

Transportation Committee Meeting

October 13, 2015

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Agenda

- Road Inventory Progress
- Willow Creek Follow-up
- Shadowood Follow-Up
- Quit Claim Deeds
- Thunder Valley Road
- Direction for Road and Bridge Projects
- Staff Activity Report / Update

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Road Inventory Progress

Current Funding:

- 2.1 mds from General Fund \$1,062,600
- National Forestry (Title 1 Funds) \$220,000
- C-Funds \$540,000

Total = \$1,822,600

Expenses:

- Operating (gravel, patching, signs, etc.) \$410,000

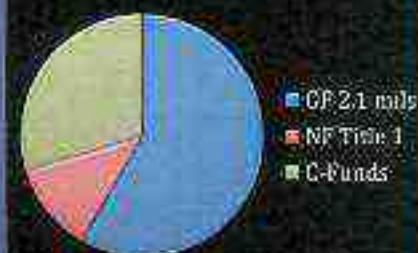
Balance for Projects:

- Approximately \$1,400,600

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Road Maintenance Funding

Funding



Estimated Expenses



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Breakdown of Maintenance Type based on PCI

Do Nothing PCI 86-100	163.3 miles
Crack seal PCI 81-85	90.9 miles
Micro Surfacing PCI 66-80	144.8 miles
Overlay PCI 51-65	71.1 miles
Mill in Place PCI 41-50	20.5 miles
Reconstruction PCI 0-40	7.2 miles
New Construction	164.8 miles

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Miles of Maintenance based on PCI



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Road Projects

Based on Current Funding (\$1.4M) and the following percentages:

- Crack Seal 5% (\$70,000) 22.4 miles
- Overlay 30% (\$420,000) 2.9 miles
- M & R 30% (\$420,000) 2.1 miles
- New Construction 35% (\$490,000) 1.0 miles

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Road Projects



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Discussion

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Willow Creek

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Willow Creek

- The bank and developer were notified of the 1/3 offer to provide assistance.
- The bank and developer are evaluating this option.

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Shadowood

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Shadowood

- As directed by the Committee, a letter was sent to the developer requesting additional information.
- An Engineering firm has contacted the County to discuss the requirements.
- The developer is preparing documents for a submittal.

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Quit Claim Deeds for Mill Roads

- Example: Utica Mill Village Roads
 - Roads turned over to County but no deeds exist (no dedication)
 - Accepted for maintenance only
 - Maintained by prescriptive easement (ditch to ditch)
 - Original owner likely holds the ownership interest

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Quit Claim Deeds for Mill Roads

- Problem with Current State of Interest in Mill Roads:
 - Cannot perform road improvement projects
 - Cannot sign off on encroachment permits
 - Inability to make consistent decisions as to County's interest during road inventory research (Platted ROW vs. Prescriptive Easement?)

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Quit Claim Deeds for Mill Roads

- Potential Solutions to Mill Road Problems
 - Title search in order to determine ownership
 - Post sign and solicit public comments
 - Obtain necessary interest in Mill roads via quit claim deeds

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Discussion

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Thunder Valley Rd.

- Staff Report included in handout.
- Fendley's own both sides of the road.
- Fendley's request that last 425' of Thunder Valley Rd. be abandoned from County maintenance.
- This section of Thunder Valley Rd. is not used by the general public.

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Action Requested

- Staff recommends supporting the Fendley's request to close and abandon a section of Thunder Valley Rd. as long as an adequate turn around is constructed at the proposed end of County maintenance.
- If the committee agrees, the Transportation Committee should recommend that the County Council consent to the Fendley's request for abandonment (requires a resolution).

