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## Community Agenda

### 9.1. Short Term Work Programs (STWPs)

The purpose of a short term work program (STWP) is to schedule specific actions that a local government intends to take to address the needs and goals identified in their comprehensive plan.

The short term work programs provided in Sections 9.1.1., 9.1.2, and 9.1.3. are based upon **major tasks** which are projected to occur in Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay within the next five years. These tasks relate directly to the “Goals, Policies, and Action Items” sections of Elements 2 through 8.

Not all action items listed in Elements 2 through 8 are included as projects in the STWPs. In some instances, the action item is anticipated to be undertaken in later years (2009-2013) rather than during the 2004-2008 STWP cycle. In other instances, the task is an ongoing responsibility of a local government office and it is therefore not appropriate to include it in a short term work program.

The projects and activities listed in the tables below are not prioritized, but follow the order in which they are listed in the comprehensive plan. The first column contains the number of the element where the item can be found. (Note: Some projects may be included in more than one Element.) The second column contains the action item number. The following columns include a brief description of the project, the year it is estimated to be undertaken, the responsible party or parties, a cost estimate, and a funding source. In some cases a cost estimate cannot be prepared because the scope of the project will not be defined until the future.

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### 9.1.1. Gilmer County Short Term Work Program

Element	Action Item #	Gilmer County Project or Activity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
2.	1.a.	Fund a full-time, paid staff position of "Economic Development Director" through a cities/county partnership.			X			Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA	\$75,000	to be determined
2.	3.b.	Work with the Georgia Tech Economic Development Institute to prepare an Economic Development Feasibility Study.				X		Chamber, EDA	\$50,000	Grants
2.	5.a.	Development of a business and technology park, including adequate infrastructure.		X				Chamber, EDA, Gilmer County	\$300,000-\$500,000	State & Federal Grants, Private Sector, Gen. Fund
4.	1.a.	Acquire and develop new parks and open spaces.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County	\$200,000 - \$400,000	General Fund, Grants
4.	1.b.	Investigate the effectiveness and applicability of open space subdivision design and prepare standards if deemed appropriate.				X		Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$10,000	General Fund
6.	2.a.					X				
4.	2.a.	Fund additional staff positions in the planning commission and environmental health department.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County	depends upon the number of staff added	General Fund
4.	2.b.	Pursue TMDL and SWAP initiatives and conduct public education and BMP demonstration projects to improve the environment and increase environmental awareness.	X	X	X	X	X	USDA NRCS, GA WSCC NGRDC	\$1.3 M	Section 319 Grants
4.	2.c.									
4.	2.d.									
4.	3.a.	Pursue the creation of a Coosawattee River Basin Group.		X				Gilmer County NGRDC	n/a	n/a
4.	3.b.	Investigate multi-jurisdictional use of regional water supply sources including Carters Lake.	X	X	X	X	X	Water and Sewer Authority	n/a	n/a
5.	1.a.									
5.	2.a.	Update and implement the Water and Sewer Authority's CIE.	X					Water and Sewer Authority	n/a	n/a
3.a.										
5.	4.a.	Update, adopt, and maintain the Solid Waste Management Plan.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, and East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
7.	2.a.									
5.	5.a.	Construct a new County Emergency Management Headquarters building.				X		Gilmer County	\$500,000-\$1 million	General Fund
5.	5.b.	Construct one additional satellite fire station.	X					Gilmer County	\$100,000	General Fund
5.	5.c.	Construct two additional EMS stations.			X		X	Gilmer County	\$100,000 ea.	General Fund
5.	7.a.	Prepare a Parks and Recreation Master Plan.	X	X				Gilmer County Recreation Dept.	staff time	General Fund, Grants
6.	4.a.									
5.	7.b.	Develop two satellite parks.		X		X		Gilmer County	unknown	General Fund, Grants, User Fees
5.	7.d.	Develop a football complex.					X	Gilmer County	unknown	General Fund, Grants, User Fees
5.	7.e.	Develop a soccer complex.			X			Gilmer County	unknown	General Fund, Grants, User Fees
5.	7.g.	Seek grant funding for recreation projects as appropriate.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County	staff time	n/a
5.	8.a.	Construct a new County Courthouse.	X	X				Gilmer County	\$7.5 million	SPLOST
5.	8.c.	Build a new Chamber of Commerce facility.		X	X			Chamber of Commerce	\$250,000	General Fund, Grants

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Element	Action Item #	Gilmer County Project or Activity (continued)	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
5.	10.b.	Support Gilmer County Family Connection efforts to construct a Gilmer County Family Resource Center as well as an emergency children's shelter.		X				Gilmer County Family Connection	\$1.2 million	Grants
7.	5.b.									
5.	10.c.	Support the development of the new public library.	X	X				Gilmer County	\$2 million	SPLOST
6.	1.a.	Adopt a land use ordinance.	X					Gilmer County	staff time	n/a
7.	1.a.	Hold annual, biannual, or quarterly joint planning meetings of the local governments authorities, boards, and agencies to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA, WSA	staff time	n/a
7.	1.b.	Update the Service Delivery Strategy	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
7.	2.a.	Develop, adopt, and maintain a Joint Comprehensive Plan and associated implementation programs which are acceptable to all governments.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
8.	1.a.	Prepare a Long Range Transportation Plan and associated improvements program.		X				Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$40,000	General Fund
8.	1.d.	Complete renovations of the airport and update the Airport Master Plan.		X				Gilmer County	\$500,000	Grants, State Funds, General Fund
8.	2.a.	Support the development and implementation of the regional bicycle and pedestrian plan.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	staff time	n/a
8.	2.c.	Pursue funding for additional pedestrian facilities to include sidewalks, trails, and river crossings.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay	staff time	n/a

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## 9.1.2. Ellijay Short Term Work Program

