



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 1

COUNTY: **CANDLER COUNTY**

I. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. FORM 1 is required for **ALL** SDS submittals. Only one set of these forms should be submitted per county. The completed forms shall clearly present the collective agreement reached by all cities and counties that were party to the service delivery strategy.
2. List each local government and/or authority that provides services included in the service delivery strategy in Section II below.
3. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and/or authority within the county that are continuing *without change* in Section III, below. (It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.)

<p>OPTION A <i>Revising or Adding to the SDS</i></p>	<p>OPTION B <i>Extending the Existing SDS</i></p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. List all services provided or primarily funded by each general purpose local government and authority within the county which are revised or added to the SDS in Section IV, below. (It is acceptable to break a service into separate components if this will facilitate description of the service delivery strategy.) 5. For each service or service component listed in Section IV, complete a separate, updated <i>Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements</i> form (FORM 2). 6. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications</i> form (FORM 4) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 4).] 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. In Section IV type, "NONE." 5. Complete one copy of the <i>Certifications for Extension of Existing SDS</i> form (FORM 5) and have it signed by the authorized representatives of the participating local governments. [Please note that DCA cannot validate the strategy unless it is signed by the local governments required by law (see Instructions, FORM 5).] 6. Proceed to step 7, below. <div data-bbox="846 1150 1544 1388" style="background-color: #003366; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><i>For answers to most frequently asked questions on Georgia's Service Delivery Act, links and helpful publications, visit DCA's website at http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/PlanningQualityGrowth/programs/servicedelivery.asp, or call the Office of Planning and Quality Growth at (404) 679-5279.</i></p> </div>

7. If any of the conditions described in the existing *Summary of Land Use Agreements* form (FORM 3) have changed or if it has been ten (10) or more years since the most recent FORM 3 was filed, update and include FORM 3 with the submittal.
8. Provide the completed forms and any attachments to your regional commission. The regional commission will upload digital copies of the SDS documents to the Department's password-protected web-server.

NOTE: ANY FUTURE CHANGES TO THE SERVICE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS DESCRIBED ON THESE FORMS WILL REQUIRE AN UPDATE OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AND SUBMITTAL OF REVISED FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS UNDER THE "OPTION A" PROCESS DESCRIBED, ABOVE.

Handwritten signature/initials

II. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS INCLUDED IN THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY:

In this section, list all local governments (including cities located partially within the county) and authorities that provide services included in the service delivery strategy.

Candler County, Georgia; City of Metter; Town of Pulaski; Metter-Candler Airport Authority; Candler County Industrial Authority; Candler County Hospital Authority; Statesboro Regional Public Libraries System; Candler County Library Board.

III. SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE EXISTING SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY THAT ARE BEING EXTENDED WITHOUT CHANGE:

In this section, list each service or service component already included in the existing SDS which will continue as previously agreed with no need for modification.

Agriculture/Extension/4-H Services; Ambulance Service; Animal Control; Building Inspection and Development Related Services; Candler County Industrial Authority; Code Enforcement; Court Services; Cultural & Historical; Department of Tourism and Economic Development; Downtown Development Authority; E-911/Radio/Dispatch Services; Elections and Voter Registration; Emergency Management; Hospital; Jail; Law Enforcement; Library; Mapping/GIS; Metter-Candler County Airport Authority; Metter Municipal Court; Metter Parking; Metter Sewer/Wastewater; Metter Water; Parks; Planning and Zoning; Probation Services; Public Health; Pulaski Water; Records Management; Recreation; Road/Street Construction; Road/Street Maintenance; Solid Waste Collections; Solid Waste Disposal/Landfill; Stormwater/Drainage; Tax Collection; and Visitors Center.

IV. SERVICES THAT ARE BEING REVISED OR ADDED IN THIS SUBMITTAL:

In this section, list each new service or new service component which is being added and each service or service component which is being revised in this submittal. For each item listed here, a separate Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements form (FORM 2) must be completed.

Metter Fire and Rescue (IGA Amended)





SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 2: Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements

Instructions:

Make copies of this form and complete one for each service listed on FORM 1, Section IV. Use EXACTLY the same service names listed on FORM 1. Answer each question below, attaching additional pages as necessary. If the contact person for this service (listed at the bottom of the page) changes, this should be reported to the Department of Community Affairs.

