

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

**Southern Georgia Regional
Commission**



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RESOLUTION TO Adopt Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Policy

WHEREAS, the SGRC contracts with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the Georgia Department of Human Services to carryout transportation planning and Coordinated Human Service Transportation services throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation has developed a Unified Certification Program for DBE certification and utilization; and

WHEREAS, the Southern Georgia Regional Commission, is a recipient of federal-aid funds for transportation planning and Coordinated Human Services Transportation purposes and pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26 this DBE Program Policy is intended to assist the SGRC in the administration and award of contract in order to provide disadvantaged businesses an opportunity to participate in SGRC transportation contracts in a non-discriminatory manner; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the SGRC that DBEs shall have the equal opportunity to participate in the performance of the SGRC's transportation contracts; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southern Georgia Regional Commission Council adopts a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Policy pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Southern Georgia Regional Commission Council at a meeting held on December 10, 2015.



Michael Dinnerman, Chair
Southern Georgia Regional Commission Council

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program

What is a DBE?

A DBE is a for-profit small business concern that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged. In the case of a corporation, 51 percent of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals; and, whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it. Agencies, like the Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) uses programs for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises or DBEs to increase the participation by firms owned by disadvantaged individuals in all federal aid and state transportation funded contracts. In some cases, DBEs are further defined as enterprises owned by Women and/or Minorities as WBEs or MBEs, respectively.

Policy Statement

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1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts;
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3. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
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a signed version of this statement appears as Attachment 1
Executive Director, Southern Georgia Regional Commission

Date

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

I. Objectives

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II. Applicability

SGRC is the recipient of federal funds from the US DOT authorized by US Code: Title 23.1.134 & 135; Title 49.53.5303, 5304, 5307, 5310 and other programs.

III. Non-discrimination Requirements

SGRC will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR part 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin.

In administering its DBE program, SGRC will not, directly, through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE program with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.

IV. Record Keeping Requirements

a. Reporting

In order to monitor the progress of its DBE program, SGRC will develop and maintain a record keeping system which will identify and assess DBE contract awards, progress in achieving DBE subcontract goals, and other DBE affirmative action efforts. Specifically, SGRC will maintain records (for a period of five years) showing:

1. Procedures followed by SGRC as set forth in this program, to identify and assess DBE contract awards and progress in achieving prescribed goals;
2. Specific efforts to identify and award contracts to DBEs;
3. Amount paid to each DBE subcontractor by a contractor and reported to the contracting agency on a quarterly basis; and
4. These reports shall include as a minimum:
 - a. The number of contracts awarded to DBEs;
 - b. A description of the general categories of contracts awarded to DBEs;
 - c. The dollar value of contracts awarded to DBEs;
 - d. The percentage of the dollar value of all contracts awarded to DBEs; and
 - e. An indication of whether and the extent of which the percentage met or exceeded the goal specified in the application.
5. The SGRC will submit these reports to the respective state agency (Georgia Department of Transportation or Georgia Department of Human Services) for each respective program.

The records and reports required shall provide information relating to firms owned and controlled by minorities separately from information relating to firms owned and controlled by women.

Records shall be available upon request of an authorized officer or employee of the government. SGRC shall submit reports conforming in frequency and format to existing contract reporting requirements of the applicable departmental element. Where no such contract reporting requirement exists, DBE reports shall be submitted annually.

SGRC will create a bidders list, consisting of information about all DBE and non-DBE firms that bid or quote on DOT assisted contracts. The purpose of this requirement is to allow use of the bidder list approach to calculating overall goals. The list shall also include the following information: Firm name, Firm address, Firm's status as a DBE or non-DBE; age of firm, average annual gross receipts.

