necessary traffic signs, barricades, lights, signals, cones, pavement markings and other traffic control devices and shall include flagging and other means for guidance and protection of vehicular pedestrian traffic through the Work Zone. This Work shall include both maintaining existing devices and installing additional devices as necessary in construction work zones.
When any provisions of this Specification or the Plans do not meet the minimum requirements of the MUTCD, the MUTCD shall control. The 2009 Edition of the MUTCD shall be in effect for the duration of the project.

The Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor (WTCS) shall have a copy of Part VI of the MUTCD on the job site. Copies of the current MUTCD may be obtained from the FHWA web page at http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov.

A. WORKER SAFETY APPAREL
   All workers exposed to the risks of moving roadway traffic or construction equipment shall wear high-visibility safety apparel meeting the requirements of International Safety Equipment Association (ISEA) American National Standard for High-Visibility Safety Apparel, or equivalent revisions, and labeled as ANSI-2004 Class 2 or 3 risk exposure.

B. Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor
   ALL HIGHWAYS (ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BELOW FOR INTERSTATES): The Contractor shall designate a qualified individual as the Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor (WTCS) who shall be responsible for selecting, installing and maintaining all traffic control devices in accordance with the Plans, Specifications, Special Provisions and the MUTCD. A written resume documenting the experience and credentials of the WTCS shall be submitted and accepted by the Engineer prior to beginning any work that involves traffic control. The WTCS shall be available on a twenty-four (24) hour basis to perform his duties. If the work requires traffic control activities to be performed during the daylight and nighttime hours it may be necessary for the Contractor to designate an alternate WTCS. An alternate WTCS must meet the same requirements and qualifications as the primary WTCS and be accepted by the Engineer prior to beginning any traffic control duties. The Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor’s traffic control responsibilities shall have priority over all other assigned duties.

As the representative of the Contractor, the WTCS shall have full authority to act on behalf of the Contractor in administering the Traffic Control Plan. The WTCS shall have appropriate training in safe traffic control practices in accordance with Part VI of the MUTCD. In addition to the WTCS all other individuals making decisions regarding traffic control shall meet the training requirements of the Part VI of the MUTCD.

The WTCS shall supervise the initial installation of traffic control devices. The Engineer prior to the beginning of construction will review the initial installation. Modifications to traffic control devices as required by sequence of operations or staged construction shall be reviewed by the WTCS.

The WTCS shall be available on a full-time basis to maintain traffic control devices with access to all personnel, materials, and equipment necessary to respond
effectively to an emergency situation within forty-five (45) minutes of notification of
the emergency.

The WTCS shall regularly perform inspections to ensure that traffic control is
maintained. Unless modified by the special conditions or by the Engineer, routine
deficiencies shall be corrected within a twenty-four (24) hour period. Failure to
comply with these provisions shall be grounds for dismissal from the duties of WTCS
and/or removal of the WTCS from the project. Failure of the WTCS to execute his
duties shall be considered as non-performance under Subsection 150.08.

The Engineer will periodically review the work for compliance with the requirements
of the traffic control plan.

On projects where traffic control duties will not require full time supervision, the
Engineer may allow the Contractor’s Project Superintendent to serve as the WTCS as
long as satisfactory results are obtained.

CERTIFIED WORKSITE TRAFFIC CONTROL SUPERVISOR
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERSTATE AND LIMITED ACCESS
HIGHWAYS: In addition to the requirements above, the WTCS shall have a
minimum of one year’s experience directly related to work site traffic control in a
supervisory or responsible capacity. The WTCS shall be currently certified by the
American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) Work Site Traffic Supervisor
Certification program, the National Safety Council Certification program or an equal
approved by the Department.

Any work performed on the interstate or limited access highway right-of-way that
requires traffic control shall be supervised by the Certified Worksite Traffic Control
Supervisor. No work requiring traffic control shall be performed unless the certified
WTCS is on the worksite. Failure to maintain a Certified Worksite Traffic Control
Supervisor on the work will be considered as non-performance under Subsection
150.08.

The WTCS shall perform, as a minimum, weekly traffic control inspections on all
interstate and limited access highways. The inspection shall be reported to the
Engineer on a TC-1 report. The Engineer will furnish a blank copy of the TC-1
report to the Contractor prior to the beginning of any work on the interstate or limited
access right-of-way.

C. Traffic Control Devices
All traffic control devices used during the construction of a project shall meet the
Standards utilized in the MUTCD, and shall comply with the requirements of these
Specifications, Project Plans, and Special Provisions. All devices shall be tested at
NCHRP Test Level III. Reference is made to Subsections 104.05, 107.07, and
107.09.
D. Reflectorization Requirements

All rigid fluorescent orange construction warning signs (black on fluorescent orange) shall meet the reflectorization and color requirements of ASTM Type VII, VIII, IX or X regardless of the mounting height.

Portable signs which have flexible sign blanks shall meet the reflectorization and color requirements of ASTM Type VI.

Warning signs (W3-1a) for stop conditions that have rumble strips located in the travel way shall be reflectorized with ASTM Type IX fluorescent yellow sheeting.

All other signs shall meet the requirements of ASTM Type III or IV except for “Pass With Care” and “Do Not Pass” signs which may be ASTM Type I unless otherwise specified.

CHANNELIZATION DEVICES: Channelization devices shall meet the requirements of ASTM Type III or IV high intensity sheeting.

E. Implementation Requirements

No work shall be started on any project phase until the appropriate traffic control devices have been placed in accordance with the Project requirements. Changes to traffic flow shall not commence unless all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to make the changes are available on the Project.

When any shift or change is made to the location of traffic or to the flow patterns of traffic, the permanent safety features shall be installed and fully operational before making the change. If staging or site conditions prevent the installation of permanent features then the equivalent interim devices shall be utilized.

Any section of the work that is on new location shall have all permanent safety features installed and fully operational before the work is opened to traffic. Safety features shall include but are not limited to the following items:

- Guardrail including anchors and delineation
- Impact attenuators
- Traffic signals
- Warning devices
- Pavement markings including words, symbols, stop bars, and crosswalks
- Roadway signs including regulatory, warning, and guide

Outdoor lighting shall be considered as a safety feature for welcome centers, rest areas, and weigh station projects. For typical roadway type projects new street lighting is not considered a safety feature unless specifically noted in the plans or in the special conditions.

F. Maintenance of Traffic Control devices
Traffic control devices shall be in acceptable condition when first erected on the project and shall be maintained in accordance with Subsection 104.05 throughout the construction period. All unacceptable traffic control devices shall be replaced within 24 hours. When not in use, all traffic control devices shall be removed, placed or covered so as not to be visible to traffic. All construction warning signs shall be removed within seven calendar days after time charges are stopped or pay items are complete. If traffic control devices are left in place for more than ten days after completion of the Work, the Department shall have the right to remove such devices, claim possession thereof, and deduct the cost of such removal from any monies due, or which may become due, the Contractor.

G. Traffic Interruption Restrictions
The Department reserves the right to restrict construction operations when, in the opinion of the Engineer, the continuance of the Work would seriously hinder traffic flow, be needlessly disruptive or unnecessarily inconvenience the traveling public. The Contractor shall suspend and/or reschedule any work when the Engineer deems that conditions are unfavorable for continuing the Work.

Advanced notification requirements to the Contractor to suspend work will be according to the events and the time restrictions outlined below:

- Incident management: No advanced notice required
- Threatening/Inclement weather: 24 hours
- Holidays, sporting events, unfavorable conditions: Three (3) calendar days

If the work is suspended, the Contractor may submit a request for additional contract time as allowed under Section 108. The Department will review the request and may grant additional contract time as justified by the impact to the Contractor’s schedule. Compensation for loss of productivity, rescheduling of crews, rental of equipment or delays to the Contractor’s schedule will not be considered for payment. Additional contract time will be the only consideration granted to the Contractor.

H. Sequence of Operations
Any Sequence of Operations provided in this Contract in conjunction with any staging details which may be shown in the plans, is a suggested sequence for performing the Work. It is intended as a general staging plan for the orderly execution of the work while minimizing the impact on the mainline, cross-streets and side streets. The Contractor shall develop detailed staging and traffic control plans for performing specific areas of the Work including but not limited to all traffic shifts, detours, bridge widenings, paces, or other activities that disrupt traffic flow. The Engineer may require detailed staging and traffic control plans for lane closures. These plans shall be submitted for approval at least two weeks prior to the scheduled
date of the activity. Activities that have not been approved at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled date shall be rescheduled.

Where traffic is permitted through the work area under stage construction, the Contractor may choose to construct, at no additional expense to the Department, temporary on-site bypasses or detours in order to expedite the work. Plans for such temporary bypasses or detours shall be submitted to the Engineer for review and approval 30 calendar days prior to the proposed construction. Such bypasses or detours shall be removed promptly when in the opinion of the Engineer, they are no longer necessary for the satisfactory progress of the Work. Bypasses and detours shall meet the minimum requirements of Subsection 150.02.B.4.

As an option to the Sequence of Operations in the Contract, the Contractor may submit an alternative Sequence of Operations for review and approval. A twenty calendar day lead time for the Department’s review shall be given to this submission so that a decision on its acceptability can be made and presented at the Preconstruction Conference. Insufficient lead time or no submission by the Contractor shall be construed as acceptance of the Sequence of Operations outlined in the Contract and the willingness of the Contractor to execute this as-bid plan.

The Department will not pay, or in any way reimburse the Contractor for claims arising from the Contractor’s inability to perform the Work in accordance with the Sequence of Operations provided in the Contract or from an approved Contractor alternate.

The Contractor shall secure the Engineer’s approval of the Contractor’s proposed plan of operation, sequence of work and methods of providing for the safe passage of vehicular and pedestrian traffic before it is placed in operation. The proposed plan of operation shall supplement the approved traffic control plan. Any major changes to the approved traffic control plan, proposed by the Contractor, shall be submitted to the Department for approval.

Some additional traffic control details will be required prior to any major shifts or changes in traffic. The traffic control details shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. A detailed drawing showing traffic locations and lanes for each step of the change.
   a. The location, size, and message of all signs required by the MUTCD, Plan, Special Provisions and other signs as required to fit conditions. Any portable changeable message signs used shall be included in the details.
   b. The method to be used in, and the limits of, the obliteration of conflicting lines and markings.
2. Type, location, and extent of new lines and markings.
3. Horizontal and vertical alignment and superelevation rates for detours, including cross-section and profile grades along each edge of existing pavement.
6. Drainage details for temporary and permanent alignments.
7. Location, length, and/or spacing of channelization and protective devices (temporary barrier, guardrail, barricades, etc.)
8. Starting time, duration and date of planned change.
9. For each traffic shift, a paving plan, erection plan, or work site plan, as appropriate, detailing workforce, materials, and equipment necessary to accomplish the proposed work. This will be the minimum resource allocation required in order to start the work.

A minimum of three copies of the above details shall be submitted to the Engineer for approval at least 14 days prior to the anticipated traffic shift. The Contractor shall have traffic control details for a traffic shift which has been approved by the Engineer prior to commencement of the physical shift. All preparatory work relative to the traffic shift, which does not interfere with traffic, shall be accomplished prior to the designated starting time. The Engineer and the Contractor’s representative will verify that all conditions have been met prior to the Contractor obtaining materials for the actual traffic shift.

I. Compliance dates for provisions of the MUTCD
Federal law requires that traffic control devices (temporary or permanent) installed on new highway or bikeway construction or reconstruction shall be compliant with the latest version of the MUTCD before the road is opened to the public for unrestricted travel. The latest version of the MUTCD is the 2009 Edition, which the Georgia Department of Transportation has adopted. However, the FHWA, in the introduction to the MUTCD, has established alternate compliance dates for some of the new provisions of the 2009 MUTCD. Below is a list of those compliance dates. The Department may decide to require contractors to implement some or all of these provisions at an earlier date than the compliance dates noted below. However, notice will be given in advance of the letting date if these provisions are to be implemented prior to the compliance dates. The contractor may also decide to implement the new provisions in the 2009 MUTCD earlier than required by the compliance dates below.

The target dates established by the FHWA shall be as follows:

Section 6D.03 Worker Safety Considerations – high-visibility apparel requirements – December 31, 2011
Section 6E.02 High-Visibility Safety Apparel – high-visibility apparel requirements for flaggers – December 31, 2011.

150.02 Temporary Traffic Control Zones

A. Devices and Materials
In addition to the other provisions contained herein, work zone traffic control shall be accomplished using the following means and materials:

1. Portable Advance Warning Signs
Portable advance warning signs shall be utilized as per the requirements of the traffic control plans. All signs shall meet the requirements of the MUTCD and shall be NCHRP 350 crashworthy compliant.

2. Arrow Panels
Portable sequential or flashing arrow panels as shown in the Plans or Specifications for use on Interstate or multi-lane highway lane closure only, shall be a minimum size of 48" high by 96" wide with not less than 15 lamps used for the arrow. The arrow shall occupy virtually the entire size of the arrow panel and shall have a minimum legibility distance of one mile. The minimum legibility distance is that distance at which the arrow panel can be comprehended by an observer on a sunny day, or clear night. Arrow panels shall be equipped with automatic dimming features for use during hours of darkness. The arrow panels shall also meet the requirements for a Type C panel as shown in the MUTCD. The sequential or flashing arrow panels shall not be used for lane closure on two-lane, two-way highways when traffic is restricted to one-lane operations in which case, appropriate signing, flaggers and when required, pilot vehicles will be deemed sufficient.

The sequential or flashing arrow panels shall be placed on the shoulder at or near the point where the lane closing transition begins. The panels shall be mounted on a vehicle, trailer, or other suitable support. Vehicle mounted panels shall be provided with remote controls. Minimum mounting height shall be seven feet above the roadway to the bottom of the panel, except on vehicle mounted panels which should be as high as practical.

For emergency situations, arrow display panels that meet the MUTCD requirements for Type A or Type B panels may be used until Type C panels can be located and placed at the site. The use of Type A and Type B panels shall be held to the minimum length of time possible before having the Type C panel(s) in operation. The Engineer shall determine when conditions and circumstances are considered to be emergencies. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer, in writing, when any non-specification arrow display panel(s) is being used in the work.

3. Portable Changeable Message Signs
Portable changeable message signs meeting the requirements of Section 632 and the MUTCD. Any PCMS in use that is not protected by positive barrier protection shall be delineated by a minimum of three drums that meet the requirement of Subsection 150.05.A.1. The drum spacing shall not exceed a maximum of ten (10') feet as shown in Detail 150-PCMS. When the PCMS is within twenty (20') feet of the opposing traffic flow, the trailing end of the PCMS shall be delineated with a minimum of three drums spaced in the same manner as the approach side of the PCMS.
When not in use the PCMS shall be removed from the roadway unless protected by positive barrier protection. If the PCMS is protected by positive barrier protection the sign panel shall be turned away from traffic when not in use.

4. Channelization Devices
Channelization devices shall meet the standards of the MUTCD and Subsection 150.05.

5. Temporary Barrier
Temporary barrier shall meet the requirements of Sections 620.

6. Temporary Traffic Signals
Temporary traffic signals shall meet the requirements of Section 647 and the MUTCD.

7. Pavement Marking
Pavement marking incorporated into the work shall comply with Subsections 150.04.A and 150.04.B.

8. Portable Temporary Traffic Control Signals
The use of Portable Temporary Traffic Control Signals shall meet the following minimum requirements:

Only two-lane two-way roadways will be allowed to utilize Portable Temporary Traffic Control Signals.

All portable traffic control signals shall meet the physical display and operational requirements of conventional traffic signals described in the MUTCD.
Each signal face shall have at least three lenses. The lenses shall be red, yellow, or green in color and shall give a circular type of indication. All lenses shall be twelve (12") inches nominal in diameter. A minimum of two signal faces shall face each direction of traffic. A minimum of one signal head shall be suspended over the roadway travel lane in a manner that will allow the bottom of the signal head housing to be not less than seventeen (17') feet above and not more than nineteen (19') feet above the pavement grade at the center of the travel lane. The second signal head may be located over the travel lane with the same height requirements or the second signal head may be located on the shoulder. When the signal head is located on the shoulder the bottom of the signal head housing shall be at least eight (8') feet but not more than (15’) feet above the pavement grade at the center of highway.

Advance warning signage and appropriate pavement markings shall be installed as part of the temporary signal operation.

The signals shall be operated in a manner consistent with traffic requirements. The signals may be operated in timed-mode or in a vehicle-actuated mode. The signals shall be interconnected in a manner to ensure that conflicting movements cannot occur. To assure that the appropriate operating pattern including timing is displayed to the traveling public, regular inspections including the use of accurate timing devices shall be made by the Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor. If at any time any part of the system fails to operate within these requirements then the use of the signal shall be suspended and the appropriate flagging operation shall begin immediately.

The Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor (WTCS) shall continuously monitor the portable traffic control signal to insure compliance with the requirements for maintenance under the MUTCD. The signal shall be maintained in a manner consistent with the intention of the MUTCD, with emphasis on cleaning of the optical system. Timing changes shall be made only by the WTCS. The WTCS shall keep a written record of all timing changes.

The portable temporary signal shall have two power sources and shall be capable of running for seven calendar days continuously.

The Contractor shall have an alternate traffic control plan in the event of failure of the signal.

9. Rumble Strips
Rumble strips incorporated into the work shall meet the requirements of Section 429 and the MUTCD. Existing rumble strips that are positioned in the traveled way to warn traffic of a stop condition shall be reinstalled based on the following requirements:
INTERMEDIATE SURFACES: Intermediate surfaces that will be in use for more than forty-five (45) calendar days shall have rumble strips reinstalled on the traveled way in the area of a stop condition. Non-refundable deductions in accordance with Subsection 150.08 will be assessed for any intermediate surface in place for greater than 45 days without rumble strips.

FINAL SURFACES: Rumble strips shall be installed on the final surface within fourteen (14) calendar days of the placement of the final surface in the area of the stop condition. Failure to install within fourteen (14) calendar days will result in assessment of non-refundable deductions in accordance with Subsection 150.08.

Prior to the removal of any rumble strips located in the travel way, stop ahead (W3-1a) warning signs shall be double indicated ahead of the stop condition. These warning signs shall be a minimum of 48 inches by 48 inches. The reflectorization of the warning signs shall be as required by Subsection 150.01.C. These warning signs shall remain in place until the rumble strips have been reinstalled on the traveled way. Any existing warning signs for the stop ahead condition shall be removed or covered while the 48” X 48” (W3-1a) signs are in place. When the rumble strips have been reinstalled these warning signs should be promptly removed and any existing signage placed back in service.

10. Guardrail

When the removal and installation of guardrail is required as a part of the work the following time restrictions shall apply unless modified by the special conditions:

MULTI-LANE HIGHWAYS: From the time that the existing guardrail or temporary positive barrier protection is removed the Contractor has fourteen (14) calendar days to install the new guardrail and anchors. During the interim, the location without guardrail shall be protected with drums spaced at a maximum spacing of twenty (20’) feet. The maximum length of rail that can be removed at any time without being replaced with positive barrier protection is a total of 2000 linear feet of existing rail or the total length of one run of existing rail, whichever is greater.

ALL OTHER HIGHWAYS: From the time that the existing guardrail is removed or from the time that temporary positive barrier protection is removed the Contractor has thirty (30) calendar days to install the new guardrail and anchors. During the interim, the location without guardrail shall be protected with drums spaced at a maximum spacing of twenty (20’) feet. The maximum length of rail that can be removed at any time without being replaced with positive barrier protection is a total of 1000 linear feet of existing rail or the total length of one run of existing rail, whichever is greater.
Based on existing field conditions, the Engineer may review the work and require that the guardrail be installed earlier than the maximum time allowed above by giving written notification to the Contractor via the TC-1 traffic control report.

Failure to comply with the above time and quantity restrictions shall be considered as non-compliance under Subsection 150.08.

11. Stop sign regulated intersections

For intersections that utilize stop sign(s) to control the flow of traffic and to restrict the movement of vehicles, the stop sign(s) shall be maintained for the duration of the work or until such time that the stop condition is eliminated or until an interim or permanent traffic signal can be installed to provide proper traffic control. The traffic signal shall be installed and properly functioning before the removal of the existing stop sign(s) is permitted. If the existing intersection is enhanced traffic control features such as stop bars, double indicated stop signs, oversized signs, advanced warning stop ahead signs, rumble strips on the approaches or flashing beacons located overhead or on the shoulders then these features shall be maintained for the duration of the project or until the permanent traffic control plan has been implemented.

Whenever the staging of the work requires that the traveled-way be relocated or realigned the Contractor shall reinstall all enhanced traffic control features noted above on the newly constructed sections of the work. The cost of relocating the stop bars, stop signs, advanced warning signs, the rumble strips and the flashing beacons shall be included in the price bid for Lump-Sum-Traffic Control unless individual pay items are included in the contract for rumble strips and/or flashing beacons. When pay items are included in the contract for rumble strips or flashing beacons then these items will be paid per each.

When staging requires the relocation or realignment of an existing stop condition it may be necessary to consider the addition of enhanced traffic control features even though none existed at the original location. As a guide for enhanced traffic control features that may be considered, the Engineer or the WTCs may refer to the Department’s guidelines for “Opening of New Roadways to Traffic” (Document #6635-2). Horizontal and vertical alignment changes at a new location may have decreased or restricted sight distance or the stop condition may occur sooner than in the previous alignment. If these conditions occur then the Engineer and/or the WTCs should consider additional measures to enhance the motorist’s awareness of the changes even though the staging plans may not address enhanced features. Stop signs should be a minimum of 36 inches for interim situations. The use of 48 inch stop signs may be warranted under project specific conditions. Flags may be used on interim/permanent stop signs that are mounted at seven (7') feet in height for a short duration in order to direct additional attention to a new or relocated stop sign(s). Flags should not be used for durations exceeding two weeks unless unusual or site specify conditions warrant a longer period of time. The use of Type “A” flashing red light(s)
attached to the stop sign(s) may be appropriate during the same period that the flags are in use to increase attention.

The use of rumble strips and/or portable changeable message signs may be considered. The use of new rumble strips, where none previously existed, shall have the prior approval of District Traffic Operations before being included as part of the traffic control plan. The message(s) displayed on any PCMS shall have the prior approval of the Engineer and the message(s) shall be included as part of the traffic control plan for the interim staging.

The placement of any additional interim ground-mounted signs and posts or stop bars shall be considered as incidental to the price bid for Lump Sum-Traffic Control. The installation of rumble strips, flashing beacons or the use of Portable Changeable Message Signs (PCMS) shall be considered as Extra Work unless pay items are included in the contract.

B. Work zone restrictions

1. Interstate
   The Contractor shall not simultaneously perform work on both the inside shoulder and outside shoulder on either direction of traffic flow when the Work is within 12 feet of the travel-way, unless such areas are separated by at least one-half mile of distance.

2. Non-Interstate Divided Highways
   The Contractor shall not simultaneously perform work on both the inside shoulder and outside shoulder on either direction of traffic flow when the Work is within 12 feet of the travel-way, unless such areas are separated by at least one-half mile distance in rural areas or at least 500 feet of distance in urban areas.

3. Non-Divided Highways
   The Contractor shall not simultaneously perform work on opposite sides of the roadway when the work is within 12 feet of the travel-way, unless such areas are separated by at least one-half mile of distance in rural areas or at least 500 feet of distance in urban areas.

   On two-lane projects where full width sections of the existing subgrade, base or surfacing are to be removed, and new base, subgrade, or surfacing are to be constructed, the Contractor shall maintain one-lane traffic through the construction area by removing and replacing the undesirable material for half the width of the existing roadway at a time. Replacement shall be made such that paving is completed to the level of the existing pavement in the adjacent lane by the end of the workday or before opening all the roadway to traffic.

4. All Highways:
a. There shall be no reduction in the total number of available traffic lanes that existed prior to construction except as specifically allowed by the Contract and as approved by the Engineer.

b. Travel way Clearances: All portions of the work shall maintain the following minimum requirements:

Horizontal: The combined dimensions of the paved shoulder and the roadway surface remaining outside the Work Zone shall be no less than sixteen (16) feet in width at any location.

Vertical: The overhead clearance shall not be reduced to less than fifteen (15) feet at any location.

The restrictions above apply to all shifts, lane closures, on-site detours and off site detours whether shown in the contract or proposed by the Contractor. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to verify that these minimum requirements have been met before proceeding with any phase of the Work.

