



SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY

FORM 1

COUNTY: SEMINOLE 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 should 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 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 style="text-align: center;">OPTION A <i>Revising or Adding to the SDS</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">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 style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 10px; margin-top: 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</i> http://www.dca.ga.gov/development/PlanningQualityGrowth/programs/servicedelivery.asp, or call the Office of Planning and Quality Growth at (404) 679-5279.</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 OFFICIAL 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.

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.

Seminole County
City of Donalsonville
City of Iron City
Donalsonville-Seminole County County Airport Commission
Donalsonville DDA
Development Authority of Donalsonville & Seminole County
Seminole County Board of Education

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 can continue as previously agreed with no need for modification.

Airport
Code Enforcement/Building Inspection
Courts (Magistrate)
Courts (Municipal)
Economic Development
Emergency Management & Rescue
Fire Protection
Gas Utility
Headstart
Indigent Defense
Jail
Law Enforcement
Library
Parks and Recreation
Planning and Zoning
Public Health Department
Public Works
School Resource Officer
Senior Center
Social Services
Solid Waste Management
Storm Water Management
Water Supply/Water Distribution
Sewage System

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.

Broadband Internet Service added (See Form 2 Box 4)



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FORM 2: Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements

Instructions:

Make copies of this form and complete one for each service listed on FORM 1, Section III. 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:SEMINOLE COUNTY	Service:Broadband Internet Service
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1. Check the box that best describes the agreed upon delivery arrangement for this service:

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 Donalsonville**

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.):

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:

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.):

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.

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.).

Local Government or Authority	Funding Method
City of Donalsonville	Enterprise Funds, User Fees, General Funds, Bond indebtedness, Grants
Seminole County	User Fees, General Funds, Grants, In-kind

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

New service being added. No change in existing services within the cities or county

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

Agreement Name	Contracting Parties	Effective and Ending Dates
MOU Between Donalsonville, Georgia and Seminole County, Georgia for Broadband Internet Service	City of Donalsonville/Seminole County	April 12, 2022 to Open

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?

MOU, Ordiances and/or resolutions will be utilized as applicable with rates and fees to be established as system is developed. Actions will be implemented as funds become available for expansion. (House Bill 489)

7. Person completing form: **Steven Hicks**
 Phone number: **229-524-2118** Date completed: 8/15/22

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:



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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.

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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.)

If "other measures" was checked, describe these measures:
Describe "Other" Measures Here

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.

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? Seminole County and the County's municipal governments have jointly adopted a land dispute resolution to address land use disputes arising from annexation proposals. The dispute resolution provides for inter-jurisdictional notification, mediation, and a forum for resolution of land use conflicts.

4. Person completing form: **Steven Hicks, City Manager**

Phone number: **(229) 524-2118** Date completed: 4/14/2022

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:



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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.

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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 (20); 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>DONALSONVILLE</u>	Mayor	Ron Johnson, Jr.		8/16/22
<u>IRON CITY</u>	Mayor	Ronnie Ingram		8/16/22
<u>SEMINOLE COUNTY</u>	County Commission Chairman	Shelia Williams		8/16/22

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE CITY OF DONALSONVILLE, GEORGIA
AND
SEMINOLE COUNTY, GEORGIA
FOR
BROADBAND INTERNET SERVICE

WHEREAS, this Memorandum of Understanding contemplating the expansion of Broadband Internet Service to all of the citizens of Seminole County is entered into this 12th day of April, 2022 by and between the City of Donalsonville and County of Seminole; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, §III, Para. 1 of the Constitution of The State of Georgia provides for political subdivisions of this state to contract with each other “for the provision of services”, under mutually agreed to terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City currently owns and operates a broadband internet delivery system known as eDonalsonville capable of furnishing wireless internet service to homes and businesses in Donalsonville as well as in portions of the unincorporated areas of Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, with additional equipment and strategically placed relay locations and with proper Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licensing authority, the City would be capable of conceivably expanding the present coverage area to the entirety of Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, the Seminole County Board of Commissioners has sufficient personnel and other resources to assist the City with locating suitable sites for signal relays and also, with the equipment installation at such locations; and

WHEREAS, it would not be economically feasible for the County to undertake the institution of a Broadband Internet Service for the unincorporated areas of the County as there would be overlapping service areas, unnecessary competition and duplication of service;

NOW THEREFORE, both parties agree to cooperate with and provide mutual support to each other, as follows:

The City of Donalsonville Shall:

1. Develop a business plan to implement Broadband Internet Service availability to all citizens of Seminole County.

2. Obtain necessary equipment to be used for the expansion of the present eDonalsonville network into areas of Seminole County which are not currently served by Donalsonville's broadband internet service.
3. Upgrade, as funds become available, the current system to better provide higher capacity and higher speeds to augment the ability to provide internet service for use by the county school system students for remote virtual learning.
4. Identify unserved areas where an enhanced signal is needed and to acquire structures such as towers and tall grain bins and silos to accommodate signal relay devices and equipment.
5. Partner with Seminole County to apply for, and hopefully obtain, any available grant funds for the purpose of expanding internet service to the entire county.
6. Operate and maintain the network to ensure reliable service to the customers.
7. Make available and install necessary equipment for the individual user.
8. Determine a reasonable economically feasible monthly cost of the service for the consumer taking into consideration any local, state and/or federal government financial support.
9. Develop a billing and collection system for the monthly charges and fees.
10. Make available any reports, including service area maps and service metrics, as may become necessary to support additional funding requests.