V. Federal Financial Assistance Agreement

The SGRC has signed the following assurances, applicable to all DOT assisted contracts and their administration:

1. SGRC shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of any DOT assisted contract or in the administration of its DBE Program or the requirements of 49 CFR part 26. The recipient shall take all necessary and reasonable steps under 49 CFR part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts. The recipient's DBE Program, as required by 49 CFR part 26 and as approved by DOT, is incorporated by reference in this agreement. Implementation of this program is a legal obligation and failure to carry out its terms shall be treated as a violation of this agreement. Upon notification to SGRC of its failure to carry out its approved program, the Department may impose sanction as provided for under part 26 and may, in appropriate cases, refer the matter for enforcement under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 (31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.).
2. The contractor, sub-recipient, or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.
3. The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 15 days from the receipt of each payment the prime contract receives from SGRC. The prime contractor agrees further to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 15 days after the subcontractors work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of SGRC. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subcontracts.

This language will appear in financial assistance agreements with sub-recipients.

ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

VI. DBE Program Updates

Since SGRC has received a grant of \$250,000 or more in FTA planning capital, and or operating assistance in a federal fiscal year, we will continue to carry out this program until all funds from DOT financial assistance have been expended. We will provide to DOT updates representing significant changes in the program.

VII. DBE Liaison Officer (DBELO)

We have designated the following individual as our DBE Liaison Officer:

Name: Corey Hull

Title: Transportation Director

Address: 327 W Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31602

Phone: 229-333-5277

Email: chull@sgrc.us

The SGRC reports to the following state agencies for transportation purposes:

Georgia Department of Transportation
Equal Employment Opportunity
600 W Peachtree St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30308
404-631-1972

Georgia Department of Human Services
Office of Facility and Support Services
2 Peachtree St. 29.490
Atlanta, GA 30303
404-656-4427

In that capacity, the DBELO is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program and ensuring that SGRC complies with all provision of 49 CFR Part 26. The DBELO has direct, independent access to the Executive Director, concerning DBE program matters. An organization chart displaying the DBELO's position in the organization is found as Attachment Two.

The DBELO is responsible for developing, implementing and monitoring the DBE program, in coordination with other appropriate officials. The DBELO has a staff of one to assist in the administration of the program. The duties and responsibilities include the following:

1. Gathers and reports statistical data and other information as required by DOT.
2. Reviews third party contracts and purchase requisitions for compliance with this program.
3. Works with all departments to set overall annual goals.
4. Ensures that bid notices and requests for proposals are available to DBEs in a timely manner.
5. Identifies contracts and procurements so that DBE goals are included in solicitations (both race-neutral methods and contract specific goals attainment and identifies ways to improve progress.
6. Analyzes SGRC's progress toward attainment and identifies ways to improve progress.
7. Participates in pre-bid meetings when necessary.
8. Advises the governing body on DBE matters and achievement.
9. Provides DBEs with information and assistance in preparing bids, obtaining bonding and insurance.
10. Plans and participates in DBE training seminars.
11. Certifies DBEs according to the criteria set by DOT and acts as liaison to the Uniform Certification Process in Georgia.
12. Provides outreach to DBEs and community organizations to advise them of opportunities.
13. Maintains SGRC's directory of DBEs.

VIII. DBE Financial Institutions

The SGRC periodically solicits competitively for banking services. The SGRC will ensure that financial institutions that are determined to be owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals in the community are encouraged to respond to the solicitation and to present the range of services that they offer.

IX. Directory

The State of Georgia Uniform Certification Program (UCP) is operational, and the SGRC will participate in the combined directory. The Georgia Department of Transportation maintains this UCP. The process for firms to become certified is available through the Georgia Department of Transportation. The UCP lists the firm's name, address, phone number, most recent certification, and the type of work for which the firm wishes to be considered. The directory is updated periodically, and is made available to contractors and the public. The UCP will be the primary source for the SGRC to seek DBE firms.