Two-lane two-way roadways may have temporary horizontal restrictions of less than sixteen (16) feet provided a flagger operation for one-way traffic is utilized to restrict access to the work area by over-width loads. The minimum horizontal clearance shall be restored before the flagging operation is removed.

c. Highway Work Zone: All sections or segments of the roadway under construction or reconstruction shall be signed as a Highway Work Zone except non-state highway two-lane two-way resurfacing projects. Two conditions can be applied to a Highway Work Zone. Condition 1 is when no reduction in the existing speed limit is required. Condition 2 is when worksite conditions require a reduction of the speed limit through the designated Work Zone. Properly marking a Highway Work Zone shall include the following minimum requirements:

1) NO REDUCTION IN THE EXISTING POSTED SPEED LIMIT IN HIGHWAY WORK ZONE:

a) Signage (Detail 150-HWZ-2) shall be posted at the beginning point of the Highway Work Zone warning the traveling public that increased penalties for speeding violations are in effect. The HWZ-2 sign shall be placed a minimum of six hundred (600') feet in advance of the Highway Work Zone and shall not be placed more than one thousand (1000') feet in advance of the Work Zone. If no speed reduction is required it is recommended that the HWZ-2 be placed at 750 feet from the work area between the ROAD WORK 500 FT. and the ROAD WORK 1000 FT. signs.
HWZ-2 signs shall be placed at intervals not to exceed one mile for the length of the project. HWZ-2 signs should be placed on the mainline after all major intersections except State Routes. State Routes shall be signed as per the requirements for intersecting roadways below.

b) The existing speed limit shall be posted at the beginning of the Work Zone. Existing Speed Limit signs (R2-1) shall be maintained.

c) INTERSECTING ROADWAYS: Intersecting state routes shall be signed in advance of each intersection with the Work Zone with a HWZ-2 sign to warn motorists that increased fines are in effect. All other intersecting roadways that enter into a designated Highway Work Zone may be signed in advance of each intersection with the Work Zone. When construction equipment and personnel are present in the intersection on the mainline of a multi-lane roadway, the intersecting side roads shall be signed in advance with HWZ-2 signs. As soon as the work operation clears the intersection the signage may be removed.

d) Signage (Detail 150-HWZ-3) shall be posted at the end of the Highway Work Zone indicating the end of the zone and indicating that increased penalties for speeding violations are no longer in effect.

e) When a designated Highway Work Zone is no longer necessary all signs shall be removed immediately.

2. REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT IN A HIGHWAY WORK ZONE:

Highway Work Zone signs shall be posted as required in Condition 1 above.

For limited access (interstate) highways and controlled access multi-lane divided highways the posted speed limit shall be reduced as required below.

Speed Limit signage (R2-1) for the reduced speed limit shall be erected at the beginning of the work zone. Additional signs shall be placed to ensure that the maximum spacing of the reduced speed limit signs shall be no greater than one (1) mile apart. Existing speed limit signs shall be covered or removed. On multi-lane divided highways the speed limit signs shall be double indicated when the reduced speed is in use.

When any one or more of the following conditions exist and the existing speed limit is 65 mph or 70 mph, the speed limit shall be reduced by 10 mph. If the existing speed limit is 60 mph, the speed limit should be reduced by 5 mph. If the existing speed limit is 55 mph or less, the Contractor can only reduce the speed limit with the prior approval of the Engineer. The reduction in the speed limit shall be no greater than 10 mph.
a) Lane closure(s) of any type and any duration.
b) The difference in elevation exceeds two inches adjacent to a travel lane as shown in Subsection 150.06, Detail 150-B, 150-C.
c) Any areas where equipment or workers are within ten feet of a travel lane.
d) Temporary portable concrete barriers located less than two (2') feet from the traveled way.
e) As directed by the Engineer for conditions distinctive to this project.

When the above conditions are not present the speed limit shall be immediately returned to the existing posted speed limit. A speed reduction shall not be put in place for the entire length of the project unless conditions warranting the speed reduction are present for the entire project length. All existing speed limit signs within the temporary speed reduction zone shall be covered or removed while the temporary reduction in the speed limit is in effect. All signs shall be erected to comply with the minimum requirements of the MUTCD.

As a minimum the following records shall be kept by the WTCS:

a) Identify the need for the reduction.
b) Record the time of the installation and removal of the temporary reduction.
c) Fully describe the location and limits of the reduced speed zone.
d) Document any accident that occurs during the time of the reduction.

A copy of the weekly records for reduced speed zones shall be submitted to the Engineer.

Reduced speed zones shall, as a minimum, be signed as per Detail 150-HWZ-1. Interim signs shall meet the requirements of Subsection 150.03.D. Additional signs may be necessary to adjust for actual field conditions.

When a pilot vehicle is used on a two-lane two-way roadway the speed limit should not be reduced. For special conditions specific to the work, on two-lane two-way roadways or multi-lane highways, the contractor may reduce the posted speed limit with the prior approval of the Engineer.

5. Milled surface restrictions:
   Unless modified by the special conditions, a milled surface on any asphaltic concrete surface shall not be allowed to remain open to traffic for a period of time that exceeds thirty (30) calendar days.
6. Installation/Removal of work area signage:
   No payment will be made for Traffic Control-Lump Sum until the Work has
   actually started on the project. The installation of traffic control signage does not
   qualify as the start of work. Advanced warning signs shall not be installed until
   the actual beginning of work activities. Any permanent mount height signs
   installed as the work is preparing to start shall be covered until all signs are
   installed unless all signs are installed within seven (7) calendar days after
   beginning installation.

   All temporary traffic control devices shall be removed as soon as practical when
   these devices are no longer needed. When work is suspended for short periods of
   time, temporary traffic control devices that are no longer appropriate shall be
   removed or covered.

   All construction warning signs shall be removed within seven (7) calendar days
   after time charges are stopped or pay items are complete. If traffic control
   devices are left in place for more than ten (10) calendar days after completion of
   the Work, the Department shall have the right to remove such devices, claim
   possession thereof, and deduct the cost of such removal from any monies due, or
   which may become due, the Contractor.

   PUNCHLIST WORK: Portable signs shall be utilized to accomplish the
   completion of all punch list items. The portable signs shall be removed daily. All
   permanent mount height signs shall be removed prior to the beginning of the
   punch list work except “Low/Soft Shoulder” signs and any signs that have the
   prior written approval of the Engineer to remain in place while the punch list
   work is in progress.

   Failure to promptly remove the construction warning signs within the seven (7)
   calendar days after the completion of the Work or failure to remove or cover signs
   when work is suspended for short periods of time shall be considered as non-
   performance under Subsection 150.08.
SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION FOR HIGHWAY WORK ZONE
INTERSTATE AND MULTI-LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAY SIGNING SHALL BE DOUBLE INDICATED (RIGHT SHOULDER AND MEDIAN SHOULDER)

- 600' 600' 600' 600' 600' 500' MAX.

WORK ZONE

**HWZ-2 SIGNS**

**REDUCED SPEED AHEAD**
R2-5a
48" x 60"

**SPEED LIMIT**
48" x 60"

THIS SIGN SHALL BE INSTALLED ONLY WHEN THE SPEED REDUCTION IS GREATER THAN 10 M.P.H. FROM THE EXISTING POSTED SPEED LIMIT.

**R2-1**
48" x 60"

**SPEED LIMIT**
48" x 60"

REDUCED SPEED LIMIT SHALL HAVE THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER.

**R2-1**
48" x 60"

**SPEED LIMIT**
48" x 60"

REDUCED CONSTRUCTION SPEED LIMIT SHALL BE SPACED A MAXIMUM OF ONE MILE APART.

**HWZ-3 SIGNS**

**SPEED LIMIT**
48" x 60"

POST EXISTING SPEED LIMIT PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION SPEED ZONE REDUCTION

DOUBLE INDICATOR NOT REQUIRED FOR THIS SIGN

**R2-1**
48" x 60"

SIGN SIZES SHOWN ARE FOR INTERSTATE AND MULTI-LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAY. FOR OTHER HIGHWAYS USE STANDARD SIZE SIGNS AS PER THE M.U.T.C.O. EXCEPT HWZ-2 AND HWZ-3 SIGNS.

DETAIL ISO-HWZ-1
WORK ZONE
SPEEDING FINES INCREASED
MINIMUM FINE $100

HWZ-2

COLORS
TOP PANEL
LEGEND & BORDER - BLACK (NON-REFL)
BACKGROUND - FLUORESCENT ORANGE
   (ASTM TYPE VII, VIII, IX or X)
MIDDLE & BOTTOM PANELS
LEGEND & BORDER - BLACK (NON-REFL)
BACKGROUND - WHITE (ASTM TYPE III OR IV REFL SHEETING)

NOTES:
1. ALL HWZ-2 SIGN PANELS SHALL BE RIGID.
2. THE SIZE OF THE HWZ-2 SIGN SHALL NOT BE REDUCED FOR USE ON TWO-LANE ROADWAYS.
COLORS

TOP PANEL
LEGEND & BORDER - BLACK (NON-REFL)
BACKGROUND - FLUORESCENT ORANGE
(ASTM TYPE VII, VIII, IX or X)

BOTTOM PANEL
LEGEND & BORDER - BLACK (NON-REFL)
BACKGROUND - WHITE (ASTM TYPE III OR IV REFLECTING SHEETING)

NOTES:
1. ALL HWZ-3 SIGN PANELS SHALL BE RIGID.
2. THE SIZE OF THE HWZ-3 SIGN SHALL NOT BE REDUCED FOR USE ON TWO-LANE ROADWAYS.
C. Lane closures

1. Approval/Restrictions
   All lane closures of any type or duration shall have the prior approval of the Engineer.

   a. The length of a lane closure shall not exceed two (2) miles in length excluding the length of the tapers unless the prior approval of the Engineer has been obtained. The Engineer may extend the length of a lane closure based upon field conditions however the length of a work zone should be held to the minimum length required to accomplish the Work. Lane closures shall not be spaced closer than one mile. The advanced warning signs for the project should not overlap with the advanced warning signs for lane shifts, lane closures, etc.

   b. Lane closures that require same direction traffic to be split around the Work Area will not be approved for roadways with posted speeds of 35 mph or greater, excluding turn lanes.

2. Removal Of Lane Closures
   To provide the greatest possible convenience to the public in accordance with Subsection 107.07, the Contractor shall remove all signs, lane closure markings, and devices immediately when lane closure work is completed or temporarily suspended for any length of time or as directed by the Engineer. All portable signs and portable sign mounting devices shall be removed from the roadway to an area which will not allow the sign to be visible and will not allow the sign or sign mounting device to be impacted by traffic.

3. Exit And Entrance Ramps
   On multilane highways where traffic has been shifted to the inside lanes, the exit and entrance ramps shall have channelization devices placed on both sides of the ramp. The temporary ramp taper length shall be greater than, or equal to, the existing taper length. Interim EXIT gore signs shall be placed at the ramp divergence. The “EXIT OPEN” sign shown in Figure TA-42 of the MUTCD shall be utilized. Channelization device spacing shall be 10 feet for 200 feet in advance of the temporary gore, and 10 feet for the first 100 feet of the temporary gore.

4. Lane Drop/Lane Closure
   The first seven (7) calendar days of any lane closure shall be signed and marked as per Standard 9106 or 9107. However, lane closures that exist for a duration longer than seven (7) calendar days may be signed and marked as per the details in Standard 9121, provided the prior approval of the Engineer is obtained. The approved lane drop shall utilize only the signs and markings shown for the termination end of the lane drop in Standard 9121. All warning signs in the lane
drop sequence shall be used. Drums may be substituted for the Type I Crystal Delineators at the same spacing.

5. Termination Area
The transition to normal or full width highway at the end of a lane closure shall be a maximum of 150 feet.

D. Traffic pacing method

1. Pacing Of Traffic
With prior approval from the Engineer, traffic may be paced allowing the Contractor up to ten (10) minutes maximum to work in or above all lanes of traffic for the following purposes:

a. Placing bridge members or other bridge work.

b. Placing overhead sign structures.

c. Other work items requiring interruption of traffic.

The Contractor shall provide a uniformed police officer with patrol vehicle and blue flashing light for each direction of pacing. The police officer, Engineer, and flaggers at ramps shall be provided with a radio which will provide continuous contact with the Contractor.

When ready to start the work activity, the police vehicle will act as a pilot vehicle slowing the traffic thereby providing a gap in traffic allowing the Contractor to perform the Work. Any on-ramps between the pace and the work area shall be blocked during pacing of traffic, with a flagger properly dressed and equipped with a Stop/Slow paddle. Each ramp should be opened after the police vehicle has passed.

Pilot vehicles shall travel at a safe pace speed, desirably not less than 20 mph interstate and 10 mph non-interstate. The Contractor shall provide a vehicle to proceed in front of the police vehicle and behind the other traffic in order to inform the Contractor’s work force when all vehicles have cleared the area.

Traffic will not be permitted to stop during pacing except in extreme cases as approved by the Engineer.

2. Methods Of Signing For Traffic Pacing
At a point not less than 1,000 feet in advance of the beginning point of the pace, the Contractor shall erect and cover a W-special sign (72 inch x 72 inch) with a Type “B” flashing light, with the legend “TRAFFIC SLOWED AHEAD SHORT DELAY” (See Detail 150-A). A portable changeable message sign may be used in lieu of the W-special sign. On divided highways this sign shall be double
indicated. A worker with a two-way radio shall be posted at the sign, and upon notice that the traffic is to be paced shall turn on the flashing light and reveal the sign. When traffic is not being paced, the flashing light shall be turned off and the sign covered or removed. W-special signs are reflectorized black on orange, Series "C" letter and border of the size specified.

E. Construction vehicle traffic
The Contractor's vehicles shall travel in the direction of normal roadway traffic and shall not reverse direction except at intersections, interchanges, or approved temporary crossings. The Contractor may submit a plan requesting that construction traffic be allowed to travel in the opposite direction of normal traffic when it would
be desirable to modify traffic patterns to accommodate specific construction activities.

Prior approval of the Engineer shall be obtained before any construction traffic is allowed to travel in a reverse direction. If the Contractor’s submittal is approved the construction traffic shall be separated from normal traffic by appropriate traffic control devices.

F. Environmental impacts to the traffic control plan
The Contractor shall ensure that dust, mud, and other debris from construction activities do not interfere with normal traffic operations or adjacent properties. All outfall ditches, special ditches, critical storm drain structures, erosion control structures, retention basins, etc. shall be constructed, where possible, prior to the beginning of grading operations so that the best possible drainage and erosion control will be in effect during the grading operations, thereby keeping the roadway areas as dry as possible.

Areas within the limits of the project which are determined by the Engineer to be disturbed or damaged due either directly or indirectly from the progress or the lack of progress of the work shall be cleaned up, redressed, and regraded. All surplus materials shall be removed and disposed of as required. Surplus materials shall be disposed of in accordance with Subsection 201.02.E.3 of the Specifications.

G. Existing street lights
Existing street lighting shall remain lighted as long as practical and until removal is approved by the Engineer.

H. Night work
Adequate temporary lighting shall be provided at all nighttime work sites where workers will be immediately adjacent to traffic. For their own protection, workers in or adjacent to traffic during nighttime operation shall wear reflectorized vests that meet the requirements of the MUTCD.

I. Construction vehicles in the work zone
The parking of Contractor’s and/or workers personal vehicles within the work area or adjacent to traffic is prohibited. It shall be the responsibility of the Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor to ensure that any vehicle present at the worksite is necessary for the completion of the work.

J. Encroachments on the traveled-way
The Worksite Traffic Control Supervisor (WTCS) shall monitor the work to ensure that all the rocks, boulders, construction debris, stockpiled materials, equipment, tools and other potential hazards are kept clear of the travel way. These items shall be stored in a location, in so far as practical, where they will not be subject to a vehicle running off the road and striking them.
K. Pedestrian access to the work
All existing pedestrian walkways shall be maintained. Whenever changes to the worksite necessitate changes to existing walkways, temporary walkways shall be provided and maintained, with appropriate signs as necessary, to allow safe passage of pedestrian traffic.

L. Traffic Signals
If the sequence of operations, staging, or the traffic control plan requires the relocation or shifting of any components of an existing traffic signal system then any work on these traffic signals will be considered as part of Lump Sum – Traffic Control. The contractor becomes responsible for the maintenance of these traffic signals from the time that the system is modified until final acceptance. The maintenance of traffic signals that are not a part of the work and are not in conflict with any portion of the work shall not be the responsibility of the contractor.

When construction operations necessitate an existing traffic signal to be out of service, the Contractor shall furnish off-duty police officers to regulate and maintain traffic control at the site.

M. Removal/Reinstallation of miscellaneous items
In the prosecution of the Work, if it becomes necessary to remove any existing signs, markers, guardrail, etc. not covered by specific pay item, they shall be removed, stored and reinstalled, when directed by the Engineer, to line and grade, and in the same condition as when removed.

150.03 Signs

A. Signing requirements of the traffic control plan
When existing regulatory, warning or guide signs are required for proper traffic control the Contractor shall maintain these signs in accordance with the traffic control plan. The Contractor shall review the status of all existing signs, interim signs added to the work, and permanent sign installations that are part of the work to eliminate any conflicting or non-applicable signage in the Traffic Control Plan. The Contractor’s review of all signs in the Traffic Control Plan shall establish compliance with the requirements of the MUTCD and Section 150. Any conflicts shall be reported to the Engineer immediately and the WTCs shall take the necessary measures to eliminate the conflict.

The Contractor shall make every effort to eliminate the use of interim signs as soon as the Work allows for the installation of permanent signs.

All existing illuminated signs shall remain lighted and be maintained by the Contractor.

Existing street name signs shall be maintained at street intersections.
B. Conflicting or non-applicable signs
Any sign(s) or portions of a sign(s) that are not applicable to the traffic control plan shall be covered so as not to be visible to traffic or shall be removed from the roadway when not in use. The WTCS shall review all traffic shifts and changes in the traffic patterns to ensure that all conflicting signs have been removed. The review shall confirm that the highest priority signs have been installed and that signs of lesser significance are not interfering with the visibility of the high priority signs. High priority signs include signs for road closures, shifts, detours, lane closures and curves. Any signs, such as speed zones and speed limits, passing zones, littering fines and litter pick up, that reference activities that are not applicable due to the presence of the Work shall be removed, stored and reinstalled when the Work is completed.

Failure to promptly eliminate conflicting or non-applicable signs shall be considered as non-performance under Subsection 150.08.

C. Removal of existing signs and supports
The Contractor shall not remove any existing signs and supports without prior approval from the Engineer. All existing signs and supports which are to be removed shall be stored and protected if this material will be required later in the work as part of the traffic control plan. If the signs are not to be utilized in the work then the signs will become the property of the Contractor unless otherwise specified in the contract documents.

D. Interim guide, warning and regulatory signs
Interim guide, warning, or regulatory signs required to direct traffic shall be furnished, installed, reused, and maintained by the Contractor in accordance with the MUTCD, the Plans, Special Provisions, Special Conditions, or as directed by the Engineer. These signs shall remain the property of the Contractor. The bottom of all interim signs shall be mounted at least seven (7') feet above the level of the pavement edge when the signs are used for long-term stationary operations as defined by Section 6G.02 of the MUTCD. Special Conditions under Subsection 150.11 may modify this requirement.

Portable signs may be used when the duration of the work is less than three (3) days or as allowed by the special conditions in Subsection 150.11. Portable signs shall be used for all punch list work. All portable signs and sign mounting devices utilized in work shall be NCHRP 350 compliant. Portable interim signs shall be mounted a minimum of one (1') foot above the level of the pavement edge for directional traffic of two (2) lanes or less and a minimum of seven (7') feet for directional traffic of three (3) or more lanes. Signs shall be mounted at the height recommended by the manufacturer’s crashworthy testing requirements. Portable interim signs which are mounted at less than seven (7’) feet in height may have two 18 inch x 18 inch fluorescent red-orange or orange-red warning flags mounted on each sign.

All regulatory sign blanks shall be rigid whether the sign is mounted as a portable sign, on a Type III barricade or as a permanent mount height sign.
Any permanent mount height interim sign that is designed to fold in half to cover a non-applicable message on the sign shall have reflectorized material on the folded over portion of the sign. The reflectorized material shall be orange in color with a minimum of ASTM Type I engineering grade sheeting with a minimum area of six inches by six inches (6” x 6”) facing the direction of traffic at all times when the sign is folded.

Interim signs may be either English or metric dimensions.

E. Existing special guide signs
Existing special guide signs on the Project shall be maintained until conditions require a change in location or legend content. When change is required, existing signs shall be modified and continued in use if the required modification can be made within existing sign borders using design requirements (legend, letter size, spacing, border, etc.) equal to that of the existing signs, or of Sub-Section 150.03.E.2. Differing legend designs shall not be mixed in the same sign.

1. Special Guide Signs
Special guide signs are those expressway or freeway guide signs that are designed with a message content (legend) that applies to a particular roadway location. When an existing special guide sign is in conflict with work to be performed, the Contractor shall remove the conflicting sign and reset it in a new, non-conflicting location which has been approved by the Engineer.

2. Interim Special Guide Signs
When it is not possible to utilize existing signs, either in place or relocated, the Contractor shall furnish, erect, maintain, modify, relocate, and remove new interim special guide signs in accordance with the Plans or as directed by the Engineer. Interim special guide signs that may be required in addition to, or a replacement for, existing expressway and freeway (interstate) signs shall be designed and fabricated in compliance with the minimum requirements for guide signing contained in Part 2E "Guide Signs Expressway" and Part 2F "Guide Signs Freeways" of the MUTCD, except that the minimum size of all letters and numerals in the names and places, streets and highways on all signs shall be 16 inches Series "E" initial upper-case and 12 inches lower-case. All interstate shields on these signs shall be 48 inches and 60 inches for two-numeral and three-numeral routes, respectively.

The road name of the exit or route shield shall be placed on the exit gore sign.

3. Interim Overhead Guide Sign Structures
Interim overhead special guide sign structures are not required to be lighted unless specifically required by the Plans. If lighting is required the sign shall be lighted as soon as erected and shall remain lighted, during the hours of darkness, until the
interim sign is no longer required. The Contractor shall notify the Power Company at least thirty (30) days prior to desired connection to the power source.

4. Permanent Special Guide Signs
The installation of new permanent special guide signs and the permanent modification or resetting of existing special guide signs, when included in the contract, shall be accomplished as soon as practical to minimize the use of interim special guide signs. If lighting is required by the Plans, all new permanent overhead special guide signs shall be lighted as soon as erected.

F. Materials-Interim signs
1. Posts
Permanent mounting height of seven (7') feet- Posts for all interim signs shall meet the requirements of Section 911 except that green or silver paint may be used in lieu of galvanization for steel posts or structural shape posts. Within the limits of a single project, all metal posts shall be the same color. Wood posts are not required to be pressure treated.

Interim posts may be either metric or English in dimensions.

Posts for all interim signs shall be constructed to yield upon impact unless the posts are protected by guardrail, portable barrier, impact attenuator or other type of positive barrier protection. Unprotected posts shall meet the breakaway requirements of the “1994 AASHTO Standard Specifications for Structural Support for Highway Signs, Luminaries and Traffic Signals”. Unprotected interim posts shall be spliced as shown in Detail 150-F unless full length unspliced posts are used.

Unprotected post splices will not be permitted any higher than four inches above the ground line to lessen the possibility of affecting the undercarriage of a vehicle. Installation of posts may require establishment of openings in existing pavements, islands, shoulders etc.

2. Sign Blanks And Panels- Permanent mounting height of seven (7') feet-
All sign blanks and panels shall conform to Section 912 of the Specifications except that blanks and panels may be ferrous based or other metal alloys. Type 1 and Type 2 sign blanks shall have a minimum thickness of 0.08 inches regardless of the sign type used. Alternative sign blank materials (composites, poly carbonates, fiberglass reinforced plastics, recycled plastics, etc.) shall have a letter of approval from the Office of Materials and Research for use as interim construction signs before these materials are allowed to be incorporated into the work unless these rigid sign blanks are currently approved as a crashworthy sign blank material under QPL 34. The back side of sign panels shall be painted orange to prevent rust if other metals are used in lieu of aluminum. Plywood blanks or panels will not be permitted. The use of flexible signs will not be permitted for permanent mount height signs.
Interim blanks and panels may be either metric or English in dimensions.

3. **Portable Sign Mounting Devices, Portable Sign Blanks**
   All portable sign mounting devices and sign blanks utilized in the work shall be NCHRP 350 Test Level III compliant. All portable sign mounting devices and sign blanks shall be from the Qualified Products List. Any sign or sign mounting device shall have an identifying decal, logo, or manufacturer’s stamping that clearly identifies the device as NCHRP 350 compliant. The Contractor may be required to provide certification from the Manufacturer as proof of NCHRP 350 compliance. All portable signs shall be mounted according to height requirements of Subsection 150.03.D.
G. Sign visibility and offsets
All existing, interim and new permanent signs shall be installed so as to be completely visible for an advance distance in compliance with the MUTCD. Any clearing required for maintaining the line of sight to existing, interim or permanent signs shall be done as part of the requirements of the traffic control plan. The clearing
shall include any advance warning signs, both interim and permanent, that are
installed as a part of the work including advance warning signs that are installed
outside the limits of the project. Any sign installed behind W-beam or T-beam
guardrail with non-breakaway posts shall be installed with the leading edge of the
sign a minimum of four feet and three inches (4’3”) behind the face of the guardrail
with five feet (5’) of clearance being desirable. Limbs, brush, construction equipment
and materials shall be kept clear of the driver’s line of sight to all signs that are part of
the traffic control plan.

H. Advance warning signs

1. All Type Of Highways
   Advance warning signs shall be placed ahead of the work area in accordance with
   Part VI of the MUTCD and shall include a series of at least three advance road
   work (W20-1) signs placed at the termini of the project. The series shall have the
   legend ROAD WORK (1500 FEET, 1000 FEET, AND 500 FEET).