COUNTY: CANDLER COUNTY

Service: Metter Fire and Rescue

1. Check one box that best describes the agreed upon delivery arrangement for this service:

a.) Service will be provided countywide (i.e., including all cities and unincorporated areas) by a single service provider. (If this box is checked, identify the government, authority or organization providing the service.): **City of Metter**

b.) Service will be provided only in the unincorporated portion of the county by a single service provider. (If this box is checked, identify the government, authority or organization providing the service.):

c.) One or more cities will provide this service only within their incorporated boundaries, and the service will not be provided in unincorporated areas. (If this box is checked, identify the government(s), authority or organization providing the service):

d.) One or more cities will provide this service only within their incorporated boundaries, and the county will provide the service in unincorporated areas. (If this box is checked, identify the government(s), authority or organization providing the service.):

e.) Other (If this box is checked, attach a legible map delineating the service area of each service provider, and identify the government, authority, or other organization that will provide service within each service area.):

2. In developing this strategy, were overlapping service areas, unnecessary competition and/or duplication of this service identified?

Yes (if "Yes," you must attach additional documentation as described, below)

No

If these conditions will continue under this strategy, attach an explanation for continuing the arrangement (i.e., overlapping but higher levels of service (See O.C.G.A. 36-70-24(1)), overriding benefits of the duplication, or reasons that overlapping service areas or competition cannot be eliminated).

If these conditions will be eliminated under the strategy, attach an implementation schedule listing each step or action that will be taken to eliminate them, the responsible party and the agreed upon deadline for completing it.

2/2/17

SDS FORM 2, continued

3. List each government or authority that will help to pay for this service and indicate how the service will be funded (e.g., enterprise funds, user fees, general funds, special service district revenues, hotel/motel taxes, franchise taxes, impact fees, bonded indebtedness, etc.).

<i>Local Government or Authority</i>	<i>Funding Method</i>
City of Metter	First, apply fees, fines, grants, donations, then SPLOST, if applicable, then the
	Town and County contributions, with the balance paid from the General Fund.
Town of Pulaski	Any available revenue source.
Candler County	The Special Service District comprised of the unincorporated area of County
	using the sources of revenue specified in Box 6, below.

4. How will the strategy change the previous arrangements for providing and/or funding this service within the county?

Via the Joint Resolution of the City of Metter, Town of Pulaski, and Candler County, Georgia Approving Forms and Changes to Intergovernmental Agreements Pertaining to the Delivery and Funding of Certain Services Pursuant to the Service Delivery Act, the Parties have amended the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Metter, Town of Pulaski, and Candler County, Georgia, for the Provision and Funding of Fire and Rescue Services.

5. List any formal service delivery agreements or intergovernmental contracts that will be used to implement the strategy for this service:

<i>Agreement Name</i>	<i>Contracting Parties</i>	<i>Effective and Ending Dates</i>
Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Metter, Town of Pulaski and Candler County GA for the Provision and Funding of Fire & Rescue Services	City of Metter, Town of Pulaski, and Candler County	6/11/18 through 6/10/28

6. What other mechanisms (if any) will be used to implement the strategy for this service (e.g., ordinances, resolutions, local acts of the General Assembly, rate or fee changes, etc.), and when will they take effect?

County shall adopt a resolution or ordinance creating a special service district consisting of exclusively the unincorporated areas of the County with funds derived from fees, taxes or assessment, to include insurance premium taxes, property taxes, excise taxes, solid waste collection fees, business license fees, occupation taxes, and/or franchise fees levied in and collected from the special service district.

7. Person completing form: **Mayor Edwin O. Boyd (City of Metter) and Chairman Glyn Thrift (Candler County BOC)**
 Phone number: **912/685-6289 (Metter) 912/685-2835 (Candler)** Date completed:

8. Is this the person who should be contacted by state agencies when evaluating whether proposed local government projects are consistent with the service delivery strategy? Yes No

If not, provide designated contact person(s) and phone number(s) below:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF METTER, TOWN OF PULASKI, AND CANDLER COUNTY, GEORGIA, APPROVING CHANGES TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF METTER, TOWN OF PULASKI, AND CANDLER COUNTY, GEORGIA, FOR THE PROVISION AND FUNDING OF FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES AND APPROVING FORMS FOR THE LIMITED AMENDMENT TO THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY OF WHICH SUCH INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT IS A PART AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City of Metter (“Metter”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing certain public services to local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pulaski (“Pulaski”) is a municipal corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing certain public services to local residents; and

WHEREAS, Candler County, Georgia (“County”) is a political subdivision duly formed and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing certain public services to local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Service Delivery Act, O.C.G.A. § 36-70-20, *et seq.*, requires each county and all cities located therein to develop, approve, and implement a service delivery strategy that specifies the manner in which all local governmental services will be provided and funded; and

