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**GILMER COUNTY, ELLIJAY, & EAST ELLIJAY
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT &
COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM
ANNUAL UPDATE**

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REINSTATEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES

Effective July 1, 2014, the Board of Directors of the Ellijay Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority adopted a six-month policy in hopes of stimulating business and attracting new customers. The net effect was a reduction in impact fees and standard home hook-up rates. Initially, the proposal was for six months, however the success of the program caused the program to extend another six-months, terminating on June 30, 2015.

The Authority experienced stimulation in attracting new customers and it was felt that the reduction in the costs during this period accomplished the intended purpose. A total of 165 water taps and ten (10) sewer taps were installed during the past fiscal year, which exceeds yearly taps since 2011. As of July 1, 2015, the impact fees policies of the Authority were reinstated in full and will continue for the foreseeable future.

Utility's Facility	Water	Sewer
Service Area	District 1	District 1
Impact Fee Fund Balance from Fiscal Year ending 6/30/2014	\$271,204.79	\$57,035.02
Impact Fees Collected between 7/01/14 & 6/30/15	\$58,605.15	\$17,816.05
Accrued Interest	\$430.51	\$89.64
(Administrative / Other Costs)	\$0.00	\$0.00
(Impact Fee Refunds)	\$0.00	\$0.00
(Project Expenditures)	\$86,404.60	\$60,000.00
Impact Fee Fund Balance ending 6/30/2015	\$243,835.85	\$14,940.71
Impact Fees Encumbered	\$243,835.85	\$14,940.71

Ellijay-Gilmer County Water & Sewerage Authority

Capital Improvements Project Update 7/1/15 to 6/30/20

Public Facility: Water
Service Area: District 1

Project Number & Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Estimated Cost of Project	Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Other Funding Sources	Expenditures for 7/1/14 to 6/30/15	Impact Fees Encumbered thru 6/30/15	Status and/or Remarks
Water Transmission & Distribution								
WD 23,24,25 Weeks Rd-Flat Branch	2018	2019	\$757,975	100%				dropped
WD 28 8" Main Yukon-Mountain Creek Hollow	2017	2018	\$350,000	100%				dropped
WD 29 8" Main Mountain Creek Hollow - County Line	2019	2019	\$150,000	100%				dropped
WD 38 Miscellaneous New Mains, 6 thru 8-inch	2014	2025	\$0	100%				replaced
WD 38A New 8" main on River Street	2014	2015	\$182,000	100%		\$86,405.00	\$95,595.00	updated
WD 38B New 8" main on roundtop	2021	2021	\$1,125,100	10%	CDBG			updated
WD 38C New 8" main Hwy 5 s	2016	2017	\$249,000	60%	GF		\$148,241.00	added
WD 49 Water Tank New Hope 1,000,000	2018	2019	\$1,875,250	0%				updated
WD 50 Water Tank Round Top 500,000	2018	2018	\$412,753	100%				dropped
WD 51 Water Tank Clear Creek	2021	2021	\$500,000	100%				updated
Water Treatment & Supply								
Total:			<u>\$5,602,078</u>			<u>\$86,405.00</u>	<u>\$243,836.00</u>	