   At grade intersecting roadways and on-ramps shall be signed with a minimum of
   one ROAD WORK AHEAD sign.

   When work terminates at a “T” intersection, a minimum of one “ROAD WORK
   AHEAD” sign shall be placed in advance of the intersection and one “END
   ROAD WORK” sign shall be placed at the termination end of the intersection.
   Field conditions may require the use of additional warning signage.

   Advanced Warning Signs on State Routes shall be a minimum dimension of 48
   inches x 48 inches. When a State Route intersects a project which consists of
   adding travel lanes, reconstructing an existing roadway or new location work, the
   State Route approaches shall have a minimum of three (W20-1) advanced
   warning signs (1500 ft., 1000 ft., 500 ft.). The termination end of an intersecting
   State Route shall have END ROAD WORK signage.

   The W20-1 signs shall be placed at the termini of the project or sufficiently in
   advance of the termini to allow for lane shifts, lane closures and other activities
   which may also require advanced warning signs. The advanced warning signs for
   the project should not overlap with the advanced warning signs for lane shifts,
   lane closures, etc.

   The length of a work zone should be held to the minimum length required to
   accomplish the work. If a project has multiple individual work sites within the
   overall limits of the project, each site should be signed individually if the advance
   warning signs for each site can be installed without overlapping an adjacent
   work site. As soon as the work is completed at any individual site the warning
   signs shall be removed from that site. Clean-up work and punch list work shall be
   performed with portable signage.
Project mileage indicated on the G20-1 sign shall be the actual project mileage rounded up to the nearest whole mile. Projects less than two (2) miles in length or individual worksites that are part of a multiple worksite project may delete this sign. The G20-1 sign shall be 60" X 36" and the G20-2 sign shall be 48" X 24".

2. **Interstate, Limited Access And Multilane Divided Highways**

In addition to the W20-1 signs required at 500 ft., 1000 ft. and 1500 ft., multi-lane divided highways shall also have additional advanced warning signs installed with the legend “ROAD WORK (2 MILES, 1 MILE and 1/2 MILE).” All construction warning signs on divided highways shall be double indicated (i.e., on the left and right sides of the roadway.) If the use of the 1/4 mile, 1 mile and 2 mile advanced warning signs cause an overlap with other work or do not benefit field conditions then the Engineer may review the use of these signs and eliminate their installation. When the posted speed limit is 50 MPH or less, the 1/4 mile, 1 mile and 2 mile signs should be eliminated especially in urban areas.

The W20-1 advance warning signs for ROAD WORK 500 FEET; 1000 FEET; and 1500 FEET shall be temporarily covered when work involving the advanced warning signs for lane shifts and lane closures overlap these signs. The ROAD WORK 1/2 MILE, ROAD WORK 1 MILE, and ROAD WORK 2 MILES shall be in place when the 500, 1000 and 1500 feet signs are temporarily covered.

When the temporary traffic control zone already has advanced warning (W20-1) signs installed the W20-1 signs required for lane closures under Standard 9106 should be eliminated.

**RAMP WORK ON LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS:** The work zone shall not be signed for the entire length of the mainline of a limited access highway when only short individual worksites, interchange or ramp work is being performed.

When work is restricted to ramp reconstruction or widening activities, the advance warning signs on the mainline section of the limited access highway shall be limited to the use of portable advance warning signs. These portable advance warning signs shall only be utilized when work activity is within the gore point of the ramp and the mainline traveled way or work is active in the acceleration/deceleration lane adjacent to the mainline traveled way. Portable advance warning signs (W20-1; 1500 ft./1000 ft./500 ft.) shall be installed on the traveled way of the limited access highway when the above conditions are present. The advance warning signs shall be installed only in one direction where work is active. All portable signs shall be double indicated. When work is not active, the ramp work shall be advanced warned by the use of a single 48 inch X 48 inch “RAMP WORK AHEAD” sign along the right shoulder of the mainline traveled way prior to the beginning of the taper for the deceleration lane. The “RAMP WORK AHEAD” sign shall be mounted at seven (7') feet in height. Differences in elevation shall be in compliance with the requirements of
Subsection 150.06 prior to the removal of the portable (W20-1) advanced warning signs from the mainline.

The G20-1 sign shall be eliminated on limited access highways when the work involves only ramp work, bridge reconstruction, bridge painting, bridge joint repairs, guardrail and anchor replacement or other site specific work which is confined to a short section of limited access highway.

I. Portable changeable message sign

Unless specified as a paid item in the contract the use of a portable changeable message sign will not be required. When specified, a portable changeable message sign (PCMS) shall meet the minimum requirements of Section 632 and the MUTCD. The maximum amount of messages allowed to be flashed on one PCMS is two phases (flashes). The language and the timing of the messages shall comply with the MUTCD and Section 632. When used as an advanced device the PCMS should typically be placed ahead of the construction activities. If the PCMS is used as a substitute for another device then the requirements for the other device apply.

J. Flashing Beacon

The flashing beacon assembly, when specified, shall be used in conjunction with construction warning signs, regulatory, or guide signs to inform traffic of special road conditions which require additional driver attention. The flashing beacon assembly shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of Section 647.

K. Rumble strip signage

Signage for rumble strips located in the travel way shall be as required in Subsection 150.01.C and Subsection 150.02.A.9.

L. Low/soft shoulder signage

Low or soft shoulder signs shall be utilized in accordance with the following conditions:

CONSTRUCTION/RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:

"LOW/SOFT SHOULDER" signs shall be erected when a difference in elevation exceeds one (1") inch but does not exceed three (3") inches between the travel way and any type of shoulder unless the difference in elevation is four (4") feet or greater from the edge of the traveled way.

The spacing of the signs shall not exceed one (1) mile and the signs shall be placed immediately past each crossroad intersection. The "Low/Soft" signs shall remain in place until the difference in elevation is eliminated and the shoulder has been dressed and permanently grassed for a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days. These signs shall be furnished, installed, maintained and removed by the Contractor as part of
Traffic Control-Lump Sum. These signs shall be orange with black borders and meet the reflectorization requirements of Subsection 150.01.C.

"SHOULDER DROP-OFF" (W8-9a) signs shall be used when a difference in elevation, less than four (4') feet from the traveled way, exceeds three (3") inches and is not protected by positive barrier protection. These warning signs shall be placed in advance of the drop-off.

For a continuous drop-off condition, the W8-9a) signs shall, as a minimum, be spaced in accordance with the above requirements for "Low/soft shoulder" signs.

PROJECTS CONSISTING PRIMARILY OF ASPHALTIC CONCRETE RESURFACING ITEMS:

"LOW/SOFT SHOULDER" signs shall be erected when a difference in elevation exceeds one (1") inch but does not exceed three (3") inches between the travel way and any type of shoulder unless the difference in elevation is four (4') feet or greater from the edge of the traveled way.

SHOULDER BUILDING INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT: "Low/Soft Shoulder" signs shall be erected as per the requirement of Standards 9102, 9106, and 9107. "Shoulder Drop-off" signs (W8-9a) shall be erected as per the requirements of the MUTCD. These signs shall be maintained until the conditions requiring their installation have been eliminated. The Contractor shall remove all interim warning signs before final acceptance.

SHOULDER BUILDING NOT INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT: The Department will furnish the "Low/Soft Shoulder" signs, "Shoulder Drop-off" signs and the posts. The signs shall be erected to meet the minimum requirements of Subsection 150.03. The Contractor shall include the cost of furnishing installation hardware (bolts, nuts, and washers), erection and maintenance of the signs in the bid price for Traffic Control-Lump Sum. The Contractor shall maintain the signs until final acceptance. The Department will remove the signs.

LAUR/LAR PROJECTS SHOULDER BUILDING NOT INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT: The Contractor will furnish, install and maintain LOW/SOFT SHOULDER signs (yellow with black borders, ASTM Type III or IV) at the appropriate spacing, until Final Acceptance of the project by the Department. After Final Acceptance by the Department the signs will become the property and responsibility of the local government.

M. Bump signage
MULTI-LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAYS: A bump sign (W8-1) shall be utilized when a transverse joint in the pavement structure has a vertical difference in elevation of three quarters (3/4") of an inch or greater in depth with no horizontal taper to ramp the traffic from one elevation to the other. This condition typically occurs at
approach slabs during pavement milling operations and at transverse joints in asphaltic pavement lifts.

TWO-LANE TWO-WAY HIGHWAYS: A bump sign (W8-1) shall be utilized when a transverse joint in the pavement structure has a vertical difference in elevation that exceeds one and three quarters (1-3/4") inches in depth with no horizontal taper to ramp the traffic from one elevation to the other. This includes utility and storm drainage repairs that require concrete placement for patching and/or steel plating.

The (W8-1) sign shall be placed sufficiently in advance to warn the motorist of the condition.

150.04 Pavement Markings

A. General
Full pattern pavement markings in accordance with Section 652 and in conformance with Section 3A and 3B, except 3B.02, of the MUTCD are required on all courses before the roadway is opened to traffic. No passing zones shall be marked to conform to Subsection 150.04.E. During construction and maintenance activities on all highways open to traffic, both existing markings and markings applied under this Section shall be fully maintained until Final Acceptance. If the pavement markings are, or become, unsatisfactory in the judgment of the Engineer due to wear, weathering, or construction activities, they shall be restored immediately.

1. Resurfacing Projects
Pavement markings shall be provided on all surfaces that are placed over existing markings. Interim and final markings shall conform in type and location to the markings that existed prior to resurfacing unless changes or additions are noted in the Contract. The replacement of parking spaces will not be required unless a specific item or note has been included in the Contract. Any work to make additions to the markings that existed prior to resurfacing is to be considered as extra work.

2. Widening And Reconstruction Projects
If the lane configuration is altered from the preconstruction layout then pavement markings will be as required by the plans or the Engineer.

3. New Location Construction Projects
Pavement marking plans will be provided.

B. Materials
All traffic striping applied under this Section shall be a minimum four inches in width or as shown in plans and shall conform to the requirements of Section 652, except as modified herein. Raised pavement markers (RPMs) shall meet the requirements of Section 654. Markings on the final surface course, which must be removed, shall be a removable type. The Contractor will be permitted to use paint, thermoplastic, or
D. Raised pavement markers

Raised pavement markers (RPMs) are required as listed below for all asphaltic concrete pavements before the roadway is open to traffic. On the final surface, RPM’s shall be placed according to the timeframes specified in Subsection 150.04 E. for full pattern pavement markings except Interstate Highways where RPM’s shall be placed and/or maintained when the roadway is open to traffic. When Portland Cement Concrete is an intermediate or final surface and is open to traffic, one calendar day is allowed for cleaning and drying before the installation of RPMs is required.

Raised pavement markers are not allowed on the right edge lines under any situation.

1. Interstate Highways

Retro-reflective raised pavement markers (RPM’s) shall be placed and/or maintained on intermediate pavements surfaces on all interstate highways that are open to traffic. This includes all resurfacing projects along with widening and reconstruction projects. The spacing and placement shall be as required for MULTI-LANE DIVIDED HIGHWAYS.

2. Multi-Lane Divided Highways

Retro-reflective raised pavement markers (RPMs) shall be placed and/or maintained on intermediate pavement surfaces on all multi-lane divided highways that are opened to traffic when these roadways are being widened or reconstructed. Two lane-two way roadways that are being widened to a multi-lane facility, whether divided or undivided, are included in this provision. Projects consisting primarily of asphalt resurfacing items or shoulder widening items are excluded from this requirement. The RPMs shall be placed as follows:

a. SUPPLEMENTING LANE LINES

80 foot center on skip lines with curvature less than three degrees. (Includes tangents)

40 foot centers on solid lines and all lines with curvature between three degrees and six degrees.

20 foot centers on curves over six degrees.

20 foot centers on lane transitions or shifts.

b. SUPPLEMENTING RAMP GORE LINES

20 foot centers, two each, placed side by side.

c. OTHER LINES

As shown on the plans or directed by the Engineer.
3. Other Highways
On other highways under construction RPMs shall be used and/or maintained on intermediate pavement surfaces as follows:

a. SUPPLEMENTING LANE LINES AND SOLID LINES

40 foot centers except on lane shifts. (When required in the Plans or Contract.)

20 foot centers on lane shifts. (Required in all cases.)

b. SUPPLEMENTING DOUBLE SOLID LINES

40 foot centers (one each beside each line) except on lane shifts. (When required in the Plans or Contract.)

20 foot centers on lane shifts. (Required in all cases.)

E. Exceptions for interim markings
Some exceptions to the time of placement and pattern of markings are permitted as noted below, however, full pattern pavement markings are required for the completed project.

1. Two-Lane, Two-Way Roadways
a. SKIP LINES

All interim skip (broken) stripe shall conform to Section 652 except that stripes shall be at least two feet long with a maximum gap of 38 feet. On curves greater than six degrees, a one-foot stripe with a maximum gap of 19 feet shall be used. In lane shift areas solid lines will be required. Interim skip lines shall be replaced with markings in full compliance with Section 652 prior to expiration of the 14 calendar day period.

Interim raised pavement markers may be substituted for the interim skip (broken) stripes. If raised pavement markers are substituted for the two foot interim skip stripe, three markers spaced at equal intervals over a two feet distance will be required. No separate payment will be made if the interim raised pavement markers are substituted for interim skip lines.

Interim raised pavement markers shall be retro-reflective, shall be the same color as the pavement markers for which they are substituted, and shall be visible during daytime.

The type of interim marker and method of attachment to the pavement shall be approved by the Office of Materials and Research but in no case will the markers be attached by the use of nails. Flexible reflective markers, Type 14 or Type 15, may be used for a maximum of fourteen (14) calendar days as an
interim marker. Any flexible reflective markers in use shall be from the qualified products list (QPL).

The interim raised pavement markers shall be maintained until the full pattern pavement markings are applied. At the time full pattern markings are applied the interim raised markers shall be removed in a manner that will not interfere with application of the full pattern pavement markings.

b. NO PASSING ZONES-TWO-LANE, TWO-WAY ROADWAYS
Passing zones shall be re-established in the locations existing prior to resurfacing. No changes to the location of passing zones shall be done without the written approval of the Engineer. For periods not to exceed three calendar days where interim skip centerlines are in place, no-passing zones shall be identified by using post or portable mounted DO NOT PASS regulatory signs (R4-1 24” x 30”) at the beginning and at intervals not to exceed ½ mile within each no-passing zone. A post or portable mounted PASS WITH CARE regulatory sign (R4-1 24” x 30”) shall be placed at the end of each no-passing zone. Post mounted signs shall be placed in accordance with the MUTCD. Portable signs shall conform to the requirements of the MUTCD and shall be NCHRP 350 compliant. Portable signs shall be secured in such a manner to prevent misalignment and minimize the possibility of being blown over by weather conditions or traffic.

On new location projects and on projects where either horizontal or vertical alignments has been modified, the location of No-Passing Zones will be identified by the Engineer.

c. EDGELINES
1) Bituminous Surface Treatment Paving
Edge lines will not be required on intermediate surfaces (including asphaltic concrete leveling for bituminous surface treatment paving) that are in use for a period of less than 60 calendar days except at bridge approaches, on lane transitions, lane shifts, and in such other areas as determined by the Engineer. On the final surface, edge lines shall be placed within 30 calendar days of the time that the final surface was placed.

2) All Other Types of Pavement
Edge lines will not be required on intermediate surfaces that are in use for a period of less than 30 calendar days except at bridge approaches, on lane transitions, lane shifts, and in such other areas as determined by the Engineer. On the final surface, edge lines shall be placed within 14 calendar days of the time that the surface was placed.
2. Multi-Lane Highways – With No Paved Shoulder(S) Or Paved Shoulder(S) Four Feet Or Less
   a. UNDIVIDED HIGHWAYS (INCLUDES PAVED CENTER TURN LANE)
      1) Centerlines and No-Passing Barrier-Full Pattern centerlines and no-passing barriers shall be restored before opening to traffic.

      2) Landlines- Interim skip (broken) stripe as described in Subsection 150.04E.1.a. may be used for periods not to exceed three calendar days. Skip lines are not permitted in lane shift areas. Solid lines shall be used.

      3) Edge lines- Edge lines shall be placed on intermediate and final surfaces within three calendar days of obliteration.

   b. DIVIDED HIGHWAYS (GRASS OR RAISED MEDIAN)
      1) Landlines- Full pattern skip stripe shall be restored before opening to traffic. Skip lines are not permitted in lane shift areas. Solid lines shall be required.

      2) Centerline/Edge line- Solid lines shall be placed on intermediate and final surfaces within three calendar days of obliteration.

3. Limited Access Roadways And Roadways With Paved Shoulders Greater Than Four Feet
   a. Same as Subsection 150.04.E.2 except as noted in (b) below.

   b. EDGELINES-

      1) Asphaltic Concrete Pavement- Edge lines shall be placed on intermediate and final surfaces prior to opening to traffic.

      2) Portland Cement Concrete Pavement- Edge lines shall be placed on any surface open to traffic no later than one calendar day after work is completed on a section of roadway. All water and residue shall be removed prior to daily striping.

4. Ramps For Multi-Lane Divided Highways
   A minimum of one solid line edge stripe shall be placed on any intermediate surface of a ramp prior to opening the ramp to traffic. The other edge stripe may be omitted for a maximum period of three (3) calendar days on an intermediate surface.

   Appropriate channelization devices shall be spaced at a maximum of twenty-five (25") feet intervals until the other stripe has been installed.

   The final surface shall have both stripes placed prior to opening the ramp to traffic.
5. **Miscellaneous pavement markings**

**FINAL SURFACE**: School zones, railroads, stop bars, symbols, words and other similar markings shall be placed on final surfaces conforming to Section 652 within fourteen (14) calendar days of completion of the final surface. Final markings shall conform to the type of pay item in the plans. When no pay item exists in the plans the final markings shall conform to Section 652 for painted markings.

**INTERMEDIATE SURFACE**: Intermediate surfaces that will be in use for more than forty-five (45) calendar days shall have the miscellaneous pavement markings installed to conform to the requirement of Section 652. Under Subsection 150.11, Special Conditions, or as directed by the Engineer these markings may be eliminated.

**F. Mobile operations**

When pavement markings (centerlines, lane lines, and edge lines) are applied in a continuous operation by moving vehicles and equipment, the following minimum equipment and warning devices shall be required. These devices and equipment are in addition to the minimum requirements of the MUTCD.

1. **All Roadways**

   All vehicles shall be equipped with the official slow moving vehicle symbol sign. All vehicles shall have a minimum of two flashing or rotating beacons visible in all directions. All protection vehicles shall have an arrow panel mounted on the rear. All vehicles requiring an arrow panel shall have, as a minimum, a Type B panel. All vehicle mounted signs shall be mounted with the bottom of the sign a minimum height of forty-eight inches (48") above the pavement. All sign legends shall be covered or removed from view when work is not in progress.

2. **Two-Lane Two-Way Roadways**

   a. **Lead Vehicles**

      The lead vehicle may be a separate vehicle or the work vehicle applying the pavement markings may be used as the lead vehicle. The lead vehicle shall have an arrow panel mounted so that the panel is easily visible to oncoming (approaching) traffic. The arrow panel should typically operate in the caution mode.

   b. **Work Vehicles**

      The work vehicle(s) applying markings shall have an arrow panel mounted on the rear. The arrow panel should typically operate in the caution mode. The work vehicle placing cones shall follow directly behind the work vehicle applying the markings.

   c. **Protection Vehicles**

      A protection vehicle may follow the cone work vehicle when the cones are being placed and may follow when the cones are being removed.
3. Multi-Lane roadways
A lead vehicle may be used but is not required. The work vehicle placing cones shall follow directly behind the work vehicle applying the markings. A protection vehicle that does not function as a work vehicle should follow the cone work vehicle when traffic cones are being placed. A protection vehicle should follow the cone work vehicle when the cones are being removed from the roadway. Protection vehicles shall display a sign on the rear of the vehicle with the legend PASS ON LEFT(RIGHT).

INTERSTATES AND LIMITED ACCESS ROADWAYS: A protection vehicle shall follow the last work vehicle at all times and shall be equipped with a truck mounted attenuator (TMA) that is certified for impacts not less than 62 mph in accordance with NCHRP350 Test Level Three (3).

150.05 Channelization

A. General
Channelization shall clearly delineate the travel way through the work zone and alert drivers and pedestrians to conditions created by work activities in or near the travel way. Channelization shall be done in accordance with the plans and specifications, the MUTCD, and the following requirements.

All Channelization Devices utilized on any project shall be NCHRP 350 compliant. Any device used on the Work shall be from the Qualified Products List. All devices utilized on the work shall have a decal, logo, or manufacturer’s stamping that clearly identifies the device as NCHRP 350 compliant. The Contractor may be required to furnish certification from the Manufacturer for any device to prove NCHRP 350 compliance.

1. Types of Devices Permitted for Channelization in Construction Work Zones:
   a. DRUMS:
      1) DESIGN: Drums shall meet the minimum requirement of the MUTCD and shall be reflectorized as required in Subsection 150.01.C. The upper edge of the top reflectorized stripe on the drum shall be located a minimum of 33 inches above the surface of the roadway. A minimum drum diameter of 18 inches shall be maintained for a minimum of 34 inches above the roadway.

      2) APPLICATION: Drums shall be used as the required channelizing device to delineate the full length of a lane closure, shift, or encroachment, except as modified by this Subsection.

      3) TRANSITION TAPERS FOR LANE CLOSURES: Drums shall be used on all transition tapers. The minimum length for a merging taper for a lane closure on the travel way shall be as shown in Table 150-1:
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If site conditions require a longer taper then the taper shall be lengthened to fit particular individual situations.

The length of shifting tapers should be at least ½ L.

The length of a closed lane or lanes, excluding the transition taper(s), shall be limited to a total of two (2) miles. Prior approval must be obtained from the Engineer before this length can be increased.

Night time conditions: When a merge taper exists into the night all drums located in the taper shall have, for the length of the taper only, a six (6") inch fluorescent orange (ASTM Type VII, VIII, IX or X) reflectorized top stripe on each drum. The top six-inch stripe may be temporarily attached to the drum while in use in a taper. All drums that have the six-inch top stripe permanently attached shall not be used for any other conditions.

Multiple Lane Closures:
(a) A maximum of one lane at a time shall be closed with each merge taper.
(b) A minimum tangent length of 2 L shall be installed between each individual lane closure taper.

4) LONGITUDINAL CHANNELIZATION: Drums shall be spaced as listed below for various roadside work conditions except as modified by Subsection 150.06. Spacing shall be used for situations meeting any of the conditions listed as follows:
(a) 40 FOOT SPACING MAXIMUM
(1) For difference in elevation exceeding two inches.
(2) For healed sections no steeper than 4:1 as shown in Subsection 150.06, Detail 150-E.

(b) 80 FOOT SPACING MAXIMUM
(1) For difference in elevation of two inches or less.
(2) Flush areas where equipment or workers are within ten feet of the travel lane.

(c) 200 FOOT SPACING MAXIMUM: Where equipment or workers are more than ten feet from travel lane. Lateral offset clearance to be four feet from the travel lane.
(1) For paved areas eight feet or greater in width that are paved flush with a standard width travel lane.
(2) For disturbed shoulder areas not completed to typical section that are flush to the travel lane and considered a usable shoulder.

REMOVAL OF DRUMS: Drums may be removed after shoulders are completed to typical section and grassed. Guardrail and other safety devices shall be installed and appropriate signs advising of conditions such as soft or low shoulder shall be posted before the drums are removed.

b. VERTICAL PANELS
1) DESIGN: All vertical panels shall meet the minimum requirements of the MUTCD. All vertical panels shall have a minimum of 270 square inches of retro-reflective area facing the traffic and shall be mounted with the top of the reflective panel a minimum of 36" above the roadway.

2) APPLICATION: Lane encroachment by the drum on the travel way should permit a remaining lane width of ten feet. When encroachment reduces the travel way to less than ten feet, vertical panels shall be used to restore the travel way to ten feet or greater. No other application of vertical panels will be permitted.

c. CONES
1) DESIGN: All cones shall be a minimum of 28 inches in height regardless of application and shall meet the requirement of the MUTCD. Reflectorization may be deleted from all cones.

2) APPLICATION: For longitudinal channelizing only, cones will be permitted for daylight closures or minor shifts. (Drums are required for all tapers.) The use of cones for nighttime work will not be permitted. Cones shall not be stored or allowed to be visible on the worksite during nighttime hours.
d. BARRICADES

DESIGN: Type III barricades shall meet the minimum requirements of the MUTCD and shall be reflectorized as required in Subsection 150.01.C. The Contractor has the option of choosing Type III barricades from the Qualified Products List or the Contractor may utilize generic barricades that are approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). When barricades have been specifically crash tested with signs attached, the contractor has the responsibility to attach the signs as per the manufacturer’s recommendations to ensure crashworthiness. If signs are attached to generic barricades or to barricades from the Qualified Products List (QPL) that have not been crash tested with signs attached then the responsibility for crashworthiness and the liability for mounting these signs to the barricades are assumed by the Contractor and the Contractor shall certify that the barricades are crashworthy under FHWA work zone guidelines for NCHRP 350 crashworthy compliance. Any generic barricades used in the work shall be stamped or stenciled to show compliance with NCHRP 350. The use of Type I and Type II barricades will not be permitted.