Seminole County Shall:

1. Assist with applications for grant funding for this project including but not limited to, Letters of Support.
2. Cooperate with the City to obtain any FCC licensing that may be required.
3. Coordinate with the City to identify areas of the unincorporated portions of Seminole County that are presently unserved or underserved by other internet providers.
4. Lend knowledge and expertise to the City in locating, and acquiring access to structures that could be used for the purpose of signal relay and the ultimate expansion of effective internet service to the entire county.

5. Assist with marketing efforts and service connection in the unincorporated areas of the county.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall be in full force and effect commencing on the 12th day of April, 2022 and is to be included in Paragraph IV of Seminole County Service Delivery Strategy Form 1 as provided by, and submitted to, the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

Approved and authorized by the parties to this MOU as evidenced by the below signatures:

For the County of Seminole:

By [Signature]

Chairperson

Attest [Signature]

County Manager

Date signed: 4/12/22

For the City of Donalsonville

By [Signature]

Mayor

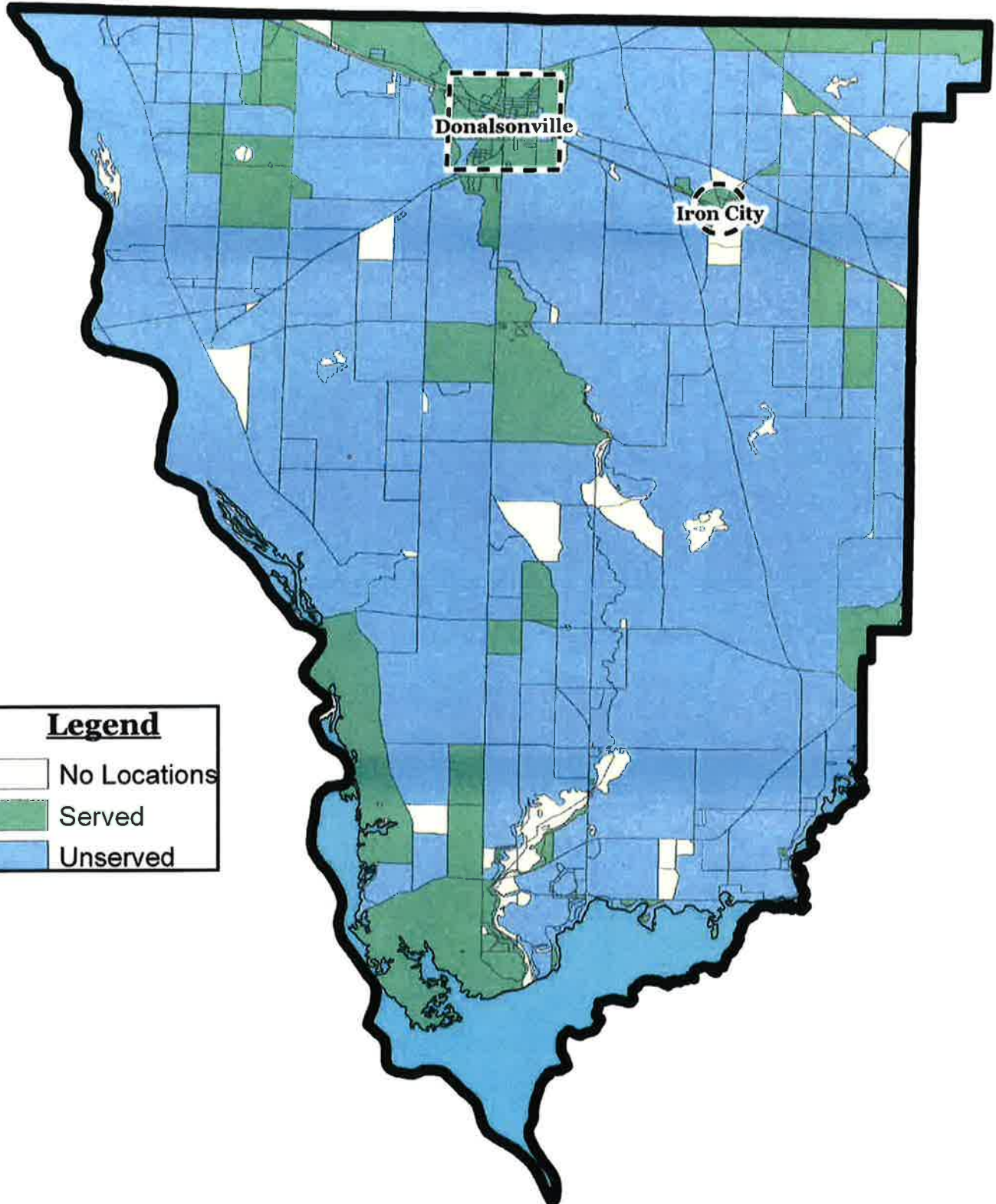
Attest [Signature]