Element Action Item #	City of Ellijay Project or Activity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
2. 1.a.	Fund a full-time, paid staff position of "Economic Development Director" through a cities/county partnership.			X			Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA	\$75,000	to be determined
2. 6.a. 3. 3.c.	Seek funding to develop a downtown master plan for the City of Ellijay.			X			Ellijay	\$40,000	Grants, General Fund
2. 6.d.	Expand the streetscape program.	X	X	X	X	X	Ellijay	unknown	Grants, General Fund
3. 3.a.	Seek funding to conduct a housing assessment and vacant lot inventory in the City of Ellijay.	X					Ellijay	\$16,000	Grants, General Fund
3. 3.b.	Apply for CDBG funding for housing rehabilitation in targeted areas.		X				Ellijay	\$500,000	Grants, General Fund
4. 1.b. 6. 2.a.	Investigate the effectiveness and applicability of open space subdivision design and prepare standards if deemed appropriate.				X		Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$10,000	General Fund
4. 1.a. 6. 5.a.	Seek ways to protect the historic fabric of downtown Ellijay through methods such as design guidelines or a preservation commission.	X	X	X	X	X	Ellijay	staff time	n/a
5. 4.a. 7. 2.a.	Update, adopt, and maintain the Solid Waste Management Plan.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, and East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
5. 5.d.	Construct a fire and/or police department building in the City of Ellijay.		X				Ellijay	\$500,000 - \$1 million	General Fund, Grants
7. 1.a.	Hold annual, biannual, or quarterly joint planning meetings of the local governments authorities, boards, and agencies to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA, W&SA	staff time	n/a
7. 1.b.	Update the Service Delivery Strategy	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
7. 2.a.	Develop, adopt, and maintain a Joint Comprehensive Plan and associated implementation programs which are acceptable to all governments.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
8. 1.a.	Prepare a Long Range Transportation Plan and associated improvements program.		X				Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$40,000	General Fund
8. 2.a.	Support the development and implementation of the regional bicycle and pedestrian plan.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	staff time	n/a
8. 2.c.	Pursue funding for additional pedestrian facilities to include sidewalks, trails, and river crossings.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay	staff time	n/a
8. 3.b.	Advocate for Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad Excursions to Ellijay.	X	X	X	X	X	Ellijay, DEMA	staff time	n/a

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### 9.1.3. East Ellijay Short Term Work Program

Element Action Item #	City of East Ellijay Project or Activity	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Responsible Party	Cost Estimate	Funding Source
2. 1.a.	Fund a full-time, paid staff position of "Economic Development Director" through a cities/county partnership.			X			Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA	\$75,000	to be determined
4. 1.b. 6. 2.a.	Investigate the effectiveness and applicability of open space subdivision design and prepare standards if deemed appropriate.				X		Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$10,000	General Fund
5. 4.a. 7. 2.a.	Update, adopt, and maintain the Solid Waste Management Plan.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, and East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
5. 8.b.	Build a new City Hall/Police Station in East Ellijay.	X	X				East Ellijay	\$500,000	General Fund
7. 1.a.	Hold annual, biannual, or quarterly joint planning meetings of the local governments authorities, boards, and agencies to improve communication and coordination.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay, Chamber, EDA, W&SA	staff time	n/a
7. 1.b.	Update the Service Delivery Strategy	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
7. 2.a.	Develop, adopt, and maintain a Joint Comprehensive Plan and associated implementation programs which are acceptable to all governments.	X					Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	n/a	n/a
8. 1.a.	Prepare a Long Range Transportation Plan and associated improvements program.		X				Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	\$40,000	General Fund
8. 2.a.	Support the development and implementation of the regional bicycle and pedestrian plan.	X	X	X	X	X	Gilmer County, Ellijay, East Ellijay	staff time	n/a

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## 9.2. Reports of Accomplishments

The purpose of a report of accomplishments is to identify the current status of projects and activities listed in an old short term work program. At a minimum, local governments are to indicate whether each activity in their old STWP has been completed, is currently underway, has been postponed, or has not been accomplished. Explanations must be provided for projects which are underway, postponed, or not accomplished.

The following three reports of accomplishments (Gilmer County, Ellijay, and East Ellijay) are based upon the 1998-2003 Short Term Work Program, not upon the new Short Term Work Program outlined in Section 9.1. In some cases, items included in the old STWP are now ongoing processes; therefore, they are not included in the new STWP.

### 9.2.1. Gilmer County Report of Accomplishments

Gilmer County 1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 1.0.1 Continue to pursue the establishment of a community development council.			X		Participating organizations have not had this as a priority. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 7.1.a. It is anticipated that joint planning meetings will begin after the 2004 elections.
Action 1.1.1 Continue to improve inter-governmental cooperation.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP. Joint planning meetings, which are intended to improve intergovernmental coordination, are proposed in the new STWP as item 7.1.a.
Action 1.1.2 Continue to seek grant-in-aid for County projects.		X			This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as items 5.7.g. and 8.2.c.
Action 2.0.1 Continue to fund economic development activities.		X			This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as items 2.1.a. and 2.3.b.
Action 2.1.1 Continue to work with Department of Community Affairs to do the BREP survey.				X	Participating organizations have not had this as a priority and are no longer interested in including it as a specific line item in the short term work program. It will be a responsibility of a new Economic Development Director which is included in the new STWP as item 2.1.a. and may also be included as part of an Economic Development Feasibility Study which is included in the new STWP as item 2.3.b.
Action 2.2.1 Continue to update advertising and promotional materials as necessary	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.2.3 Continue to develop an industrial park under leadership of the Economic Development Authority (formerly the Industrial Development Authority). Consider developing a joint industrial park with adjoining counties.		X			The Economic Development Authority continues to explore options for a business and technology park as well as an industrial park. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 2.5.a.
Action 2.3.1 The career planning program for the school system will continue to focus on self-knowledge, educational and occupational exploration, and career planning.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.3.2 Drop-out prevention programs will continually be adopted, promoted and assessed in order to reduce drop-outs at the 9th and 10th grade levels thereby increasing the graduation rate.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.3.3 Continue to study and implement parent/community/school improvements in partnerships to include mentors, volunteers and/or speakers.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

Gilmer County (continued)  1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 2.3.4 Academic opportunities for adults will continue at the Adult Learning Center, the Mountain Education Center and Gilmer High School. Other programs will be considered as the needs arise.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.1. Continue to maintain and update information	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.2 Continue to promote tourist attractions with other agencies.	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.3 Continue to sponsor Apple Festival plus sponsor a new festival to be held in downtown Ellijay in May of each year.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.5.3 Work with DOT to seek Scenic By-way status.				X	This project was pre-empted by major issues, including the need to construct a new, larger courthouse, and to develop adequate library facilities, all of which required a major effort to continue the SPLOST. Other projects in the County continue to be a higher priority and the County is no longer interested in including it as an item in their STWP.
Action 3.5.1 Continue efforts to create of a Historic Preservation Commission.				X	Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. For this reason, this item has been removed from the County's STWP. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP.
Action 3.5.1b Continue to determine additional areas that are eligible for National Register nomination and prepare applications	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.5.1d Continue to seek grant funds for preservation projects.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.5.1e Continue to produce information materials	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.5.1f Maintain heritage education curriculum.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.1 Mitigate adverse effects to historic properties and landscapes from County projects through environmental review.				X	Participating organizations have not had this as a priority and are no longer interested in including it in the short term work program at this time.
Action 3.6.2 Transfer historic resource survey information related to the County to land use map as an overlay.				X	Funding has not been available for this initiative and is not likely to become available in the foreseeable future; therefore it is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.3 Specifically provide historic resources survey information to the Tax Assessors office.				X	Funding has not been available for this initiative and is not likely to become available in the foreseeable future; therefore it is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.4 Consider adoption of an ordinance after establishment of the Historic Preservation Commission.				X	Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. For this reason, this item has been removed from the County's STWP. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP.
Action 3.6.5 Consider establishing districts upon establishment of Historic Preservation Commission.				X	Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. For this reason, this item has been removed from the County's STWP. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP.
Action 3.6.6 Continue to notify property owners as appropriate.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.7 Establish Historic Preservation seat on Planning Commission upon establishment of Historic Preservation Commission				X	Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. For this reason, this item has been removed from the County's STWP. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP.
Action 3.6.8 Consider participation in Certified Local Government program after establishment of Historic Preservation Commission and completion of various historic district nominations.				X	Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. For this reason, this item has been removed from the County's STWP. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP.