1) APPLICATION: Type III barricades shall be placed as required by the plans, the Standards, and as directed by the Engineer. All signs mounted on barricades shall be mounted to comply with the requirements of the MUTCD and NCHRP 350 Test Level III. NCHRP 350 crashworthy compliance may require that rigid signs be mounted separate from the Type III barricade.

When a barricade is placed so that it is subject to side impact from a vehicle, a drum shall be placed at the side of the barricade to add target value to the barricade.

e. WARNING LIGHTS:

1) DESIGN: All warning lights shall meet the requirements of the MUTCD.

2) APPLICATION

(a) Type A low-intensity flashing lights shall be used as shown in the Plans, the Standards, and as directed by the Engineer. Flashing lights are not required for advance warning signs in Subsection 150.03.H.

(b) Type C Steady-Burn lights shall be used as shown in the Plans, the Standards, and as directed by the Engineer. Steady-burn lights are not required on drums for merging tapers that exist into the night.

f. TEMPORARY BARRIERS

1) DESIGN: Temporary barriers shall meet the requirements of Sections 620.
2) APPLICATION: Temporary barriers shall be placed as required by the plans, standards, and as directed by the Engineer. When Temporary barrier is located 20 feet or less from a travel lane, yellow reflectors shall be fixed to the top of the barrier at intervals not greater than 40 feet in the longitudinal section and 20 feet in the taper section and shall be mounted approximately two inches above the barrier. If both lanes of a two-lane two-way roadway are within 20 feet or less of the barrier then the reflectors shall be installed for both directions of traffic.

The reflectors shall be 100 square inches (ASTM Type VII or VIII) reflective sheeting mounted on flat-sheet blanks. The reflectors shall be mounted approximately two inches above the top of the barrier. The reflectors shall be attached to the barrier with adhesive or by a drilled-in anchor type device. The reflectors shall not be attached to a post or board that is placed between the gap in the barrier sections.

Approach end of Temporary barrier shall be flared or protected by an impact attenuator (crash cushion) or other approved treatment in accordance with Georgia Standard 4960, Construction Details and Standard Specifications.

On interstate or other controlled access highways where lane shifts or crossovers cause opposing traffic to be separated by less than 40 ft., portable barrier shall be used as a separator.

B. Portable impact attenuators

1. Description
   This work consists of the furnishing (including spare parts), installation, maintenance, relocation, reuse as required, and removal of Portable Impact Attenuator Unit/Arrays.

2. Materials
   Materials used in the Attenuator/Array shall meet the requirements of Section 648 for Portable Impact Attenuators.

3. Construction
   Portable Impact Attenuator Unit/Array installation shall conform to the requirements of Section 648, Manufacturer’s recommendations, and/or Georgia Standards 4960 & 4962 and shall be installed at locations designated by the Engineer, and/or as shown on the plans.
C. Temporary guardrail anchorage –Type 12

1. Description
This work consists of the furnishing, installation, maintenance and removal or Temporary Guardrail Anchorage- Type 12 used for Portable Barrier or temporary guardrail end treatment.

2. Materials
Materials used in the Temporary Guardrail Anchorage- Type 12 shall meet the requirements of Subsection 641.2 of the Specifications and current Georgia Standards and may be new or used. Materials salvaged from the Project which meet the requirements of Standards may be utilized if available. The use of any salvaged materials will require prior approval of the Engineer.

3. Construction
Installation of the Temporary Guardrail Anchorage- Type 12 shall conform to the requirements of the Plans, current Georgia Standards and Subsection 641.3 of the Specifications. Installation shall also include sufficient additional guardrail and appurtenances to effect the transition and connection to Temporary Concrete Barrier as required by the details in Georgia Standard 4960.

150.06 Differences in elevation between travel lanes and shoulders (See Subsection 150.06G for projects consisting primarily of asphaltic concrete resurfacing items)
Any type of work such as paving, grinding, trenching, or excavation that creates a difference in elevation between travel lanes or between the travel way and the shoulder shall not begin until the Contractor is prepared and able to continuously place the required typical section to within two inches (2") of the existing pavement elevation. For any areas that the two inches minimum difference in elevation cannot be accomplished the section shall be healed as shown in Detail 150-E. If crushed stone materials are used to provide a healed section no separate payment will be made for the material used to heal any section. The Contractor may submit a plan to utilize existing pay items for crushed stone provided the plan clearly demonstrates that the materials used to heal an area will be incorporated into the work with minimal waste. Handling and hauling of any crushed stone used to heal shall be kept to a minimum. The Engineer shall determine if the crushed stone used to heal meets the specifications for gradation and quality when the material is placed in the final location.

A maximum of sixty (60) calendar days shall be allowed for conditions to exist that require any section or segment of the roadway or ramp to continue to require a healed section as described by Detail 150-E. Failure to meet this requirement shall be considered as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

When trenching or excavation for minor roadway or shoulder widening is required, all operations at one site shall be completed to the level of the existing pavement in the same work day.
Any channelization devices utilized in the work shall conform to the requirements of Subsection 150.05 and to the placement and spacing requirements in Details 150-B, 150-C, 150-D, and 150-E shown in this section.

Any construction activity that reduces the width of a travel lane shall require the use of a W-20 sign with the legend “LEFT/RIGHT LANE NARROWS”. Two 24” x 24” red or red/orange flags may be mounted above the W-20 sign. The W-20 sign shall be located on the side of the travel way that has been reduced in width just off the travel way edge of pavement. The W-20 sign shall be a minimum of 500 feet in advance of any channelization devices that encroach on the surface of travel way. A portable changeable message sign may be used in lieu of the W-20 sign.

General/time restrictions

A. Stone Bases, Soil Aggregate Base and Soil Bases

1. All Highways
   Differences in elevation of more than two inches between surfaces carrying or adjacent to traffic will not be allowed for more than a 24-hour period. A single length of excavated area that does not exceed 1000 feet in total length may be left open as a start up area for periods not to exceed 48 hours provided the Contractor can demonstrate the ability to continuously excavate and backfill in a proficient manner. Prior approval of the Engineer shall be obtained before any startup area may be allowed.

2. Limited Access Highway Ramps (Interstates)
   On projects that include ramp rehabilitation work, one ramp at a time may be excavated for the entire length of the ramp from the gore point of the ramp with the interstate mainline to the intersection with the crossing highway. This single ramp may remain excavated with a vertical difference in elevation greater than two (2”) inches for a maximum of fourteen (14) calendar days with drums spaced at twenty (20') feet intervals as shown in Detail 150-B and a buffer space accepted under Section 150.06.F. After fourteen (14) calendar days the section shall be healed as required for all other highways. This area will be allowed in addition to the 1000 feet allowed for all other highways.

B. Asphalt Bases, Binders and Toppings

1. Differences in elevation between the surfaces of adjacent
   Travel lanes shall be paved with a plan that minimizes any difference in elevation between adjacent travel lanes. The following limitations will be required on all work:

   a. Differences of two inches (2") or less may remain for a maximum period of fourteen (14) calendar days.
b. Differences of greater than two inches (2") shall be permitted for continuous operations only.

EMERGENCY SITUATIONS: Inclement weather, traffic accidents, and other events beyond the control of the Contractor may prevent the work from being completed as required above. The Contractor shall notify the Engineer in writing stating the conditions and reasons that have prevented the Contractor from complying with the time limitations. The Contractor shall also outline a plan detailing immediate steps to complete the work. Failure to correct these conditions on the first calendar day that conditions will allow corrective work shall be considered as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

2. Differences in elevation between asphalt travel way and paved
Differences in elevation between the asphalt travel way and asphalt paved shoulders shall not be allowed to exist beyond the maximum durations outlined below for the conditions shown in Details 150-B, 150-C, 150-D, and 150-E:

Detail 150-B conditions shall not be allowed for more than 24 hours. A single length that does not exceed 1000 feet in total length may be left open for periods not to exceed 48 hours provided the Contractor can demonstrate the ability to continuously pave in a proficient manner. Prior approval of the Engineer shall be obtained before any section is allowed to exceed 24 hours. Any other disturbed shoulder areas shall be healed as in Detail 150-E.

Detail 150-C conditions will not be allowed for more than 48 hours.

Detail 150-D conditions will not be allowed for more than 30 calendar days.

Detail 150-E conditions will not be allowed for more than 60 calendar days.

Failure to meet these requirements shall be considered as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

C. Portland Cement concrete
Work adjacent to a Portland Cement Concrete traveled way which involves the following types of base and shoulders shall be accomplished according to the time restrictions outlined for each type of base or shoulder. Traffic control devices shall be in accordance with Subsection 150.05.

1. Cement stabilized base
Work adjacent to the traveled way shall be healed as per Detail 150-E within forty-eight (48) hours after the seven (7) calendar day curing period is complete for each section placed. During the placement and curing period, traffic control shall be in accordance Detail 150-B.
2. Asphal tic concrete base
When an asphal tic concrete base is utilized in lieu of a cement stabilized base the
asphal tic concrete base shall be healed as per Detail 150-B within forty-eight (48)
hours after the placement of each section of asphal tic concrete base. For the first
tyre eight hours traffic control shall be in compliance with Detail 150-B.

3. Concrete paved shoulders
Concrete paved shoulders shall be placed within sixty (60) calendar days after the
removal of each section of existing shoulder regardless of the type of base
materials being placed on the shoulders. During the placement period, traffic
control devices shall be in accordance with the appropriate detail based on the
depth of the change in elevation.

4. Asphal tic concrete shoulders
A difference in elevation that meets the requirements of Detail 150-B shall not be
allowed to exist for a period greater than forty-eight (48) hours. After the removal
of the existing shoulder the section or segment of travel way may be healed with
stone as per Detail 150-B for a maximum of fourteen (14) calendar days. Asphal tic concrete shoulders shall be placed within two (2") inches or less of the
taveled way surface within fourteen (14) calendar days after the removal of the
stone healed section or the removal of each section of the existing shoulder. The
two (2") inches or less difference in elevation shall not remain in existence for a
period that exceeds thirty (30) calendar days unless the paved shoulder is utilized
as a detour for the traveled way. During the placement period, traffic control shall
be in accordance with the appropriate detail based on the depth of the change in
elevation.

The Contractor may propose an alternate plan based on Subsection 150.06.F.
Failure to meet the above requirements and time restrictions shall be considered
as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

D. Miscellaneous elevation differentials for excavations adjacent to the travel way
Drainage structures, utility facilities, or any other work which results in a difference
in elevation adjacent to the travel way shall be planned and coordinated to be
performed in such a manner to minimize the time traffic is exposed to this condition.
The excavation should be back filled to the minimum requirements of Detail 150-E as
soon as practical. Stage construction such as plating or backfilling the incomplete
work may be required. The difference in elevation shall not be allowed to exist for
more than five (5) calendar days under any circumstances. Failure to correct this
condition shall be considered as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

E. Conduit Installation in paved and dirt shoulders
The installation of conduit and conduit systems along the shoulders of a traveled way
shall be planned and installed in a manner to minimize the length of time that traffic
is exposed to a difference in elevation condition. The following restrictions and
limitations shall apply:
1. **Differences in elevation of Two (2") Inches or less**
The shoulder may remain open when workers are not present. When workers are present the shoulder shall be closed and the channelization devices shall meet the requirements of Subsection 150.05. The difference in elevation on the shoulder shall remain for a maximum period of fourteen (14) calendar days.

2. **Differences in elevation greater than Two (2") Inches**
The shoulder shall be closed. The shoulder closure shall not exceed twenty-four (24) hours in duration unless the Special Conditions in Subsection 150.11 modifies this restriction or the Engineer allows the work to be considered as a continuous operation.

Failure to meet these requirements shall be considered as non-performance of Work under Subsection 150.08.

F. **Modifications to Details 150-B, 150-C, 150-D AND 150-E**
The Contractor may propose any alternate traffic control plan that utilizes a portion of the travel lane as a “buffer space”. This buffer space may allow for an enhanced work area that will allow for the placement of materials to proceed at a pace that could not be achieved with the time restriction requirements outlined in Section 150.06.A, 150.06.B, and 150.06.C. The Contractor may propose modified time restrictions based on the use of the buffer space. Any proposed modifications in the time duration allowed for the differences in elevations to exist shall be reviewed by the Engineer as a component of the overall traffic control plan. No modifications shall be made until the proposed plan is accepted by the Engineer. The Engineer shall have no obligation to consider any proposal which results in an increase in cost to the Department.

For the travel lane described in each of the details 150-B, 150-C, 150-D and 150-E it is presumed that the pavement marking edge line (yellow or white solid stripe) is located at the very edge of the travel lane surface. A buffer space (temporary paved shoulder) that utilizes a portion of the travel lane should be six (6') feet in width desirable but shall not be less than four (4') feet in width. Any remaining travel lane(s) shall not be less than ten (10') feet in width.

If the proposed shifting of the traffic to obtain a buffer space and maintain a minimum travel lane(s) of ten (10') feet requires the use of any existing paved shoulders then the cost of maintenance and repair of the existing paved shoulder(s) shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. The Contractor is responsible for the costs of maintenance and repairs even if the existing paved shoulder(s) is to be removed in a later stage of the work. Existing shoulders that have rumble strips shall have the rumble strips removed before the shoulder can be utilized as part of the travel lane. The cost of the removal of the rumble strips shall be done at no cost to the Department even if the shoulder is to be removed in a later stage of the work.
Any modifications to the staging and time restrictions that are approved as part of the traffic control plan shall be agreed to in writing. Failure to meet these modifications shall be considered as non-performance of the Work under Subsection 150.08.

G. Asphaltic Concrete Resurfacing Projects

SHOULDER CONSTRUCTION INCLUDED AS A PART OF THE CONTRACT: When the placement of asphaltic concrete materials creates a difference in elevation greater than two (2") inches between the earth shoulder (grassed or un-grassed) and the edge of travel way or between the earth shoulder and a paved shoulder that is less than four (4') feet in width, the Contractor shall place and maintain drums in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 150.05A.1.a.4. When the edge of the paved surface is tapered with a 30-45 degree wedge, drums may be spaced at 2.0 times the speed limit in MPH. Drums shall remain in place and be maintained until the difference in elevation has been eliminated by the placement of the appropriate shoulder materials.

SHOULDER CONSTRUCTION NOT INCLUDED AS A PART OF THE CONTRACT: When the placement of asphaltic concrete materials creates a difference in elevation greater than two (2") inches between the earth shoulder (grassed or un-grassed) and the edge of travel way or between the earth shoulder and a paved shoulder that is less than four (4') feet in width, the Contractor shall notify the Engineer, in writing, when the resurfacing work including all punch list items has been completed. See Subsection 150.03.L for the requirements for "LOW/SOFT SHOULDERS" and "SHOULDER DROP-OFF" signage.
Location of drums when Elevation Difference exceeds 4 inches. Drums spaced at 20 foot intervals. Note: If the travel way width is reduced to less than 10 feet by the use of drums, vertical panels shall be used in lieu of drums.

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE GREATER THAN 4 INCHES
DETAIL 150-B

Drums spaced at 40 foot intervals.  

Location of drums when Elevation Difference is 2+ inches to 4 inches.
ELEVATION DIFFERENCE 2+ TO 4 INCHES
DETAIL 150-C

Drums spaced at 80 foot intervals. Location of drums when
Elevation Difference is 2 inches or less.

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE OF 2 INCHES OR LESS
DETAIL 150-D
150.07 Flagging and Pilot cars

A. Flaggers
Flaggers shall be provided as required to handle traffic, as specified in the Plans or Special Provisions, and as required by the Engineer.

B. Flagger Certification
All flaggers shall meet the requirements of the MUTCD and shall have received training and a certificate upon completion of the training from a Department approved training program. Failure to provide certified flaggers as required above shall be reason for the Engineer suspending work involving the flagger(s) until the Contractor provides the certified flagger(s). Flaggers shall have proof of certification and valid identification (photo I.D.) available any time they are performing flagger duties.

C. Flagger Appearance and equipment
Flaggers shall wear high-visibility clothing in compliance with the MUTCD and shall use a Stop/Slow paddle meeting the requirements of the MUTCD for controlling traffic. The Stop/Slow paddles shall have a shaft length of seven (7) feet minimum. The Stop/Slow paddle shall be retro-reflectorized for both day and night usage. In addition to the Stop/Slow paddle, a flagger may use a flag as an additional device to attract attention. This flag shall meet the minimum requirements of the MUTCD. The flag shall, as a minimum, be 24" inches square and red or red/orange in color. For night work, the vest shall have reflectorized stripes which meet the requirements of the MUTCD.
D. Flagger warning signs
Signs for flagger traffic control shall be placed in advance of the flagging operation in accordance with the MUTCD. In addition to the signs required by the MUTCD, signs at regular intervals, warning of the presence of the flagger shall be placed beyond the point where traffic can reasonably be expected to stop under the most severe conditions for that day’s work.

E. Pilot vehicle requirements
Pilot vehicles will be required during placement of bituminous surface treatment or asphaltic concrete on two-lane roadways unless otherwise specified. Pilot vehicles shall meet the requirements of the MUTCD.

F. Portable temporary traffic control signals
The Contractor may request, in writing, the substitution of portable temporary traffic control signals for flaggers on two-lane two-way roadways provided the temporary signals meets the requirements of the MUTCD, Section 647, and Subsection 150.02.A.8. As a part of this request, the Contractor shall also submit an alternate traffic control plan in the event of a failure of the signals. Any alternate plan that requires the use of flaggers shall include the use of certified flaggers. The Contractor shall obtain the approval of the Engineer before the use of any portable temporary traffic control signals will be permitted.

150.08 Enforcement
The safe passage of pedestrians and traffic through and around the temporary traffic control zone, while minimizing confusion and disruption to traffic flow, shall have priority over all other Contractor activities. Continued failure of the Contractor to comply with the requirements of Section 150 (TRAFFIC CONTROL) will result in non-refundable deductions of monies from the Contract as shown in this Subsection for non-performance of Work.

Failure of the Contractor to comply with this Specification shall be reason for the Engineer suspending all other work on the Project, except erosion control and traffic control, taking corrective action as specified in Subsection 105.15, and/or withholding payment of monies due to the Contractor for any work on the Project until traffic control deficiencies are corrected. These other actions shall be in addition to the deductions for non-performance of traffic control.

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150.09 Measurement

A. Traffic Control
When listed as a pay item in the Proposal, payment will be made at the Lump Sum price bid, which will include all traffic control not paid for separately, and will be paid as follows:

When the first Construction Report is submitted, a payment of 25 (twenty-five) percent of the Lump Sum price will be made. For each progress payment thereafter, the total of the Project percent complete shown on the last pay statement plus 25 (twenty-five) percent will be paid (less previous payments), not to exceed one hundred (100) percent.

When no payment item for Traffic Control-Lump Sum is shown in the Proposal, all of the requirements of Section 150 and the Traffic Control Plan shall be in full force and effect. The cost of complying with these requirements will not be paid for separately, but shall be included in the overall bid submittal.

B. Signs
When shown as a pay item in the contract, interim special guide signs will be paid for as listed below. All other regulatory, warning, and guide signs, as required by the Contract, will be paid for under Traffic Control Lump Sum or included in the overall bid submitted.

1. Interim ground mounted or interim overhead special guide signs will be measured for payment by the square foot. This payment shall be full compensation for furnishing the signs, including supports as required, erecting, illuminating overhead signs, maintaining, removing, re-erecting, and final removal from the Project. Payment will be made only one time regardless of the number of moves required.

2. Remove and reset existing special guide signs, ground mount or overhead, complete, in place, will be measured for payment per each. Payment will be made only one time regardless of the number of moves required.

3. Modify special guide signs, ground mount or overhead, will be measured for payment by the square foot. The area measured shall include only that portion of the sign modified. Payment shall include materials, removal from posts or supports when necessary, and remounting as required.

C. Temporary Barrier
Temporary Barrier shall be measured as specified in Section 620.
D. **Changeable message sign, portable**
   Changeable Message Sign, Portable will be measured as specified in Section 632.

E. **Temporary Guardrail anchorage, Type 12**
   Temporary Guardrail Anchorage- Type 12 will be measured by each assembly, complete in place and accepted according to the details shown in the plans, which shall also include the additional guardrail and appurtenances necessary for transition and connection to Temporary Concrete Barrier. Payment shall include all necessary materials, equipment, labor, site preparation, maintenance and removal.

F. **Traffic signal installation – Temporary**
   Traffic Signal Installation- Temporary will be measured as specified in Section 647.

G. **Flashing Beacon assembly**
   Flashing Beacon Assemblies will be measured as specified in Section 647.

H. **Portable impact attenuators**
   Each Portable Impact Attenuator will be measured by the unit/array which shall include all material components, hardware, incidentals, labor, site preparation, and maintenance, including spare parts recommended by the manufacturer for repairing accident damage. Each unit will be measured only once regardless of the number of locations installed, moves required, or number of repairs necessary because of traffic damage. Upon completion of the project, the units shall be removed and retained by the Contractor.

I. **Pavement Markings**
   Pavement markings will be measured as specified in Section 150.

**150.10 Payment**

When shown in the Schedule of Items in the Proposal, the following items will be paid for separately.

Item No. 150. Traffic Control..........................................................Lump Sum

**END OF SECTION**
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
STATE OF GEORGIA  

SPECIAL PROVISION  

P. I. No: M005079, Bulloch County  

Section 231—Miscellaneous Construction, Unpaved Roads and Streets

Delete Section 231 and substitute the following:

Section 231—Miscellaneous Construction, Unpaved Roads, Streets, and Driveways

231.1 General Description
This work consists of grading, excavating, removing and disposing of excavated material and compaction of subgrade. The work also includes all incidental work required to prepare an area so that the unpaved roads, streets and driveways can be surfaced to tie into the mainline of the resurfacing and/or widening projects, according to Project Details.

Perform items of work and furnish all items of material, equipment, and labor, including incidentals, required to complete this work to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

231.1.01 Definitions
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.1.02 Related References
A. Standard Specifications
   Section 108—Prosecution and Progress
   Section 205—Roadway Excavation
   Section 400—Hot Mix Asphalitic Concrete Construction

B. Referenced Documents
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.1.03 Submittals
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.2 Materials
Ensure that materials required in preparing the unpaved roads, streets, and driveways meet the applicable requirements of Sections 205 of the Specifications. Bituminous prime is not required for this work.

231.2.01 Delivery, Storage, and Handling
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3 Construction Requirements
Perform all work described herein and according to Plan Details. Assume responsibility for furnishing and setting all required construction stakes and establishing lines, slopes and profile grades as directed by the Engineer.
231.3.01 Personnel
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3.02 Equipment
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3.03 Preparation
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3.04 Fabrication
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3.05 Construction
Ensure that construction methods and equipment required to complete the work is approved by the Engineer and conforms to applicable portions of Section 108 and Section 205.

231.3.06 Quality Acceptance
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.3.07 Contractor Warranty and Maintenance
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.4 Measurement
This work is measured by each unpaved area to be surfaced as specified in the Project Details and Plans.

231.4.01 Limits
General Provisions 101 through 150.

231.5 Payment
Payment for this Item, complete and accepted, will be made at the Contract Unit Price Per Each. Payment will be full compensation for furnishing all materials, all labor, tools, equipment and incidentals necessary to complete the Item satisfactorily. Asphaltec concrete will be paid for under the asphalt item provided in the Contract.

Payment will be made under:

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231.5.01 Adjustments
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Office of Maintenance
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
STATE OF GEORGIA  

SPECIAL PROVISION

Construction Details for Resurfacing and Widening Projects

A. General

Perform patching, according to Plan details and the applicable portions of Section 400.  
The provisions of Sections 104 and 105 apply when patching operations necessitate traffic control in  
construction areas.

B. Spot Patching and Replacement of Existing Base

1. Complete all removal and patching operations at any one site within the same day.  
2. Hand spreading and compaction using mechanical tampers will be required in areas inaccessible to  
conventional equipment.
3. Patching is paid for according to the Plans and Proposal. Payment includes all removal and replacement  
work necessary to complete the Item.

C. Shoulders

No shoulder construction will be required on Projects that have no widening or new shoulder paving, except  
where additional shoulder work is shown on the Plans.

For Projects involving pavement widening or paved shoulder construction, the cost of trenching and shoulder  
construction or reconstruction of the existing shoulders is included in the overall bid submitted.  
Ensure trenching and shoulder construction conforms to the following requirements:

1. Trenching consists of the removal, satisfactory disposal and replacement of existing shoulder materials.  
   Ensure trench dimensions are according with Plan details.
   Remove and dispose of all materials excavated from the trench widening operation. Excess material is to  
   be disposed of at an approved soil disposal site. Compact subgrade under widening sections to 95% of the  
   theoretical density as determined by GDT 7, GDT 67, or GDT 24.
2. Where trenching is necessary for widening or paved shoulder construction, complete all operations at any  
   one site to the level of the existing pavement in the same working day.
3. Perform widening operations on only one side of the existing traveled roadway at a time within any one-
   half-mile (800 m) stretch.