X. Overconcentration

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 26.33, if SGRC (and/or its subrecipients) determine that DBE firms are so over-concentrated in one or more types of work as to unduly burden the opportunity of non-DBE firms to participate in that type of work, it will devise appropriate measures to address this over-concentration. These measures may include:

1. Technical assistance;
2. Business development; and
3. Any other measures to assist DBEs in performing in other types of work.

To date, SGRC has not identified that over-concentration exists in the types of work that DBEs perform.

XI. Business Development Programs

The SGRC has elected not to establish a DBE business development program to assist firms in gaining the ability to compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program. The SGRC will refer DBE firms to other business development programs available locally and statewide.

XII. Monitoring and Enforcement Mechanisms

SGRC will take the following monitoring and enforcement mechanisms to ensure compliance with 49 CFR Part 26.

1. We will bring to the attention of the Department of Transportation any false, fraudulent, or dishonest conduct in connection with the program, so that DOT can take the steps (e.g., referral to the Department of Justice for criminal prosecution, referral to the DOT Inspector General, action under suspension and debarment or Program Fraud and Civil Penalties rules) provided in 26.109.
2. We will consider similar action under our own legal authorities, including responsibility determinations in future contracts.
3. We will also provide a monitoring and enforcement mechanism to verify that work committed to DBEs at contract award is actually performed by the DBEs. This will be accomplished by in-the-field inspections and monitoring.
4. We will keep a running tally of actual payments to DBE firms for work committed to them at the time of contract award.

GOALS, GOOD FAITH EFFORTS, AND COUNTING

XIII. Set-asides or Quotas

SGRC does not use set-asides or quotas in any way in the administration of this DBE program or DOT assisted contracts.

XIV. Overall Goals

The purpose of the overall goal is to achieve a “level playing field” for ready, willing, and able Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) seeking to participate in SGRC’s DOT assisted contracts. In an effort to reach this level playing field, SGRC examined its programs and relevant local markets, then determined the amount of participation DBEs would be expected to achieve in the absence of present and past effects of discrimination. 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 26.45 requires recipients of USDOT federal aid to utilize a two step process in the development of their Overall DBE Goals:

Step One: Calculate relative availability of DBE certified or non-certified firms ready, willing, and able to work on US DOT assisted contract and/or agreements. This base figure is derived by dividing a number representing DBE's eligible to work on DOT assisted contracts by a number representing all firms eligible to work on DOT assisted contracts.

Step Two: Adjust calculation to account for other evidence. (Once recipient has base figure resulting from Step One calculation, recipient must seek more data, with which to adjust base figure up or down.)

In accordance with Section 26.45(f) the SGRC will submit its overall goal to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and the Georgia Department of Human Services (GDHS) by August 1 of each year.

The SGRC will publish a notice of the proposed overall goals, informing the public that the proposed goal and its rationale are available for inspection during normal business hours at our principal office for 30 days following the date of the notice, and informing the public that the SGRC will accept comments on the goals for 45 days from the date of the notice. Notice will be published in the legal organs with the four largest circulations, and the website of SGRC: www.sgrc.us. Normally, we will issue this notice by June 1 of each year. The notice will include addresses to which comments may be sent and addresses (including offices and websites) where the proposal may be reviewed.

SGRC’s overall goal submission to GDOT and GDHS will include a summary of information and comments received during this public participation process and our responses.

A summary of the Overall Goal process can be found in Attachment Three.

SGRC will begin using our overall goal on July 1 of each year, unless the SGRC has received other instructions from GDOT and GDHS. If the SGRC establishes a goal on a project basis, we will begin using our goal by the time of the first solicitation for a DOT assisted contract for the project.

XV. Transit Vehicle Manufacturers Goals

SGRC does not procure vehicles directly from manufacturers and therefore will not have a Transit Vehicle Manufacturer Goal.

