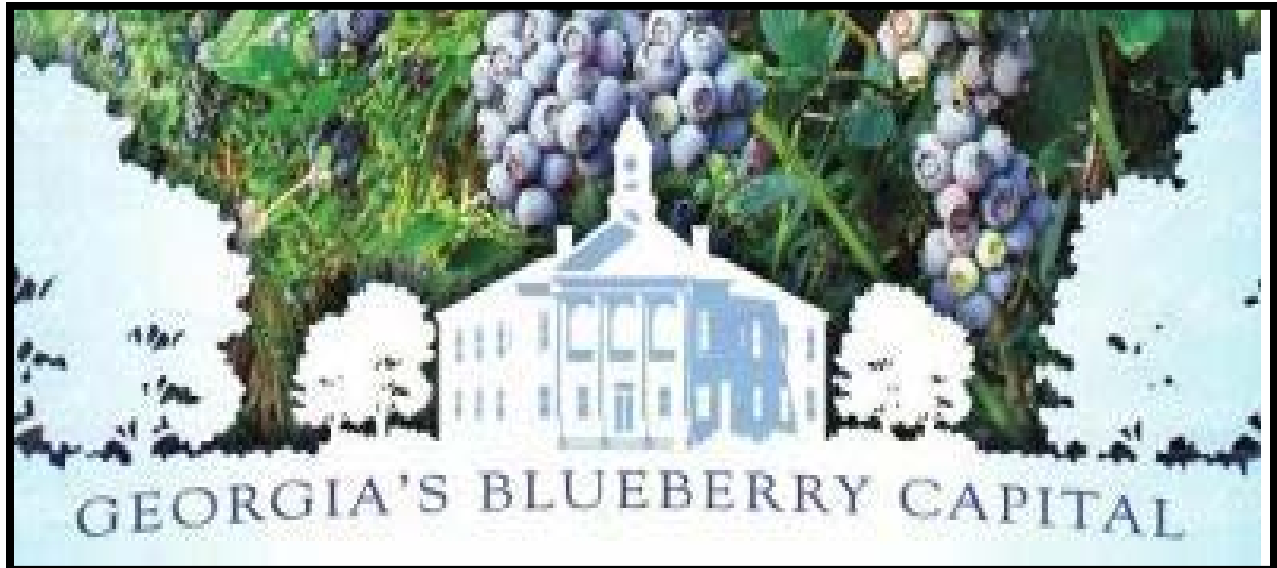


BACON COUNTY



2012

STWP Update and Report of Accomplishments for Bacon County and the City of Alma

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**BACON COUNTY/ CITY OF ALMA
 FIVE-YEAR SHORT-TERM WORK PROGRAM and REPORT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS UPDATE
 (2011 - 2016)**

PROJECTS	Estimated Cost / Resp.	FY 11	FY 12	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	ROA	FY 16
COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES								
Improve recreation programs and facilities associated with the countywide recreation department.	\$180,000 (DCA, SPLOST) Bacon Rec. Dept.	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Establish Turn-A-Round in lieu of parallel taxiways at Alma/Bacon County Airport.	\$200,000 (DCA & DOT) Bacon and Airport Commission	X					Complete	
Support the four-laning of SR 32 from I-75 to I-95	Cost TBD Bacon, Alma, GDOT	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Lobby GA DOT and legislators for L.A.R.P. funding.	\$10,000 Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Create master fire plan and identify \$40,000 for funding.	Cost: Staff Time (DCA) Alma, Bacon, & Fire Dept	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to pave roads within the City.	\$800,000 (GDOT & Grants) Alma Public Works & GDOT	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to integrate parents, teachers, principals and the business community into school curriculum planning and school activities.	\$10,000 (GA DOE) Board of Education	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to seek funds to upgrade systems, extend hours of operation, expand programming and upgrade/expand jobs at Bacon County Library.	\$5,000 (SPLOST) County Library & School Board	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to collect and dispose of inert materials	\$100,000 (local) Alma Public Works	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES (continued)								
Continue to expand water/sewer system to home sites in golf club area	\$100,000 (local, private) Alma Public Works	X	X				Complete	
Continue to support cultural activities	\$100,000 (local) Alma, Bacon, & Chamber of Commerce	X	X				Complete	
Continue to provide funding to the Bacon Theater Co.	\$60,000 (hotel/motel tax) Alma	X	X				Complete	
Continue to contract with private agency to collect and dispose of solid waste.	\$500,000 yearly (local) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Upgrade fire department vehicles, breathing gear, turnout gear and other firefighting equipment as needed.	\$90,000 (DCA, OTH, FEMA, SPLOST, Local) Alma, Bacon, Fire Dept.	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Support scholarships as well as educational classes in family living and other life skills	\$20,000 (DOE, Local) BOE	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Hire graduation coach for elementary and middle schools.	\$35,000 (local, SPLOST) Alma, Bacon, BOE	X	X				Complete	
Hire truant officer for all school systems	\$40,000 (SPLOST & Grants) BOE, Alma, Bacon	X	X				Complete	
Conduct a study to analyze the impact of proposed development on public facilities	\$10,000 (DCA, Local, Private) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Analyze financial impact of new growth in the county and evaluate various financing methods for creating new infrastructure.	\$10,000 (Local DCA) Bacon, Alma, & Development Authority	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES (continued)								
New airport terminal	\$900,000 TIA SPLOST County			X	X	X	New Project	X
Improve recreation through providing additional services	\$1,000,000 Alma and Bacon			X	X	X	New Project	X
Increase cemetery capacity	\$250,000 Alma			X	X	X	New Project	X
Increase the presence of Police Department through hiring employees and adding locations	\$100,000 Alma			X	X	X	New Project	X
Improve wastewater treatment capacity	\$6,000,000 SBA Grant, GEFA, and SPLOST City of Alma			X	X	X	New Project	X
Red light at the hospital	Cost TBD Alma and Bacon		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Landscape US 1 North and South	\$40,000 City of Alma		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Improve the nursing home	\$2.5 Million Alma and Bacon		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Provide training for the fire department, build an additional fire station and buy firefighter equipment	Cost TBD (Fire Grants) SGRC and Fire Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Identify potential gaps in fire services and lower the ISO rating from 8	Cost TBD Alma, Bacon, Fire Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Purchase police cars when needed	Cost TBD (Police Grants) SGRC and Police Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Purchase radios and cameras for police cars	Cost TBD (Police Grants) SGRC and Police Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X