D. Other Work

The Department reserves the right to perform, with its own forces, any maintenance or construction work as  
may be necessary on or near the Work covered by the Contract.

E. Enforcement

If the requirements of this Specification are not achieved, the Engineer will cease all Work being performed and  
may withhold any monies due, or which may become due until the above requirements have been met.
PLAN OF PROPOSED
P.I. NO.: 0013973
COUNTY: BARROW

FEDERAL ROUTE: N/A
STATE ROUTE: N/A

IS LOCATED: 100% WITHIN U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT NO. 10
IS LOCATED: 100% WITHIN BARROW COUNTY
BARROW IS COUNTY NO. 132

COMPLETED PLANS: 5-19-16

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Location Map

P.I NO.: 0013973
BARROW COUNTY
A. RECYCLED ASPHALT CONCRETE PATCHING INCLUDING BITUM MATL. @ 440 LBS/SY
LOCATION (LENGTHS AND WIDTHS) AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER. THE CONTRACTOR
SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROTOMILLING ALL PAVEMENT FAILURES (+ INCHES) LEAVING
THE SIDES OF THE CUTS VERTICAL AND THE BOTTOMS FLAT. THE DEEP PATCHING
SHALL BE DIRECTED (LENGTH AND WIDTHS) BY THE ENGINEER.
B. 2' 440 LB/SY RECYCLED ASPHALT CONCRETE 19 MM SHOULDERS
C. 165 LB/SY RECYCLED ASPHALT CONCRETE 9.5 MM SUPERFAYE
D. ASPHALT CONCRETE LEVELING
E. PROFILE MILL ON CUTTER LINE

TYPICAL SECTION
OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD

TYPICAL SECTION
RIGHT TURN LANE
OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD
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NOTES:

1. The engineer may modify these designs and the depth of leveling and surfacing may vary as necessary to provide a smooth, safe and well drained transition to and from public roads and driveways.

2. All paving turnout requirements are to be measured from final edge of pavement on mainline.

3. The contractor, at the direction of the engineer, shall tie-in paved drives, public roads and streets with 9.5 mm Superpave mix necessary to effect an acceptable tie-in. The work shall be paid for under 12.5 mm Superpave mix.

4. When milling is included as a pay item, all paved side streets and roads within the milling limits shall be milled variable depth to the back of radius, unless otherwise noted in the log sheets. Milling will not be required for driveways. Milling to be paid for under item 432-.
DETAIL FOR UNEPAVED ROADS, STREETS AND DRIVES
FOR SURFACING AND WIDENING

REFERENCE PROJECT SPECIAL PROVISION SECTION 231

NOTES:

REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF EXCAVATED MATERIAL TO A DEPTH OF 4 INCHES, THEN SURFACE WITH 9.5 mm SUPERPAVE AT 440 LBS PER SQUARE YARD. THE ASPHALT SHALL BE PAID FOR BY THE TON.
GENERAL NOTES

1. ALL REFERENCES IN THIS DOCUMENT, WHICH INCLUDES ALL PAPERS, WRITINGS, DOCUMENTS, DRAWINGS, OR PHOTOGRAPHS USED, OR TO BE USED, IN CONNECTION WITH THIS DOCUMENT, TO THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA, STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, GEORGIA STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, OR DEPARTMENT WHEN THE CONTEXT THEREOF MEANS THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA MEAN, AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO MEAN, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

2. 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 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN ANY WAY. THE ATTENTION OF THE BIDDER IS SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED TO SECTIONS 102.04, 102.05, AND 104.03 OF THE SPECIFICATIONS.

3. SHOULDER MATERIAL DISPLACED BY THE CLEANING OPERATION PRIOR TO RESURFACING SHALL BE REMOVED OR SPREAD OVER THE SHOULDER IN A MANNER TO MATCH EXISTING GROUND CONDITIONS, AND AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 104.05 OF THE SPECIFICATIONS, AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE DEPARTMENT.

4. QUANTITIES FOR TURNOUTS, FLARES, ETC., ARE INCLUDED ON THE DETAILED ESTIMATE.

5. FLARES TO BE RESURFACED WILL REQUIRE NO ADDITIONAL BASE MATERIAL.

6. LEVELING COURSE TO BE PLACED AS FULL WIDTH LEVELING.

7. FOR PATCHING: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PERFORM ALL PATCHING AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER, PRIOR TO LEVELING AND RESURFACING OPERATIONS. THE COST OF PATCHING, IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR 402-1802 INCLUDING DISPOSAL OF REMOVED MATERIALS OFF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY, SHALL BE INCLUDED REMOVAL OF PAVEMENT FAILURES SHALL BE BY ROTOMILLING (5 INCHES MIN. DEPTH) LEAVING SIDES OF CUTS VERTICAL AND BOTTOM FLAT. TACK AREA TO BE PATCHED AND FILL WITH ASPHALTIC PATCHING. AREAS TO BE PATCHED ARE TO BE LOCATED BY THE ENGINEER. ROTOMILLING TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PRICE BID FOR PATCHING.

8. THE PAVING OPERATION WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN “60” CALENDAR DAYS UPON START OF THE PAVING OPERATION. FAILURE TO COMPLETE PAVING WITHIN THE SPECIFIED TIME WILL RESULT IN LIQUIDATED DAMAGES TO BE ASSESSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 108 OF THE SPECIFICATIONS.

9. ROADS, STREETS AND DRIVEWAYS SHALL BE PAVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH DETAILS AND NOTES IN THE PLANS AND SPECIAL PROVISION SECTION 231 -. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE NECESSARY CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT. THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR ITEM 231 -.

10. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE POSITIVE DRAINAGE IN THE MILLING OPERATION SUCH THAT WATER DOES NOT FLOOD THE ROADWAY.

11. MILLING VARIABLE DEPTH REQUIRED TO TIE-IN SIDE STREETS TO MAINLINE SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE UNIT PRICE BID FOR 432. PROFILE MILLING ALONG CURB AND GUTTER AT THE RIGHT TURN LANE FOR WYNTER CREEK DRIVE, MOUNTAIN LAKE DRIVE, CABERNET WAY, AND OLDE LEXINGTON ROAD SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE PRICE FOR
VARIABLE DEPTH MILLING. A MILLED BUTT JOINT WILL BE REQUIRED AT THE BEGINNING AND ENDING OF THE PROJECT.

12. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING ALL DRAINAGE STRUCTURES WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE PROJECT THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT. ANY DEBRIS THAT GOES IN DRAINAGE STRUCTURE AS A RESULT OF THE MILLING OPERATION SHALL BE CLEANED OUT BY THE CONTRACTOR AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE DEPARTMENT.

13. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL COVER EXISTING DRAINAGE STRUCTURES DURING THE GRINDING OPERATION TO PREVENT CLOGGING BY GRINDING RESIDUE. BEFORE PAVEMENT IS OPEN TO TRAFFIC, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FLUSH THE PAVEMENT WITH WATER TO REMOVE GRINDING RESIDUE.

14. FOR SHOULDER WIDENING PROJECTS: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPLYING SOIL STERILANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATION 725 AT THE JOINT FACE PRIOR TO APPLICATION OF THE TACK COAT. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVAL OF ANY EXISTING SHOULDER PAVING PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTING NEW SHOULDER PAVING AND FOR THE DISPOSAL OF REMOVED MATERIALS OFF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY. THE COST OF THIS WORK SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE OVERALL BID PRICE.

15. FOR RESURFACING PROJECTS WITH WIDENED SECTIONS: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR APPLYING SOIL STERILANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIFICATION 725 AT THE JOINT AT EXISTING WIDENED SECTIONS PRIOR TO APPLICATION OF THE TACK COAT. THE COST OF THIS WORK SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE OVERALL BID PRICE.

16. FOR THERMOPLASTIC: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE ALL EXISTING ROADWAY MARKING AS CURRENTLY MARKED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CROSSWALKS. EXISTING CROSSWALKS SHALL BE STRIPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CROSSWALK DETAIL. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE ALL EXISTING ROADWAY MARKINGS ON SIDE ROADS TO THE END OF THE NEW RESURFACED SECTION. ALSO, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE OR STRIPE (WHERE NOT EXISTING) STOP BARS AT ALL SIDE ROADS AND STREETS. REFERENCE PAVEMENT MARKING DETAILS AND NOTES IN THE PLANS FOR LOCATING EDGE LINES. THE COST OF RESTRIPING INCLUDING PAINTING REQUIRED STOP BARS, CROSSWALKS, AND PROVIDING CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT WILL BE PAID FOR UNDER 653 & 654 PAY ITEMS.

17. FOR PERMANENT STRIPING: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE ALL EXISTING ROADWAY MARKING AS CURRENTLY MARKED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CROSSWALKS. EXISTING CROSSWALKS SHALL BE STRIPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CROSSWALK DETAIL. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE ALL EXISTING ROADWAY MARKINGS ON SIDE ROADS TO THE END OF THE NEW RESURFACED SECTION. ALSO, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL RESTRIPE OR STRIPE (WHERE NOT EXISTING) STOP BARS AT ALL SIDE ROADS AND STREETS. REFERENCE PAVEMENT MARKING DETAILS AND NOTES IN THE PLANS FOR LOCATING EDGE LINES. THE COST OF RESTRIPING INCLUDING PAINTING REQUIRED STOP BARS, CROSSWALKS, AND PROVIDING CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT WILL BE PAID FOR UNDER 652, 653 AND 654 PAY ITEMS.
PROJECT: RFB2016-17 -- Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing (P.I. NO.0013973)

SUBMITTED TO: Barrow County Board of Commissioners
30 North Broad Street
Winder, Ga. 30680

SUBMITTED BY: _________________________________ (Hereinafter called “Bidder”)

NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PRIME/GENERAL CONTRACTOR:

_________________________________
_________________________________
_________________________________
_________________________________

Barrow County Board of Commissioners:

Having carefully examined the RFB2016-17, the latest Georgia Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, Supplemental Specifications, General Conditions, Special Provisions, and Drawings for the project entitled Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing. I have examined the site and the conditions affecting the work. I have also reviewed the Amendments Numbered __________________________ (that are on the website www.barrowga.org) and have included their provisions in this Bid.

The undersigned proposes to furnish all services, labor and material, tools, equipment, transportation, supervision and other items necessary to complete the construction of the project in its entirety, as called for by RFB2016-17, and complete all Work within ninety (90) consecutive days of generation of a Notice To Proceed, in accordance with said documents, for a total bid amount of (complete Pages 2 & 3 and furnish with Page 1):

_____________________________________________________________ ($______________)

It is understood that Barrow County is only obligated for actual quantities installed and that payment(s) will be made based upon material tickets and satisfactory inspections. Included and attached is a Bid Bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of this Bid.

Signed, sealed, and dated this _____ Day of _____________, 2016.

Bidder: _________________________________ (Seal)
(Company Name)

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Title: _______________________________

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AMENDMENT CERTIFICATION

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following checked amendments of the Proposal, Plans, Specifications, and/or documents pertaining to the Contract.

Amendment Number: 1 □  2 □  3 □  4 □  5 □

I understand that failure to confirm the receipt of amendments is cause for rejection of bids.

____________________________________
Company Name

By: ______________________________________

Witness my hand and seal this the _____ day of _____, 20___.

The bidder (s) whose signature (s) appears on this Document, having personally appeared before me, and being duly sworn, deposes and says that the above statements are true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ______ day of _____, 20___.

____________________________________
(Notary Public)

My commission expires on the ______ day of _____, 20___.
DRUG AND ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE

Barrow County

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY AND TESTING PROGRAM

All Contractors performing work for Barrow County shall have a Drug and Alcohol Policy and Testing Program. The policy must comply with Federal Transit Administration testing regulations (49 CFR Parts 653, 654, 40), Federal Highway Administration testing procedures (49 CFR Part 382), and the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988. The awarded contractor must have a drug and alcohol-free workplace in order to reduce the probability of accidents or incidents related to the use and/or abuse of alcohol and other drugs and to establish guidelines designed to help prevent accidents and injuries resulting from the misuse of alcohol or the use of controlled substances by drivers of commercial motor vehicles.

In signing below, I, __________________________, an authorized representative of __________________________, am acknowledging that a Drug and Alcohol Policy is in full effect, and a copy of said policy is on file at the company office and can be made available.

(Signature)

(Title)
REQUEST FOR BIDS
RFB2016-17
OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING
BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

REFERENCES

Project: _______________________________ Value: ________________
Owner: ________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________
_______________________________________________________________________
Contact Person: _________________________________________________________
Contact Title, Phone No., & Email Address: _________________________________
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BID BOND

BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

BIDDER (Name and Address):
________________________________________

SURETY (Name and Address of Principal Place of Business):
________________________________________

OWNER (hereinafter referred to as the “County” (Name and Address):

Barrow County, Georgia
30 North Broad Street
Winder, Georgia 30680

BID

BID DUE DATE:

PROJECT (Brief Description Including Location):
________________________________________

BOND

BOND NUMBER:

DATE (Not later that Bid due date):

PENAL SUM: ______________________ (Words)                      (Figures)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Surety and Bidder, intending to be legally bound hereby to the County, subject to the terms printed below or on the reverse side hereof, do each cause this Bid Bond to be duly executed on its behalf by its authorized officer, agent or representative.

BIDDER

________________________________________(Seal)
Bidder’s Name and Corporate Seal
By: ________________________________
Signature and Title:
Attest: ________________________________
Signature and Title:

SURETY

________________________________________(Seal)
Surety’s Name and Corporate Seal
By: ________________________________
Signature and Title:
(Attach Power of Attorney)
Attest: ________________________________
Signature and Title:

Note: (1) Above addresses are to be used for giving any notice required by the terms of this Bid Bond.
(2) Any singular reference to Bidder, Surety, the County or any other party shall be considered plural where applicable.
1. Bidder and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns to pay to the County upon Default of Bidder the penal sum set forth on the face of this Bond.

2. Default of Bidder shall occur upon the failure of Bidder to deliver within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension of that time agreed to in writing by the County) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment Bonds required by the Bidding Documents.

3. This obligation shall be null and void if:
   3.1 The County accepts Bidder’s Bid and Bidder delivers within the time required by the Bidding Documents (or any extension of that time agreed to in writing by the County) the executed Agreement required by the Bidding Documents and any performance and payment Bonds required by the Bidding Documents; or
   3.2 All Bids are rejected by the County; or
   3.3 The County fails to issue a Notice of Award to Bidder within the time specified in the Bidding Documents (or any extension of that time agreed to in writing by Bidder and, if applicable, consented to by Surety when required by paragraph 5 hereof).

4. Payment under this Bond will be due and payable upon Default by Bidder within 30 calendar days after receipt by Bidder and Surety of a written Notice of Default from the County, which Notice will be given with reasonable promptness and will identify this Bond and the Project and include a statement of the amount due.

5. Surety waives notice of, as well as any and all defenses based on or arising out of, any time extension to issue a Notice of Award agreed to in writing by the County and Bidder, provided that the total time, including extensions, for issuing a Notice of Award shall not in the aggregate exceed 120 days from Bid due date without Surety’s written consent.

6. No suit or action shall be commenced under this Bond either prior to 30 calendar days after the Notice of Default required in paragraph 4 above is received by Bidder and Surety or later than one year after Bid due date.

7. Any suit or action under this Bond shall be commenced only in a court of competent jurisdiction located in the State of Georgia.

8. Notices required hereunder shall be in writing and sent to Bidder and Surety at their respective addresses shown on the face of this Bond. Such notices may be sent by personal delivery, commercial courier or by United States Registered or Certified Mail, return receipt requested, postage pre-paid, and shall be deemed to be effective upon receipt by the party concerned.

9. Surety shall cause to be attached to this Bond a current and effective Power of Attorney evidencing the authority of the officer, agent or representative who executed this Bond on behalf of Surety to execute, seal and deliver such Bond and bind the Surety thereby.

10. This Bond is intended to conform to all applicable statutory requirements. Any applicable requirement of any applicable statute that has been omitted from this Bond shall be deemed to be included herein as if set forth at length. If any provision of this Bond conflicts with any applicable statute, then the provision of said statute shall govern and the remainder of this Bond that is not in conflict therewith shall continue in full force and effect.

11. The term “Bid” as used herein includes a Bid, offer or proposal, as applicable under the particular circumstances.

12. The terms of this Bid Bond shall be governed by the laws of the State of Georgia.
PAYMENT BOND
BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT _____________________________ (as CONTRACTOR, hereinafter referred to as the “Principal”), and ______________________ (as SURETY COMPANY, hereinafter referred to as the “CONTRACTOR’S SURETY”), are held and firmly bound unto Barrow County, Georgia (as OWNER, hereinafter referred to as the “County”), for the use and benefit of any “Claimant,” as hereinafter defined, in the sum of Dollars ($__________________), lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which the Principal and the Contractor’s Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has entered, or is about to enter, into a certain written agreement with the County, dated ________________, which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety (hereinafter referred to as the “CONTRACT”), for the construction of a project known as RFB2016-17 (PROJECT #P.I. NO. 0013973) OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING, (hereinafter referred to as “the PROJECT”).

NOW THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that if the Principal shall promptly make payment to any Claimant, as hereinafter defined, for all labor, services and materials used or reasonably required for use in the performance of the Contract, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.
A “Claimant” shall be defined herein as any Subcontractor, person, Party, partnership, corporation or other entity furnishing labor, services or materials used or reasonably required for use in the performance of the Contract, without regard to whether such labor, services or materials were sold, leased or rented, and without regard to whether such Claimant is or is not in privity of the Contract with the Principal or any Subcontractor performing Work on the Project.

In the event of any claim made by the Claimant against the County, or the filing of a Lien against the property of the County affected by the Contract, the Contractor’s Surety shall either settle or resolve the Claim and shall remove any such Lien by bond or otherwise as provided in the Contract.

The Parties further expressly agree that any action on this Bond may be brought within the time allowed by Georgia law for suit on contracts under seal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and Contractor’s Surety have hereunto affixed their corporate seals and caused this obligation to be signed by their duly authorized officers on this ____ day of ______________________, 20____.

(Name of Principal)

By: ______________________ (Print/Type)

________________________ (Signature)

Title: ______________________(SEAL)

(Signatures Continued on Next Page)
Attest:

_________________________ (Print/Type)

_________________________ (Signature)

Title: ___________________________

Date: _______________________

(Name of Contractor’s Surety)

By: ___________________________ (Print/Type)

_________________________ (Signature)

Title: ___________________________ (SEAL)

Attest:

_________________________ (Print/Type)

_________________________ (Signature)

Title: ___________________________

Date: _______________________

(ATTACH SURETY’S POWER OF ATTORNEY)
PERFORMANCE BOND
BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT ______________________ (as CONTRACTOR, hereinafter referred to as the “Principal”), and ______________________ (as SURETY COMPANY, hereinafter referred to as the “CONTRACTOR’S SURETY”), are held and firmly bound unto Barrow County, Georgia (as OWNER, hereinafter referred to as the “County”), for the use and benefit of the County, in the sum of ______________________ Dollars ($____________), lawful money of the United States of America, for the payment of which the Principal and the Contractor’s Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal has entered, or is about to enter, into a certain written agreement with the County, dated the ____ of ________________. 20__ which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety (hereinafter referred to as the “CONTRACT”), for the construction of a project known as RFB2016-17 OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING (P.I. NO. 0013973), (hereinafter referred to as “the PROJECT”).

NOW THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are as follows:

1. That if the Principal shall fully and completely perform each and all of the terms, provisions and requirements of the Contract, including and during the period of any warranties or guarantees required thereunder, and all modifications, amendments, changes, deletions, additions, and alterations thereto that may hereafter be made, and if the Principal and the Contractor’s Surety shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from any and all losses, liability and damages, claims, judgments, liens, costs and fees of every description, including but not limited to, any damages for
delay, which the County may incur, sustain or suffer by reason of the failure or default on the part of the Principal in the performance of any and all of the terms, provisions and requirements of the Contract, including all modifications, amendments, changes, deletions, additions, and alterations thereto and any warranties or guarantees required thereunder, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect;

2. In the event of a failure of performance of the Contract by the Principal, which shall include, but not be limited to, any breach of default of the Contract:
   
a. The Contractor’s Surety shall commence performance of its obligations and undertakings under this Bond no later than thirty (30) days after written notice from the County to the Contractor’s Surety; and
   
b. The means, method or procedure by which the Contractor’s Surety undertakes to perform its obligations under this Bond shall be subject to the advance written approval of the County.

The Contractor’s Surety hereby waives notice of any and all modifications, omissions, additions, changes and advance payments or deferred payments in or about the Contract, and agrees that the obligations undertaken by this Bond shall not be impaired in any manner by reason of any such modifications, omissions, additions, changes, and advance payments or deferred payments. The Parties further expressly agree that any action on this Bond may be brought within the time allowed by Georgia law for suit on contracts under seal.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the principal and Contractor’s Surety have hereunto affixed their corporate seals and caused this obligation to be signed by their duly authorized officers or attorneys-in-fact, this _____ day of __________________, 20__.
CONTRACTOR ("Principal"):

_________________________

By: __________________________ (signature)

__________________________ (print)

Title: ___________________________ (SEAL)

Attest:      Date:  ___________________________

_____________________  (signature)

_____________________ (print)

Title: ______________

Date:_________________

CONTRACTOR’S SURETY:

_________________________

By: __________________________ (signature)

__________________________ (print)

Title: ___________________________ (SEAL)

Attest:      Date:  ___________________________

_____________________  (signature)

_____________________ (print)

Title: ______________

Date:_________________

(ATTACH SURETY’S POWER OF ATTORNEY)
This Construction Services Agreement (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into this ___ day of ______________, 20___, by and between BARROW COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, acting by and through its governing authority, the Barrow County Board of Commissioners (“County”), and _____________________, a ________________ with its principal place of business located at _________________, ("Contractor"), collectively referred to as the "Parties".

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the County desires to employ a contractor to perform services for the construction of a Project, as defined below; and

WHEREAS, the County solicited bids for construction of the Project pursuant to Barrow County Request for Bid 2016-17, (P.I. NO.0013973), dated June 29, 2016; (the “RFB” a copy of which is maintained in the files of the Barrow County Purchasing Department); and

WHEREAS, the Contractor submitted a complete and timely bid and met all bid requirements such that the County awarded Project Number P.I. No.0013973 to the Contractor; and

WHEREAS, the County finds that specialized knowledge, skills, and training are necessary to perform the Work contemplated under this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor has represented that it is qualified by training and experience to perform the Work; and

WHEREAS, based upon Contractor’s bid to perform the construction services described herein, the County has selected Contractor as the successful bidder, and

WHEREAS, Contractor desires to perform the Work as set forth in this Agreement under the terms and conditions provided in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the public interest will be served by this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has familiarized itself with the nature and extent of the Contract Documents, the Project, and the Work, with all local conditions and federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations in any manner that may affect cost, progress or performance of Work, and Contractor is aware that he must be licensed to do business in the State of Georgia.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and other good and adequate consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the
Parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

Section 1. **Contract Documents**

The following documents, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, constitute the Contract Documents:

A. This Agreement;

B. Request for Bid (maintained on file with the Purchasing Department);

C. Bid Documents from Contractor, dated _____________ ____, ______, with portions attached hereto as Exhibit “A”;

D. Performance Bond and Payment Bond (included in the RFB maintained on file with the Purchasing Department);

E. Noncollusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder, attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;

F. Final Affidavit, attached hereto as Exhibit “C”;

G. Alien Employment affidavits attached hereto as Exhibits “D” and “E”;

H. Plans and specifications, including but not limited to the Specifications, the Georgia Department of Transportation (“GDOT”) Specifications Standards, General Conditions, Special Provisions, Plans and Drawings (included in the RFB maintained on file with the Purchasing Department), with any modifications (if issued) attached hereto as Exhibit “F”;

I. Key Personnel, attached hereto as Exhibit “G”;

J. Notice of Award, attached hereto as Exhibit “H”;

K. Barrow County Code of Ethics;

L. The following, which may be delivered or issued after the Effective Date of the Agreement and are not attached hereto: All Written Amendments and other documents amending, modifying, or supplementing the Contract Documents if properly adopted in writing and executed by the Parties.

