



**SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY UPDATE  
CERTIFICATIONS**

**Instructions:**

This two page 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 2000 population of over 9,000 residing within the county; and 4) no less than 50% of all other cities with a 2000 population of between 500 and 9,000 residing within the county. Cities with a 2000 population below 500 and local authorities providing services under the strategy are not required to sign this form, but are encouraged to do so.

**UPDATED SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY FOR Lumpkin COUNTY**

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

1. We have reviewed our existing Service Delivery Strategy and have determined that:  
(Check only one box for question #1)

- A. Our Strategy continues to accurately reflect our preferred arrangements for providing local services throughout our county and no changes in our Strategy are needed at this time; or
- B. Our Strategy has been revised to reflect our preferred arrangements for providing local services.

If Option A is selected, only this form, signed by the appropriate local government representatives must be provided to DCA.

If Option B is selected, this form, signed by the appropriate local government representatives, must be submitted to DCA along with:

- an updated "Summary of Service Arrangements" form (page 2) for each local service that has been revised/updated;
- any supporting local agreements pertaining to each of these services that has been revised/updated; and
- an updated service area map depicting the agreed upon service area for each provider if there is more than one service provider for each service that has been revised/updated within the county, and if the agreed upon service areas do not coincide with local political boundaries.

2. Each of our governing bodies (County Commission and City Councils) that are a party to this strategy have adopted resolutions agreeing to the Service Delivery arrangements identified in our strategy and have executed agreements for implementation of our service delivery strategy (O.C.G.A. 36-70-21);
3. Our service delivery strategy continues to promote the delivery of local government services in the most efficient, effective, and responsive manner for all residents, individuals and property owners throughout the county (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24(1));
4. Our service delivery strategy continues to provide 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));
5. Our service delivery strategy continues to ensure 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));



**SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY  
SUMMARY OF SERVICE DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS PAGE 2**

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Make copies of this form and complete one for each service listed on page 1, Section III. Use exactly the same service names listed on page 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: Lumpkin Service: Sewer

**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.): \_\_\_\_\_

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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 the strategy, were overlapping service areas, unnecessary competition and/or duplication of this service identified?**

Yes  No

If these conditions will continue under the 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.

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 Dahlonega	User Fees, Bonds, Enterprise Funds
L.C. Water & Sewer Auth.	User Fees, Bonds,

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

Minor changes were made to the service delivery map.  
No other changes have occurred.

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>
Sewer Agreement	Lumpkin County Water & Sewer Authority	
	and WRF Georgia, Inc.	December 2003

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?

7. Person completing form: Stephen W. Gooch, Commissioner  
 Phone number: 706-864-3742 Date completed: 08/02/2004

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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Resolution 2004- 8

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING IN PART A REVISED WATER  
SUPPLY COMPONENT OF THE OVERALL  
CITY OF DAHLONEGA AND LUMPKIN COUNTY SERVICE  
DELIVERY STRATEGY THEREBY  
AMENDING THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT  
DATED DECEMBER 1, 1999**

Be it resolved by the City Council of Dahlonega and it is so ordained by the authority thereof that:

**Whereas**, the City of Dahlonega is in the process of renegotiating its Service Delivery Strategy ("Agreement") with Lumpkin County; and

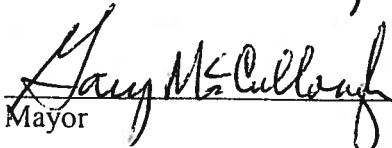
**Whereas**, in order to retain its Qualified Local Government status and for other reasons, it is necessary that a portion of the existing Service Delivery Agreement be amended and revised immediately; and

**Whereas**, the portion which must be amended and revised is identified in the original Agreement dated December 1, 1999, as the "Water Supply" section; and

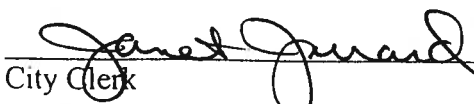
**Whereas**, on an interim basis the City of Dahlonega and Lumpkin County have agreed to terms regarding an amendment to the original 1999 Agreement regarding the component labeled "Water Supply," and the terms of that interim agreement are specified on Exhibit A attached hereto;

**Therefore**, the information contained in Exhibit A is hereby accepted and approved as an amendment to the Service Delivery Agreement between the City of Dahlonega and Lumpkin County dated December 1, 1999, until such time as the negotiations between the City and County are completed regarding a new Service Delivery Strategy between the City of Dahlonega and Lumpkin County as required by law and the rules of the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