Ellijay-Gilmer County Water & Sewerage Authority

Capital Improvements Project Update 7/1/15 to 6/30/20

Public Facility: Sewer
Service Area: District 1

Project Number & Description	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Estimated Cost of Project	Percentage of Funding from Impact Fees	Other Funding Sources	Expenditures for 7/1/14 to 6/30/15	Impact Fees Encumbered thru 6/30/15	Status and/or Remarks
<i>Sewage Treatment</i>								
<i>Sewage Collection Transmission</i>								
SC1 8" sewer - Ellijay Amoco to Gartrell St	2015	2015	\$180,000	100%				dropped
SC2 8" sewer - Gartrell St to Westwood Dr	2016	2016	\$200,000	100%				replaced
SC2A 4" sewer-Vista Dr to Lucille	2020	2021	\$140,923	100%			\$14,940.71	new
SC4 8" sewer - Chatsworth Hwy to Tails Cr	2016	2016	\$250,000	100%				dropped
SC5 8" sewer - Hancock Dr to Visa Dr	2017	2018	\$200,000	100%				replaced
SC5A 4" sewer-to Westwood Subdivision	2020	2021	\$206,448	100%				new
SC7 8" sewer - Courier Rd to Cnty Rd 17	2018	2019	\$200,000	100%				dropped
SC13a 8" sewer main downtown phase I	2014	2014	\$11,760	100%				completed
SC13b 8" sewer main downtown phase II	2015	2015	\$136,127	44%	GF	\$60,000.00		completed
Total:			<u>\$1,525,258</u>			<u>\$60,000.00</u>	<u>\$14,940.71</u>	

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM UPDATES

The following pages show the respective work programs of Gilmer County, the City of Ellijay, and the City of East Ellijay in an updated format. Items that were shown in "red" in the DRAFT copy have now been changed to "black," which now reflects the final adoption version for each government. As a reminder, these governments most recently participated in a full 10-year plan update that was approved in October 2014. Thus, this update is prepared after approximately nine (9) months have passed.

Format-wise it is appropriate to make a few points. The presentation herein makes several adjustments to the October 2014 plan document by cross-referencing "Needs or Opportunities" in the first column of each work program rather than the last column. One notable change since the plan was completed in October 2014 is that the name of the "Gilmer County Development Authority," often listed in the "Funding Source" or "Responsible Party" columns, was officially changed to the "Joint Development Authority of Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay" in the early months of 2015. Even with such acknowledgement, the length of the new title is not the best for the column format created by the work program presentation, so you will see the use of a shorter name for the sake of the columns -- "Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities."

Another reminder is that the new plan in October 2014 grouped the "Needs and Opportunities" of all government into one listing, not distinguishing that one need or opportunity might apply to only one government, rather than all. Thus, Ellijay has chosen to delete an activity under "Housing," yet the remaining two governments have retained the same activity, which means an identified "Need or Opportunity" is still properly addressed. During the process of review, no government added a new activity to their work program.

Gilmer County

COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM, 2015-2019

CODE:	Activity Description	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Cost Estimate	Funding Source	Responsible Party
ED	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
ED-1; ED- 2; ED-3; ED-4	Develop core economic development sales team	X	X	X	X	X	\$50,000/yr. (for staff position)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Development Authority of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-1; ED- 2; ED-3; ED-4	Explore federal programs that support economic development.	X	X	X	X	X	\$1,500	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Economic development sales team
ED-6	Implement the Regional Digital Economy Plan	X	X				\$25,000	General fund	Consultant; Ellijay Telephone Company
ED-7	Participate in the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Program (IMCP) Partnership.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds	Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Northwest Georgia Advanced Manufact. Consortium; Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City

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									of East Ellijay; NWGRC
ED-7	Develop an existing business/industry program to address the needs and concerns of commercial enterprises with the intent of improving the environment for business retention and expansion and workforce development.	X	X	X	X	X	\$25,000 (initial investment)	Grants, agencies involved	Coalition of agencies and businesses including Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA, and Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Develop a business incubator.			X	X	X	\$150,000-250,000	Participating businesses, Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA, grants	Gilmer County COC, Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Establish Enterprise Zones.	X	X	X			TBD	General fund	Gilmer County
ED-7	Identify workforce training resources that relate to local needs, and promote them within the community.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,500 (initial expenditure)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	NWGRC; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities

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CODE:	Activity Description	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Cost Estimate	Funding Source	Responsible Party
ED-7	Encourage the high school administration to train students for local jobs.	X	X	X	X	X	staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-8	Form a proactive agricultural and tourism marketing team to maximize promotion of agriculture, tourism, and outdoor activity/recreation opportunities.	X	X	X	X	X	\$50,000/yr. (for staff position)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-9	Assign core economic development sales team to attract a major sporting goods retailer.		X	X			Staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-10	Identify areas for coordination and cooperation among the Ellijay Downtown Development Authority, the Joint Development Authority of Gilmer County, Ellijay, and East Ellijay, Gilmer County Development Authority, and the Gilmer County Chamber of Commerce, and organize meetings among the principal players to foster mutual understandings of goals and strategies.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC

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H	HOUSING								
H-1	Stimulate low cost housing development.	X	X	X	X		\$50,000/ yr. (for staff position)	General fund for position; grants for admin. and construction	GHFA; USDA Rural Develop.; and other programs
H-2	Encourage hotel/motel construction in the area.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities	Core marketing / economic development team
H-3	Research and contact private assisted living corporations to investigate opening a new facility in the area in consultation with the Georgia Department of Human Services to discover options available to bring assisted living facilities to the area.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)
H-3	Ensure that the Zoning Ordinance of the jurisdiction has provisions for assisted living facilities.	X	X				Staff time	Planning and Zoning Department	Planning and Zoning Department; NWGRC
H-4	Compile a list of foreclosed housing.	X	X	X	X	X	\$500/Yr.	General Fund	County staff; realtors

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T	TRANSPORTATION								
T-1	Promote an east-west highway corridor through Gilmer County.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds; SPLOST	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-2	Take greater advantage of railway facilities by encouraging industrial and commercial development along the railroad line.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Agencies involved	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-3	Continue to implement the Airport Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Airport Layout Plan.	X	X	X			\$840,000	FAA	Gilmer County
T-4	Improve the functionality of the intersection of SR 515, 1 st Avenue, Industrial Blvd., and River Street.	X	X	X			TBD	GDOT	GDOT
T-5	Extend SR 382 from CR 239 to SR 5/SR 515. (inc utility work)				X		\$5,794,038	State, federal funds	State and federal governments
From last STWP.	Pursue funding for additional pedestrian facilities to include sidewalks, trails, and river crossings.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,000	Grants; TE funds	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
From last	Implement the programs of the adopted Long-Range Transportation Plan in concert with the	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,597,636	General fund; state, federal	Gilmer County; City

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STWP.	priorities of the local governments.							funds	of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
NC	NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES								
NC-1	Improve public access to Gilmer County's three rivers.		X	X	X	X	TBD	Georgia RTP; SPLOST; conservation and sporting organizations	Georgia DNR Wildlife Division; Limestone Valley RC&D Council
From Last STWP	Cooperate with the Georgia Chapter of the Trail of Tears in research, public education, and the development of a guidebook, a brochure, and/or a driving tour.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,500	General Fund; Gilmer County COC	GA Trail of Tears; Gilmer County; City of Ellijay
From Last STWP	Advocate for the Coosawattee Watershed Alliance.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Agencies involved	Gilmer County; NWGRC
From Last STWP	Work with the Georgia Trail of Tears Association to preserve sites of cultural and archaeological importance.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Agencies involved	Gilmer County; NWGRC
CF	COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES								

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CF-1	Upgrade hospital facilities and services or construct a new hospital.		X	X	X	X	TBD	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; USDA loans and grants; federal funding	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; Georgia DCH
CF-2	Attract more medical professionals to the community through intern recruitment programs.		X	X	X	X	\$20,000/yr.	SunLink Health Systems, Inc; Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.
CF-3	Build an indoor, multi-use recreational facility.			X	X	X	TBD	Include in next SPLOST referendum.	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
CF-4	Upgrade water and sewer infrastructure.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority; grants	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority
From last STWP.	Support the planning efforts of the Coosawattee Regional Water and Sewer Authority.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority
From last	Prepare a Parks and Recreation Master Plan.	X	X	X	X	X	\$20,000	General fund; grants	Gilmer County Parks &