Project Direction Road and Bridge Projects

- **New Construction Road Projects**
 - Alexander Rd (SE-375)
 - Cobb Dr (SE-427)
 - Rainbow Rd (SE-Z39) (*Need to obtain 1 Right-of-Way)
 - Coneross Farm Rd (WA-149)
 - Turner Rd (CE-132)
- **Approve Bridge & Culvert Projects**
 - Alberts Rd (WA-71) (*Checking ADP)
 - Armada Way (WA-172)
 - George Todd Rd (CH-19)

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Department Activity Update

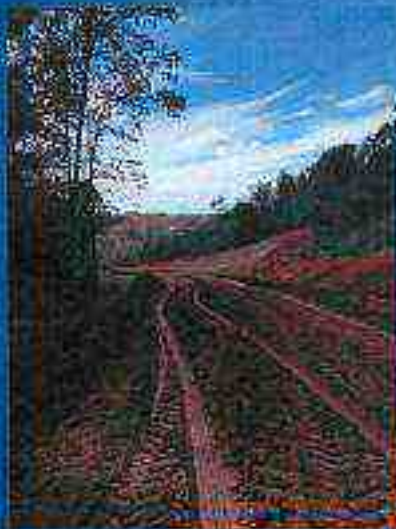
- **Work Summary Handout Provided**

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Lonely Road Box Culvert



Brown Farm Road



Lands Bridge

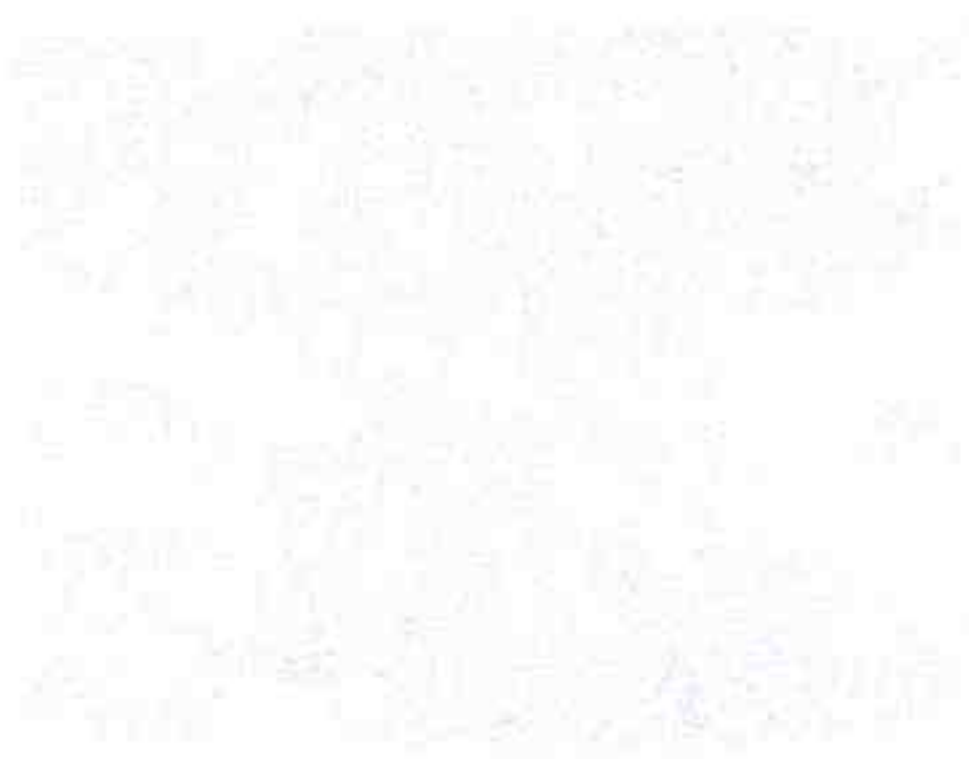
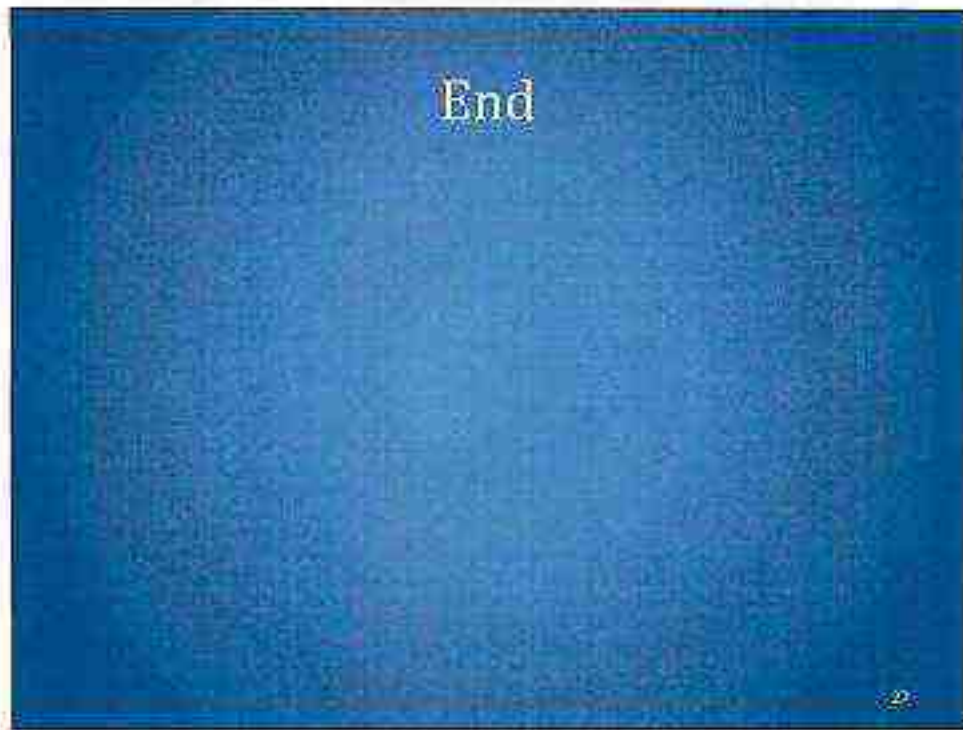