Gilmer County (continued)  1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 4.0.1.1 Continue to plan and implement transportation improvement projects.		X			This item has been incorporated into the new STWP as items 8.1.a., 8.1.d., and 8.2.a.
Action 4.0.1.3 Continue to seek passenger and freight service on rail line.	X				Freight service has been re-established from Blue Ridge, through Ellijay, and down to Marietta. Extending passenger service to Gilmer County is not in the State's 20 year plan. Advocating for the Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad is included in the City of Ellijay's STWP as item 8.3.b.
Action 4.02 Continue to make recommended airport improvements as funds are available		X			Airport renovations are expected to begin in August 2004, now that necessary environmental permits have been approved by the State. This item is included in the new STWP as item 8.1.d.
Action 4.1.1.2 Re-evaluate the necessity of locally adopted well-head protection regulations for privately owned, individual wells			X		Because of the controversy surrounding the new zoning ordinance, well-head protection has been a low priority. This item has been incorporated into the water resources issues in the new STWP. See items 4.2.b., 4.2.c. 4.2.d., and 4.3.a.
Action 4.2.1.1 Complete sewerage treatment capital facilities as planned and implement as funds are available.		X			See items 5.2.a. and 5.3.a. in the new STWP.
Action 4.2.1.3 Continue to administer and evaluate water and sewer hook-up fees.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Water and Sewerage Authority and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.3.1.2 Expand recycling program to include other materials.		X			The County Commission is exploring possibilities for recycling glass and plastic. Solid waste management activities are included in the new STWP as items 5.4.a. and 7.2.a.
Action 4.4.1.2 Continue to support and make improvements to 911.	X				Gilmer County has a county-wide enhanced 911 emergency system. An independent 911 Dispatch Committee was deemed not necessary.
Action 4.5.1.1 Prepare County wide Fire Protection Plan and continue to make improvements to fire protection services as recommended in the Plan.				X	Fire Department officials were never advised of this work program item; therefore it has not been undertaken. The County is no longer interested in having it on their STWP.
Action 4.5.1.2 Continue fire protection inspections and education.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.5.1.3 Continue to add new volunteers as necessary.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.5.1.5 Organize emergency operations planning committee and continue to implement plan recommendations.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.6.1.1 Add two (2) more ambulance substations.			X		Funding has not been available for this project. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.5.c.
Action 4.7.1.1 Continue to enforce health inspection regulations.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.1.2 The Public Health Department will add two more nurses and a Health Educator in 1999.				X	This project was not accomplished due to lack of funding and a cut in state grant availability.
Action 4.7.1.4 The public health department will continue the Children First program.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.1.5 Continue Pre-K, Meals on Wheels, Headstart and other alternate care programs.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.3.5 Continue recruiting staff as necessary.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.1.1 Continue efforts to prepare 10 year Recreation Master Plan.		X			A long range planning team has been formed to begin developing a recreation master plan. This item is included in the new STWP as items 5.7.a. and 6.4.a.

Gilmer County (continued)  1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 4.8.1.2 Continue to seek funds to support for non-athletic related recreational opportunities.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.2.1 Continue to seek increased funding for recreation programs.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.1 Hire at least one full time and one part time staff member (due to steady increase in library usage), In 2002, extend library hours to at least to 68 hours per week.	X				The library has added a part time person, and increased its hours of operation to 62 hours per week. Hiring a full time person and increasing hours of operation will depend on increased funding. At this point in time, the construction of the new library is of a higher priority than increasing staff or hours. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.10.c.
Action 4.9.1.3 Continue to support additional funding to library.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.4 Support expansion of research technologies.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.2.1 Expand by building new facility . Need approximately 20,000 –25,000 sq ft.		X			See item 5.10.c. Construction is expected to begin in 2005.
Action 4.10.2 School will continue to pursue state funding for elementary and middle school counselors. Add K-3.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.3 Academic activities will continue to be evaluated and expanded in order to meet State BOE requirements, as well as the need of students.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.4 The Gilmer Board of Education will continue support of teacher salaries, staff development and classrooms.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.5 Consideration will be extended to the music program when needed. Add art curriculum and facilities to high school.	X				Music and art programs have been extended. Additional programs will be evaluated on an ongoing basis in the future.
Action 4.10.6 Continue to generate after school care.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.7 School will continue to pursue a child-care program for the high school.				X	Funding has not been and is not expected to be available for this project. In addition, other projects and programs have replaced this issue as a priority, including the development of a new school campus; therefore this item has been removed from the STWP.
Action 4.10.8 School will continue support programs that meet the needs of migrant student populations.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.9 School will continue to pursue mentoring opportunities in order to take advantage of a great wealth of knowledge in Gilmer County business community, parents and retired person. Will also ask for volunteers, start-up costs, staff development.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.10 School will continue to focus on school improvement plans in progress plus other plans that focus on student performance in the classroom.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.11 Continue to seek grants for technology education.	X				This is now an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 5.3.1 Continue to investigate the applicability of state and federal grant assistance for housing projects.		X			This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included as a specific line item in the new STWP; however, an emergency children's shelter is included in the new STWP as items 5.10.b. and 7.5.b.
Action 6.0.1 Develop and reconsider a more simplified land use regulation.		X			The land use ordinance is currently in a public review period. It should be adopted by the end of 2004. This item is included in the new STWP as item 6.1.a.