In the event of any discrepancy among the Contract Documents, that provision that inures most to the benefit of the County, as determined by the County in its sole discretion, shall govern.
Section 2. Project Description; Engineer

A. Project. The Project is defined generally as follows: **RFB2016-17 Project Number P.I. NO. 0013973, Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing Project (the “Project”).**

B. Engineer. The project has been designed by BM&K Construction, Inc., dba **“BM&K Construction & Engineering”** (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Engineer”). The Engineer will act as the County’s representative with respect to the Project and shall assume all duties and responsibilities and shall have the rights and authority assigned to the Engineer in the Contract Documents in connection with completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Section 3. The Work

The Work to be completed under this Agreement (the “Work”) includes, but shall not be limited to, approximately 2.74 miles of asphalt resurfacing, asphalt widening, deep patching, and striping on Old Hog Mountain Road in Barrow County as described in the Specifications, Bid Form, GDOT Specifications Standard, General Conditions, Special Provisions, Plans and elsewhere in the Contract Documents. The Work includes all material, labor, insurance, tools, equipment, and any other miscellaneous items and work reasonably inferable from the Contract Documents. The term “reasonably inferable” takes into consideration the understanding of the Parties that some details necessary for completion of the Work may not be shown on the drawings or included in the specifications, but they are a requirement of the Work if they are a usual and customary component of the Work or are otherwise necessary for complete installation and operation of the Work. Contractor shall complete the Work in strict accordance with the Contract Documents. In the event of any discrepancy among the terms of the various Contract Documents, the provision most beneficial to the County, as determined by the County in its sole discretion, shall govern.

The County will issue a Notice to Proceed, which Notice to Proceed shall state the dates for beginning Work and for achieving Final Completion of Work. Work shall commence within five (5) days of County’s issuance of the Notice to Proceed.

Unless otherwise approved, the Contractor shall perform its obligations under this Agreement as expeditiously as is consistent with reasonable skill and care and the orderly progress of the Work.

Section 4. Contract Periods; Liquidated Damages

A. Contract Periods/Contract Term. Contractor warrants and represents that it will perform its Work in a prompt and timely manner, which shall not impose delays on the progress of the Work. The Contractor shall commence Work pursuant to this Agreement on or before a date to be specified on a written “Notice to Proceed” provided by the County (the “Commencement Date”), and the Parties intend that
all Work shall be completed on or before the date **ninety (90) consecutive days following the Commencement Date specified in the Notice to Proceed**. Every effort shall be made by Contractor to shorten this period. If the Term of this Agreement is longer than one year, the Parties agree that this Agreement, as required by O.C.G.A. § 36-60-13, shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the County on December 31 each calendar year of the Term, and further, that this Agreement shall automatically renew on January 1 of each subsequent calendar year absent the County’s provision of written notice of non-renewal to Contractor at least five (5) days prior to the end of the then current calendar year. Title to any supplies, materials, equipment, or other personal property shall remain in Contractor until fully paid for by the County.

**B. Liquidated Damages.** The County and Contractor recognize that time is of the essence of this Agreement and that County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed in accordance with the deadlines specified in Section 4(A) above and within the Contract Documents. The County and Contractor also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving in a legal or arbitration proceeding the actual loss suffered by the County if the Work is not completed within the specified times. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, the County and Contractor agree that, as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty), the Contractor shall pay to the County **Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars ($300.00)** for each and every day that expires after the deadlines provided herein, or agreed to in writing by both Parties in a change order.

**C. Expediting Completion.** The Contractor is accountable for completing the Work within the time period provided in the Contract Documents, or as otherwise amended by a change order. If, in the judgment of the County, the Work is behind schedule and the rate of placement of work is inadequate to regain scheduled progress to insure timely completion of the entire Work or a separable portion thereof, the Contractor, when so informed by the County, shall immediately take action to increase the rate of work placement by:

1. An increase in working forces;
2. An increase in equipment or tools;
3. An increase in hours of work or number of shifts;
4. Expediting delivery of materials; and/or
5. Other action proposed if acceptable to County.

Within five (5) calendar days after such notice from County that the Work is behind schedule, the Contractor shall notify the County in writing of the specific measures taken and/or planned to increase the rate of progress. The Contractor shall include an estimate as to the date of scheduled progress recovery. Should the County deem the plan of action inadequate, the Contractor shall take additional steps to make adjustments as necessary to its plan of action until it meets with the County’s
Section 5.  **Contractor’s Compensation; Time and Method of Payment**

A. The total amount paid under this Agreement as compensation for Work performed and reimbursement for costs incurred shall not, in any case, exceed $_________.__, except as outlined in Section 6 below (the “Contract Price”). The compensation for Work performed shall be based upon the unit price shown on the Contractor’s Bid Form and actual quantities installed.

B. County agrees to pay the Contractor for the Work performed and costs incurred by Contractor upon certification by the County that the Work was actually performed and costs actually incurred in accordance with this Agreement. Compensation for Work performed and reimbursement for costs incurred shall be paid to the Contractor upon receipt and approval by the County of invoices setting forth in detail the Work performed, actual quantities installed and costs incurred. Invoices shall be submitted on a monthly basis, and such invoices shall reflect charges incurred versus charges budgeted. Each invoice shall be accompanied by an Interim Waiver and Release upon Payment (or a Waiver and Release upon Final Payment in the case of the invoice for final payment) procured by the Contractor from all subcontractors in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 44-14-366.

C. County and Contractor shall comply with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 13-10-80. The Contractor through each invoice may request payment of no more than ninety percent (90%) of that portion of the Work completed during the term covered by such invoice until fifty percent (50%) of the Contract Price, as may be adjusted, is due and the manner of completion of the Work and its progress are reasonably satisfactory to the County. Payment for the remaining ten percent (10%) of Work completed and covered by such invoices shall be retained by the County until Final Completion. Once fifty percent (50%) of the Contract Price, as may be adjusted, is due and the manner of completion of the Work and its progress are reasonably satisfactory to the County, no additional retainage shall be withheld, except as provided below. At the discretion of the County and with the written approval of the Contractor, the retainage of each subcontractor may be released separately as the subcontractor completes his or her work.

If, after discontinuing the retention, the County determines that the Work is unsatisfactory or has fallen behind schedule, retention may be resumed at the previous level. If retention is resumed by the County, the Contractor and subcontractors shall be entitled to resume withholding retainage accordingly. At Final Completion of the Work and as the County determines the Work to be reasonably satisfactory, the County shall, within 30 days after the invoice and other appropriate documentation as may be required by the Contract Documents are provided to the County, pay the retainage to the Contractor. If at that time there are any remaining incomplete minor items, an amount equal to 200 percent of the value
of each item as determined by the County shall be withheld until such item or items are completed. The reduced retainage shall be shared by the Contractor and subcontractors as their interests may appear.

The Contractor shall, within ten (10) days from its receipt of retainage from the County, pass through payments to subcontractors and shall reduce each subcontractor’s retainage in the same manner as the Contractor’s retainage is reduced by the County; provided, however, that the value of each subcontractor’s work complete and in place equals fifty percent (50%) of his or her subcontract value, including approved change orders and other additions to the subcontract value, provided, further, that the work of the subcontractor is proceeding satisfactorily and the subcontractor has provided or provides such satisfactory reasonable assurances of continued performance and financial responsibility to complete his or her work including any warranty work as the Contractor in his or her reasonable discretion may require, including, but not limited to, a payment and performance bond. The subcontractor shall, within ten (10) days from the subcontractor’s receipt of retainage from the Contractor, pass through payments to lower tier subcontractors and shall reduce each lower tier subcontractor’s retainage in the same manner as the subcontractor’s retainage is reduced by the Contractor; provided, however, that the value of each lower tier subcontractor’s work complete and in place equals fifty percent (50%) of his or her subcontract value, including approved change orders and other additions to the subcontract value; provided, further, that the work of the lower tier subcontractor is proceeding satisfactorily and the lower tier subcontractor has provided or provides such satisfactory reasonable assurances of continued performance and financial responsibility to complete his or her work including any warranty work as the subcontractor in his or her reasonable discretion may require, including, but not limited to, a payment and performance bond.

Neither final payment nor any retained percentage shall become due until the Contractor submits to the County: (1) an affidavit that payrolls, bills for materials and equipment, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which the County or County property might be responsible or encumbered (less amounts withheld by County) have been paid or otherwise satisfied; (2) a certificate evidencing that insurance, required by the Contract Documents to remain in force after final payment, is currently in effect and will not be canceled or allowed to expire until at least thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice has been given to the County; (3) a written statement that the Contractor knows of no substantial reason that the insurance will not be renewable to cover the period required by the Contract Documents; (4) consent of surety, if any, to final payment; (5) a release or waiver of liens, claims, security interests, and encumbrances by all subcontractors and material suppliers; and (6), if required by the County, other data establishing payment or satisfaction of obligations, such as receipts, to the extent and in such form as may be designated by the County. If a subcontractor or material supplier
refuses to furnish a release or waiver as required by the County, the Contractor may furnish a bond satisfactory to the County to indemnify the County against such lien. If such lien remains unsatisfied after payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the County all money that the County may be compelled to pay in discharging such lien, including all costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

Acceptance of final payment by the Contractor, a subcontractor or material supplier shall constitute a waiver of claims by that payee, except those claims previously made in writing and identified by that payee as unsettled at the time of final application for payment.

D. Any material deviations in tests or inspections performed, or times or locations required to complete such tests or inspections, and like deviations from the Work described in this Agreement shall be clearly communicated to the County before charges are incurred and shall be handled through change orders, as described in Section 6 below. The County shall pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days after approval of the invoice by County staff, less any retainage as described in this Section. No payments will be made for unauthorized work. Upon the County’s certification of Completion of the Project, an invoice should be submitted to the Barrow County Engineering Department, 30 North Broad Street, Winder, Georgia 30680 for approval, with a copy submitted electronically to payables@barrowga.org. Payment will be sent to the designated address by U. S. Mail only; payment will not be hand-delivered, though the Contractor may arrange to pick up payments directly from the County or may make written requests for the County to deliver payments to the Contractor by Federal Express delivery at the Contractor’s expense.

Section 6. Change Orders

A. “Change order” means a written modification of the Contract Documents, signed by the County and the Contractor.

B. The County reserves the right to order changes in the Work to be performed under this Agreement by altering, adding to, or deducting from the Work. All such changes shall be incorporated in written change orders and executed by the Contractor and the County. Such change orders shall specify the changes ordered and any necessary adjustment of compensation and completion time. If the Parties cannot reach an agreement on the terms for performing the changed work within a reasonable time to avoid delay or other unfavorable impacts as determined by the County in its sole discretion, the County shall have the right to determine reasonable terms, and the Contractor shall proceed with the changed work.

C. Any work added to the scope of this Agreement by a change order shall be executed under all the applicable conditions of this Agreement. No claim for additional
compensation or extension of time shall be recognized, unless contained in a written change order duly executed on behalf of the County and the Contractor.

D. The County Manager has authority to execute without further action of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners, any number of change orders so long as their total effect does not materially alter the terms of this Agreement or materially increase the total amount to be paid under this Agreement, as set forth in Section 5 above. Any such change orders materially altering the terms of this Agreement, or increasing the total amount to be paid under this Agreement in excess of $25,000.00, must be approved by the resolution of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners.

Section 7. Covenants of Contractor.

A. Ethics Code

Contractor agrees that it shall not engage in any activity or conduct that would result in a violation of the Barrow County Code of Ethics or any other similar law or regulation.

B. Time is of the Essence

Contractor specifically acknowledges that TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE for completion of the Project.

C. Expertise of Contractor

Contractor accepts the relationship of trust and confidence established between it and the County, recognizing that the County’s intention and purpose in entering into this Agreement is to engage an entity with the requisite capacity, experience, and professional skill and judgment to provide the Work in pursuit of the timely and competent completion of the Work undertaken by Contractor under this Agreement. The Contractor agrees to use its best efforts, skill, judgment, and abilities to perform its obligations and to further the interests of County and the Project in accordance with County’s requirements and procedures.

Contractor represents that it has familiarized itself with the nature and extent of the Contract Documents, the Work, work site(s), locality, and all local conditions, laws and regulations that in any manner may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the Work. Contractor further represents and agrees that it has correlated the results of all such observations, examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, reports, and studies with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents. Contractor represents that it has given the County written notice of all conflicts, errors, or discrepancies that the Contractor has discovered in
the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by the County is acceptable to the Contractor.

Contractor agrees that it will perform its services in accordance with the usual and customary standards of the Contractor’s profession or business and in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, or orders applicable to the Project. Further, the Contractor agrees to bear the full cost of correcting the Contractor’s negligent or improper Work, the negligent or improper work of its contractors and subcontractors, and any harm caused by such negligent Work.

The Contractor’s duties shall not be diminished by any approval by the County of Work completed or produced; nor shall the Contractor be released from any liability by any approval by the County of Work completed or produced, it being understood that the County is ultimately relying upon the Contractor’s skill and knowledge in performing the Work required under the Contract Documents.

In the event that during the course of performing the Work, the Contractor discovers or reasonably should discover that there exists in any drawings, specifications, plans, sketches, instructions, information, requirements, procedures, and other data supplied to the Contractor (by the County or any other party) that is, in the Contractor’s opinion, unsuitable, improper, or inaccurate for the purposes for which the document or data is furnished, Contractor shall promptly inform the County of such inaccuracies, impropriety, issues or concerns.

D. Budgetary Limitations

Contractor agrees and acknowledges that budgetary limitations are not a justification for breach of sound principals of Contractor’s profession and industry. Contractor shall take no calculated risk in the performance of the Work. Specifically, Contractor agrees that, in the event it cannot perform the Work within the budgetary limitations established without disregarding sound principals of Contractor’s profession and industry, Contractor will give written notice immediately to the County.

E. County’s Reliance on the Work

The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the County does not undertake to approve or pass upon matters of expertise of the Contractor and that therefore, the County bears no responsibility for Contractor’s Work performed under this Agreement. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the acceptance of Work by the County is limited to the function of determining whether there has been compliance with what is required to be produced under this Agreement. The County will not, and need not, inquire into adequacy, fitness, suitability or
correctness of Contractor’s performance. Contractor further agrees that no approval of designs, plans, or specifications by any person, body, or agency shall relieve Contractor of the responsibility for adequacy, fitness, suitability, and correctness of Contractor’s Work under professional and industry standards, or for performing services under this Agreement in accordance with sound and accepted professional and industry principals.

F. Contractor’s Reliance on Submissions by the County

Contractor must have timely information and input from the County in order to perform the Work required under this Agreement. Contractor is entitled to rely upon information provided by the County, but Contractor shall be required to provide immediate written notice to the County if Contractor knows or reasonably should know that any information provided by the County is erroneous, inconsistent, or otherwise problematic.

G. Contractor’s Representative

_________________ shall be authorized to act on Contractor’s behalf with respect to the Work as Contractor’s designated representative.

H. Assignment of Agreement

The Contractor covenants and agrees not to assign or transfer any interest in, nor delegate any duties of this Agreement, without the prior express written consent of the County. As to any approved subcontractors, the Contractor shall be solely responsible for reimbursing them, and the County shall have no obligation to them.

I. Responsibility of Contractor and Indemnification of County

The Contractor covenants and agrees to take and assume all responsibility for the Work rendered in connection with this Agreement. The Contractor shall bear all losses and damages directly or indirectly resulting to it and/or the County on account of the performance or character of the Work rendered pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County, its officers, boards, commissions, elected and appointed officials, employees, servants, volunteers and agents (hereinafter referred to as “County Parties”) from and against any and all claims, injuries, suits, actions, judgments, damages, losses, costs, expenses, and liability of any kind whatsoever, including but not limited to, attorney’s fees and costs of defense (hereinafter “Liabilities”), which may be the result of willful, negligent, or tortious conduct arising out of the Work, performance of contracted services, or operations by the Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor or subcontractor, or anyone for whose acts the Contractor or subcontractor may be liable, regardless of whether or
not the negligent act is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. This indemnity obligation does not include Liabilities caused by or resulting from the sole negligence of the County or County Parties. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this provision.

In any and all claims against the County or County Parties, by any employee of the Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor or subcontractor, or anyone for whose acts the Contractor or subcontractor may be liable, the indemnification obligation set forth in this provision shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or any subcontractor under workers’ or workmen’s compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts. This obligation to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and County Parties shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement, provided that the claims are based upon or arise out of actions that occurred during the performance of this Agreement.

J. Independent Contractor

Contractor hereby covenants and declares that it is engaged in an independent business and agrees to perform the Work as an independent contractor and not as the agent or employee of the County. The Contractor agrees to be solely responsible for its own matters relating to the time and place the services are performed; the instrumentalities, tools, supplies, and/or materials necessary to complete the Work; hiring of subcontractors, agents, or employees to complete the Work; and the payment of employees, including compliance with Social Security, withholding, and all other regulations governing such matters. The Contractor agrees to be solely responsible for its own acts and those of its subordinates, employees, and subcontractors during the life of this Agreement. Any provisions of this Agreement that may appear to give the County the right to direct Contractor as to the details of the services to be performed by Contractor or to exercise a measure of control over such services will be deemed to mean that Contractor shall follow the directions of the County with regard to the results of such services only.

Inasmuch as the County and the Contractor are independent of each other, neither has the authority to bind the other to any third person or otherwise to act in any way as the representative of the other, unless otherwise expressly agreed to in writing signed by both parties hereto. The Contractor agrees not to represent itself as the County’s agent for any purpose to any party or to allow any employee of the Contractor to do so, unless specifically authorized, in advance and in writing, to do so, and then only for the limited purpose stated in such authorization. The Contractor shall assume full liability for any contracts or agreements the Contractor
enters into on behalf of the County without the express knowledge and prior written consent of the County.

K. Insurance

(1) **Requirements:** The Contractor shall have and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, insurance insuring against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the Work by the Contractor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. All policies shall be subject to approval by the County Attorney to form and content. These requirements are subject to amendment or waiver if so approved in writing by the County Manager.

(2) **Minimum Limits of Insurance:** Contractor shall maintain the following insurance policies with limits no less than:

   (a) Comprehensive General Liability policy of $1,000,000 (one million dollars) combined single limit per occurrence $2,000,000 (two million dollars) aggregate for bodily and personal injury, sickness, disease or death, injury to or destruction of property, including loss of use resulting therefrom.

   (b) Comprehensive Automobile Liability policy (covering owned, non-owned, and hired automobiles) of $1,000,000 (one million dollars) combined single limit per occurrence $2,000,000 (two million dollars) aggregate for bodily and personal injury, sickness, disease or death, injury to or destruction of property, including loss of use resulting therefrom.

   (c) Workers’ Compensation policy with limits as required by the State of Georgia and Employers Liability limits of $1,000,000 (one million dollars) per accident.

(3) **Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions:** Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the County in writing.

(4) **Other Insurance Provisions:** The policy is to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

   (a) **General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverage.**

      (i) The County and County Parties are to be covered as insureds as respects liability arising out of activities performed by or
on behalf of the Contractor; products and completed operations of the Contractor; premises owned, leased, or used by the Contractor; automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by the Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the County or County Parties.

(ii) The Contractor’s insurance coverage shall be primary noncontributing insurance as respects to any other insurance or self-insurance available to the County or County Parties. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County or County Parties shall be in excess of the Contractor’s insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(iii) Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the County and County Parties.

(iv) Coverage shall state that the Contractor’s insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought.

(v) Coverage shall be provided on a “pay on behalf” basis, with defense costs payable in addition to policy limits. There shall be no cross liability exclusion.

(vi) The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County and County Parties for losses arising from work performed by the Contractor for the County.

(b) **Workers' Compensation Coverage:** The insurer providing Workers’ Compensation Coverage will agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County and County Parties for losses arising from work performed by the Contractor for the County.

(c) **All Coverages:**

(i) Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the County.

(ii) Policies shall have concurrent starting and ending dates.
(5) Acceptability of Insurers: Insurance is to be placed with insurers licensed to do business in Georgia and with an A.M. Bests' rating of no less than A:VII.

(6) Verification of Coverage: Contractor shall furnish the County with certificates of insurance and endorsements to the policies evidencing coverage required by this Section prior to the start of Work. The certificate of insurance and endorsements shall be on a form utilized by Contractor’s insurer in its normal course of business and shall be received and approved by the County prior to execution of this Agreement by the County. The County reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time. The Contractor shall provide proof that any expiring coverage has been renewed or replaced at least two (2) weeks prior to the expiration of the coverage.

(7) Subcontractors: Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverage for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated in this Agreement, including but not limited to naming the County and County Parties as additional insureds.

(8) Claims-Made Policies: Contractor shall extend any claims-made insurance policy for at least six (6) years after termination or final payment under the Agreement, whichever is later.

(9) County as Additional Insured and Loss Payee: The County and County Parties shall be named as additional insureds and loss payees on all policies required by this Agreement, except the County need not be named as an additional insured and loss payee on any Professional Liability policy or Workers' Compensation policy.

L. Bonds

The Contractor shall provide Performance and Payment bonds on the forms attached and with a surety licensed to do business in Georgia and listed on the Treasury Department’s most current list (Circular 570 as amended). Upon the request of any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of bonds covering payment of obligations arising under the Contract, the Contractor shall promptly furnish a copy of the bonds or shall permit a copy to be made.
M. Employment of Unauthorized Aliens Prohibited

(1) E-Verify Affidavit

It is the policy of the County that unauthorized aliens shall not be employed to perform work on County contracts involving the physical performance of services. Therefore, the County shall not enter into a contract for the physical performance of services within the State of Georgia unless the Contractor shall provide evidence on County-provided forms, attached hereto as Exhibits “D” and “E” (affidavits regarding compliance with the E-Verify program to be sworn under oath under criminal penalty of false swearing pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 16-10-71), that it and Contractor’s subcontractors have conducted a verification, under the federal Employment Eligibility Verification (“EEV” or “E-Verify”) program, of the social security numbers, or other identifying information now or hereafter accepted by the E-Verify program, of all employees who will perform work on the County contract to ensure that no unauthorized aliens will be employed. The Contractor hereby verifies that it has, prior to executing this Agreement, executed a notarized affidavit, the form of which is provided in Exhibit “D”, and submitted such affidavit to County. In the event the Contractor employs or contracts with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the covered contract, the Contractor agrees to secure from such subcontractor(s) attestation of the subcontractor’s compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91 by the subcontractor’s execution of the subcontractor affidavit, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “E”, and such subcontractor affidavit shall become part of the contractor/subcontractor agreement. Further, Contractor agrees to provide completed copies of Exhibit “E” to the County within five (5) business days of receipt from any subcontractor.

The County Manager or his/her designee shall be authorized to conduct an inspection of the Contractor’s and Contractor’s subcontractors’ verification process at any time to determine that the verification was correct and complete. The Contractor and Contractor’s subcontractors shall retain all documents and records of their respective verification process for a period of three (3) years following completion of the contract.

The County Manager or his/her designee shall further be authorized to conduct periodic inspections to ensure that no County contractor or contractor’s subcontractors employ unauthorized aliens on County contracts. By entering into a contract with the County, the Contractor and Contractor’s subcontractors agree to cooperate with any such investigation by making their records and personnel available upon reasonable notice for inspection and questioning. Where a Contractor or Contractor’s subcontractors are found to have employed an unauthorized alien, the County Manager or his/her designee may report same to the Department of Homeland Security. The Contractor’s failure to cooperate with the
investigation may be sanctioned by termination of the contract, and the Contractor shall be liable for all damages and delays occasioned by the County thereby.

The above requirements shall be in addition to the requirements of State and federal law, and shall be construed to be in conformity with those laws.

N. Records, Reports and Audits

(1) Records:

(a) Records shall be established and maintained by the Contractor in accordance with requirements prescribed by the County with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement. Except as otherwise authorized, such records shall be maintained for a period of three years from the date that final payment is made under this Agreement. Furthermore, records that are the subject of audit findings shall be retained for three years or until such audit findings have been resolved, whichever is later.

(b) All costs shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, or vouchers, or other official documentation evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of the charges. All checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders, or other accounting documents pertaining in whole or in part to this Agreement shall be clearly identified and readily accessible.

(2) Reports and Information: Upon request, the Contractor shall furnish to the County any and all statements, records, reports, data, and information related to matters covered by this Agreement in the form requested by the County.

(3) Audits and Inspections: At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, there shall be made available to the County for examination all records with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement. The Contractor will permit the County to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts from such records, and to audit all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, conditions of employment, and/or data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement.

O. Confidentiality

Contractor acknowledges that it may receive confidential information of the County and that it will protect the confidentiality of any such confidential information and
will require any of its subcontractors, contractors, and/or staff to likewise protect such confidential information. The Contractor agrees that confidential information it receives or such reports, information, opinions, or conclusions that Contractor creates under this Agreement shall not be made available to, or discussed with, any individual or organization, including the news media, without prior written approval of the County. Contractor shall exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the unauthorized disclosure and use of County information whether specifically deemed confidential or not.

Contractor acknowledges that the County’s disclosure of documentation is governed by Georgia’s Open Record’s Act, and Contractor further acknowledges that, if Contractor submits records containing trade secret information and if Contractor wishes to keep such records confidential, Contractor must submit and attach to such records an affidavit affirmatively declaring that specific information in the records constitutes trade secrets pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter 1 of Title 10, and the Parties shall follow the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72(a)(34) related thereto.

P. Licenses, Certifications and Permits

The Contractor covenants and declares that it has obtained all diplomas, certificates, licenses, permits, or the like required by any and all national, state, regional, county, local boards, agencies, commissions, committees or other regulatory bodies in order to perform the Work contracted for under this Agreement; provided that some permits or licenses related to the Project may be obtained as part of the Work and shall be obtained as required. All work performed by Contractor under this Agreement shall be in accordance with applicable legal requirements and shall meet the standard of quality ordinarily expected of competent professionals. The Contractor shall furnish copies of all such permits, licenses, or approvals to the County within ten (10) days after issuance.