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OC Detention Center



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STAFF REPORT OF FINDINGS

TO: Transportation Committee
FROM: Mack Kelly, County Engineer
DATE: October 13, 2015

THUNDER VALLEY ROAD ABANDONMENT AND CLOSURE

FACTS

The process for road closure and abandonment is to follow the requirements listed in the ordinance referenced below. Summary of Investigations:

<u>The County Needs to Determine:</u>	<u>Determination:</u>	<u>Attachment</u>
1 Whether Thunder Valley Road is or has been a County Road	Thunder Valley Road is a County Road	1 & 2
2 If the section of Thunder Valley Road is still a County Road	Yes, the section of Thunder Valley Road is a County Road	1
3 If the section of Thunder Valley Road to be abandoned is in use by the general public or if the road has been practically abandoned	The section of Thunder Valley Road is in use by one resident. The resident requests that the County abandon Thunder Valley Road so that they may maintain the road privately.	4
4 If documentation is available relating to the status of the access easement	Documentation is available	1 & 2
5 If other information is available to assist County Council in evaluating the best interest for the Oconee County public.	Comments were solicited from the posting of a sign indicating that Thunder Valley Road was proposed for abandonment and closure	3

Pertinent Ordinance or Regulation

Oconee County Code of Ordinances Section 26-9 (Attachment 5)

Recommendations

Thunder Valley Road is used by the general public. Property owners Tim and Amy Fendley abut the approximately 425 ft. section of Thunder Valley Road on which they are seeking abandonment. The Fendleys own the property on both sides of the road where abandonment and closure would take place. The Fendleys have requested that the County consent to abandonment and closure of the road. In the course of our investigation, we have determined that the 425 ft. section of Thunder Valley Road is not in use by the general public. My recommendation is to honor the request of the Fendley's to remove Thunder Valley Road from County Maintenance and that the Transportation Committee support this recommendation. I also recommend that abandonment and closure of this portion of Thunder Valley Road be contingent upon a cul de sac being added at the gate where County maintenance will end. If