## 9.2.2. Ellijay Report of Accomplishments

City of Ellijay 1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 1.0.1. Continue to pursue the establishment of a community development council.			X		Participating organizations have not had this as a priority. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 7.1.a. It is anticipated that joint planning meetings will begin after the 2004 elections.
Action 1.1.1 Continue to improve inter-governmental cooperation.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP. Joint planning meetings, which are intended to improve intergovernmental coordination, are proposed in the new STWP as item 7.1.a.
Action 1.1.2 Continue to seek grant-in-aid for City projects.		X			This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as items 2.6.a., 3.3.a., 3.3.b., 3.3.c., and 8.2.c.
Action 2.0.1 Continue to fund the Chamber for Economic development activities; will consider increasing amount as need arises.		X			This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as items 2.1.a. and 2.3.b.
Action 2.1.1 Continue to work with Department of Community Affairs to do the BREP survey.				X	Participating organizations have not had this as a priority and are no longer interested in including it as a specific line item in the short term work program. It will be a responsibility of a new Economic Development Director which is included in the new STWP as item 2.1.a. and may also be included as part of an Economic Development Feasibility Study which is included in the new STWP as item 2.3.b.
Action 2.2.1 Continue to update advertising and promotional materials as necessary	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 2.2.3 Continue to develop an industrial park under leadership of the Economic Development Authority (formerly the Industrial Development Authority). Consider developing a joint industrial park with adjoining counties.		X			The Economic Development Authority continues to explore options for a business and technology park as well as an industrial park. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 2.5.a.
Action 2.4.1 Continue to maintain and update tourist information	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.2 Continue to promote tourist attractions with other agencies.	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.3 Continue to sponsor Apple Festival plus sponsor a new festival to be held in downtown Ellijay in May of each year.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.5.1. Expand Downtown Master Plan to include adjoining areas and implement recommended projects as grant funds are available.		X			This item has been reworded and is included in the new STWP as items 2.6.a. and 3.3.c.
Action 2.5.2 Continue to develop a 'Walking Tour' of historic downtown Ellijay, adjoining historic areas, and old cemetery area.	X				The downtown section is complete. The rest will be undertaken as volunteer assistance becomes available.
Action 2.5.3- Pursue Better Hometown Program through DCA		X			The City has completed a Quality Growth Project for the downtown area and may pursue the Better Hometown Program is a Historic Preservation Commission is established.
Action 3.5.1 The City supports the creation of a Historic Preservation Commission and if there is no interest from the County or City of East Ellijay to establish a Joint Commission will establish one for the City of Ellijay.		X			Currently, historic preservation is an issue of interest to the City of Ellijay, but not to the County. Historic preservation issues are included in the City of Ellijay's new STWP under item 4.1.a. and 6.5.a.
Action 3.5.1.b Continue to determine additional areas adjacent to the downtown that are eligible for National Register nomination and prepare applications.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.

City of Ellijay (continued) 1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 3.5.1.d Continue to seek grant funds for preservation projects.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.5.1.e Continue to produce heritage information materials	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.5.1.f Maintain heritage education curriculum.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.1. Mitigate adverse affects through environmental review.				X	Participating organizations have not had this as a priority and are no longer interested in including it in the short term work program at this time.
Action 3.6.2. Transfer historic resource survey information related to the City to land use map as an overlay.				X	Funding has not been available for this initiative and is not likely to become available in the foreseeable future; therefore it is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.3 Specifically provide historic resources survey information on city properties to the Tax Assessors office.				X	Funding has not been available for this initiative and is not likely to become available in the foreseeable future; therefore it is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.4 Consider adoption of a demolition delay ordinance after establishment of the Historic Preservation Commission.		X			The City is exploring the adoption of an ordinance within the context of a DCA funded Quality Growth project.
Action 3.6.6 Continue to notify property owners of rehabilitation tax incentives as appropriate.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 3.6.7 Establish Historic Preservation seat on Planning Commission upon establishment of Historic Preservation Commission			X		This depends on the Historic Preservation Commission, which has not yet been established.
Action 3.6.8 Consider participation in Certified Local Government program after establishment of Commission and completion of various historic district nominations.		X			The City is exploring the this possibility within the context of a DCA funded Quality Growth project.
Action 4.0.1.3 Continue to seek passenger and freight service on rail line.	X				Freight service has been re-established from Blue Ridge, through Ellijay, and down to Marietta. Extending passenger service to Gilmer County is not in the State's 20 year plan. Advocating for the Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad is included in the City of Ellijay's STWP as item 8.3.b.
Action 4.2.1.1 Complete sewerage treatment capital facilities as planned and implement as funds are available.		X			See items 5.2.a. and 5.3.a. in the new STWP.
Action 4.2.1.3 Continue to administer and evaluate water and sewer hook-up fees.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Water and Sewerage Authority and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.4.1.2 Continue to support and make improvements to 911.	X				Gilmer County has a county-wide enhanced 911 emergency system. An independent 911 Dispatch Committee was deemed not necessary.
Action 4.5.1.1 Continue to make improvements to fire protection services. The City wants to be represented in the development of the Master Fire Protection Plan.	X				The City of Ellijay now has its own Fire Department. A Master Fire Protection Plan is no longer a priority. The City is planning to construct a fire department building and this is included in the new STWP as item 5.5.d.
Action 4.5.1.2 Continue Fire Prevention Inspections and education.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Fire Department and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.5.1.3 Continue to add new volunteers as necessary.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Fire Department and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.6.1.1 EMS will add two (2) more ambulance substations. The City of Ellijay continues to support this program.			X		Funding has not been available for this project. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.5.c.
Action 4.7.1.2 The Public Health Department will add two more nurses and a Health Educator in 1999. The city would like membership on the board of Health.				X	This project was not accomplished due to lack of funding and a cut in state grant availability.

<b>City of Ellijay (continued)</b>  <b>1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Currently Underway</b>	<b>Postponed</b>	<b>Not Accomplished</b>	<b>Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program</b>
Action 4.7.1.4 The public health department will continue the Children First program. The City of Ellijay wants the program continued.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.1.5 The City continues to support alternative care programs for the elderly and children.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.3.5 Hospital to continue recruiting. City would like it continued.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Hospital and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.1.1 Continue efforts to prepare 10 year Recreation Master Plan.		X			A long range planning team has been formed to begin developing a recreation master plan. This item is included in the new STWP as items 5.7.a. and 6.4.a.
Action 4.8.1.2 Continue to seek funds to support recreation opportunities.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.2.1 City will contribute \$5,000 to the Recreation Department. City will also contribute lights, bathroom, and dugout to the recreation department.	X				The City has paid for the construction of bleachers, and contributes to Fourth of July fireworks via the Chamber of Commerce. The City does not intend a specific commitment during the upcoming planning period. Funding will be an ongoing process; therefore this item is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.1 The library in 1999 will hire at least one full time and one part time staff member (due to steady increase in library usage), approx. \$25,000/yr. Extend library hours at least to 68 hours per week.	X				The library has added a part time person, and increased its hours of operation to 62 hours per week. Hiring a full time person and increasing hours of operation will depend on increased funding. At this point in time, the construction of the new library is of a higher priority than increasing staff or hours. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.10.c.
Action 4.9.1.3 Continue to support additional funding to library.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.4 Support expansion of research technologies.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.2.1 Expand by building new facility or branch library. Need 20,00-25,000 sq ft.		X			See new STWP item 5.10.c. Construction is expected to begin in 2005.
Action 4.10.2 School will continue to pursue state funding for elementary and middle school counselors. Add k-3. City would like to continue.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.3 Academic activities will continue to be evaluated and expanded in order to meet requirements as well as the need of students.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.4 The Gilmer Board of Education will continue support of teacher salaries, staff development and classrooms. City supports.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.5 Consideration will be extended to the music program when needed. Art is a priority for the high school. City would like to continue.	X				Music and art programs have been extended. Additional programs will be evaluated on an ongoing basis in the future.
Action 4.10.6 Continue to generate after school care.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.7 School will continue to pursue a child-care program for the high school.				X	Funding has not been and is not expected to be available for this project. In addition, other projects and programs have replaced this issue as a priority, including the development of a new school campus; therefore this item has been removed from the STWP.
Action 4.10.8 School will continue support programs that meet the needs of migrant student populations.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