Q. Key Personnel

All of the individuals identified in Exhibit “G” are necessary for the successful completion of the Work due to their unique expertise and depth and breadth of experience. There shall be no change in Contractor’s Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in Exhibit “G”, without written approval of the County. Contractor recognizes that the composition of this team was instrumental in the County’s decision to award the work to Contractor and that compelling reasons for substituting these individuals must be demonstrated for the County’s consent to be granted. Any substitutes shall be persons of comparable or superior expertise and experience. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Section shall constitute a material breach of Contractor’s obligations under this Agreement and shall be grounds for termination. Contractor shall not subcontract with any third party for
the performance of any portion of the Work without the prior written consent of the County. Contractor shall be solely responsible for any such subcontractors in terms of performance and compensation.

R. Authority to Contract

The Contractor covenants and declares that it has obtained all necessary approvals of its board of directors, stockholders, general partners, limited partners, or similar authorities to simultaneously execute and bind Contractor to the terms of this Agreement, if applicable.

S. Ownership of Work

All reports, designs, drawings, plans, specifications, schedules, work product, and other materials prepared or in the process of being prepared for the Work to be performed by the Contractor ("materials") shall be the property of the County, and the County shall be entitled to full access and copies of all such materials. Any such materials remaining in the hands of the Contractor or subcontractor upon completion or termination of the Work shall be delivered immediately to the County. The Contractor assumes all risk of loss, damage or destruction of or to such materials. If any materials are lost, damaged, or destroyed before final delivery to the County, the Contractor shall replace them at its own expense. Any and all copyrightable subject matter in all materials is hereby assigned to the County, and the Contractor agrees to execute any additional documents that may be necessary to evidence such assignment.

T. Meetings

The Contractor is required to meet with the County’s personnel, or designated representatives, to resolve technical or contractual problems that may occur during the term of the contract at no additional cost to the County. Meetings will occur as problems arise and will be coordinated by the County. The Contractor will be given a minimum of three (3) full business days’ notice of meeting date, time, and location. Face-to-face meetings are desired. However, at the Contractor’s option and expense, a conference call meeting may be substituted. Consistent failure to participate in problem resolution meetings, two consecutive missed or rescheduled meetings, or to make a good faith effort to resolve problems, may result in termination of the contract.

U. Nondiscrimination

During the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor agrees as follows:

1. Compliance with Regulations
The Contractor shall comply with the Regulations, hereinafter defined, relative to nondiscrimination in federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (the “DOT”), Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, part 21, as they may be amended from time to time (the “Regulations”), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

2. **Nondiscrimination**
   The Contractor, with regard to the Work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The Contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the Agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.

3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurement of Materials and Equipment**
   In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiations made by the Contractor for Work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Contractor of the Contractor’s obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin.

4. **Information and Reports**
   The Contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, and other sources of information and its facilities as may be determined by the County, GDOT, or the Federal Highway Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Contractor shall so certify to the County, or GDOT or the Federal Highway Administration, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain such information.

5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance**
   In the event of the Contractor’s noncompliance with the nondiscriminatory provision of this Agreement, County shall impose contract sanctions as it or GDOT or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
   (a) Withholding of payments to the Contractor under the Agreement until Contractor complies; and/or
   (b) Cancellation, termination, or suspension of the Agreement, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions**
   The Contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (5) in every subcontract, procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issue thereto.

   The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor or procurement as the County or GDOT or the Federal Highway Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctioning noncompliance. Provided, however, that in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the County to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the County and, in addition, the Contractor may request GDOT to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State and the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

**Section 8. County to Provide Contractor a Right of Entry**

   The County shall provide a right of entry for Contractor to enter the respective property in order for Contractor to complete the Work.

**Section 9. Warranty**

   The Contractor shall repair or replace all defects in materials, equipment, or workmanship appearing within one year from the date of Final Completion at no additional cost to the County. Further, Contractor shall provide all maintenance services, including parts and labor, for one year from the date of Final Completion at no additional cost to the County. An inspection shall be conducted by the County or its representative(s) near the completion of the one-year general warranty period to identify any issues that must be resolved by the Contractor. After the expiration of such warranty period, County shall be responsible for repairing issues resulting from normal wear and tear and shall be responsible for general maintenance of the Work; however, expiration of such warranty period shall not affect the Contractor’s continued liability under an implied warranty of merchantability and fitness. All other warranties implied by law, including fitness for a particular purpose and suitability, are hereby preserved and shall apply in full force and effect beyond the one-year period.

**Section 10. Termination**

   A. The County may terminate this Agreement for convenience at any time upon providing written notice thereof to Contractor at least seven (7) calendar days in advance of the termination date. In the event of a termination for convenience, Contractor shall take immediate steps to terminate work as quickly and effectively as possible and shall terminate all commitments to third-parties, unless otherwise instructed by the County. Provided that no damages are due to the County for
Contractor’s failure to perform in accordance with this Agreement, the County shall pay Contractor for work performed to date in accordance with Section 5 herein. The County shall have no further liability to Contractor for such termination. Further, at its sole discretion, the County may pay Contractor for additional value received as a result of Contractor’s efforts, but in no case shall said payment exceed any remaining unpaid portion of the Contract Price.

B. The County may terminate this Agreement for cause if Contractor breaches any material provision of this Agreement. The County shall give Contractor seven (7) days written notice of its intent to terminate the Agreement and the reasons therefore, and if Contractor, or its Surety, fails to cure the default within that period, the termination shall take place without further notice. The County shall then make alternative arrangements for completion of the Project. The County will make no payment to the Contractor or its Surety until all costs of completing the Project are paid. If the unpaid balance of the amount due the Contractor, according to this Agreement, exceeds the cost of finishing the Project, County shall provide payment to the Contractor (or its Surety) for services rendered and expenses incurred prior to the termination date, provided that such payment shall not exceed the unpaid balance of the amount otherwise payable under this Agreement minus the cost of completing the Project. If the costs of completing the Project exceed the unpaid balance, the Contractor or its Surety will pay the difference to the County.

The County reserves the right in termination for cause to take assignment of all contracts between the Contractor and its subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers. The County will promptly notify the Contractor of the contracts the County elects to assume. Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor shall promptly take all steps necessary to effect such assignment.

C. If the County terminates this Agreement for cause, and it is later determined that the County did not have grounds to do so, the termination will be treated as a termination for convenience under the terms of Section 10(A) above.

D. Upon termination, the Contractor shall: (1) promptly discontinue all services affected, unless the notice directs otherwise; and (2) promptly deliver to the County all data, drawings, reports, summaries, and such other information and materials as may have been generated or used by the Contractor in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, in the form specified by the County.

E. The Contractor shall have no right to terminate this agreement prior to completion of the Work, except in the event of the County’s failure to pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days of Contractor providing the County with notice of a delinquent payment and an opportunity to cure.

F. The rights and remedies of the County and the Contractor provided in this Section
are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided under this Agreement or at law or in equity.

Section 11. **Miscellaneous**

A. **Defined Terms.** Terms used in this Agreement shall have their ordinary meaning, unless otherwise defined below or elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

(i) “Final Completion” means when the Work has been completed in accordance with terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.

B. **Complete Agreement.** This Agreement, including the Contract Documents, constitutes the complete agreement between the Parties and supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or in writing, between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. No other agreement, statement, or promise relating to the subject matter of this Agreement not contained in this Agreement or the Contract Documents shall be valid and binding. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by a written document signed by representatives of both Parties with appropriate authorization.

C. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Georgia. Any action or suit related to this Agreement shall be brought in the Superior Court of Barrow County, Georgia.

D. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

E. **Invalidity of Provisions; Severability.** Should any article(s) or section(s) of this Agreement, or any part thereof, later be deemed unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the offending portion of the Agreement should be severed, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect to the extent possible as if this Agreement had been executed with the invalid portion hereof eliminated, it being the intention of the parties that they would have executed the remaining portion of this Agreement without including any such part, parts, or portions which may for any reason be hereafter declared invalid.

F. **Business License.** Prior to commencement of the Work to be provided hereunder, Contractor shall apply to the County for a business license, pay the applicable business license fee, and maintain said business license during the term of this Agreement.
G. Notices.

(1) Communications Relating to Day-to-Day Activities.

All communications relating to the day-to-day activities of the Work shall be exchanged between _________________ for the County and _________________ for the Contractor.

(2) Official Notices.

All other notices, requests, demands, writings, or correspondence, as required by this Agreement, shall be in writing and shall be deemed received, and shall be effective, when (1) personally delivered, or (2) on the third day after the postmark date when mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or (3) upon actual delivery when sent via national overnight commercial carrier to the Parties at the addresses given below, or at a substitute address previously furnished to the other Parties by written notice in accordance herewith:

NOTICE TO THE COUNTY shall be sent to:

County Manager
c/o Barrow County Board of Commissioners
30 North Broad Street
Winder, Georgia 30680

NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR shall be sent to:

Future changes in address shall be effective only upon written notice being given by the County to the Contractor or by the Contractor to the County Manager via one of the delivery methods described in this Section.

H. Waiver of Agreement. No failure by the County to enforce any right or power granted under this Agreement, or to insist upon strict compliance by Contractor with this Agreement, and no custom or practice of the County at variance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall constitute a general waiver of any future breach or default or affect the County’s right to demand exact and strict compliance by Contractor with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

I. Sovereign Immunity. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to be a waiver of the County’s sovereign immunity or any individual’s qualified good
faith or official immunities.

J. **No Personal Liability.** Nothing herein shall be construed as creating any individual or personal liability on the part of any County Party. No County Party shall be personally liable to the Contractor or any successor in interest in the event of any default or breach by the County or for any amount which may become due to the Contractor or successor or on any obligation under the terms of this Agreement. Likewise, Contractor’s performance of services under this Agreement shall not subject Contractor’s individual employees, officers, or directors to any personal liability. The Parties agree that their sole and exclusive remedy, claim, demand, or suit shall be directed and/or asserted only against Contractor or the County, respectively, and not against any employee, officer, director, or elected or appointed official.

K. **Force Majeure.** Neither the County nor Contractor shall be liable for their respective non-negligent or non-willful failure to perform or shall be deemed in default with respect to the failure to perform (or cure a failure to perform) any of their respective duties or obligations under this Agreement or for any delay in such performance due to: (i) any cause beyond their respective reasonable control; (ii) any act of God; (iii) any change in applicable governmental rules or regulations rendering the performance of any portion of this Agreement legally impossible; (iv) earthquake, fire, explosion, or flood; (v) strike or labor dispute, excluding strikes or labor disputes by employees and/or agents of Contractor; (vi) delay or failure to act by any governmental or military authority; or (vii) any war, hostility, embargo, sabotage, civil disturbance, riot, insurrection, or invasion. In such event, the time for performance shall be extended by an amount of time equal to the period of delay caused by such acts, and all other obligations shall remain intact.

L. **Headings.** All headings herein are intended for convenience and ease of reference purposes only and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope or intent thereof, or of this Agreement, nor in any way affect this Agreement.

M. **No Third Party Rights.** This Agreement shall be exclusively for the benefit of the Parties and shall not provide any third parties with any remedy, claim, liability, reimbursement, cause of action, or other right.

N. **Successors and Assigns.** Each Party binds itself, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other Party hereto, its partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives with respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the County and the Contractor have executed this Agreement effective as of the date first above written.
[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]
CONTRACTOR: ____________________

By: ______________________________

[NAME AND TITLE]

[CORPORATE SEAL]

SIGNED, SEALED, AND DELIVERED in the presence of:

Witness

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

______________________________

[NAME AND TITLE]

[COUNTY SEAL]

SIGNED, SEALED, AND DELIVERED in the presence of:

Witness

Notary Public

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires:
EXHIBIT “A”

[BID DOCUMENTS]
EXHIBIT “B”

NONCOLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF BARROW

________________________________________, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

(1) He is ___________________________(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative, or Agent) of ___________________________ (the “Bidder”) that has submitted the attached Bid;

(2) He is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such Bid;

(3) Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive of sham Bid;

(4) Neither the said Bidder nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, included in this affidavit, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with the Contract for which the attached Bid has been submitted to or refrain from bidding in connection with such Contract, or has in any collusion or communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid or of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against Barrow County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and,

(5) The price or prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, included in this affidavit.

(6) Bidder has not directly or indirectly violated any law, ordinance or regulation related to the Bid.

__________________________
Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

__________________________
Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE _______ DAY OF _________, 20___.

__________________________
Notary Public

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires:
EXHIBIT “C”

FINAL AFFIDAVIT

TO BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA

I, _______________________________, hereby certify that all suppliers of materials, equipment and service, subcontractors, mechanics, and laborers employed by ______________________ or any of its subcontractors in connection with the construction of Project Number P.I. NO. 0013973 Old Hog Mountain Road Resurfacing for Barrow County have been paid and satisfied in full as of ____________, 20_____, and that there are no outstanding obligations or claims of any kind for the payment of which Barrow County on the above named project might be liable, or subject to, in any lawful proceeding at law or in equity.

______________________________
Signature

______________________________
Title

Personally appeared before me this ____ day of ________, 20____._______________________, who under oath deposes and says that he is _____________________ of the firm of _________________________________, that he has read the above statement, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief same is an exact true statement.

______________________________
Notary Public

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires

____________________________________________________
STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BARROW

CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services on behalf of Barrow County has registered with, is authorized to use, and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91.

Furthermore, the undersigned contractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period, and the undersigned contractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the contractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b).

Contractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

Date of Authorization

Name of Contractor

Name of Project

Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on ______, ___, 20___ in ________, (city), _________ (state).

_______________________________________

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE ______ DAY OF ________, 20__.

_______________________________________

Notary Public

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires:  

_______________________________________
EXHIBIT “E”

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BARROW

SUBCONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned subcontractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services under a contract with _______________________ (name of contractor) on behalf of Barrow County has registered with, is authorized to use, and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91. Furthermore, the undersigned subcontractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period, and the undersigned subcontractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with sub-subcontractors who present an affidavit to the subcontractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b). Additionally, the undersigned subcontractor will forward notice of the receipt of an affidavit from a sub-subcontractor to the contractor within five (5) business days of receipt. If the undersigned subcontractor receives notice that a sub-subcontractor has received an affidavit from any other contracted sub-subcontractor, the undersigned subcontractor must forward, within five (5) business days of receipt, a copy of the notice to the contractor.

Subcontractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

_________________________________
Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number

_________________________________
Date of Authorization

_________________________________
Name of Subcontractor

_________________________________
Name of Project

_________________________________
Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on ______, ___., 201__ in _____(city), ______(state).

_______________________________
Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF
___________________, 201__.

NOTARY PUBLIC

[NOTARY SEAL]

My Commission Expires:

_________________________________
The following individuals are designated as Key Personnel under this Agreement and as such are necessary for the successful prosecution of the Work:

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EXHIBIT “H”

[INSERT NOTICE OF AWARD]
NOTICE OF AWARD

TO: _______________________________
   __________________________________
   __________________________________
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PROJECT TITLE:   RFB2016-17 – OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING
(P.I. NO. 0013973)

Barrow County Board of Commissioners (Owner) has considered the Bid submitted by you for
the above described Project which was opened and read on ________, 2016. You are hereby
notified that your Bid has been accepted for the Project in the amount of $_______________
dollars.

You are required in the bid documents to furnish the required Payment Bond in the amount of
one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract amount, and a Performance Bond in the amount of
one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the Contract amount. Also, a Certificate(s) of Insurance
is to be submitted as called for in the bid documents. Attached please find the fully executed
Construction Agreement for your use. Upon Barrow County’s receipt of the other stated
documents, a NOTICE TO PROCEED will be generated.

If you fail to furnish the other stated documents within ten (10) days from the date of receipt of
this document, Owner will be entitled to such rights as may be granted by law to insure Project
is completed on schedule.

Please acknowledge a copy of this Notice of Award and return it to: Cindy Clack, Purchasing
Agent, Barrow County Board of Commissioners, 30 North Broad Street, Winder,GA 30680.

Dated this ________ day of ________, 2016.

BARROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (OWNER)
By: __________________________________
    Michael R. Renshaw, County Manager

ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF AWARD:
RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF AWARD IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED:

BY: ________________________________ TITLE: __________________________

DATED THIS THE _____ DAY OF ________, 2016.
NOTICE TO PROCEED

TO: ______________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: RFB2016-17 OLD HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD RESURFACING
(P.I. NO.0013973)

You are hereby notified to commence Work in accordance with the Agreement dated
________________ on or before ________________ and you are to complete the Work in
accordance with Agreement.

Date this ___ day of _____________, 2016.

BY: ______________________________, Michael R. Renshaw, County Manager
BARROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (OWNER)

Receipt of the above “Notice to Proceed” is hereby acknowledged by ________________________
__________________________________________________________ this the ______ day of
___________, 2016.

BY: ______________________________ (CONTRACTOR)
TITLE: ______________________________
COUNTY OF BARROW

STATE OF GEORGIA

BARROW COUNTY ETHICS ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF BARROW COUNTY, TO ESTABLISH THE CODE OF ETHICS FOR BARROW COUNTY; TO FURTHER AND INCORPORATE THE POLICIES AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA RELATING TO ETHICAL STANDARDS; TO CREATE THE BOARD OF ETHICS AND PROVIDE FOR ITS CONSTITUENT MEMBERSHIP, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE INVESTIGATION OF ETHICS COMPLAINTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF ETHICAL STANDARDS; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, approved by the voters of the State in November of 1982, and effective July 1, 1983, provides in Article IX, Section II, Paragraph I thereof, that the governing authority of the county may adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions and regulations;

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 36-1-20 authorizes counties to enact ordinances for protection and preserving the public health, safety and welfare of the population of the unincorporated areas of the County;

WHEREAS, the governing authority of Barrow County, to wit, the Board of Commissioners, desires to exercise its authority in adopting this Ordinance;

WHEREAS, it is essential to the proper operation of democratic government that public officials of independent and impartial, that governmental decisions and policy be made in the proper channels of the governmental structure, that public office not be used for private gain other than the remuneration provided by law, and that there be public confidence in the integrity of government;
WHEREAS, the attainment of one or more of these ends is impaired whenever there exists a conflict between the private interests of an elected official or a governmental employee and his duties as such;

WHEREAS, the public interest, therefore, requires that the law protect against such conflicts of interest and establish appropriate ethical standards with respect to the conduct of elected officials and government employees in situations where conflicts exist;

WHEREAS, it is also essential to the proper operation of government that those best qualified be encouraged to serve the government. Accordingly, legal safeguards against conflicts of interest must be so designed as not unnecessarily or unreasonably to impede the recruitment and retention by the government of those men and women who are best qualified to serve it;

WHEREAS, an essential principle underlying the staffing of our government structure is that its elected officials and employees should not be denied the opportunity, available to all other citizens, to acquire and retain private economic and other interests, except where conflicts with the responsibility of such elected officials and employees to the public cannot be avoided;

WHEREAS, in recognition of these goals and principles, it is the policy of the Board of Commissioners to institute, establish, promote and enforce standards of ethical conduct for all of Barrow County’s officers and employees; and

WHEREAS, it is a further policy of the Board of Commissioners that the proper administration of Barrow County’s government and the promotion and enforcement of standards of ethical conduct for Barrow County’s officers and employees would be best served by the creation of a Barrow County Board of Ethics for the investigation of complaints related to ethical standards;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF BARROW COUNTY, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE ONE: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section One. Short Title.

This Ordinance shall be known as "The Barrow County Ethics Ordinance," and may be Cited and referred to as such.

Section Two. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meaning provided herein. When no inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number included the singular number and words in the singular number include the plural number.

(A) "Board" means the Barrow County Board of Commissioners.

(B) "Board of Ethics" means the Barrow County Board of Ethics as formed and described herein.

(C) "Business Entity" means any business of whatever nature regardless of how designated or formed, whether a sole proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, association, trust, corporation, limited liability company, or any other type of business enterprise and whether a person acting on behalf of, or as a representative or agent of, the business entity.

(D) "Confidential Information" means any information that, by law or practice, is not reasonably available to the public.

(E) "County Official" means the Barrow County Board of Commissioners, any member of a board, commission or authority appointed by the Board, the Chief of
Operations or his/her equivalent and any other elected or appointed officer or employee of Barrow County, including those employees who are exempt from the Barrow County Civil Service System, except to the extent prohibited by law.

(F) "Employee" means all those persons employed on a regular or part-time basis by The County, as well as those persons whose services are retained under the terms of a contract with the County, including those employees who are exempt from the Barrow County Civil Service System, except to the extent prohibited by law.

(G) "Family" means the spouse, parents, children, brothers and sisters, related by blood or marriage of a county official or employee.

(H) "Interest" means direct or indirect pecuniary or material benefit accruing to a County Official or Employee as a result of a contract or transaction which is or may be the subject of an official act or action by or with the County, except for such contracts or transactions which, by their terms and by the substance of their provisions, confer the opportunity and right to realize the accrual of similar benefits to all other persons and/or property similarly situated. The term "interest" shall not include any remote interest. For purposes of this Ordinance, a County Official or Employee shall be deemed to have an interest in the affairs of:

(1) His or her family;

(2) Any business entity in which the county official or employee is a member, officer, director, employee or prospective employee;

(3) Any business entity as to which the stock, legal ownership, or beneficial ownership of a county official or employee is in excess of five percent (5%) of the total stock or total legal and beneficial ownership, or which is
controlled or owned directly or indirectly by the county official or employee.

(I) "Official Act" or "Official Duties" means any legislative, administrative, appointive or discretionary act of any County Official or Employee of the County or any agency, board, authority or commission thereof.

ARTICLE TWO: CODE OF ETHICS FOR COUNTY SERVICE GENERALLY AND FOR EMPLOYEES

This Article Two is intended to adopt and incorporate herein for local enforcement the ethical standards of O.C.G.A. § 45-10-1, as it may be amended from time to time.

Any person in County service shall;

**Section One.**

Put loyalty to the highest moral principles and to country above loyalty to person, party, or government department.

**Section Two.**

Uphold the Constitution, laws and legal regulations of the United States and the State of Georgia and of all governments therein and never be a party to their evasion.

**Section Three.**

Give a full day’s labor for a full day’s pay and give to the performance of his duties his earnest effort and best thought.

**Section Four.**

Seek to find and employ more efficient and economical ways of getting tasks accomplished.
Section Five

Never discriminate unfairly by the dispensing of special favors or privileges to anyone, whether for remuneration or not, and never accept, for himself or his family, favors or benefits under circumstances which might be construed by reasonable persons as influencing the performance of his governmental duties.

Section Six

Make no private promises of any kind binding upon the duties of office, since a government employee has no private word that can be binding on public duty.

Section Seven.

Engage in no business with the government, either directly or indirectly, which is inconsistent with the conscientious performance of his governmental duties.

Section Eight.

Never use any information coming to him confidentially in the performance of governmental duties as a means for making private profit.

Section Nine.

Expose corruption wherever discovered.

Section Ten.

Uphold these principles, ever conscious that public office is a public trust.

ARTICLE THREE: CODE OF ETHICS FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

This Article Three is intended to adopt and incorporate herein for local enforcement the ethical standards of O.C.G.A.§ 45-10-3, as it may be amended from time to time.

All County Officials and Department Directors shall:
Section One.

Uphold the Constitution, laws and regulations of the United States, the State of Georgia, the County of Barrow and all governments therein and never be a party to their evasion.

Section Two.

Never discriminate by the dispensing of special favors or privileges to anyone, whether or not for remuneration.

Section Three.

Not engage in any business with the government, either directly or indirectly, which is inconsistent with the conscientious performance of his governmental duties.

Section Four.

Never use any information coming to him confidentially in the performance of governmental duties as a means for making private profit.

Section Five.

Expose corruption wherever discovered.

Section Six.

Never solicit, accept, or agree to accept gifts, loans, gratuities, discounts, favors, hospitality or services from any person, association or corporation under circumstances from which it could reasonably be inferred that a major purpose of the donor is to influence the performance of the member's official duties.

Section Seven.

Never accept any economic opportunity under circumstances where he knows or should know that there is a substantial possibility that the opportunity is being afforded him with intent to influence his conduct in the performance of his official duties.
Section Eight.

Never engage in other conduct which is unbecoming to a member or which constitutes a breach of public trust.

Section Nine.

Never take any official action with regard to any matter under circumstances in which he knows or should know that he has a direct or indirect monetary interest in the subject matter of such matter or in the outcome of such official action.

ARTICLE FOUR: SPECIFIC PROVISIONS RELATED TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST TRANSACTIONS AND DISCLOSURES

The following provisions related to conflict of interest transactions and disclosures are intended to supplement and elaborate upon the Code of Ethics set forth in Articles Two and Three above and all such provisions shall be read and interpreted in accordance therewith.

Section One. Compliance with Applicable Law.