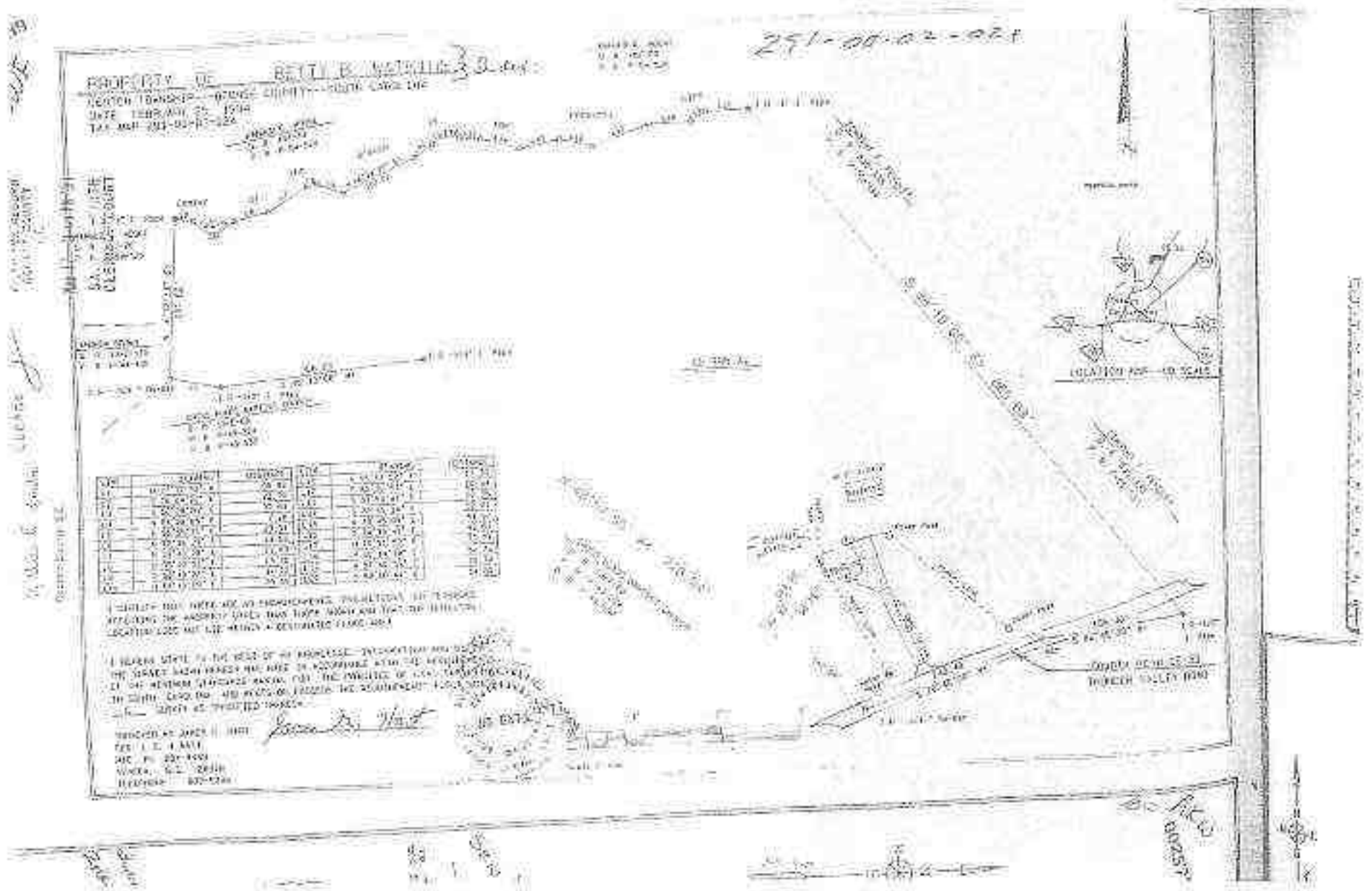
this recommendation is supported by the Transportation Committee, the Transportation Committee should make a recommendation to County Council as to whether the request for abandonment and closure should be honored. If this recommendation is not supported by the Transportation Committee, no further action is needed.