WHEREAS, the Service Delivery Act also requires the periodic review and revision of service delivery strategies upon the occurrence of any one of the six conditions specified in O.C.G.A. § 36-70-28(b); and

WHEREAS, Metter, Pulaski, and the County (collectively referred to as the “Parties”) have reviewed, revised, and reached an agreement through informal discussions on revisions to the Candler County Service Delivery Strategy (2018) in general and the Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Metter, Town of Pulaski, and Candler County, Georgia, for the Provision and Funding of Fire and Rescue Service, in particular; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Metter desire to approve the forms and changes to intergovernmental agreements for the funding and provision of services as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Pulaski desire to approve the forms and changes to intergovernmental agreements for the funding and provision of services as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Candler County Board of Commissioners desires to approve the forms and changes to intergovernmental agreements for the funding and provision of services as set forth herein.



THEREFORE, IT IS NOW JOINTLY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCILS OF METTER AND PULASKI AS WELL AS THE CANDLER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

- I. **Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- II. **Acceptance of Revised Service Delivery Strategy Agreements.** Metter, Pulaski, and the County, hereby approve the revised Service Delivery Strategy Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" along with the corresponding Intergovernmental Agreement. Said documents have been discussed, reviewed, and revised by the Parties.
- III. **Amendment to Fire and Rescue Services Agreement.** The Parties hereby approve and agree to the following Amendments to the Intergovernmental Agreement Between [the Parties] for the Provision and Funding of Fire and Rescue Services ("Fire Services Agreement"):
 - A. The Parties acknowledge that Article IV, Paragraphs 3-a & d of the Fire Services Agreement requires County approval before the County is obligated to fund all or any portion of a capital expenditure for which the County is a funding governing authority.
 - B. The foregoing provisions notwithstanding, the County agrees to pay Metter an annual capital stipend of \$36,620 each fiscal year between 2021 and 2025. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this stipend shall be in lieu of any and all claimed obligations related to the County's contribution toward any capital expenditures made by Metter pursuant to the Fire Services Agreement for equipment purchased prior to January 1, 2021. The County, however, shall not be required to continue making the annual capital stipend payments in the event the Fire Services Agreement is properly terminated or revoked by Metter or the County, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Fire Services Agreement. The County's annual capital stipend payments shall in no way affect the County's obligations for funding operations and maintenance under Article III of the Fire Services Agreement. Moreover, any capital outlay expenditure made by Metter for equipment purchased after January 1, 2021, shall be funded as provided in Article IV of the Fire Services Agreement, subject to the provisions of Article III, Paragraph A of this Resolution.
 - C. In further consideration of this Amendment to the Fire Services Agreement, Metter agrees to provide irrigation water to the County's Recreation Department at no charge for the duration of the Fire Services Agreement. The Parties agree, however, that Metter shall not be required to continue providing irrigation water to the County Recreation Department at no charge should the Fire Services Agreement be terminated or revoked by the County, pursuant to the applicable provisions therein.
 - ✓ D. The County hereby rescinds any and all of its prior decisions and notices to opt-out of the Fire Services Agreement.

- V. **Transfer of Industrial Park Pond.** Metter agrees to accept ownership of the Industrial Park Pond via quitclaim deed from the County. The Industrial Park Pond is that property with a legal description as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the 1685th G.M. District of Candler County, Georgia, and in the City of Metter, and containing 20.108 acres, more or less, all as shown by that certain plat of survey dated August 14, 1989, by George William Donaldson, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor Number 1970, said plat being recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 150 of the Candler County records, which plat and the reference thereof is incorporated herein as if though fully set out herein for a more complete and accurate description. Said parcel of land is bounded, now or formerly, as follows: On the North by the right-of-way of Lytell Street; on the East by lands of Byron Lanier and the right-of-way of Rountree Street; on the South by lands of Steve Taylor and Vickie T. Bird; and on the West by lands of Metter-Candler County Development Authority and a 60 foot road right-of-way.

This is that same property as was conveyed by that certain Quit-Claim Deed dated April 20, 1999 from Metter-Candler County Development Authority to City of Metter and Board of Commissioners of Candler County, and recorded in Deed Book 96, Page(s) 606-607, Candler County records.

[Map & Parcel No. 037 006]. The quitclaim deed referenced herein shall be signed by the County and presented to the City within thirty days or such reasonable time thereafter to accomplish delivery and acceptance of said quitclaim deed.

