

DEVELOPMENTS OF REGIONAL IMPACT

Regional Review Notification

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The project described below has been submitted to this Regional Commission for review as a Development of Regional Impact (DRI). A DRI is a development project of sufficient scale or importance that it is likely to have impacts beyond the jurisdiction in which the project is actually located, such as adjoining cities or neighboring counties.

The Northeast Georgia Regional Commission (NEGRC) has published the attached project summary for review by and comment from all potentially Affected Governmental Parties. For the purposes of this review, "Affected Governmental Parties" are defined as: 1) any local governments within geographic proximity that may be impacted by the DRI project located outside of its jurisdictional limits; 2) any local, state, or federal agencies that could potentially have concern about the project's impact on regional systems and resources; 3) Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, if the proposed project is located within GRTA's jurisdiction; and 4) the host Regional Commission plus any Regional Commission within geographic proximity that could potentially have concern about the project's impact on regional systems and resources.

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Project I.D.: **DRI #2234** Comments Due By: **10/24/11**

Date Issued: 10/03/11 Review Completed By: 10/28/11

Project Information

Name of Project: Barrow Landing

Name of Host Government: Barrow County

Name of Developer: Walton Development and Management, Inc.

Type of Development: Mixed Use

Specific Location of Proposed Development: The proposed development is located along State

Route 316/US 29 in unincorporated Barrow County.

Description of Proposed Development:

The proposed development is a mixed-use development that consists of residential, commercial, and town center uses. The NEGRC concurs with the Barrow County's assertion that the project is a Development of Regional Impact and finds that the project requires a regional review. All information required in order to proceed with the official regional review process has been provided by the applicant and host government to the NEGRC.

This DRI is available for review at: http://www.negrc.org/resource-1.php?page ID=1292597438

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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

The proposed development is classified as a mixed-use development for the purposes of this review and consists of residential, commercial, and town center uses. The following table shows the various proposed uses and acreage of each type use.

	Total Land Area	
Land Use	Acres	Percentage
Right-of-way	15.8	5%
25 ft. State Stream Buffer	13.3	5%
Passive Open Space	58.5	20%
Commercial	74.1	25%
Residential	55.9	19%
Town Center	74.8	26%
Total	292.4	100%

Based on information provided by the applicant, the number of residential units is estimated to be between 1,320 to 1,900 units. Commercial square footage (including the Town Center use) is estimated to be between 1,045,000 and 3,500,000 square feet (sf) with the following anticipated range of uses:

- Office: 125,000 sf to 1,800,000 sf
- General Commercial: 175,000 sf to 3,500,000 sf
- Flex Industrial (Wholesale & Distribution): 175,000 sf to 1,280,000 sf
- Hotel: 180 to 600 rooms, phased as demand warrants

The applicant has stated that the areas designated as commercial or town center may include any uses allowed under C-3 in the Barrow County UDC. Examples of allowable uses include office, commercial, wholesale & distribution, health care facilities, housing, and hotels.

LOCATION:

The proposed development is located on approximately 292 acres in unincorporated Barrow County along State Route 316/US 29/University Parkway between Carl Bethlehem Road and State Route 81/Loganville Highway.

PROJECT PHASING:

The development is proposed to be constructed in multiple phases with an anticipated buildout of 10 - 15 years. The applicant states that phases will be dictated by the market and current demand.

INITIAL ACTION REQUESTED OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

The initial action triggering this review is rezoning and variance request.

COMPATIBILITY WITH EXISTING PLANS:

The proposed development is located within the *Gateway Mixed Use Regional Node* and *Employment & Industrial* classifications on Barrow County's Future Development Map.

POPULATION:

According to information provided by the applicant, based on a buildout of 1,900 residential units the total population generated by the development would be approximately 5,472 people. The applicant estimates the following number of school-aged children generated by the development:

Elementary: 251Middle School: 135High School: 141

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NATURAL RESOURCES:

Multiple minor unnamed intermittent tributaries of Marbury Creek exist on the property. The applicant has stated that undisturbed vegetative stream buffers will be maintained for 100 feet on both sides of the stream. Additionally, all streams will have a 50-foot setback from the stream buffer where no impervious surfaces can occur.