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STWP.									Recreation Dept.; consultant
From last STWP.	Finalize the development of one satellite park (Clear Creek Park-25 ac.).	X					\$548,000	Georgia DNR	Gilmer County
From last STWP.	Seek grant funding for recreation projects as appropriate.	X	X	X	X	X	\$1,500/Yr.	General fund	Gilmer County
From last STWP.	Continue to improve solid waste reduction through recycling processes that are financially beneficial and also pursue grant funding, when available, to provide additional recycling facilities or opportunities.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	General fund, grants	Gilmer County
From last STWP.	Acquire and develop new parks and open space. <i>(Initial Proposal: River Park: 7,000 feet of County property parallel to Ellijay River in north central Gilmer County; passive recreation and trail system opportunity, plus trout fishing and water access, and support facilities.)</i>	X	X	X	X	X	\$200,000 - \$400,000	General fund; grants	Gilmer County
LU	LAND USE								
LU-1	Strengthen subdivision regulations dealing with final plat implementation.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Local governments; planning and zoning departments

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LU-2	Promote development of available/vacant commercial and industrial buildings and land.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Core marketing / economic development team
IC	INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION								
IC-1	Promote all-around intergovernmental cooperation by holding planning meetings of the local governments, authorities, boards, and agencies, as needed, to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority

City of Ellijay

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ED	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
ED-1; ED- 2; ED-3; ED-4	Develop core economic development sales team	X	X	X	X	X	\$50,000/yr. (for staff position)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-1; ED- 2; ED-3; ED-4	Explore federal programs that support economic development.	X	X	X	X	X	\$1,500	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Economic development sales team
ED-5; NC-2	Ensure that the historic preservation commission members receive training so the city can become a Certified Local Government to be eligible for federal grant money.	X	X	X	X	X	\$225/yr per HPC member (+ travel cost)	General fund	Ellijay HPC
ED-5; NC-2	Allow alternative Rehabilitation Building Codes in the local historic district.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	General fund	Building Inspection Dept.
ED-5; NC-2	Promote state and federal rehabilitation tax credits for contributing buildings in the local historic district.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	General fund	Ellijay HPC; NWGRC
ED-5; NC-2	Continue TE-funded landscape program.	X					\$700,000	Grants; general fund	City of Ellijay

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ED-6	Implement the Regional Digital Economy Plan	X	X				\$25,000	General fund	Consultant; Ellijay Telephone Company
ED-7	Participate in the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Program (IMCP) Partnership.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds	Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Northwest Georgia Advanced Manufact. Consortium; Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay; NWGRC
ED-7	Develop an existing business/industry program to address the needs and concerns of commercial enterprises with the intent of improving the environment for business retention and expansion and workforce development.	X	X	X	X	X	\$25,000 (initial investment)	Grants, agencies involved	Coalition of agencies and businesses including Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA, and Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Develop a business incubator.	X	X	X			\$150,000-250,000	Business Partners, Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer &	Gilmer County COC, Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities

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								Cities; Ellijay DDA; grants	
ED-7	Establish Enterprise Zones.	X	X	X			TBD	General fund	City of Ellijay; Gilmer County
ED-7	Identify workforce training resources that relate to local needs, and promote them within the community.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,500 (initial expenditure)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	NWGRC; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Encourage the high school administration to train students for local jobs.	X	X	X	X	X	staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-9	Assign core economic development sales team to attract a major sporting goods retailer.		X	X			Staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-10	Identify areas for coordination and cooperation among the Ellijay Downtown Development	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Ellijay DDA; Joint	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of

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	Authority, the Joint Development Authority of Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay, and the Gilmer County Chamber of Commerce, and organize meetings among the principal players to foster mutual understandings of goals and strategies.							Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC	Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC
ED-11	Implement the Ellijay Urban Redevelopment Plan, to include public infrastructure improvements, facilitation of public and private redevelopment and reinvestment projects, application for an Opportunity Zone, continuing redevelopment and reinvestment assistance to the Ellijay Downtown Development Authority and City of Ellijay, and pursuit of private investment and job creation within the Downtown, Residential, and Commercial redevelopment areas.	X	X	X	X	X	\$5,000+/yr. (City, DDA staff time)	City of Ellijay; Ellijay DDA; grant funds	City of Ellijay; Ellijay DDA; Gilmer County COC; DCA; NWGRC; private sector
From last STWP.	Emphasize and expand community asset opportunities for recreation and commercialization adjacent to the Ellijay/Coosawattee River corridors.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	General fund; grants; loans	City of Ellijay
H	HOUSING								
H-1	Stimulate low cost housing development.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff Time	General fund for position; grants for admin. and construction	GHFA; USDA Rural Development; and other programs
H-2	Encourage hotel/motel construction in the area.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Gilmer	Core marketing /