XVI. Breakout of Estimated Race-Neutral & Race-Conscious Participation

The SGRC will meet the maximum feasible portion of its overall goal by using race-neutral means of facilitating DBE participation. The SGRC uses the following race-neutral means to increase DBE participation:

1. Arranging solicitations, times for the presentation of bids/offers, quantities, specifications and delivery schedules in ways that facilitate DBE, and other small business, participation. For example, where practical the SGRC could unbundle large contracts to make them more accessible to small businesses and could encourage prime contractors to do subcontract portions of work that they might otherwise perform with their own forces;
2. Providing technical assistance and other services;
3. Ensuring that information concerning bid/offer opportunities is available to DBE's and other small businesses. For example, ensuring the inclusion of DBE's, and other small businesses, on recipient mailing lists for bidders/offers; and
4. Ensuring awareness of our DBE directory through print and electronic means.

XVII. Contract Goals

The SGRC will use contract goals to meet any portion of the overall goal. SGRC anticipates being able to meet using race-neutral means. Contract goals are established so that, over the period to which the overall goal applies, they will cumulatively result in meeting any portion of our overall goal that is not projected to be met through the use of race-neutral means.

The SGRC will establish contract goals only on those DOT assisted contracts that have subcontracting possibilities. The SGRC need not establish a contract goal on every such contract, and the size of contract goals will be adapted to the circumstances of each such contract (e.g., type and location of work, availability of DBEs to perform the particular type of work.). The SGRC will advertise prime contracts to DBEs and non-DBEs.

The SGRC will express our contract goals as a percentage of the Federal share amount of the DOT assisted contract.

XVIII. Good Faith Efforts

The obligation of the bidder/offeror is to make good faith efforts. The bidder/offeror (to match the spelling of offeror used above) can demonstrate that it has done so either by meeting the contract goal or documenting good faith efforts. Examples of good faith efforts are found in Appendix A to Part 26. The SGRC will ensure that all information is complete and accurate and adequately documents the bidder/offer's good faith efforts before committing to the performance of the contract by the bidder/offeror.

The SGRC treats bidder/offers' compliance with good faith efforts' requirements as a matter of responsibility. Each solicitation for which a contract goal has been established will require the bidders/offers to submit the following information:

1. The names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract;
2. A description of the work that each DBE will perform;
3. The dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating;
4. Written and signed documentation of commitment to use a DBE subcontractor whose participation it submits to meet a contract goal;
5. Written and signed confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the prime contractors commitment and
6. If the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts.

Within 30 days of being informed by SGRC that it is not responsible because it has not documented sufficient good faith efforts, a bidder/offeror may request administrative reconsideration. Bidder/offers should make this request in writing to the following reconsideration official: Executive Director, 327 W Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31602. The reconsideration official will not have played any role in the original determination that the bidder/offeror did not document sufficient good faith efforts.

As part of this reconsideration, the bidder/offerer will have the opportunity to provide written documentation or argument concerning the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so. The bidder/offerer will have the opportunity to meet in person with the SGRC's reconsideration official to discuss the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do. The SGRC will send the bidder/offerer a written decision on reconsideration, explaining the basis for finding that the bidder did or did not meet the goal or make adequate good faith efforts to do so. The result of the reconsideration process is not administratively appealable to the Department of Transportation.

The SGRC will require a contractor to make good faith efforts to replace a DBE that is terminated or has otherwise failed to complete its work on a contract with another certified DBE, to the extent needed to meet the contract goal. The SGRC will require the prime contractor to notify the Project Manager and the DBE Liaison Officer immediately of the DBE's inability or unwillingness to perform and provide reasonable documentation.

In this situation, the SGRC will require the prime contractor to obtain our prior approval of the substitute DBE and to provide copies of new or amended subcontracts, or documentation of good faith efforts. If the contractor fails or refuses to comply in the time specified, our contracting office will issue an order stopping all or part of work and/or payment until satisfactory action has been taken. If the contractor still fails to comply, the contracting officer may issue a termination for default proceeding.

XIX. Counting DBE Participation

The SGRC will count DBE participation toward overall and contract goals as provided in 49 CFR 26.55.