It is so resolved this 2 day of August, 2004.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

AUG 2 2004

**LUMPKIN COUNTY RESOLUTION No. 2004 – 25**

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND  
THE LUMPKIN COUNTY – CITY OF DAHLONEGA  
SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY**

**Whereas**, the governing authority of Lumpkin County entered into an agreement with the City of Dahlonega for Strategic Delivery of Services with the intent to avoid unnecessary duplication of services common to both city and county; and

**Whereas**, the governing authority of Lumpkin County and the City of Dahlonega now desire to jointly amend the service delivery areas for water and sewer service for the mutual benefit of the two governments;

**Now therefore, it is hereby resolved** that the Lumpkin County – City of Dahlonega Service Delivery Strategy is hereby amended as follows:

Each party hereto shall have the right, power, license and privilege to be the sole public provider of water and sewer in accordance with the “Service Delivery Strategy Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements - Sewer” prepared August 2, 2004, and the “Service Delivery Strategy Summary of Service Delivery Arrangements - Water” prepared August 2, 2004, within the respective areas set out on the Lumpkin County / City of Dahlonega Service Delivery Area map adopted August 2, 2004, and signed by the Lumpkin County Commissioner as governing authority of Lumpkin County and by the Mayor of Dahlonega under authority and direction of the Dahlonega City Council of even date, and upon execution of the Service Delivery Strategy Update Certification of even date.

The City shall have the right to provide water and sewer service, or to issue subordinate rights and licenses as it might see fit, for that area within the City of Dahlonega corporate limits and the surrounding area within the area established on the above referenced map.

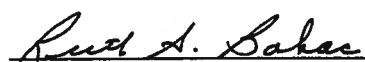
Lumpkin County shall have the right to provide water and sewer service, or to issue subordinate rights and licenses as its governing authority might see fit, for that area within the County boundaries and outside the area set aside for the City of Dahlonega on the above referenced map. It is further acknowledged and accepted that the Lumpkin County Water and Sewerage Authority is the primary provider of water and sewerage service outside the City of Dahlonega service area.

This agreement is contingent on the adoption of the City of Dahlonega, of even date, of the above referenced delivery strategy summaries, the map and the update certification without further amendment or limitation.

**Resolved and adopted** this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2004, and **effective** upon the adoption by the City of Dahlonega.

  
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Stephen W. Gooch  
Lumpkin County Commissioner

Attest:

  
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Ruth A. Bohac  
Clerk, Lumpkin County



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City of Dahlonega	User Fees, Enterprise Funds, Bonded Indebtedness
Lumpkin County Water & Sewer Authority	User Fees, Bonded Indebtedness

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

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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>
Water Purchase Agreement	City of Dahlonega	October 2001
	L.C. Water & Sewer Authority	

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?