City Clerk

Date signed: 4/12/22

Seminole County

Broadband Map



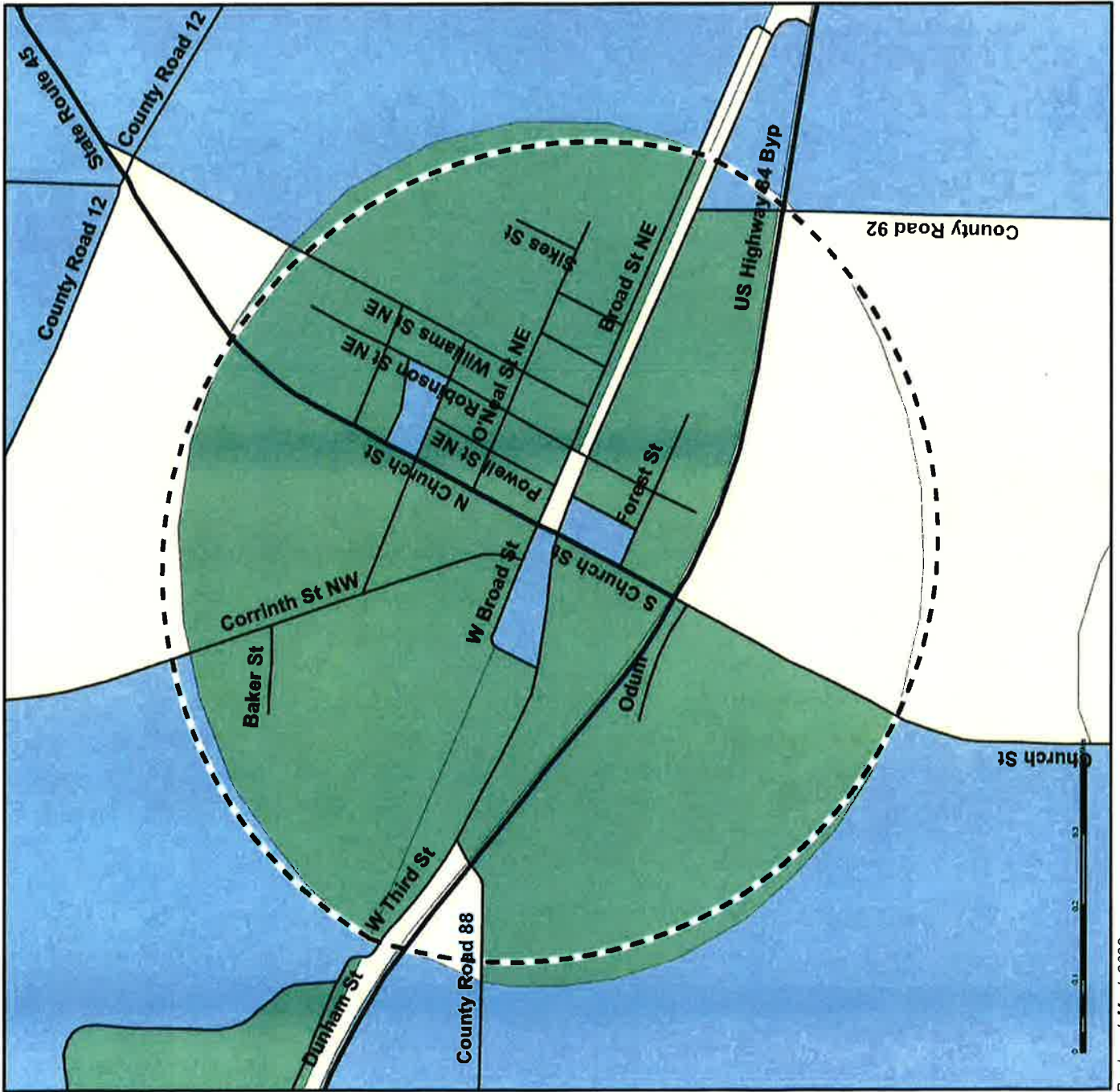
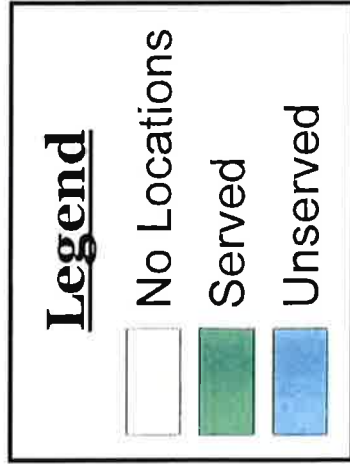
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Iron City

Broadband Map



Donalsonville

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