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

XX. Certification Process

The SGRC will rely primarily on the statewide Unified Certification Process, and its policy for accepting certifications issued by other US DOT recipients under 49 CFR Part 26. The UCP will use the certification standards of Subpart D of Part 26 and the certification procedures of Subpart E of Part 26 to determine the eligibility of firms to participate as DBEs in DOT assisted contracts.

The SGRC has not certified any DBEs. All future certifications and recertifications will be done through the UCP.

For information about the certification process or to apply for certification, firms should contact the DBE Liaison Officer, 327 W Savannah Ave, Valdosta, GA 31602.

To remove a DBE's certification, the SGRC will rely on the Unified Certification Program procedures consistent with §26.87.

The SGRC will safeguard from disclosure to third parties information that may reasonably be regarded as confidential business information, consistent with Federal, state, and local law. Notwithstanding any contrary provisions of state or local law, the SGRC will not release personal financial information submitted in response to the personal net worth requirement to a third party (other than DOT) without the written consent of the submitter.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1	Signed Policy Statement
Attachment 2	Organization Chart
Attachment 3	Overall Goal Summary
Attachment 4	Public Participation Documentation
Attachment 5	Form 1 & 2 for Demonstration of Good Faith Efforts

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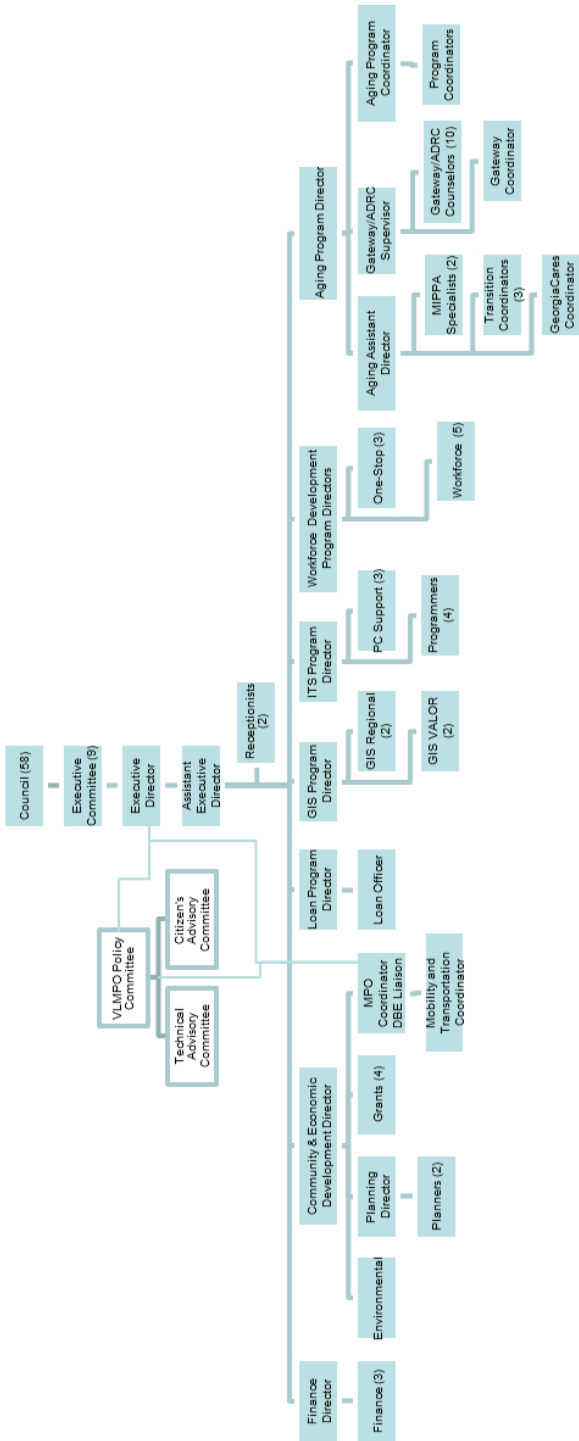


Executive Director, Southern Georgia Regional Commission



Date

Southern Georgia Regional Commission
Organizational Chart (with transportation boards/committees)



This Attachment must be updated at least once every three years.