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COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES (continued)								
Purchase cameras for the jail	Cost TBD (Police Grants) SGRC and Police Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Pursue and secure funding (approx. \$2.5 million) for a new County Jail	Cost: Staff Time Police Dept.		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Make improvements to Swamp Road, Sanderling Road, Ohio River Road, and Liberty Church Road.	Cost TBD Alma and Bacon		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Pursue land (10 – 14 acres) to locate a youth community center within Bacon County or the City of Alma.	Cost TBD Bacon, Alma, and Development Authority		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Construct a youth community center within Bacon County or the City of Alma that will include a gym, outdoor pool, track, baseball field, etc.	\$200,000 Bacon, Alma, and Development Authority				X	X	New Project	X
Purchase new computers for the library	Cost TBD Bacon and Alma		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Renovate the auditorium at the old school	\$100,000 Bacon and Alma		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
Study methods for moving persons off welfare into the work force.	\$10,000 (DCA, Local, Private, DOE, DOL) Bacon Human Services, DFACS, Chamber of Commerce	X	X				Complete	
Develop programs in conjunction with other agencies to market the area in order to expand the business base for economic development purposes	\$10,000 (local, private) Chamber of Commerce	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (continued)								
Develop programs in conjunction with other agencies to pursue academic excellence and eliminate illiteracy for economic development purposes.	\$150,000 (Fed, State, Local) BOE, OTC, Family Connection	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue with efforts to provide adequate infrastructure for industrial and residential development	\$200,000 (US Ag, FHA, DCA, OTH, Local, Private) Bacon, Alma, EDA	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to support the construction of a 300-acre fishing lake for economic development purposes.	\$8 Million (DNR, Local) Bacon, EDA, Chamber, DNR	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Study ways to finance Alma/Bacon County Development Authority.	\$1,500 (Local) EDA						Complete	
Support BCDA, DDA, and Chamber of Commerce	\$100,000 (Local) Bacon & Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to upgrade industrial park infrastructure.	\$2 Million (DCA, Local, Ag, FHA, USDA, OTH) Bacon, Alma, EDA	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to promote area as retirement community.	\$100,000 (DCA, Local, Private) Chamber of Commerce	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (continued)								
Continue to support Tri-County Industrial Development Authority(Apling, Bacon, Jeff Davis	\$10,000 (local) EDA, Chamber, Bacon, Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Create a Youth Entrepreneurship program to train and encourage area youth to start new businesses as a career option.	\$2,500 (DOE, DCA, Local, Private) Chamber of Commerce	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Incorporate a Pro Active Growth Plan by the city and county.	\$10,000 (DCA, USDA, Local, Private) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to foster economic development by applying for grants such as EIP, CDBG, One Georgia, etc. when available.	\$200,000 (EIP, One GA, CDBG) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Find/identify training opportunities to match the need of the local workforce	\$25,000 (DCA, Local, Private) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Promote niche marketing using local products grown or produced in Bacon County	\$1,500 (local) Chamber, Bacon, Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Identify industries likely to thrive in the local economy.	\$5,000 (local, private) Chamber & Development Authority	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (continued)								
Create a teenage drug prevention program	\$8,000 a year Bacon and Alma		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
Continue education efforts with the National Exchange Club	Cost TBD Bacon and Alma		X	X	X	X	New Project	X
HOUSING								
Continue to eliminate blight areas throughout county and city through condemnation and rehabilitation projects.	\$50,000 (FHA, DCA, CDBG, Local) Alma Code Enforcement	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to work with public and private institutions to increase quality rental housing stock for incoming projects	\$10,000 (local, private) Bacon, Alma, Building and Planning Dept.	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to work with public and private institutions to increase the number of owner occupied housing units through the availability of affordable housing.	\$10,000 (FHA, CHIP, DCA, CDBG, ocal, Private) Bacon, Alma, Building & Planning Dept.	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to explore and support methods for renters of public housing and other properties to purchase their units through affordable housing programs.	\$500,000 (FHA, DCA, CDBG, USDA, local, private) Alma Code Enforcement	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Hire a code enforcement officer for Bacon County	Cost TBD Bacon County		X	X	X	X	New Project	X