<b>City of Ellijay (continued)</b>  <b>1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Currently Underway</b>	<b>Postponed</b>	<b>Not Accomplished</b>	<b>Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program</b>
Action 4.10.9 School will continue to pursue mentoring opportunities in order to take advantage of a great wealth of knowledge in Gilmer County business community, parents and retired person. Will also ask for volunteers, start-up costs, staff development.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.10 School will continue to focus on school improvement plans in progress plus other plans that focus on student performance in the classroom.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.11 School will continue to seek grants for technology education, City would like to continue.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 5.3.1 Continue to investigate the applicability of state and federal grant assistance for housing projects.		X			This item has been reworded and included in the new STWP as items 3.3.a. and 3.3.b.
Action 6.3.1 Continue to seek annexations into the city as is feasible.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the City and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

### 9.2.3. East Ellijay Report of Accomplishments

City of East Ellijay 1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity	Completed	Currently Underway	Postponed	Not Accomplished	Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program
Action 1.0.1 Continue to pursue the establishment of a community development council.			X		Participating organizations have not had this as a priority. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 7.1.a. It is anticipated that joint planning meetings will begin after the 2004 elections.
Action 1.0.2 Continue efforts to establish a local leadership program.	X				The Chamber of Commerce sponsors the local leadership program.
Action 1.1.1 Continue to improve inter-governmental cooperation.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP. Joint planning meetings, which are intended to improve intergovernmental coordination, are proposed in the new STWP as item 7.1.a.
Action 1.1.2 Continue to seek grant-in-aid for City projects.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.0.1 Continue to support Industrial Development efforts with logistical support, no financial support.		X			The Economic Development Authority continues to explore options for a business and technology park as well as an industrial park. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 2.5.a.
Action 2.1.1 Continue to work with Department of Community Affairs to do the BREP survey.			X		Participating organizations have not had this as a priority and are no longer interested in including it as a specific line item in the short term work program. It will be a responsibility of a new Economic Development Director which is included in the new STWP as item 2.1.a. and may also be included as part of an Economic Development Feasibility Study which is included in the new STWP as item 2.3.b.
Action 2.2.1 Continue to update advertising and promotional materials as necessary	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.2.3 Continue to develop an industrial park under leadership of the Economic Development Authority (formerly the Industrial Development Authority). Consider developing a joint industrial park with adjoining counties.		X			The Economic Development Authority continues to explore options for a business and technology park as well as an industrial park. This item has been rephrased and is included in the new STWP as item 2.5.a.
Action 2.4.1 Continue to maintain and update advertising and promotional information.	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.2 Continue to promote tourist attractions with other agencies.	X				This is an ongoing, daily responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.3 Continue to sponsor Apple Festival.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 2.4.4 Continue to seek funding to rehab Perry House to Historic Preservation Standards and utilize it for public use such as a museum.			X		The Perry House will be either demolished or relocated so that the new County Courthouse can be constructed on the site. If the building is relocated, it will be done by family members rather than as a public project.
Action 3.5.1 Provide information and technical assistance to property owners who are interested in National Register benefits and State and Federal rehabilitation incentives.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Gilmer Arts and Heritage Association; therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.0.1.2 Continue to seek passenger and freight service on rail line.	X				Freight service has been re-established from Blue Ridge, through Ellijay, and down to Marietta. Extending passenger service to Gilmer County is not in the State's 20 year plan. Advocating for the Blue Ridge Scenic Railroad is included in the City of Ellijay's STWP as item 8.3.b.
Action 4.2.1.1 Complete sewerage treatment capital facilities as planned and implement as funds are available.		X			See items 5.2.a. and 5.3.a. in the new STWP.
Action 4.2.1.3 Continue to administer and evaluate water and sewer hook-up fees.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Water and Sewerage Authority and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

<b>City of East Ellijay (continued)</b> <b>1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Currently Underway</b>	<b>Postponed</b>	<b>Not Accomplished</b>	<b>Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program</b>
Action 4.4.2.2 City will need to add two (2) more officers.			X		The City has been able to hire one officer. There has not been sufficient funding to hire a second.
Action 4.5.1.1 The city supports the County's efforts to develop a Master Fire Protection Plan but would like input into the development of the Plan and any subsequent implementation.				X	Fire Department officials were never advised of this work program item; therefore it has not been undertaken. The County is no longer interested in having it on their STWP.
Action 4.5.1.2 Continue to support education and inspection programs.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.5.1.3 Continue to add new volunteers as necessary.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.5.1.5 Although this is County EMS initiative, the City supports all efforts to improve emergency management services	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the Emergency Management Department and therefore is not included in the new Short Term Work Program.
Action 4.6.1.1 EMS will add two (2) more ambulance substations.			X		Funding has not been available for this project. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.5.c.
Action 4.7.1.1 Continue to support Board of Health in improving health inspection programs.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.1.2 The Public Health Department will add two more nurses and a Health Educator in 1999.			X		This project was not accomplished due to lack of funding and a cut in state grant availability.
Action 4.7.1.4 Continue the above program efforts	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.1.5 Continue alternate care programs.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.7.3.5 Continue to recruit staff as necessary.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.1.1 Prepare 10 year Recreation Master Plan.		X			A long range planning team has been formed to begin developing a recreation master plan. This item is included in the new STWP as items 5.7.a. and 6.4.a.
Action 4.8.1.2 Expand non-competitive sports/recreational opportunities as funds are available	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.8.2.1 Support long term funding for recreation.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.1 The library in 1999 will hire at least one full time and one part time staff member (due to steady increase in library usage), approx. \$25,000/yr. In 2002, the library will extend hours at least to 68 hours per week, staff costs approx.\$4,000/yr.	X				The library has added a part time person, and increased its hours of operation to 62 hours per week. Hiring a full time person and increasing hours of operation will depend on increased funding. At this point in time, the construction of the new library is of a higher priority than increasing staff or hours. It is included in the new STWP as item 5.10.c.
Action 4.9.1.3 Library to continue to find state funding for library materials; city will contribute \$1500 per year.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.1.4 Continue to expand research technologies and equipment.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.9.2.1 Expand library by building new facility. Need 20,00-25,000 sq ft. Obtain state matching grant; approximate county portion would be 800K)		X			See new STWP item 5.10.c. Construction is expected to begin in 2005.
Action 4.10.2 School will continue to pursue state funding for elementary and middle school counselors and also add counselors for grades K-5.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