The Southern Georgia Regional Commission's (SGRC) overall goal for FY2019-2021 is the following: **74.0%** of the Federal Financial assistance we will expend in Department of Transportation assisted contracts, exclusive of FTA funds to be used for the purchase of transit vehicles.

Methodology used to Calculate Overall Goal

Step 1:

Determine the base figure for the relative availability of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs). The base figure for the relative availability of DBE's was calculated as follows:

	Urban Transportation Planning DBEs		Transit Planning DBEs		Transit Operators DBEs
=	-----	+	-----	+	-----
	Urban Transportation Planning All		Transit Planning All		Transit Operators All

The data source or demonstrable evidence used to derive the numerator was: Firms capable of supporting Urban Transportation Planning, Transit Planning and Transit Operations in the State of Georgia. The data source was the listing of pre-qualified contractors from the Georgia Department of Transportation for classes: 1.02, 1.04, 2.02, and 2.08; and the Uniform Certification Program (UCP) listing of DBEs for the State of Georgia for NAICS codes: 485113, 485111, 485991, 541614, and 54133. Data was accessed on 4/25/18. One additional DBE was added for the Transit Operators as the current provider is not certified, but is able to be certified.

No DBE firms or an insufficient number of firms were located in the SGRC service area. Therefore the SGRC used the entire state of Georgia as its area to gather DBE firms from using the above listed resources.

When we divided the numerator by the denominator we arrived at the base figure for our overall goal and that number was **264%**.

$$= \left[\left(\frac{184}{227} \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{185}{196} \right) \right] + \left[\left(\frac{23}{26} \right) \right]$$

Step 2:

After calculating a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs, evidence was examined to determine what adjustment was needed to the base figure in order to arrive at the overall goal.

In order to reflect as accurately as possible the DBE participation we would expect to garner, we have adjusted our base figure to **74.0%**.

$$= \left[0.03 \left(\frac{184}{227} \right) \right] + \left[0.00 \left(\frac{185}{196} \right) \right] + \left[0.81 \left(\frac{23}{26} \right) \right]$$

The data used to determine the adjustment to the base figure was the percentage of funds that are anticipated to be bid to contractors over the forthcoming three years.

The reason we chose to adjust our figure using this data was because the base figure was greater than 100%.

Attachment 4 Public Participation Documentation

Below are copies of the public notice

PUBLIC NOTICE Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) DBE PROGRAM GOALS Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. Georgia Department of Human Services, Georgia Department of Transportation and SGRC announces its proposed Fiscal Year goal of 74.0% for transportation oriented Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation. A description and complete details are available for 30 days from the date of this publication for review during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the principal office of the SGRC (327 W. Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31601) and on the SGRC website at www.sgrc.us. SGRC will accept written comments on these goals and DBE program for 45 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be sent to Corey Hull, 327 W. Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31601 or chull@sgrc.us.