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LAND USE								
Work with SGRC Planning Staff to establish countywide land use regulations, land development codes and a land use management organization	\$5,000 (Grants, DCA, local) Zoning and Code Enforcement	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to advertise, teach and encourage best management practices	\$25,000 (uga, dca, loca) County Ext. Agent	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to identify old Indian sites and other historic resources through surveys and other methods.	\$10,000 (DCA, DNR, Local) Historical Society, Alma and Bacon	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Establish historic resource protection ordinances within the county	\$10,000 (DCA, DNR, Local) Historical Society, Alma and Bacon	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to work on the establishment of a downtown historic district and the creation of a historic resources commission	\$15,000 (DCA, DNR, Local) Bacon, Alma, Historic Society	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Establish environmental protection regulations by developing and implementing land development codes	\$10,000 (DCA, Local) Bacon and Planning Commission	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Encourage infill development in abandoned housing surrounding the hospital which can be used to accommodate additional medical facilities.	\$75,000 (USDA, CDBG, DCA) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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LAND USE (continued)								
Adopt codes and enforce them.	\$3,500 (USDA, CDBG, DCA) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Develop conservation ordinances and consistently enforce them.	\$5,000 (local, EPD, DCA) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Address the growing number of unregulated mobile homes moving into the County when adopting codes and/or zoning	\$1,500 Bacon County	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
NATURAL AND HISTORIC RESOURCES								
Incorporate landscaping guidelines to create a unified and pleasing visual environment for the Bacon County Hospital.	\$10,000 (local) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Create historic preservation ordinances.	\$2500 (historic society, bacon and alma)						Delete (Not needed)	
Perform a historic resource survey within the community.	\$1500 (Local) Historic Society	X	X				Complete	
`Fee Simple` purchase of land in order to permanently protect natural resources, open space, or farmland	\$10,000 (grants) Bacon, Alma, DCA	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Comprehensive mapping of the community's environmentally sensitive areas.	\$10,000 (Local, grants) Bacon, Alma, EPD, DNR, SGRC	X	X				Complete	
Preserve open/greenspace	\$1,000 (Local) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X

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PLANNING								
Analyze impact of additional traffic flow	\$60,000 (local, GDOT) Bacon, Alma, GDOT	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Identify and plan for improvement needs along the corridor.	\$25,000 (Local) Bacon, Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Implement traffic calming measures at and around hospital, especially a traffic light.	\$50,000 (GDOT, local) Bacon, Alma, GDOT	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
County and City will annually review their Service Delivery Strategy	\$1,500 (local) Bacon and Alma	X	X	X	X	X	Ongoing	X
Continue to improve downtown	\$500,000 Alma, GDOT			X	X	X	New Project	X
Continue to improve downtown theatre	\$50,000 Fox Institute, Alma			X	X	X	New Project	X

RESOLUTION

TO ADOPT

The 2012 Update to the Short Term Work Program

WHEREAS, the Chairman and Board of County Commissioners of Bacon County, Georgia, have completed an update of the Bacon County items contained in the Short-Term Work Program of the Joint Bacon County Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, this draft update was prepared in accordance with the Standards and Procedures for Local Comprehensive Planning effective May 1, 2005 and established by the Georgia Planning Act of 1989, and procedural requirements have been met or exceeded in preparing this draft update; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 4, 2012, to receive public input for the adoption of the draft STWP update to the Joint Bacon County Comprehensive Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman and Board of County Commissioners of Bacon County do hereby adopt the Short Term Work Program Update, and transmit the update to the Southern Georgia Regional Commission and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for official review.
September 4, 2012.**



Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:



County Clerk

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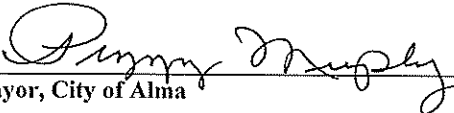
The 2012 Update to the Short Term Work Program

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Alma, Georgia, have completed an update of the City of Alma items contained in the Short-Term Work Program of the Joint Bacon County Comprehensive Plan; and

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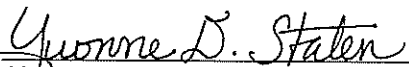
WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 4, 2012, to receive public input for adoption of the draft STWP update to the Joint Bacon County Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Alma do hereby adopt the Short Term Work Program Update, and transmit the update to the Southern Georgia Regional Commission and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for official review.



Mayor, City of Alma

ATTEST:



City Clerk