<b>City of East Ellijay (continued)</b>  <b>1998-2003 Short Term Work Program Activity</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Currently Underway</b>	<b>Postponed</b>	<b>Not Accomplished</b>	<b>Explanation for Postponed or Unaccomplished Program</b>
Action 4.10.3 Academic activities will continue to be evaluated and expanded in order to meet requirements as well as the need of students.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.4 The Gilmer Board of Education will continue support of teacher salaries, staff development and classrooms.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.5 Consideration will be extended to the music program when needed. Art is a priority for the high school.	X				Music and art programs have been extended. Additional programs will be evaluated on an ongoing basis in the future.
Action 4.10.7 School will continue to pursue a child-care program for the high school.				X	Funding has not been and is not expected to be available for this project. In addition, other projects and programs have replaced this issue as a priority, including the development of a new school campus; therefore this item has been removed from the STWP.
Action 4.10.8 School will continue support programs that meet the needs of migrant student populations.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.9 School will continue to pursue mentoring opportunities in order to take advantage of a great wealth of knowledge in Gilmer County business community, parents and retired person. Will also ask for volunteers, start-up costs, and staff development.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.10 Continue to focus on school improvement plans in progress plus other plans that focus on student performance in the classroom.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.10.11 Continue high technology education advances.	X				This is an ongoing process and therefore is not included in the new STWP.
Action 4.11.1 Build or find a new facility to house city offices.		X			Construction is expected to begin in August 2004. See new STWP item 5.8.b.
Action 6.3.1 Continue to seek annexations into the city as is feasible.	X				This is an ongoing responsibility of the City and therefore is not included in the new STWP.

## 9.3. Capital Improvements Element Update

All local governments that utilize an impact fee system under the Georgia Development Impact Fee Act (GDIFA) must include Capital Improvement Elements (CIEs) in their comprehensive plan and update the CIE portion of their plan annually. Gilmer County has impact fees for water and sewer; therefore it is required to prepare a CIE update. The 2004 update for the county is shown on the following pages and includes a list of water capital projects, a list of sewer capital projects, and an annual impact fee financial report.

**Ellijay-Gilmer County Water & Sewerage Authority**      **Capital Improvements Project Update 7/1/04 to 6/31/09**  
**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 7/1/03 to 6/30/04	Impact Fees Encumbered thru 6/30/04	Status and/or Remarks
<b>Water Transmission &amp; Distribution</b>								
WD 13 Water Tank, Location to be Determined	2004	2005	\$600,000	55%	ARC			Adjusted
WD 36 Calhoun Transmission Main	2004	2005	\$1,600,000	33%	EGCWSA, GEFA			Adjusted
WD 36 Water Tank, to be located @ Victory Circle	2005	2006	\$750,000	100%				Adjusted
WD 37 Water Tank, to be located @ Victory Circle	2006	2007	\$750,000	100%				Adjusted
WD 38 Miscellaneous New Mains, 6 thru 8-inch	2004	2009	\$1,151,160	80%	EGCWSA, GEFA			Carried Over
WD 43 Miscellaneous Mains, 8 thru 10-inch	2004	2009	\$1,216,978	80%	EGCWSA, GEFA			Carried Over
WD 44 Miscellaneous Mains, 12 thru 16-inch	2004	2009	\$1,288,000	80%	EGCWSA, GEFA			Carried Over
WD 47 Booster Pumping Station, Location TBD	2004	2009	\$105,000	80%	EGCWSA, GEFA			Carried Over
Total:			\$7,661,138			\$0.00	\$0.00	

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**Ellijay-Gilmer County Water & Sewerage Authority**      **Capital Improvements Project Update 7/1/04 to 6/31/09**  
**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 7/1/03 to 6/30/04	Impact Fees Encumbered thru 6/30/04	Status and/or Remarks
<b>Sewage Treatment</b>								
ST 9 Phase 3 WPOP Expansion to 4 MGD	2005	2006	\$4,500,000	10%	GEFA, EGCWSA			Adjusted
<b>Sewage Collection Transmission</b>								
SC 13 Miscellaneous 8-inch Sewer Mains	2004	2008	\$191,100	80%	GEFA, EGCWSA			Carried Over
Total:			\$4,691,100			\$0.00	\$0.00	

Updated: July 20, 2004



## 9.4. Public Participation Program

### 9.4.1. Schedule for the Preparation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan, the Joint Solid Waste Plan, and the Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program Update

The Georgia Planning Act strongly emphasizes public participation in the process of developing a comprehensive plan. For the Comprehensive Plan, seven advisory groups were established to review and comment upon the various plan elements. Each group met during public workshops to review the inventory and assessment sections and develop goals and objectives. The Land Use advisory group met two times, once to discuss existing land use and another time to review future land use. Following is a list of the public hearings and workshops which were held in conjunction with the preparation of this plan.

**February 26, 2004** – Joint Public Hearing: This hearing was held to present the purpose of the Comprehensive Plan, the planning process and schedule, and the public participation program.

A series of public workshops were held at Ellijay City Hall:

- March 2, 2004 – Economic Development Workshop
- March 2, 2004 – Housing Workshop
- March 16, 2004 – Natural and Cultural Resources Workshop
- March 16, 2004 – Community Facilities Workshop
- March 30, 2004 – Land Use Workshop #1
- March 30, 2004 – Intergovernmental Coordination Workshop
- April 20, 2004 – Land Use Workshop # 2
- April 20, 2004 – Transportation Workshop

**June 18, 2004** – The complete draft plan was made available for public review in hardcopy format at the Gilmer County Library, Ellijay City Hall, East Ellijay City Hall, and the Gilmer County Commissioners Office.

**July 1, 2004** – Joint Public Hearing: This hearing was held to brief the community on the contents of the draft Comprehensive Plan; to provide an opportunity for residents to make suggestions, additions, or revisions; and to inform the community of when the plan will be submitted to the Regional Development Center and Department of Community Affairs for review.