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								County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities	economic development team
H-3	Research and contact private assisted living corporations to investigate opening a new facility in the area in consultation with the Georgia Department of Human Services to discover options available to bring assisted living facilities to the area.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)
H-3	Ensure that the Zoning Ordinance of the jurisdiction has provisions for assisted living facilities.	X	X				Staff time	Planning and Zoning Department	Planning and Zoning Department; NWGRC
T	TRANSPORTATION								
T-1	Promote an east-west highway corridor through Gilmer County.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds; SPLOST	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-2	Take greater advantage of railway facilities by encouraging industrial and commercial development along the railroad line.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Agencies involved	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities;

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									Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-4	Improve the functionality of the intersection of SR 515, 1 st Avenue, Industrial Blvd., and River Street.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	GDOT	GDOT
T-5	Extend SR 382 from CR 239 to SR 5/SR 515. (including utility work)				X		\$5,794,038	State, federal funds	State and federal governments
From last STWP.	Pursue funding for additional pedestrian facilities to include sidewalks, trails, and river crossings.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,000	Grants; TE funds	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
From last STWP.	Implement the programs of the adopted Long-Range Transportation Plan in concert with the priorities of the local governments.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,597,636	General fund; state, federal funds	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
From Last STWP	Continue implementation of the adopted Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.	X	X	X	X	X	\$7,500/yr	Georgia RTP	Gilmer Count; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
From Last STWP	Continue advocacy for Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad Excursions to depart from Ellijay.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Agencies involved.	City of Ellijay; Gilmer County COC; Merchants Association
NC	NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES								
NC-1	Improve public access to Gilmer County's three rivers.		X	X	X	X	TBD	Georgia RTP; SPLOST; conservation and sporting organizations	Georgia DNR Wildlife Division; Limestone Valley RC&D Council

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From Last STWP	Cooperate with the Georgia Chapter of the Trail of Tears in research, public education, and the development of a guidebook, a brochure, and/or a driving tour.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,500	General Fund; Gilmer County COC	GA Trail of Tears; Gilmer County; City of Ellijay
From Last STWP	Investigate ways to protect the integrity and appearance of the historic City Cemetery.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,000/Yr.	General Fund; Grants	Ellijay HPC; NWGRC
CF	COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES								
CF-1	Upgrade hospital facilities and services or construct a new hospital.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; USDA loans and grants; federal funding	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; Georgia DCH
CF-2	Attract more medical professionals to the community through intern recruitment programs.		X	X	X	X	\$20,000/yr.	SunLink Health Systems, Inc; Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.

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								DDA	
CF-3	Build an indoor, multi-use recreational facility.			X	X	X	TBD	Include in next SPLOST referendum.	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
CF-4	Upgrade water and sewer infrastructure.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority; grants	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority
CF-5	Continue development of Harrison Park	X	X	X	X	X	\$50,000/yr.	City of Ellijay; Georgia RTP; SPLOST; private donations	City of Ellijay
LU	LAND USE								
LU-1	Strengthen subdivision regulations dealing with final plat implementation, and impose a moratorium on new subdivisions until existing subdivisions are built out.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Local governments; planning and zoning departments

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LU-2	Promote development of available/vacant commercial and industrial buildings and land.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Core marketing / economic development team
IC	INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION								
IC-1	Promote all-around intergovernmental cooperation by holding planning meetings of the local governments, authorities, boards, and agencies, as needed, to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority

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COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM, 2015-2019