ATTACHMENT 1



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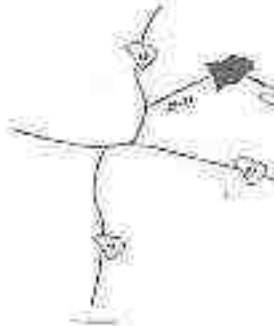
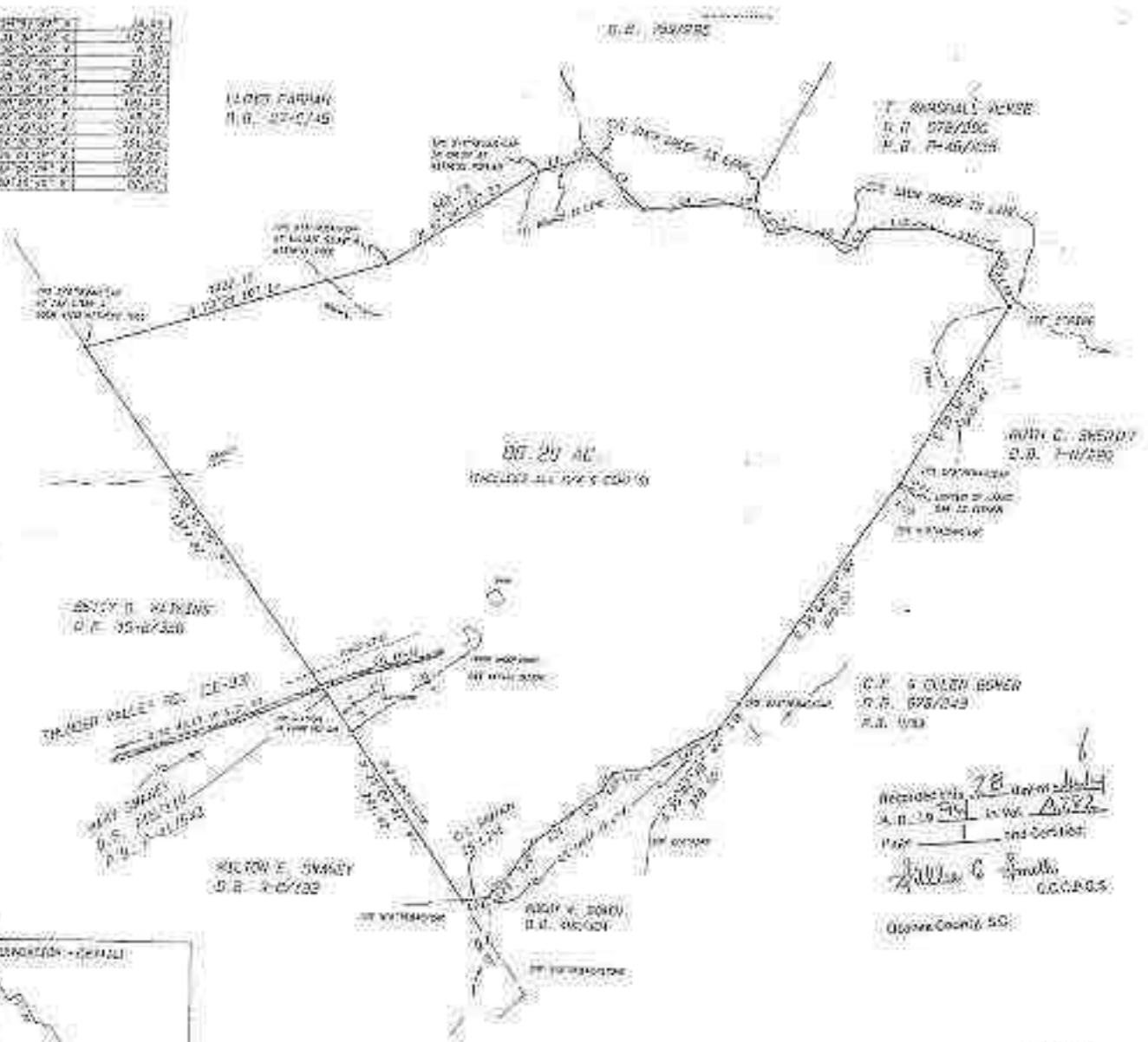
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Attachment 2

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REF. O.S. 535/355
 REF. P.S. P-15/1516
 Date 281-00-00-000



LOCATION MAP

O. MARSHALL ACRES
 O.S. 482/27
 P.S. P-24/230

A 282/1

ACREAGE - 80.20
 (EXCLUDING ALL OTHERS)
 DATE: JULY 8, 1994
 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
 COUNTY OF DOORNEE
 TOWNSHIP OF CENTER
 SCALE 1" = 300'

Recorded by *J.B. [Signature]*
 A.S. 282/1
 Date 1-28-1994
William C. Smith
 C.C.R.C.S.