No Comments Received

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Estate Notices	Public Notices	Public Notices	Sales/Foreclosures	Sales/Foreclosures	Sales/Foreclosures	
<p>Administrator of the Estate of James Wilson, Deceased</p> <p>c/o Hall, Williamson & Hart, P.C. P.O. Drawer 70639 Albany, Georgia 31708-0639</p> <p>100844 6/15,22,29:07/06/18</p> <p>NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS</p> <p>STATE OF GEORGIA LOWNDES COUNTY</p> <p>IN RE: ESTATE OF APRIL NICOLE McCOLLUM</p> <p>All creditors of the estate of APRIL NICOLE McCOLLUM, deceased, late of Lowndes County, are hereby notified to render their demands to the undersigned according to law, and all persons indebted to said estate are required to make immediate payment to me.</p> <p>This 8th day of June, 2018.</p> <p>Janice Darlene Colkmire Janice Darlene Colkmire, Administratrix of the Estate of April Nicole McCollum, deceased</p> <p>James F. Council, Jr. Attorney for Administratrix PO Box 1201 Valdosta, GA 31603 229-242-5362</p> <p>100963 6/15,22,29:07/06/18</p> <p>STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF LOWNDES</p>	<p>COUNTY OF LOWNDES NOTICE OF DRAFT PART 70 OPERATING PERMIT MODIFICATION</p> <p>To All Interested Parties:</p> <p>The Georgia Environmental Protection Division announces its intent to modify Part 70 Air Quality Operating Permit No. 3732-185-0088-V-05-0 issued to Regal Marine Industries, Inc. by the issuance of Permit Amendment No. 3732-185-0088-V-05-1. The facility is located at 601 Gil Harbin Industrial Boulevard, Valdosta, Georgia. The main purpose of this permit amendment is to change the facility VOC limit from 249 tpy to 100 tpy, which will decrease VOC emissions to approximately 149 tpy. The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) has prepared the Title V Operating Permit Amendment in accordance with Title of the Clean Air Act. This permit amendment will be enforceable by the Georgia EPD, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other persons as otherwise authorized by law.</p> <p>The draft permit amendment and all information used to develop the draft permit amendment are available for review. This includes the application and other relevant materials available to the permitting authority. The information is available for review at the office of the Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Atlanta, Georgia 30359. Copies of the draft permit, narrative, and permit application will be available on our Internet site, http://epd.georgia.gov/draft-title-permit. (Please note that this document is currently in draft form and is subject to change.)</p>	<p>PUBLIC HEARING</p> <p>A public hearing will be held Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 5:30 pm on the 2nd floor at City Hall, 216 E. Central Avenue, to discuss changing a portion of 3rd Avenue located between Canal Street and Magnolia Street to Eathel Avenue. The public is invited to attend.</p> <p>Questions may be directed to the Engineering Department at 259-3530.</p> <p>109760</p> <p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Southern Georgia Regional Commission (SGRC) DBE PROGRAM GOALS Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. Georgia Department of Human Services, Georgia Department of Transportation and SGRC announces its proposed Fiscal Year goal of 74.0% for transportation oriented Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation. A description and complete details are available for 30 days from the date of this publication for review during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the principal office of the SGRC (327 W. Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31601) and on the SGRC website at www.sgrc.us. SGRC will accept written comments on these goals and DBE program for 45 days from the date of this publication. Comments should be sent to Corey Hull, 327 W. Savannah Ave., Valdosta, GA 31601 or chull@sgrc.us.</p> <p>110103 6/29/18</p>	<p>to the highest bidder for cash before the courthouse door of Lowndes County, Georgia, within the legal hours of sale on July 3, 2018, the following described property:</p> <p>Tract 1: All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot No 172 of the 11th Land District of Lowndes County, Georgia, consisting of 22.01 acres, and being more particularly described on a plat of survey entitled "Survey for: The Estate of Dr. Terry Titi", as prepared by Harris Surveying & Engineering Company, Inc., dated February 23, 2010, and recorded on March 16, 2010, in Plat Cabinet B, Page 353, in the public records of Lowndes County, Georgia. Said property has a residence dwelling located thereon known and designated as 2703 Moore Crossing Road, according to the present system of numbering houses in the City of Valdosta, Georgia.