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ED	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
ED-1; ED- 2; ED-3; ED-4	Develop core economic development sales team	X	X				\$50,000/yr. (for staff position)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-1; ED-2; ED-3; ED-4	Explore federal programs that support economic development	X	X	X	X	X	\$1,500	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Economic develop. sales team
ED-6	Implement the Regional Digital Economy Plan	X	X				\$25,000	General fund	Consultant; Ellijay Telephone Company
ED-7	Participate in the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Program (IMCP) Partnership.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds	Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Northwest Georgia Advanced Manufact. Consortium; Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay;

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									NWGRC
ED-7	Develop an existing business/industry program to address the needs and concerns of commercial enterprises with the intent of improving the environment for business retention and expansion and workforce development.	X	X	X	X	X	\$25,000 (initial investment)	Grants, agencies involved	Coalition of agencies and businesses including Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA, and Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Develop a business incubator.	X	X	X	X	X	\$150,000-250,000	Participating businesses, Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA; grants	Gilmer County COC, Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-7	Establish Enterprise Zones.	X	X	X			TBD	General fund	City of East Ellijay; Gilmer County
ED-7	Identify workforce training resources that relate to local needs, and promote them within the community.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,500 (initial expenditure)	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	NWGRC; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities

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ED-7	Encourage the high school administration to train students for local jobs.	X	X	X	X	X	staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
ED-9	Assign core economic development sales team to attract a major sporting goods retailer.		X	X			Staff time	Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities
H	HOUSING								
H-1	Stimulate low cost housing development.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff Time	General fund for position; grants for admin. and construction	GHFA; USDA Rural Develop.; and other programs
H-2	Encourage hotel/motel construction in the area.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time.	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities	Core marketing / economic development team
H-3	Research and contact private assisted living corporations to investigate opening a new facility in the area in consultation with the Georgia Department of Human Services to discover	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)	Georgia DHS; SunLink Health Systems (or its successor)

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	options available to bring assisted living facilities to the area.								
H-4	Compile a list of foreclosed housing.	X	X	X	X	X	\$500/Yr.	General Fund	City staff; realtors
T	TRANSPORTATION								
T-1	Promote an east-west highway corridor through Gilmer County.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Federal, state funds; SPLOST	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-2	Take greater advantage of railway facilities by encouraging industrial and commercial development along the railroad line.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	Agencies involved	GDOT; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA
T-4	Improve the functionality of the intersection of SR 515, 1 st Avenue, Industrial Blvd., and River Street.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	GDOT	GDOT
From last STWP.	Implement the programs of the adopted Long-Range Transportation Plan in concert with the priorities of the local governments.	X	X	X	X	X	\$2,597,636	General fund; state, federal funds	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay
From last STWP	Continue implementation of the adopted Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.	X	X	X	X	X	\$7,500/yr	Georgia RTP	Gilmer Count; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay

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NC	NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES								
NC-1	Improve public access to the County's three rivers.		X	X	X	X	TBD	Georgia RTP; SPLOST; conservation and sporting organizations	Georgia DNR Wildlife Division; Limestone Valley RC&D Council
CF	COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES								
CF-1	Upgrade hospital facilities and services or construct a new hospital.			X	X		TBD	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; USDA loans and grants; federal funding	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.; Georgia DCH
CF-2	Attract more medical professionals to the community through intern recruitment programs.		X	X	X		\$20,000/yr.	SunLink Health Systems, Inc; Gilmer County COC; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay DDA	SunLink Health Systems, Inc.
CF-3	Build an indoor, multi-use recreational facility.			X	X	X	TBD	Include in next SPLOST referendum.	Gilmer County COC; Ellijay DDA; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities

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COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM, 2015-2019

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CF-4	Upgrade water and sewer infrastructure.	X	X	X	X	X	TBD	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority; grants	Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority
LU	LAND USE								
LU-2	Promote development of available/vacant commercial and industrial buildings and land.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Core marketing / economic development team
IC	INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION								
IC-1	Promote all-around intergovernmental cooperation by holding planning meetings of the local governments, authorities, boards, and agencies, as needed, to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Staff time	General fund	Gilmer County; City of Ellijay; City of East Ellijay; Joint Develop. Auth. of Gilmer & Cities; Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority



GILMER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Charlie Paris, Chairman
Dallas Miller, Post 1 Commissioner
Travis Crouch, Post 2 Commissioner

Kim Rogers, County Clerk
David Clark, County Attorney
Sandi Holden, CFO

RESOLUTION 15-135

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE UPDATED COMMUNITY WORK PROGRAM AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT FOR GILMER COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY

WHEREAS the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires local governments which assess impact fees to update their Community Work Programs, Capital Improvement Element, and other relative documents on an annual basis; and,

WHEREAS Gilmer County and the cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have for that reason recently updated their Community Work Programs; and,

WHEREAS the Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority has for that reason prepared updated documents relative to current and proposed capital improvements projects in its service area and impact fee financial information for its service area; and,

WHEREAS these updates and documents have been prepared in accordance with the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 and other applicable rules; and,

WHEREAS Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay held a joint Public Hearing on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the East Ellijay City Hall for which customary and adequate public notice was given; and,

WHEREAS The Department of Community Affairs has reviewed these documents and find them in compliance with the Minimum Standards and the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission reviewed these documents with positive findings;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Gilmer County Board of Commissioners hereby adopt the 2015-2019 Community Work Program for Gilmer County; and furthermore, adopts updates prepared by the Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority, namely the Ellijay/Gilmer County Capital Improvements Project Updates for July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020 for both water and sewerage, and the 2014/2015 Impact Fee Financial Reports for both water and sewerage.

Adopted this 8th Day of October, 2015.

BY:

Charlie Paris
Chairman, Gilmer County Board of Commissioners (Charlie Paris)

Dallas Miller
Dallas Miller, Commissioner Post 1

Travis Crouch
Travis Crouch, Commissioner Post 2

ATTEST:

Kim Rogers
Kim Rogers, County Clerk
Gilmer County Board of Commissioners

VOTE ON RESOLUTION 15-135

	Yes	No	Abstain/Absent
Chairman Charlie Paris	<u>M</u>	_____	_____
Post 1 Dallas Miller	<u>*</u>	_____	_____
Post 2 Travis Crouch	<u>2nd</u>	_____	_____

AL HOYLE, Mayor
Sharon Spivey, City Clerk



COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Charles Barclay Al Fuller
Ruth Caudell Kathryn Lancey
David Westmoreland

CITY OF ELLIJAY

Georgia's Apple Capital

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and Council of Ellijay hereby adopt the 2015-2019 Community Work Program for Ellijay; and furthermore, adopts updates prepared by the Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority, namely the Ellijay/Gilmer County Capital

Improvements Project Updates for July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020 for both water and sewerage,
and the 2014-2015 Impact Fee Financial Reports for both water and sewerage.

Adopted this 21st Day of September, 2015.

BY:

Al Hoyle
Al Hoyle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon S. Nelson
Sharon S. Nelson, City Clerk



Mack G. West
Mayor

Linda Wood
City Clerk

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RESOLUTION 15-07

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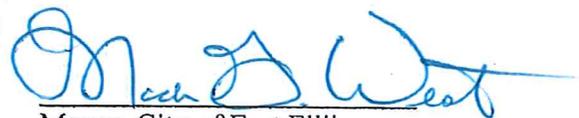
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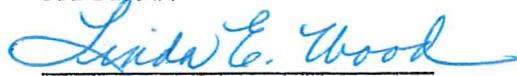
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and Council of East Ellijay hereby adopt the 2015-2019 Community Work Program for East Ellijay; and furthermore, adopts updates prepared by the Ellijay-Gilmer County Water and Sewerage Authority, namely the Ellijay/Gilmer County Capital Improvements Project Updates for July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020 for both water and sewerage, and the 2014-2015 Impact Fee Financial Reports for both water and sewerage.

Adopted this 13th Day of October, 2015.

BY:


Mayor, City of East Ellijay

ATTEST:


Linda E. Wood, City Clerk