Open to Court 55

I HEREBY STATE THAT TO THE BEST OF A SURVEYOR AND SUBJECT TO THE SURVEYOR'S LIABILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REGULATIONS OF STANDARDS ADOPTED FOR THE PRACTICE OF LAND SURVEYING IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND NOT TO BE LIMITED BY ANY FEDERAL STATUTE OR REGULATORY AGENCY.

THERE ARE NO KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES OR OTHER CLAIMS ON THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS SURVEY. THE HOUSE BOUND TO THE NORTH HERE SHOWN





Work Order 41859

Issue: Other Sign Issue	Status: Planned
Activity: Other Sign Activity	Priority: _____
Asset Type: Other Sign	Scheduled: _____
Address: THUNDER VALLEY RD (CE-33) Seneca	Start Date: _____
Assigned To: _____	Stop Date: _____
Department: Signs	In City: No
Entered By: amogre	Transaction Date: 8/28/2015 10:01:15 AM
	Notes: install the ROAD ABANDONMENT SIGN on the inbound lane at the property line for parcel # 291-00-02-005. see maps. leave up for two weeks and remove.

Details: angela lane

*INSTALL ON L SIDE
PARK DISTRICT ROR
MARK*


Directions: NORTH ON TOKEEMA RD FROM CROSSROADS, WILL BE ON THE RIGHT AFTER CROSSROADS DR.

Request Information

Labor Information		Equipment Information	
ID	Standard Hrs	ID / Description	Total Hours Used
<i>COPY</i>			

Action Taken

THE ROAD ABANDONMENT NOTICE SIGN IS 3510 FT FROM HWY 59

Employee Signature:  Date: 8-31-15

Print Date: 08/28/2015

NOTICE

A PETITION TO CLOSE AND ABANDON THIS ROAD WILL
BE FILED IN COURT IN ACCORDANCE WITH
COUNTY ORDINANCE § 26-9

THE COUNTY IS SEEKING CITIZEN COMMENTS
FOR INFORMATION AND COMMENTS CONTACT
DEONEE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AT

(864) 886-1072

15022 WELLS HWY, SENEGA SC
roads@deonee.com

Attachment 3



Attachment 4

July 24, 2015
Tim and Amy Fendley
270 Thunder Valley Road
Seneca, SC 29678

Wayne McCall, Chairman
Oconee County Council
415 South Pine Street
Walhalla, SC 29691

Dear Mr. McCall,

We are requesting that a portion of Thunder Valley Road (CE 33) be abandoned by Oconee County. We live at the end of Thunder Valley Road and the road dead ends in our front yard. We own the land on both sides of the road for the last 425 feet. We are asking Oconee County to abandon Thunder Valley Road at the point where the road enters our property.

There are several reasons that we are asking that this portion of Thunder Valley Road be abandoned. Since we moved to this location in 1996, we have been robbed twice. In the first robbery, we lost approximately \$800 worth of tools and lawn equipment. We lost a \$4,100.00 dump trailer in the last robbery (Figure 1). In December 2014, a fugitive (domestic violence) from the Oconee County Sheriff's Department drove through our yard and parked in our pasture approximately 200 yards behind our house. This individual was ultimately apprehended in our yard by officers of the Oconee County Sheriff's Department. Some people who drive to the end of Thunder Valley Road use our circular drive, endangering our pet, while others turn around across our lawn. From time to time other types of damage occur to our property (Figure 2). Litter is a continuing problem. The worst instance of littering occurred 4-5 months ago when a shower stall was dumped on the side of the road (Figure 3). Because the shower stall was apparently on the road right-of-way, we called Roads and Bridges. They advised us that they were not responsible and said we should call Solid Waste. Solid Waste stated they were not responsible and suggested the Sheriff's Department; the Sheriff's Department said they were not responsible. Thus, we had to haul the shower stall to the landfill.

Therefore we are asking that Oconee County abandon the last 425 feet of Thunder Valley Road so we can gain a degree of security from robbery, vandalism, and littering.