**July 8, 2004** – Joint Public Hearing: This hearing was held to present the purpose of the Solid Waste Management Plan, the planning process and schedule, and the public participation program.

**August 5, 2004** – The draft Solid Waste Management Plan and the proposed Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program update was made available for public review in hardcopy format at the Gilmer County Library, Ellijay City Hall, East Ellijay City Hall, and the Gilmer County Commissioners Office.

**August 12, 2004** – Joint Public Hearing: This hearing was held to brief the community on the contents of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan; to provide an opportunity for residents to make suggestions, additions, or revisions; and to inform the community of when the plan will be submitted to the Regional Development Center and Department of Community Affairs for review. In addition, the proposed Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program update was presented for review and comment.

## 9.4.2. Notices of Opportunities for Public Involvement

Copies of the Public Hearing Notices for the Joint Comprehensive Plan, the Joint Solid Waste Management Plan, and the Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program Update are included on the following pages.

### 9.4.2.1. Comprehensive Plan Public Hearing Notices

The first required public hearing was held on February 26, 2004. It was advertised in the *Times-Courier* on February 12 and February 19. The February 12 advertisement is shown below.

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**Notice of Public Hearing  
Regarding the Gilmer County, City of Ellijay, and City of East Ellijay  
Joint Comprehensive Plan Update**

Notice is hereby given that the Gilmer County Board of Commissioners, the Ellijay City Council, and the East Ellijay City Council will hold a Joint Public Hearing on Thursday, February 26, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse. The purpose of the hearing is to inform the public about the update of the Joint Comprehensive Plan. Topics to be covered include the purpose of the comprehensive plan, the preparation of the plan. Staff from the North Georgia Regional Development Center will be making the presentation.

The schedule for the completion of the update of the Joint Comprehensive Plan is as follows:

February 26, 2004: Joint Public Hearing to provide introductory information to the public.

March - April 2004: A series of meetings will be held to address seven elements of the Joint Comprehensive Plan. Those elements are (1) economic development, (2) housing, (3) natural and cultural resources, (4) community facilities and services, (5) land use, (6) intergovernmental coordination, and (7) transportation.

May 13, 2004: Target date to release the preliminary draft of the Joint Comprehensive Plan. Copies of the draft plan will be made available to the public in paper form and via the Internet.

May 27, 2004: Joint Public hearing to receive comments on the Preliminary draft of the Plan.

June 10, 2004: Target date to release the revised draft of the Joint Comprehensive Plan.

June 29, 2004: Target date to submit the Plan to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

July - August 2004: Review of the Plan by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

September 2004: Adoption of the Plan by Gilmer county and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay.

All meetings will be advertised and the public is invited to attend and participate in the planning process.

The second required public hearing was held on July 1, 2004. It was advertised in the *Times-Courier* on June 17 and June 24. The June 17 advertisement is shown below.

TIMES-COURIER • ELLIJAY, GEORGIA THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2004 13B

**Notice of Joint Public Hearing  
Regarding the  
Gilmer County, City of Ellijay, City of E. Ellijay  
Joint Comprehensive Plan**

Notice is hereby given that the Gilmer County Board of Commissioners, the Ellijay City Council, and the East Ellijay Council will hold a Joint Public Hearing on Thursday, July 1, 2004, at 5:15 p.m. in the Gilmer County Library Meeting Room. The hearing is being held to (1) brief the community on the contents of the draft Comprehensive Plan, (2) provide an opportunity for residents to make suggestions, additions, or revisions, and (3) to inform the community of when the plan will be submitted to the Regional Development Center and Department of Community Affairs for review.

#### 9.4.2.2. Solid Waste Management Plan Public Hearing Notices

The first required public hearing was held on July 8, 2004. It was advertised in the *Times-Courier* on June 24, 2004 and July 1, 2004. The June 24, 2004 advertisement is shown below.

TIMES-COURIER • ELLIJAY, GEORGIA

THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2004 **13B**

**Notice of Public Hearing  
Regarding the  
Gilmer County, City of Ellijay,  
and City of East Ellijay  
Joint Solid Waste Management Plan**

Notice is hereby given that the Gilmer County Board of Commissioners, the Ellijay City Council, and the East Ellijay City Council will hold a joint public hearing on Thursday, July 8, 2004, at 6:00 P.M., in the courtroom of the courthouse. The hearing is being held to (1) inform the public about the purpose of the joint solid waste management plan and the process to be followed in the preparation of the plan and (2) elicit community input on needs and goals. Staff from the North Georgia Regional Development Center will be making the presentation.

The second required public hearing was held on August 12, 2004. It was advertised in the *Times-Courier* on July 29, 2004 and August 5, 2004. The July 29, 2004 advertisement is shown below.

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THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2004 **5D**

**Notice of Joint Public Hearing  
Regarding the  
Gilmer County, City of Ellijay, and City of East Ellijay  
Joint Solid Waste Management Plan**

Notice is hereby given that the Gilmer County Commission, the Ellijay City Council, and the East Ellijay City Council will hold a Joint Public Hearing on Thursday, August 12, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. in the main courtroom of the Courthouse. The hearing is being held to (1) brief the community on the contents of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan, (2) provide an opportunity for residents to make suggestions, additions, or revisions, and (3) to inform the community of when the plan will be submitted to the Regional Development Center and Department of Community Affairs for review.

### 9.4.2.3. Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program Update Public Hearing Notice

The required public hearing was held on August 12, 2004 at the same time as the second Solid Waste Management Plan Public Hearing. It was advertised in the *Times-Courier* on August 5, 2004. The advertisement is shown below.

4D THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2004

TIMES-COURIER • ELLIJAY, GEORGIA

**Notice of Joint Public Hearing  
Regarding the Gilmer County, City of Ellijay, and City of  
East Ellijay Joint Solid Waste Management Plan and The  
Capital Improvements Element (CIE)/ Short-Term Work  
Program (STWP) Update for the Joint Comprehensive Plan**

Notice is hereby given that the Gilmer County Commission, the Ellijay City Council, and the East Ellijay City Council will hold a Joint Public Hearing on Thursday, August 12, 2004, at 6:00 p.m. in the courtroom of the Courthouse. The hearing is being held to (1) brief the community on the contents of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan, (2) provide an opportunity for residents to make suggestions, additions, or revisions, and (3) to inform the community of when the plan will be submitted to the Regional Development Center and Department of Community Affairs for review. In addition, comments and suggestions on the proposed Capital Improvements Element (CIE)/Short-Term Work Program (STWP) Update for the Joint Comprehensive Plan will be received.