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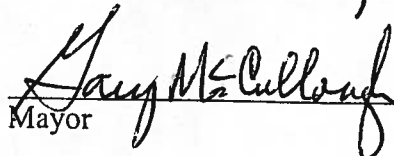
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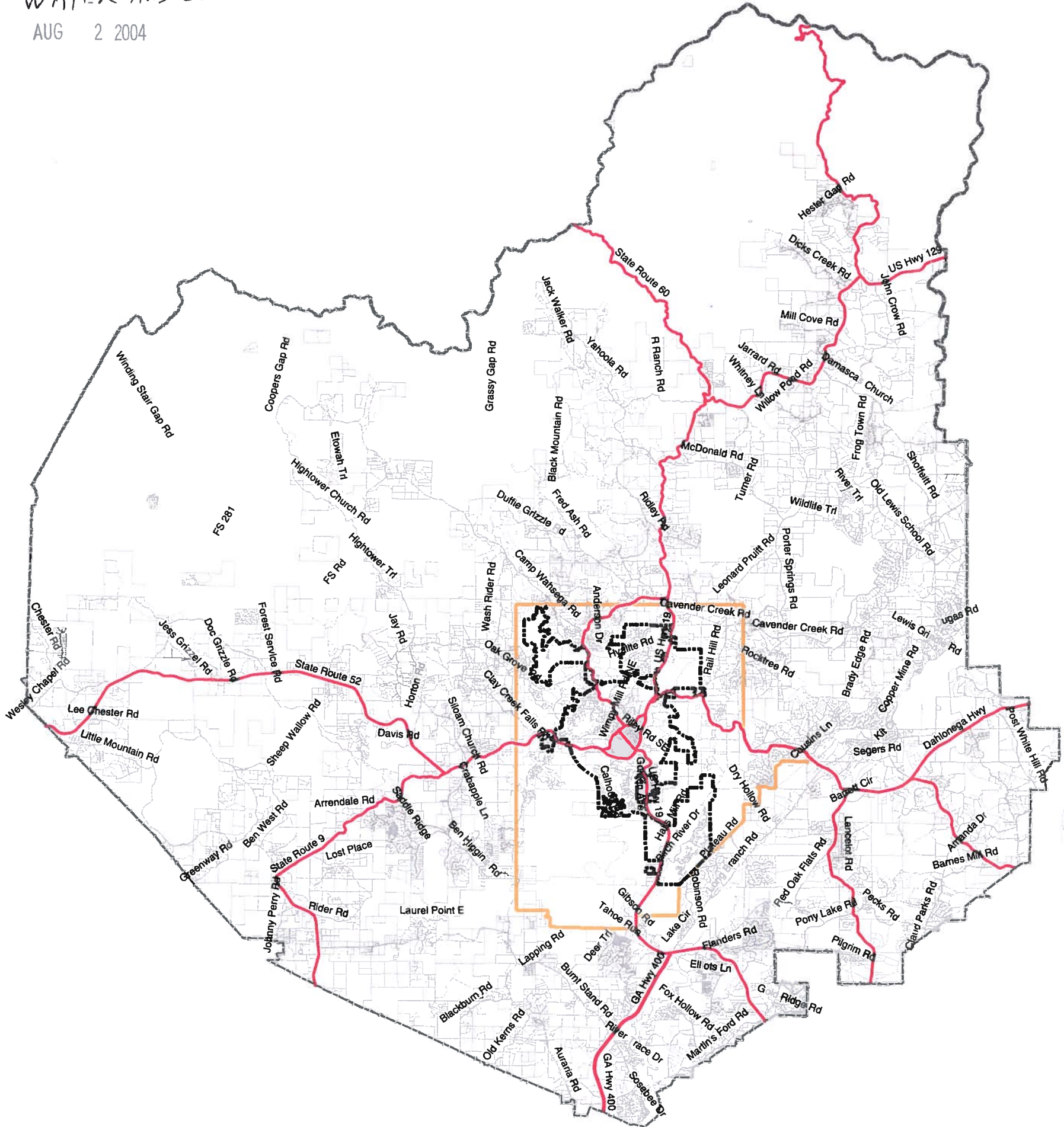


# LUMPKIN COUNTY/CITY OF DAHLONEGA SERVICE DELIVERY AREA

This is to certify that this Service Delivery Area map was adopted by Lumpkin County and the City of Dahlonega on August 2, 2004.

*Gary McCullough*  
Gary McCullough, Mayor  
City of Dahlonega

*Stephen W. Gooch*  
Stephen W. Gooch, Sole Commissioner  
Lumpkin County



### Legend

- Lumpkin County Boundary
- City of Dahlonega
- City of Dahlonega Service Delivery Area
- Tax Parcel Boundary

**FEATURE TY**

- State Highway





1 inch equals 2.2 miles



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6. Our Service Delivery Strategy continues to ensure that the officially adopted County and City land use plans of all local governments located in the County are compatible and nonconflicting (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (4)(A));
7. Our Service Delivery Strategy continues to ensure that the provision of extraterritorial water and sewer services by any jurisdiction is consistent with all County and City land use plans and ordinances (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (4)(B)); and
8. Our Service Delivery Strategy continues to contain an agreed upon process between the county government and each city located in the county to resolve land use classification disputes when the county objects to the proposed land use of an area to be annexed into a city within the county (O.C.G.A. 36-70-24 (4)(C))<sup>1</sup> and;
9. DCA has been provided a copy of this certification and copies of all forms, maps and supporting agreements needed to accurately depict our agreed upon strategy (O.C.G.A. 36-70-27).

*<sup>1</sup>If the County does not have an Annexation/Land Use dispute resolution process with each of its cities, list the cities where no agreed upon process exists:*

SIGNATURE:	NAME: (Please print or type)	TITLE:	JURISDICTION:	DATE:
	Stephen W. Gooch	Sole Commissioner	Lumpkin County	Aug. 2, 2004
	Gary McCullough	Mayor	City of Dahlonega	Aug. 2, 2004