</p> <p>Tract 2: All that tract or parcel of land constituting 20.59 acres and lying and being in Land Lot Number 172 of the 11th Land District of Lowndes County, Georgia designated as Tract 1, as depicted on that certain map or plat of survey by Harris Surveying Engineering Company, Inc., Rodney Gene Tenery, D. surveyor, recorded in Plat Cabinet B, Page 537, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Lowndes County, Georgia, to which map or plat of survey particular reference is hereby made for all purposes in a description. Said above described property is a portion of that property deeded by Jesse F. Moore, a/k/a Jesse Felma Moore, as Grantor, to Jesse F. Moore, Trustee, or his successors in trust, under the MOORE</p>	<p>is currently known as 133 Donna Lane, Statenville, Georgia. Also, included is a 1997 Birch Haven Skyline mobile home, Manufacturer's I.D. No. 496113273.</p> <p>The debt secured by the said Deed to Secure Debt has been and is hereby declared due because of among other possible events of default, failure to pay the indebtedness as and when due and in the manner provided in the Note and Deed to Secure Debt. The debt remaining in default, this sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in the Deed to Secure Debt and by law, including attorney's fees (notice of intent to collect attorney's fees having been given). Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Deed to Secure Debt first set out above.</p> <p>Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 44-14-162.2, the name, address and telephone number of the individual or entity who shall have the full authority to negotiate, amend or modify all terms of the above described mortgage is as follows: B. E. Padgett Living Trust, dated March 24, 2005, Marquene T. Padgett, Trustee 308 Marquene Lane Lake Park, Georgia 31636 Telephone: (770) 926-2178</p>	<p>cash before the door of the County Courthouse in Lowndes County, Georgia, on the first Tuesday in July, 2018 (July 3, 2018), between the legal hours of sale, the property described as follows (the "Land"):</p> <p>Phase I</p> <p>All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being located in Land Lot 15 of the 11th Land District, Valdosta, Lowndes County, Georgia, containing 20.305 acres and being more particularly described as follows: As a point of beginning, begin at an iron pin marking the intersection of the northerly right-of-way (r/w) margin of West Magnolia Street, (said road having a 40' r/w) and the easterly r/w margin of North St. Augustine Road, aka S.R. No. 133 (said road having a variable r/w), and proceed along the easterly r/w margin of said North St. Augustine Road along the arc of a counter-clockwise curve for a distance of 64.64 feet, said curve having a radius of 3251.97 feet, and being subtended by a chord of North 39 degrees 37 minutes 14 seconds West for a chord distance of 64.64 feet to an iron pin; thence continue along the arc of a counter-clockwise curve for a distance of 141.94 feet, said curve having a radius of 3251.97 feet, and being subtended by a chord of North 41 degrees 26 minutes 25 seconds West for a chord distance of 141.93 feet to an iron pin; thence proceed along the arc of a clockwise curve for a distance of 68.38 feet, said curve having a radius of 43.00 feet, and being subtended by a chord of North 02 degrees 51 minutes 43 seconds East for a chord distance of 61.40 feet to an iron pin located on the southerly r/w margin of Lankford Drive. (said</p>	

FORM 1: DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) UTILIZATION

The undersigned bidder/offeror has satisfied the requirements of the bid specification in the following manner (please check the appropriate space):

_____ The bidder/offeror is committed to a minimum of _____ % DBE utilization on this contract.

_____ The bidder/offeror (if unable to meet the DBE goal of _____ %) is committed to a minimum of _____% DBE utilization on this contract and submits documentation demonstrating good faith efforts.

Name of bidder/offeror's firm: _____

State Registration No. _____

By _____
(Signature) Title

FORM 2: LETTER OF INTENT

Name of bidder/offeror's firm: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name of DBE firm: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Description of work to be performed by DBE firm:

The bidder/offeror is committed to utilizing the above-named DBE firm for the work described above. The estimated dollar value of this work is \$ _____.

Affirmation

The above-named DBE firm affirms that it will perform the portion of the contract for the estimated dollar value as stated above.

By _____
(Signature) (Title)

If the bidder/offeror does not receive award of the prime contract, any and all representations in this Letter of Intent and Affirmation shall be null and void.

(Submit this page for each DBE subcontractor.)