- VI. **Authorization of the Mayor, City Attorney, and Clerk.** Metter hereby authorizes the following transmission of the revised Service Delivery Strategy Agreements attached as Exhibit A to the Department of Community Affairs.
- VII. **Authorization of the Mayor, City Attorney, and Clerk.** Pulaski hereby authorizes the following transmission of the revised Service Delivery Strategy Agreements attached as Exhibit A to the Department of Community Affairs.
- VIII. **Authorization of the Chairman, County Attorney, and Clerk.** The Candler County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the following transmission of the Service Delivery Strategy Agreements attached as Exhibit A to the Department of Community Affairs.
- IX. **Severability.** To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declared to be invalid, unenforceable, or nonbinding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution or Service Delivery Strategy Agreement in Exhibit "A".
- X. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions.** All City and County resolutions or agreements are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict with this Resolution and revised Service Delivery Strategy Agreement in Exhibit "A".
- XI. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 17th day of May, 2021.

**The Mayor and City Council of the
City of Metter, Georgia.**

By: [Signature]
Edwin O. Boyd, Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
City Clerk



[seal]

**The Mayor and Town Council of the
Town of Pulaski, Georgia.**

By: [Signature]
Terry Franklin, Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
Town Clerk

Candler County, Georgia

By: [Signature]
Glyn Thrift
Chairman, Board of Commissioners

Attest: [Signature]
County Clerk



[seal]

[Handwritten mark]



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 3: Summary of Land Use Agreements

Instructions:

Answer each question below, attaching additional pages as necessary. Please note that any changes to the answers provided will require an update of the service delivery strategy. If the contact person for this service (listed at the bottom of this page) changes, this should be reported to the Department of Community Affairs.

COUNTY: CANDLER COUNTY

1. What incompatibilities or conflicts between the land use plans of local governments were identified in the process of developing the service delivery strategy?

None

2. Check the boxes indicating how these incompatibilities or conflicts were addressed:

- Amendments to existing comprehensive plans
Adoption of a joint comprehensive plan
Other measures (amend zoning ordinances, add environmental regulations, etc.)

NOTE: If the necessary plan amendments, regulations, ordinances, etc. have not yet been formally adopted, indicate when each of the affected local governments will adopt them.

If "other measures" was checked, describe these measures:

Candler County does not provide water and sewer. City of Metter and Town of Pulaski each have land use plans.

3. What policies, procedures and/or processes have been established by local governments (and water and sewer authorities) to ensure that new extraterritorial water and sewer service will be consistent with all applicable land use plans and ordinances? Candler County and the Cities of Metter and Pulaski have adopted a joint resolution to make certain that any proposed extraterritorial water and sewer service is compatible with the land use plans and ordinances of the territory of the adjoining local government in which the new service is to be extended.

4. Person completing form: Mayor Edwin O. Boyd (City of Metter) and Chairman Glyn Thrift (Candler County BOC)

Phone number: 912/685-6289 (Metter) 912/685-2835 (Candler) Date completed: Type Date Here

5. Is this the person who should be contacted by state agencies when evaluating whether proposed local government projects are consistent with the service delivery strategy? Yes No

If not, provide designated contact person(s) and phone number(s) below:

Handwritten signature/initials



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 4: Certifications

Instructions:

This form must, at a minimum, be signed by an authorized representative of the following governments: 1) the county; 2) the city serving as the county seat; 3) all cities having a 2010 population of over 9,000 residing within the county; and 4) no less than 50% of all other cities with a 2010 population of between 500 and 9,000 residing within the county. Cities with a 2010 population below 500 and local authorities providing services under the strategy are not required to sign this form, but are encouraged to do so.

COUNTY: CANDLER COUNTY

We, the undersigned authorized representatives of the jurisdictions listed below, certify that:

1. We have executed agreements for implementation of our service delivery strategy and the attached forms provide an accurate depiction of our agreed upon strategy (O.C.G.A 36-70-21);
2. Our service delivery strategy promotes the delivery of local government services in the most efficient, effective, and responsive manner (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (1));
3. Our service delivery strategy provides that water or sewer fees charged to customers located outside the geographic boundaries of a service provider are reasonable and are not arbitrarily higher than the fees charged to customers located within the geographic boundaries of the service provider (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (2)); and
4. Our service delivery strategy ensures that the cost of any services the county government provides (including those jointly funded by the county and one or more municipalities) primarily for the benefit of the unincorporated area of the county are borne by the unincorporated area residents, individuals, and property owners who receive such service (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (3)).

JURISDICTION	TITLE	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
<u>CANDLER COUNTY</u>	CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	Glyn Thrift		6/4/21
<u>CITY OF METTER</u>	MAYOR	Edwin O. Boyd		6/4/21
<u>TOWN OF PULASKI</u>	MAYOR	Terry Franklin		6/4/21