No County Official or Employee shall engage in any activity or transaction that is prohibited by law, now existing or hereafter enacted, which is applicable to him or her by virtue of his or her office or employment. Other provisions of law or regulations shall apply when any provisions of this Ordinance shall conflict with the laws of the State of Georgia or the United States, except to the extent that this Ordinance permissibly sets forth a more stringent standard of conduct. The laws of the State of Georgia or the United States shall apply when this Ordinance is silent.

Section Two. Conflict of Interest Transactions.

(A) No County Official or Employee shall acquire or maintain an interest in any contract or transaction if a reasonable basis exists that such an interest will be affected directly by his or her official act or action or by official acts or actions of
the County, which the County Official or Employee has a reasonable opportunity
to influence, except consistent with the disclosure and abstention provisions set
forth herein.

(B) Barrow County shall not enter into any contract involving services or property
with a County Official or Employee or with a business entity in which the County
Official or an Employee has an interest. Provided that the disclosure and
abstention provisions set forth herein are followed, this paragraph shall not apply
to the following:

(1) The designation of a bank or trust company as a depository for county
funds;

(2) The borrowing of funds from any bank or lending institution which offers
competitive rates for such loans;

(3) Contracts entered into with a business which employs a consultant,
provided that the consultant's employment with the business is not
incompatible with this Ordinance;

(4) Contracts for services entered into with a business which is the only
available source for such goods or services; and

(5) Contracts entered into under circumstances that constitute and emergency
situation, provided that a record explaining the emergency is prepared by
the Board and submitted to the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent)
to be kept on file.
Section Three.   Financial Disclosures.

Financial disclosures shall be governed by federal and state law as it may be amended from time to time and this Ordinance shall not require any additional financial disclosure reports to be filed other than those required by federal and state law.

Section Four.   Zoning Application Disclosures.

All disclosures with regard to zoning applications shall be governed in their entirety by the Conflict of Interest in Zoning Actions provisions contained in O.C.G.A.§ 36-67A-1, et seq., as it may be amended from time to time.

Section Five.   Disclosures Related to Submission of Bids or Proposals for County Work or Contract.

Persons submitting bids or proposals for county work who have contributed $250.00 or more to a County Official must disclose on their bid or proposal the name of the County Official(s) to whom the contribution was made and the amount contributed. Such a disclosure must also be made prior to a request for any change order or extension of any contract awarded to the person who submitted the successful bid or proposal.

Section Six.   Withholding of Information.

No County Official or Employee shall knowingly withhold any information that would impair the proper decision making of the Board or any of the County's boards, agencies, authorities or departments.

Section Seven.   Incompatible Service.

No County Official or Employee shall engage in or accept private or public employment or render service for any private or public entity, when such employment or service is incompatible with the proper discharge of his or her official duties or would tend to impair his or her independence of judgment or action in the performance of his or her official duties, unless
otherwise permitted by law and unless public disclosure is made.

**Section Eight. Unauthorized Use of Public Property.**

No County Official or Employee shall request or permit the unauthorized use of county-owned vehicles and equipment, including but not limited to computers, pagers and cellular telephones, materials or property for personal convenience or profit.

**Section Nine. Political Recrimination and Activity.**

(A) No County Official or Employee, whether elected or appointed, shall either cause the dismissal or threaten the dismissal from any county position as a reward or punishment for any political activity. No County Official or Employee shall direct any person employed by the County to undertake political activity on behalf of such County Official or Employee, any other County Official or Employee, or any other individual, political party, group or business organization, during such time that the Employee is required to conduct county business. This section does not prohibit incidental telephone calls made for the purpose of scheduling a County Official's daily county business.

(B) Employees of the county are encouraged to exercise their right to vote, but no employee shall make use of government time or equipment to aid a political candidate, party or cause; or use a government position to influence, coerce, or intimidate any person in the interest of a political candidate, party or cause. No employee shall be hired, promoted, favored or discriminated against with respect to employments because of his or her political opinions or affiliations.

(1) **Seeking elective office.** A government employee seeking elective office within the county may, upon declaring candidacy, either resign or submit a
request in writing to the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) for a leave of absence without pay from the date of his or her announcement through the duration of the campaign or announcement of the election results. In the alternative, the government employee seeking elective office within the County may continue to work for the County, provided, however, that the employee shall not engage in election activities during his or her County working hours or with use of County equipment. If elected to office, the employee shall immediately, upon the date of election, be separated from employment with the county upon written request and approval of the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent).

(2) Political campaign involvement. A government employee may not be involved in any political activity which would constitute a conflict of interest; including participation in any aspect of any political campaign for any office in Barrow County Government.

(3) Solicitation of contributions. A government employee may not knowingly solicit, accept or receive political contributions from any person, to be used in support of or opposition to any candidate for office in the county.

Section Ten. Appearance Before County Entities.

No County Official or Employee shall appear on behalf of any private person other than himself or herself, his or her spouse, or his or her minor children, before any county agency, authority or board. However, a member of the Board of Commissioners may appear before such groups on behalf of his constituents in the course of his duties as a representative of the electorate or in the performance of public or civic obligations.
Section Eleven. **Timely Payment of Debts to the County and Fiscal Responsibility.**

All County Officials and Employees shall pay and settle, in a timely and prompt fashion, all accounts between them and Barrow County, including the prompt payment of all taxes and shall otherwise demonstrate personal fiscal responsibility.

Section Twelve. **Solicitation or Acceptance of Gifts.**

(A) County Officials and employees shall not accept gifts, gratuities or loans from organizations, business concerns, or individuals with whom he or she has official relationships on business of the county government. These limitations are not intended to prohibit the acceptance of articles of negligible value which are distributed generally, nor to prohibit employees from accepting social courtesies which promote good public relations, or to prohibit employees from obtaining loans from regular lending institutions. It is particularly important that inspectors, contracting officers and enforcement officers guard against relationships which might be construed as evidence of favoritism, coercion, unfair advantage or collusion.

(B) Consistent with the provisions set forth in Articles Two and Three and Section 12(A) above, there shall be no violation of this Ordinance in the following circumstances:

(1) Meals and beverages given in the usual course of entertaining associated with normal and customary business or social functions.

(2) An occasional gift from a single source of $101.00 or less in any calendar year.

(3) Ceremonial gifts or awards.
(4) Gifts of advertising value only or promotional items generally distributed
    To public officials.

(5) Awards presented in recognition of public service.

(6) Reasonable expenses of food, travel, lodging and scheduled entertainment
    for a meeting that is given in return for participation in a panel or speaking
    engagement at the meeting.

(7) Courtesy tickets or free admission extended for an event as a courtesy or
    for ceremonial purposes, given on an occasional basis and not to include
    season tickets of any nature.

(8) Gifts from relatives or members of the County Official or Employee's
    household.

(9) Honorariums or awards for professional achievement.

(10) Courtesy tickets or free admission to educational seminars, educational or
    information conventions or other similar events.

Section Thirteen. Disclosure of Interest.

Any member of the Board who has a financial or personal interest in any proposed
legislation or action before the Board shall immediately disclose publicly the nature and extent
of such interest.

Any other County Official or Employee who has a financial or personal interest in any
proposed legislation or action before the Board and who participates in discussion with or
gives an official opinion or recommendation to the Board in connection with such proposed
legislation or action shall disclose publicly the nature and extent of such interest.
Section Fourteen. Abstention to Avoid Conflicts of Interest.

(A) Except as otherwise provided by law, no County Official or Employee shall participate in the discussion, debate, deliberation, vote or otherwise take part in the decision-making process on any item before him in which the County Official or Employee has a conflict of interest as set forth above.

(B) To avoid the appearance of impropriety, if any County Official or Employee has a conflict of interest or has an interest that he or she has reason to believe either violates this Ordinance or may affect his or her official acts or actions in any matter, the County Official or Employee shall immediately leave the meeting room, except that if the matter is being considered at a public meeting, the County Official or Employee may remain in the meeting room.

(C) In the event of a conflict of interest, the County Official or Employee shall announce his or her intent to abstain prior to the beginning of the discussion, debate, deliberation or vote on the item, shall not participate in any way, and shall abstain from casting a vote.

ARTICLE FIVE: THE BOARD OF ETHICS

Section One. Creation and Composition of Board of Ethics.

There is hereby created a five-member Barrow County Board of Ethics, which shall consist of the following members:

(A) One appointee by the Board of Directors of the Barrow County Chamber of Commerce.

(B) One appointee selected by a majority of the voting County elected officials (not including the members of the Board of Commissioners) who shall each have one vote for such appointee:
(C) One appointee selected by a majority of the voting employees of Barrow County (not including the County elected officials or the members of the Board of Commissioners) who are in the employ of Barrow County on a full-time basis on the effective date of the vote, which vote shall be conducted by the Director of Human Resources or his/her designee;

(D) One appointee of the Barrow County Personnel Review Board; and

(E) One appointee of the Barrow County Board of Commissioners, which appointee shall be selected by a majority vote of the Board of Commissioners.

Section Two. Appointment Procedures.

The initial appointments of the members of the Board of Ethics shall be accomplished as follows: Within five (5) business days of the effective date of this Ordinance, the Barrow County Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) or his/her designee shall notify the respective appointing body or individuals of the duty to appoint or vote upon a member for placement on the Board of Ethics. The body or individuals so notified shall have thirty (30) days in which to conduct their appointment process and provide the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) with the name of the appointment, or the name of the individual for whom he or she is voting as the appointee in the case of the elected officials. Within five (5) business days of receipt of the appointment information or calculation of the votes as the case may be, the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) shall thereafter provide the names of the appointees to the Board of Commissioners. The Board of Commissioners shall appoint the five persons so identified at the next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners following receipt of the names of the appointees from the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent).

All appointments following the expiration of the initial terms and all appointments made
In the cases of vacancies created during a particular term shall be made by the applicable body or individuals as indicated in Section One of this Article. The Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) or his/her designee shall notify the applicable body or individuals responsible for making an appointment at least forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration of the respective term or immediately upon knowledge of a vacancy created during a term. Upon such notification, the appointment process shall proceed as set forth above in this Section.

**Section Three. Qualifications of Members of Board of Ethics.**

A person is eligible to be appointed as a member of the Board of Ethics if the person, while serving:

(A) Resides in the County and is a registered voter;

(B) Is not an Employee or County Official and has not been an Employee or County Official during the three (3) months immediately preceding his or her appointment or be the spouse, parent, child or sibling of an Employee or County Official;

(C) Is not an officer or employee of any political party;

(D) Does not hold any elected or appointed office and is not a candidate for office of the United States, this State or the County and has not held any elected or appointed office during the three (3) months immediately preceding his or her appointment.

**Section Four. Terms; Vacancies.**

Members of the Board of Ethics shall each serve a two (2) year term without compensation, and shall continue to serve until their successors are appointed and qualified. The Board positions appointed pursuant to sub-sections (A), (B), and (C) of Section One of this
Article shall serve an initial full two-year term and shall thereafter serve two-year terms upon appointment. The Board positions appointed pursuant to sub-sections (D) and (E) of Section One of this Article shall serve an initial one-year term and shall thereafter serve two-year terms upon appointment. If any vacancy occurs during a term, the remaining members shall at that time choose an alternate member mutually agreed upon to temporarily serve until the position is filled by appointment as provided in Section One and Section Two to fulfill the remainder of the then existing term.

Section Five. **Removal of Member.**

The Board of Commissioners may remove a member of the Board of Ethics on the grounds of neglect of duty, misconduct in office or engagement in political activity in violation of this Ordinance. Before initiating the removal of a member from the Board of Ethics, the Board of Commissioners shall give the member written notice of the reason for the intended action and the member shall have the opportunity to reply. Thereafter, the Board of Commissioners shall afford such member an opportunity for a hearing before the Board of Commissioners.

Section Six. **Organization and Internal Operating Regulations.**

(A) Members of the Board of Ethics shall not be compensated.

(B) The Board of Ethics shall elect one of its members to act as Chairperson for a term of one year or until a successor is duly elected. The Board of Ethics shall also elect one of its members to act as Vice-Chairperson for the same term and to act for the Chairperson in his or her absence, because of disqualification or vacancy.

(C) There shall be no regularly scheduled monthly or bimonthly meetings of the
Board of Ethics, however, the Board of Ethics shall meet at least once annually in January of each year for purposes of election of officers and such other business as the Board of Ethics deems proper and in accordance with this Ordinance. Meetings shall be called by majority vote or by call of the chairperson. Meetings of the Board of Ethics shall be conducted in the public hearing room utilized by the Board of Commissioners, shall be duly publicized, and shall be otherwise conducted in accordance with the open meetings requirements under state law.

(D) Three members of the Board of Ethics shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Chairperson shall be entitled to the same voting rights as the other members of the Board of Ethics.

(E) No official action concerning complaints shall be taken by the Board of Ethics, except by the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the Board of Ethics.

Section Seven. Duties and Powers.

The Board of Ethics shall have the following duties and powers:

(A) To establish any procedures, rules and regulations governing its internal organization and conduct of its affairs, provided that such procedures, rules and regulations do not conflict with any provision contained herein.

(B) To receive and hear complaints of violations of standards required by this Ordinance.

(C) To make investigations as it deems necessary to determine whether any person has violated this Ordinance, but only after a least four (4) members of the Board of Ethics have voted affirmatively to conduct the investigation.

(D) To take such action as provided in this Ordinance as deemed appropriate because of any violation of this Ordinance.
(E) To perform any other function authorized by this Ordinance.

(F) To issue advisory opinions as provided in this Ordinance.

Section Eight. Staffing and Expenses.

The Board of Ethics shall be provided sufficient meeting space and other reasonable supportive services to carry out its duties required under this Ordinance. The Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent) shall designate an administration employee who shall serve as the filing clerk for the Board of Ethics and who shall be authorized to receive all filings before the Board of Ethics to publish notices of all meetings upon request of the Board of Ethics' Chairperson and to serve as the recording clerk for the Board of Ethics.

Section Nine. Counsel.

The Board of Ethics may petition the Barrow County Board of Commissioners for appointment of counsel on a case-by-case basis to assist it in carrying out its responsibilities or to act as a hearing officer. Any such appointed counsel shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners, shall perform services at an approved hourly rate, and shall serve at the joint pleasure of the Board of Ethics and the Board of Commissioners.

Section Ten. Adherence to the Ethics Ordinance.

The Board of Ethics shall be governed by and subject to this Ordinance, except as to any requirements related to financial disclosures. If a member of the Board of Ethics has a conflict of interest or must disqualify himself under this Ethics Code or by law, the remaining members shall at that time choose an alternate person mutually agreed upon to hear that matter.
Section Eleven. Prohibition Against Certain Conflicting Political Activity.

(A) Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

(1) "Member of the Board of Ethics" means an individual who occupies the position of a member of the Board of Ethics or a prospective member of the Board of Ethics.

(2) "Political Party" means a national political party, a state political party, a political action committee, and/or any affiliated organization.

(3) "Election" includes a primary, special and general election.

(4) "Nonpartisan Election" means:

(a) An election at which none of the candidates is to be nominated or elected as representing a political party, any of whose candidates for presidential elector received votes in the last preceding election at which presidential electors were selected; and

(b) An election involving a question or issue which is not specifically identified with a political party, such as a constitutional amendment, referendum, approval of a governmental ordinance, or any question or issue of similar character

(5) "Partisan" when used as an adjective, refers to a political party.

(6) "Political Fund" means any fund, organization, political action committee or other entity that, for purposes of influencing in any way the outcome of any partisan election, receives or expends money or
anything of value or transfers money or anything of value to any other

fund, political party, candidate, organization, political action committee or other entity.

(7) "Contribution" means any gift, subscription, loan, advance, deposit of money, allotment of money, or anything of value given or transferred by one person to another, including in cash, by check, by draft, through a payroll deduction or allotment plan, by pledge or promise, whether or not enforceable, or otherwise.

(B) Permissible Activities. All members of the Board of Ethics are free to engage in political activity to the widest extent consistent with the restrictions imposed in this Section, which restrictions are imposed for the sole purpose of ensuring neutrality and the appearance of neutrality of the Board of Ethics. Each member of the Board of Ethics retains the right to:

(1) Register and vote in any election;

(2) Participate in the nonpartisan activities of a civic, community, social, labor, or professional organization or of a similar organization;

(3) Be a member of a political party or other political organization and participate in its activities to the extent consistent with law;

(4) Attend a political convention, rally, fundraising function, or other political gathering;

(5) Sign a political petition as an individual;

(6) Make a financial contribution to a political party or organization;

(7) Take an active part, as a candidate or in support of a candidate, in a
nonpartisan election;

(8) Be politically active in connection with a question which is not specifically identified with a political party, such as a constitutional amendment, referendum, approval of a governmental ordinance or any other question or issue of a similar character;

(9) Serve as an election judge or clerk or in a similar position to perform nonpartisan duties as prescribed by state or local law; and

(10) Otherwise participate fully in public affairs in a manner which does not materially compromise his or her efficiency or integrity as a member of the Board of Ethics or the neutrality, efficiency or integrity of the Board of Ethics.

(C) Prohibited Activities.

(1) A member of the Board of Ethics may not take an active part in political management or in a political campaign, except as permitted by subsection of this section.

(2) A member of the Board of Ethics shall not take part in or be permitted to do any of the following activities:

(a) Serve as an officer of a political party, a member of a national, state or local committee of a political party, an officer or member of a committee of a partisan political club, or be a candidate for any of these positions;

(b) Organize or reorganize a political party organization or political club;

(c) Directly or indirectly solicit, receive, collect, handle, disburse, or
account for assessments, contributions or other funds for a partisan political purpose;

(d) Organize, sell tickets to, promote or actively participate in a fundraising activity of a candidate in a partisan election or of a political party or political club;

(e) Take an active part in managing the political campaign of a Candidate for public office in a partisan election or a candidate for political party office;

(f) Become a candidate for, or campaign for, an elective public office in a partisan election;

(g) Solicit votes in support of or in opposition to a candidate for Public office in a partisan election;

(h) Act as recorder, watcher, challenger or similar officer at the polls on behalf of a political party or a candidate in a partisan election;

(i) Drive voters to the polls on behalf of a political party or a candidate in a partisan election;

(j) Endorse or oppose a candidate for public office in a partisan election or a candidate for political party office in a political advertisement, broadcast, campaign literature, or similar material;

(k) Serve as a delegate, alternate or proxy to a political party convention;

(l) Address a convention, caucus, rally or similar gathering of a political party in support of or in opposition to a partisan
candidate for public office or political party office;

(m) Initiate or circulate a partisan nominating position.

(3) Nothing contained in this section shall prohibit activity in political management or in a political campaign by any member of the Board of ethics connected with a nonpartisan election or a nonpartisan issue of any type.

Section Twelve. Limitation of Liability.

No member of the Board of Ethics, or any person acting on behalf of the Board of Ethics, shall be liable to any person for any damages arising out of the enforcement or operation of this Ethics Ordinance, except in the case of willful or wanton conduct. This limitation of liability shall apply to the County, the members of the Board of Ethics, the employees of the Board of Ethics and any person acting under the direction of the Board of Ethics.

Section Thirteen. Advisory Opinion.

The Board of Ethics shall render an advisory opinion based on a real or hypothetical set of circumstances when requested to do so in writing by a County Official or Employee related to that County Official's or Employee's conduct or transaction of business. Such advisory opinions shall be rendered pursuant only to a written request, fully setting forth the circumstances to be reviewed by the Ethics Board. The proceedings of the Ethics Board pursuant to this section shall be held in public to the extent consistent with state law and the opinions of the Ethics Board shall be made available to the public.

Section Fourteen. Complaints.

The Board of Ethics shall be responsible for hearing and deciding any complaints filed regarding alleged violations of this Ordinance by any person. The following procedures shall be followed when filing a complaint:
(A) Any person may file a complaint alleging a violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance by submitting it to the Chief of Operations (or his/her equivalent), who shall immediately deliver such complaint to the Chairman of the Board of Ethics or his or her designee. A copy of such complaint shall immediately be forwarded by registered mail to the County Official or Employee against whom the complaint was filed. The complaint must be supported by affidavits based on personal knowledge, shall set forth such facts as would be admissible in evidence, and shall show affirmatively that the affiant is competent to testify to the matters stated therein. All documents referred to in an affidavit(s) should be attached to the affidavit(s). The person filing the complaint shall verify the complaint by his or her signature thereon. A complaint must be filed within six (6) months of the date the alleged violation is said to have occurred, or in case of concealment or nondisclosure within six (6) months of the date the alleged violation should have been discovered after due diligence. In the event the Board of Ethics makes an initial determination that a complaint is technically deficient, the Board of Ethics shall submit a list of deficiencies to the complainant and offer the complainant the opportunity to correct the deficiencies within seven (7) days prior to the complaint being dismissed for technical deficiencies.

(B) Upon receipt of a complaint alleging misconduct, the County Official or Employee against whom the complaint was filed may reply to the complaint within thirty (30) days, unless such time for reply is extended by the Board of Ethics upon good cause shown. The response of the County Official or Employee must be supported by affidavits based on personal knowledge, must set forth such facts as would be admissible in evidence and must show
affirmatively that the affiant is competent to testify to the matters stated therein. All documents referred to in an affidavit(s) should be attached to the affidavit(s).

(C) Within sixty (60) days of receipt of a complaint, the Board of Ethics shall conduct an investigatory review to determine whether specific substantiated evidence from a credible source(s) exists to support a reasonable belief that there has been a violation of this Ordinance. If after reviewing the complaint the Board of Ethics by vote determines that no specific, substantiated evidence from a credible source(s) exists to support a reasonable belief that there has been a violation of this Ordinance or determines that no violation occurred, it may dismiss the complaint without further proceedings. In the event a complaint is dismissed based upon the merits of the complaint, the complaint may not be re-filed.

(D) If the Board of Ethics determines that specific, substantiated evidence from a credible sources(s) exists to support a reasonable belief that there has been a violation of this Ordinance, certified written notice of a hearing, containing the time, date and place of such hearing, shall be given to each party by the Board of Ethics and a formal public hearing shall be conducted and both parties afforded an opportunity to be heard. Any formal public hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of due process. The Board of Ethics is authorized to swear witnesses.

(E) Any final determination resulting from the hearing shall include written findings of fact and conclusions of law. The Board of Ethics shall determine if clear and convincing evidence shows any violation of this Ordinance.

(F) Nothing in this section shall be considered to limit or encumber the right of the Board of Ethics to initiate an investigation on its own cognizance as it deems
Necessary to fulfill its obligations under this Ordinance.

Section Fifteen. Disciplinary Action.

(A) Upon a determination that an employee has violated this Ordinance, the Board of Ethics may recommend the following penalties and actions:

1. Written warning or reprimand;
2. Suspension without pay;
3. Termination of employment; and
4. Repayment to the County of any unjust enrichment.

(B) Upon a determination that a County Official has violated this Ordinance, the Board of Ethics may recommend the following penalties and actions:

1. Written warning, censure or reprimand;
2. Removal from office to the extent provided by Georgia law; and
3. Repayment to the County of any unjust enrichment.

(C) Upon direction of the Board of Ethics, a petition may be filed for injunctive relief, or any other appropriate relief, in the county superior court or in any other court having proper venue and jurisdiction, for the purpose of requiring compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance. In addition, the court may issue an order to cease and desist from the violation of the Ordinance. The court also may void an official action that is the subject of the violation, provided that the legal action to void the matter was brought with ninety (90) days of the occurrence of the official action, if the court deems voiding the action to be in the best interest of the public. The Court, after hearing and considering all the circumstances in the case, may grant all or part of the relief sought. However, the court may not void any official action appropriating public funds, levying taxes or providing for the...
issuance of bonds, notes or other evidence of public obligation under this Ordinance.

(D) In addition to any other remedy provided herein, upon determination of a Violation of this Ordinance, the Board of Ethics may recommend to the Board of Commissioners in writing that any contract, bid or change order that was the Subject of the violation should be cancelled or rescinded. The Board of Commissioners, however, shall retain the discretion to determine whether such a Cancellation or rescission would be in the best interest of the County and shall not be bound in any way by a recommendation of the Board of Ethics.

(E) The Ethics Board may also forward its findings of fact and conclusions of law to the Barrow County District Attorney's Office and/or the Office of the Governor for appropriate action.

Section Sixteen. Judicial review.

(A) Any party against whom a decision of the Board of Ethics is rendered may obtain judicial review of the decision by writ of certiorari to the superior court of the County. The application for the writ must be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of the written decision. Judicial review shall be based upon the record. No party shall be entitled to a de novo appeal.

(B) Upon failure to timely request judicial review of the decision by writ of certiorari as provided in this section, the decision shall be binding and final upon all parties.

(C) The appellate rights afforded hereunder shall be in lieu of any right to appeal an adverse employment action under the Barrow County Civil Service
System, to the extent the County Official or employee may be subject to the
Civil Service System.

ARTICLE SIX: MISCELLANEOUS

Section One. Severability.

If any provision of this Ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be
invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of this Ordinance to any person or
circumstances is found to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality
shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect
without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.

Section Two. Repealer

All laws, resolution, or ordinances or parts thereof that conflict with the provisions of this
Ordinance are repealed.

Section Three. Effective Date.

The effective date of this Ordinance shall be July 1, 2004.

AMENDED:

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