Sincerely,

Tim Fendley
Amy Fendley
Tim and Amy Fendley
864-972-0274
timdeerplace@gmail.com

Figure 1

Case Report Summary

Print Date/Time: 03/12/2015 11:38
 Login ID: jholland
 Case Number: 2011-00032481

OCONEE COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE
 ORI Number: SC0370000

Case

Case Number: 2011-00032481
 Location: 270 THUNDER VALLEY RD
 SENECA, SC 29878
 Reporting Officer ID: DP1108 - PACE

Incident Type: LARCENY
 Occurred From: 10/21/2011 18:00
 Occurred Thru: 10/22/2011 07:00
 Disposition:
 Disposition Date:
 Reported Date: 10/22/2011 09:58 Saturday

Offenses

No.	Group/ORI	Crime Code	Statute	Description	Counts
1	State	23H	16-13-6030(B)(1)	LARCENY / GRAND LARCENY, VALUE MORE THAN \$2,000 BUT LESS THAN \$10,000	1

Subjects

Type	No.	Name	Address	Phone	Race	Sex	DOB/Age
COMPLAINANT	1	FENDLEY, AMY L	270 THUNDER VALLEY RD SENECA, SC 29878	(884) 972-0274	WHITE (W)	FEMAL E (F)	08/18/1943 68
SUSPECT (S)	1	UNKNOWN, 1132481 81			UNKNOWN (U)	UNKNO WN (U)	
VICTIM (V)	1	FENDLEY, AMY L	270 THUNDER VALLEY RD SENECA, SC 29878	(884) 972-0274	WHITE (W)	FEMAL E (F)	08/18/1943 68

Arrests

Arrest No.	Name	Address	Date/Time	Type	Age
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Property

Date	Code	Type	Make	Model	Description	Tag No.	Item No.
10/22/2011	STOLEN/ETC. (7)	TRAILERS (78)			DUAL AXLE DUMP TRAILER		

Vehicles

No.	Role	Vehicle Type	Year	Make	Model	Color	License Plate	State
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NARRATIVE

RO SPOKE TO VICTIM BY PHONE AND SHE STATED TO RO THAT BETWEEN THE LISTED DATES AND TIMES THAT SOMEONE CAME TO HER RESIDENCE AND STOLE HER DUAL AXLE DUMP TRAILER. VICTIM STATED THAT THE TRAILER WAS A HAWKE TOWRITE DUMP TRAILER VALUED AT \$4120.00 WHEN THEY BOUGHT IT. SHE STATED THAT THE TRAILER IS BLACK IN COLOR AND THAT THE BACK TAILGATE HAS SOME DAMAGE TO IT. VICTIM STATED THAT IT HAD SOME MULCH IN IT AND THAT THEY HAD A SILVER BLUE TARP TIED OVER THE TOP OF THE TRAILER. VICTIM STATED THAT THE TRAILER VIN NUMBER IS 4BATS10177M026695. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AT THIS TIME. REPORT ON FILE OCSO. RO ENTERED A BOLO AND NCIC.

Routing:

ATTACHMENT 5

Sec. 26-9. Road closure and abandonment.

(a)

Prior to any request for abandonment and closure of an Oconee County public road being brought before county council, county staff, including, without limitation, the Oconee County Roads and Bridges Department, will conduct a thorough investigation, adequate to determine: whether the road in question is, or ever has been, a county road; whether the road still is a county road; whether the road is still in general public use or has been practically abandoned; whether the county has any documentation relating to the status of the road, such as a dedication of right-of-way or easement, or a deed, or whether such road was subject to a prescriptive easement or easement by usage; whether there is any other information which would assist county council in determining whether the best interests of the Oconee County public will be served by consenting to the abandonment and closure of the road in question or by not so consenting. As a part of the investigatory process addressed herein, the Oconee County Roads and Bridges Department will post, adjacent to the road in question, a sign, marked so as to be as conspicuous as possible, prominently providing notice that the road, or portion thereof abutting the sign, is proposed for abandonment and closure, soliciting citizen comments concerning such proposed abandonment and closure, and providing notice of address and telephone number at the Oconee County Public Works Department to which concerned citizens may forward comments concerning such proposed abandonment and closure.