Copies of the Draft Solid Waste Management Plan and the Draft Capital Improvements Element/Short-Term Work Program Update will be available for review at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 5, 2004, at the Public Library, as well as, at each of the local government offices.

### 9.4.3. Transmittal Resolutions

Copies of the resolutions for transmitting the Joint Comprehensive Plan, the Joint Solid Waste Management Plan, and the Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program Update are provided on the following pages.

### 9.4.3.1. Gilmer County Transmittal Resolution

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#### RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF  
THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
AND  
THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT/  
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
TO THE NORTH GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires that local governments in Georgia complete a Comprehensive Plan every ten years in order to retain Qualified Local Government status, and presently requires this task of Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay; and,

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared a draft Joint Comprehensive Plan which adheres to the Minimum Local Planning Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans; and,

**WHEREAS**, the public participation program outlined in the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans has been implemented; and,

**WHEREAS**, two joint public hearings were held in conformance with the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans, one prior to the planning process on February 26, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse and one at the conclusion of the planning process on July 1, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared an annual update to a Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program; and,

**WHEREAS**, the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program was prepared in accordance with the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements and the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Comprehensive Planning established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and a Public Hearing was held on August 12, 2004, at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse,

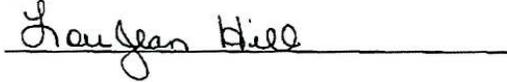
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Gilmer County Board of Commissioners does hereby submit the draft Joint Comprehensive Plan and the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program covering the five-year period 2004 to 2009 to the North Georgia Regional Development Center for Regional Review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of August, 2004.

BY:

  
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ATTEST:

  
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### 9.4.3.2. City of Ellijay Transmittal Resolution

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#### RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF  
THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
AND  
THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT/  
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
TO THE NORTH GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires that local governments in Georgia complete a Comprehensive Plan every ten years in order to retain Qualified Local Government status, and presently requires this task of Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay; and,

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared a draft Joint Comprehensive Plan which adheres to the Minimum Local Planning Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans; and,

**WHEREAS**, the public participation program outlined in the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans has been implemented; and,

**WHEREAS**, two joint public hearings were held in conformance with the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans, one prior to the planning process on February 26, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse and one at the conclusion of the planning process on July 1, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared an annual update to a Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program; and,

**WHEREAS**, the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program was prepared in accordance with the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements and the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Comprehensive Planning established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and a Public Hearing was held on August 12, 2004, at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Ellijay does hereby submit the draft Joint Comprehensive Plan and the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program covering the five-year period 2004 to 2009 to the North Georgia Regional Development Center for Regional Review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2004.

**BY:**

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**ATTEST:**

Sandra Salas

### 9.4.3.3. City of East Ellijay Transmittal Resolution

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RES. #: 006-04

## RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF  
THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
AND  
THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT/  
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
TO THE NORTH GEORGIA REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires that local governments in Georgia complete a Comprehensive Plan every ten years in order to retain Qualified Local Government status, and presently requires this task of Gilmer County, the cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay; and,

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared a draft Joint Comprehensive Plan which adheres to the Minimum Local Planning Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans; and,

**WHEREAS**, the public participation program outlined in the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans has been implemented; and,

**WHEREAS**, two joint public hearings were held in conformance with the Minimum Procedural Standards for Local Comprehensive Plans, one prior to the planning process on February 26, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse and one at the conclusion of the planning process on July 1, 2004, at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay have prepared an annual update to a Capital Improvements Element and Short Tern Work Program: and,

**WHEREAS**, the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work Program was prepared in accordance with the Development Impact Fee Compliance Requirements and the Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures for Comprehensive Planning established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and a Public Hearing was held on August 12, 2004, at 6:00 PM at the Gilmer County Courthouse,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of East Ellijay does hereby submit the draft Joint Comprehensive Plan and the annual update of the Capital Improvements Element and Short Term Work covering the five-year period 2004 to 2009 to the North Georgia Regional Development Center for Regional Review, as per the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2004.

BY:

Handwritten signature of Mark D. West in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Michelle B. Green in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

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#### **9.4.4. Adoption Resolutions**

Copies of the resolutions for the adoption of the Joint Comprehensive Plan and the Capital Improvements Element/Short Term Work Program Update are provided below and on the following pages.

9.4.4.1. Gilmer County Adoption Resolution

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT  
THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE 2004-2025  
FOR GILMER COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
AND  
THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT/  
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY

WHEREAS, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires local governments to develop and maintain a comprehensive plan to retain their Qualified Local Government status and eligibility for State permits, grants, and loans; and

WHEREAS, the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025 for Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay* has been completed to update growth projections, identify issues and needs, and recommend policies and implementation strategies to enable efficient and cost effective growth for Gilmer County and its municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025* includes a Capital Improvements Element Update and Short Term Work Program Update; and

WHEREAS, such Plan has been approved by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs as meeting the State's Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Gilmer County Board of Commissioners hereby officially adopts the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025 for Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay*.

By: Rayburn Smith Rayburn Smith, Commission Chairman

By: Charles Fowler Charles Fowler, Post 1 Commissioner

By: Steve Ralston Steve Ralston, Post 2 Commissioner

This 28 day of October, 2004

Attest: Hougan Hill



9.4.4.3. City of East Ellijay Adoption Resolution

RES. #: 010-04

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT  
THE JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE 2004-2025  
FOR GILMER COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY  
AND  
THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT/  
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM UPDATE FOR GILMER COUNTY  
AND THE CITIES OF ELLIJAY AND EAST ELLIJAY**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 requires local governments to develop and maintain a comprehensive plan to retain their Qualified Local Government status and eligibility for State permits, grants, and loans; and

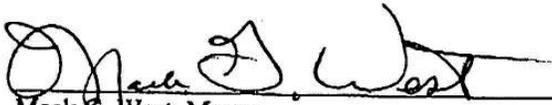
**WHEREAS**, the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025 for Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay* has been completed to update growth projections, identify issues and needs, and recommend policies and implementation strategies to enable efficient and cost effective growth for Gilmer County and its municipalities; and

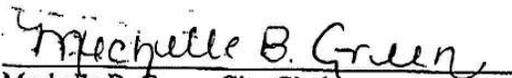
**WHEREAS**, the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025* includes a Capital Improvements Element Update and Short Term Work Program Update; and

**WHEREAS**, such Plan has been approved by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs as meeting the State's Minimum Planning Standards and Procedures;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of East Ellijay hereby officially adopts the *Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2004 - 2025 for Gilmer County and the Cities of Ellijay and East Ellijay*.

**RESOLVED**, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004.

  
Mack G. West, Mayor  
City of East Ellijay

  
Michelle B. Green, City Clerk  
City of East Ellijay

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