Portions of the project site are located within Flood Zone A (100-year floodplain) as identified on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Insurance Rate Maps (Map # 13013C0110C) dated December 18, 2009. The areas that have been identified as Zone A are primarily made up of streams and currently there is no development proposed in those locations. The applicant identifies that these locations will remain as natural areas and will become a part of the greenways and linear parks throughout the development.

The proposed site is located within the Water Quality Critical Area of the Fort Yargo Lake Small Water Supply Watershed. The water quality critical area contains all lands within seven miles from a public water supply reservoir boundary or lands within a seven-mile radius of a public water supply intake. The amount of impervious surface must be reduced for any development within this area as well as increased stream buffers and corridor setbacks.

HISTORIC RESOURCES:

No properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places are located on or adjacent to the proposed project site. Georgia's NAHRGIS (Natural, Archaeological, and Historic Resources GIS) registry does not indicate the presence of historic resources on the project site.

INFRASTRUCTURE:

<u>Transportation</u>

The applicant has completed a traffic impact analysis for the proposed development, which can be accessed here: http://www.negrc.org/resource-1.php?page_ID=1292597438. The following table shows new trips generated by the development.

ITE Land Use	ITE	Unit of	# of		AM Peak			PM Peak	
Category	Code	Measure	Units	Enter	Exit	Total	Enter	Exit	Total
Apts	220	Units	1,036	82	327	409	306	164	470
Townhomes	230	Units	56	5	24	29	23	11	33
Senior Adult	252	Units	328	15	19	34	23	16	42
Hotel/Conf Cntr	310	Rooms	180	47	30	77	50	45	95
Office/Ind. Flex	110/710	GFA (sf)	558,000	498	68	566	80	453	533
Office	710	GFA (sf)	279,000	300	41	341	53	260	313
Shopping Center	820	GFA (sf)	505,000	244	156	400	600	624	1,224
Total Trips				1190	665	1855	1137	1573	2710

Source: Barrow Landing Traffic Impact Analysis

Water Supply and Treatment

The average daily demand for the project at buildout is estimated to be 729,560 gallons per day. The City of Winder has been identified as the potable water service provider and reports adequate capacity to accommodate the proposed development.

Wastewater and Sewerage

At full buildout, the project is anticipated to generate 260,000 of wastewater. Barrow County has been identified as the wastewater service provider and reports adequate capacity to accommodate the proposed development.

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Stormwater Management

Impervious surface at buildout is expected to be approximately 50%. The applicant has stated that stormwater management will meet the standards of Section 89-1190 of the Barrow County Unified Development Code. The standards include provisions for water quality treatment, and reference the practices defined in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual. According to the applicant, a variety of water quality and quantity controls such as stormwater detention ponds, un-concentrated overland flow, grass swales, level spreaders, pervious pavement for overflow parking, and rain gardens may be implemented. The design guidelines developed for Barrow Landing and the Barrow County regulations encourage better site design practices and low impact development techniques that help to reduce stormwater run-off and maintain the integrity of the streams on-site and ultimately the entire watershed.

Best management practices for soil erosion and sediment control as provided in the Barrow County Unified Development code, and the Manual for Erosion and Sediment Control in Georgia will also be implemented.

Solid Waste

Based on the buildout of 1,900 units, using the generation rate provided by the Barrow County Solid Waste Management Plan, the development would produce 25,117 pounds per day of solid waste or 12.56 tons per year. The applicant identified the anticipated receiving landfill as Oak Grove landfill with a remaining capacity of 9,082,457 cubic yards, approximately 20 years (as of January 1, 2011).

Schools

The proposed site is located within the Kennedy Elementary School, Westside Middle School, and Apalachee High School Attendance Zones.

Public Safety

Barrow County Emergency Services will provide Fire and Emergency Services to the site. The proposed development would be served by Fire Station 7 and Fire Station 3.

Fire Station 7, located at 1036 Carl Bethlehem Road, Winder, Georgia, is a little over one mile away from the proposed Barrow Landing site. It was built in 2002 and houses Engine 7, Truck 7, and Med 7. Engine 7 is a 1989 Sutphen with licensed advanced life support. Med 7 is a 2006 Ford F-450 with a 75' aerial. Truck 7 is a 2008 HME ladder. The station is staffed by four personnel twenty-four hours a day.