(b)

Following the investigation referred to in paragraph 1, supra, county staff will make a recommendation to the Transportation Committee of Oconee County Council, which, in turn, will make a recommendation to Oconee County Council as to whether the request for abandonment and closure should be honored or not, and provide the results of the staff investigation to county council for its use and final determination whether the county will consent to such abandonment and closure. Included with the recommendation will be any public comments received and the recommendation(s) of county staff and the transportation committee.

(c)

County council shall then, in public meeting, make a determination as to whether the request for abandonment and closure should be consented to by the County, acting by and through county council, and shall signify its decision by motion, if such decision be negative, and shall signify its decision by resolution of county council, if such decision be positive.

(d)

If county council consents to the abandonment and closure of a county public road, as addressed herein, the resolution of county council consenting to such abandonment and closure shall state, with particularity, the road, or section thereof, to be closed; the basis for county council's decision to consent to the abandonment and closure of the road; and the absolute requirement that, prior to the road, or portion thereof, in question being closed, the primary private party(ies) in interest (unless the county, itself, is the party requesting the road closure, in which case the county will be the primary party in interest to comply with this section) shall fully comply with all applicable law, including, without limitation, S.C. Code 1976, § 57-9-10, as amended, and shall provide all required notice and service of process. Only upon the meeting of such conditions and the fulfillment of such procedures will the county council consent to such abandonment and closure be considered final, and that shall be stated in such resolution.

(Ord. No. 2010-28, §§ 1—5. 10-19-2010)

Roads and Bridges

Solid Waste

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/1/15-9/30/15	Brown Farm Rd-construction	11	1990	1393
7/1/15-9/30/15	Inspecting Lonely Rd, Land Bridge and surveying for Brown Farm	1	230	56
	Total		2220	1449

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/13/2015	Landfill-watered roads	1	1	1
7/15/2015	Landfill-scraped roads	1	5	5
7/16/2015	Moved trackhoe to SW office site	1	1	1

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Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/23/2015	High Falls - taking down a tree	6	12	2
8/3/2015	Boat Landings-removing old iron rangers & augering holes	2	14	6
8/20/2015	Ramsey Falls on Hwy 76-moving sign	3	5	2
	Total		31	10

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/28/15-7/29/15	Salem MCC-Water Leak Repair	3	12	11
8/11/2015	Moved loader	1	2	2
8/13/2015	Load 3 sticks of 18" pipe	1	1	1
8/19/2015	Merf-cutting asphalt	2	1	1
9/2/2015	Landfill-blading roads	1	8	8
9/16/2015	Moved bushhog to Five Forks landfill	1	3	3
9/25/2015	Moved bushhog from Five Forks to Motor Pool	2	2	2
	Total		36	35

Emergency Management

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/28/2015	Doug Hollow Rd-mow (dynamite shed)	1	4	4
8/25/2015	Beached Boat Clean-up (Fair Play Swim Area)	5	14	10
	Total		18	14

Airport

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
8/25/2015	Taking Airport Fuel Truck back to Airport	1	1	1
	Total	1	1	1

Facilities Maintenance

OITP

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
9/30/15-10/1/2015	Pine St-Fixing waterleak	2	15	7.5
	Total		15	7.5

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/9/2015	Mowing right-of-way	1	2	2
	Total	2	2	2

LEC

Date	Job Description	Number of Staff	Staff Hours	Equipment Hours
7/1/15-7/8/15	Parking lot at new jail	21	598	286
7/1/15-8/26/15	Parking lot repair on existing section of old jail	6	120	40
	Total		718	326

Pending Special Projects	
• Brown Farm Rd Construction	
• OITP Sign Viewing Area	
• Mountain Rest Sand Storage	
• Mauldin Mill Creek Crossing Replacement	
• Whetstone Fire Substation Grading, Drainage and Septic	
• Shiloh Fire Substation Drainage and Septic	
• Lake Cherokee Fire Substation Drainage and Septic	
• Fine Grading at South Cove Office	
• 9/11 Memorial Grading	
• Stribling Shoals Hydraulic Study	
• South Cove Park Office Grading and Retaining Walls	

Total Staff Hours 3,041
Percent of Hours worked on Special Projects 23%