Fire Station 3 is located at 774 Christmas Ave, Bethlehem, Georgia, approximately three miles from the proposed Barrow Landing site. Built in 1983, the station houses Engine 3, a 2007 HME Silverfox, and Med 3, a 2009 Dodge Sprinter. Engine 3 is a licensed basic life support engine and Med 3 is a licensed advanced life support ambulance. There are four personnel on staff twenty-four hours a day. A reserve engine and ambulance are also housed there.

Barrow County Sheriff's office will provide police services to the site.

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This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide basic project information that will allow the RDC to determine if the project appears to meet or exceed applicable DRI thresholds. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.				
	Local Government Information	on		
Submitting Local Government:	Barrow			
Individual completing form:	Daunte Gibbs			
Telephone:	770-307-3034			
E-mail:	dgibbs@barrowga.org			
herein. If a project is to be loca	epresentative completing this form is responsible for the ated in more than one jurisdiction and, in total, the project portion of the project is to be located is responsible for	ect meets or exceeds a DRI threshold, the local		
	Proposed Project Information	on		
Name of Proposed Project:	Barrow Landing			
Location (Street Address, GPS Coordinates, or Legal Land Lot Description):	I corresponding			
Brief Description of Project:	Brief Description of Project: A master planned development with a mix of uses including residential, commercial, light industrial, retail, and office.			
Development Type:				
(not selected)	☐ Hotels	 Wastewater Treatment Facilities 		
Office	Mixed Use	Petroleum Storage Facilities		
Commercial	○ Airports	Water Supply Intakes/Reservoirs		
Wholesale & Distribution	on Attractions & Recreational Facilities	Intermodal Terminals		
Hospitals and Health C Facilities	are Post-Secondary Schools	Truck Stops		
○ Housing	Waste Handling Facilities	Any other development types		
☐ Industrial	Quarries. Asphalt & Cement Plan	ts		

If other development type, describe:			
Project Size (# of units, floor area, etc.):	Residential units between 1,320 and 1,900; Non-residential uses between 1,045,000 and 3,500,000 sq.		
Developer:	Walton Develoment and Managment, Inc.		
Mailing Address:	295 West Crossville Road		
Address 2:	Building 700, Suite 710		
	City:Roswell State: GA Zip:30075		
Telephone:	770-642-7750		
Email:	pbeidel@waltondm.com		
Is property owner different from developer/applicant?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ◯ No		
If yes, property owner:			
Is the proposed project entirely located within your local government's jurisdiction?	(not selected) Yes No		
If no, in what additional jurisdictions is the project located?			
Is the current proposal a continuation or expansion of a previous DRI?	(not selected) Yes No		
If yes, provide the following	Project Name:		
information:	Project ID:		
The initial action being requested of the local government for this project:	Rezoning Variance Sewer Water Permit Other Special Use		
Is this project a phase or part of a larger overall project?	(not selected) Yes No		
If yes, what percent of the overall project does this project/phase represent?			
Estimated Project Completion Dates:	This project/phase: 10-15 years Overall project: 10-15 years		
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DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT Additional DRI Information						
	This form is to be completed by the city or county government to provide information needed by the RDC for its review of the proposed DRI. Refer to both the Rules for the DRI Process and the DRI Tiers and Thresholds for more information.					
Local Government Information						
Submitting Local Government:	Barrow					
Individual completing form:	Daunte Gibbs					
Telephone:	770-307-3034					
Email:	dgibbs@barrowga.org					
	Project Information					
Name of Proposed Project:	Name of Proposed Project: Barrow Landing					
DRI ID Number:	2234					
Developer/Applicant:	Walton Develoment and Managment, Inc.					
Telephone: 770-642-7750						
Email(s):	pbeidel@waltondm.com					
	Additional Information Requested					
Has the RDC identified any additional information required in order to proceed with the official regional review process? (If no, proceed to Economic Impacts.)	(not selected) Yes No					
If yes, has that additional information been provided to your RDC and, if applicable, GRTA?	(not selected) Yes No					
If no, the official review process can not start until this additional information is provided.						
	Economic Development					
Estimated Value at Build-Out:	unknown					

Estimated annual local tax revenues (i.e., property tax, sales tax) likely to be generated by the proposed development:	The current millae rate for residents within Unincorporated Barrow County is 28.088				
Is the regional work force sufficient to fill the demand created by the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No				
Will this development displace any existing uses?					
If yes, please describe (including	g number of units, square feet, etc):				
	Water Supply				
Name of water supply provider for this site:	City of Winder				
What is the estimated water supply demand to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	729,560 gallons per day (average daily); 2,188,860 gallons per day (peak daily)				
Is sufficient water supply capacity available to serve the proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No				
If no, describe any plans to expa	If no, describe any plans to expand the existing water supply capacity:				
Is a water line extension required to serve this project?	C (not selected) Ses C No				
	If yes, how much additional line (in miles) will be required? Approximately 0.11 miles (600 feet)				
	Wastewater Disposal				
Name of wastewater treatment provider for this site:	Barrow County				
What is the estimated sewage flow to be generated by the project, measured in Millions of Gallons Per Day (MGD)?	0.26 MGD				
Is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No				
If no, describe any plans to expa	If no, describe any plans to expand existing wastewater treatment capacity:				
Is a sewer line extension required to serve this project?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ◯ No				
If yes, how much additional line (in miles) will be required?Approximately 0.28 miles (1,500 feet)					
Land Transportation					
How much traffic volume is expected to be generated by the proposed development, in peak hour vehicle trips per day? (If only an alternative measure of volume is available,	2,079 vehicle trips/hour in PM Peak Hour; 1,859 vehicle trips/hour in AM Peak Hour				

please provide.)				
Has a traffic study been performed to determine whether or not transportation or access improvements will be needed to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No			
Are transportation improvements needed to serve this project?	(not selected) Yes No			
If yes, please describe below:Re	efer to Traffic Analysis Report			
	Solid Waste Disposal			
How much solid waste is the project expected to generate annually (in tons)?	12.56 tons per year			
Is sufficient landfill capacity available to serve this proposed project?	(not selected) Yes No			
If no, describe any plans to expa	and existing landfill capacity:			
Will any hazardous waste be generated by the development?	(not selected) Yes No			
If yes, please explain:				
	Stormwater Management			
What percentage of the site is projected to be impervious surface once the proposed development has been constructed?	Approximately 50% is estimated to be impervious once the proposed development is constructed.			
Describe any measures proposed (such as buffers, detention or retention ponds, pervious parking areas) to mitigate the project's impacts on stormwater management. Stormwater management will meet the standards of Section 89-1190 of the Barrow County Unified Development Code. The standards include provisions for water quality treatment, and reference the practices defined in the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual. A variety of water quality and quantity controls such as stormwater detention ponds, un-concentrated overland flow, grass swales, level spreaders, pervious pavement for overflow parking, and rain gardens may be implemented. In addition, an undisturbed stream buffer of 100' is provided on each side of the stream banks, with an additional 50' impervious setback from the edge of the stream buffer. The design guidelines developed for Barrow Landing and the Barrow County regulations encourage better site design practices and low impact development techniques that help to reduce stormwater run-off and maintain the integrity of the streams on-site and ultimately the entire watershed.				
Environmental Quality				
Is the development located within, or likely to affect any of the following:				
Water supply watersheds?	(not selected) (Yes No			
Significant groundwater	(not selected) Yes No			

3. Wetlands?	◯ (not selected) ◯ Yes ◯ No			
4. Protected mountains?	(not selected) Yes No			
5. Protected river corridors?	(not selected) Yes No			
6. Floodplains?	(not selected) (Yes No			
7. Historic resources?	(not selected) Yes No			
8. Other environmentally sensitive resources?	(not selected) Yes No			
If you answered yes to any question above, describe how the identified resource(s) may be affected: The proposed site is within Water Quality Critical Area of the Fort Yargo Lake Small Water Supply Watershed. The water quality critical area contains all lands within seven miles from a public water supply reservoir boundary or lands within a seven-mile radius of a public water supply intake. The amount of impervious surface must be reduced for any development within this area as well as increased stream buffers and corridor setbacks. Undisturbed vegetative stream buffers will be maintained for 100 feet on both sides of the stream. Additionally, all streams will have a 50-foot setback from the stream buffer where no impervious surfaces can occur. The Barrow Landings site is located within Flood Zone A as identified on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Insurance Rate Maps (Map # 13013C0110C) dated December 18, 2009. Zone A is defined as "Areas with a 1% annual chance of flooding and a 26% chance of flooding over the life of a 30-year mortgage." The areas that have been identified as Zone A are primarily made up of streams and currently there is no development proposed in those locations. The locations will remain as natural areas and will become a part of the greenways and linear parks throughout the development. Back to Top				

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