FACT SHEET

Project Name: Big Creek Greenway Multi-Use Trail, Phase 5

Location/Termini: The project begins at the end of Phase 4 of the Big Creek Greenway at the intersection of Kelly Mill Rd and Johnson Road and terminates at the Sawnee Mountain Preserve and Visitors Center on Spot Road.

Length: The total Project Length of Phase 5 is 5.7 miles and is presented in three Segments as follows:

Segment 1 – Kelly Mill Road to Canton Hwy, 2.3 miles.

Segment 2 – Canton Hwy Segment (to be constructed as part of GDOT Widening Project), 1.0 mile

Segment 3 – Canton Hwy to End Project – along Spot Road Connector, 2.4 miles

Project Use: Multi-Use path to accommodate pedestrians, joggers, bicycles, etc. The proposed trail will be will not allow motorized vehicles.

Existing Conditions: Segment 1: The general location of the path will begin at the end of Phase 4 of the Big Creek Greenway at the intersection of Kelly Mill Rd and Johnson Rd. From this location the trail will follow Johnson Road for approximately 800 linear feet before crossing Johnson Rd and following the property lines of several parcels before crossing Chamblee Gap Road. Once the trail crosses Chamblee Gap Road it will run southeast, again following the property lines of several parcels before it ends at Canton Highway (SR 20).

Segment 2: Consists of a 1 mile stretch of path that will be constructed as part of a future GDOT widening project for Canton Hwy (SR 20)

Segment 3: The general location of the path will begin at the intersection of Canton Highway and Spot Road Connector (at Sawnee Elementary). From this point the path will travel along the existing roadway, within existing rights of way. The trail will run parallel to Spot Road Connector, Doc Bramblett Road and Spot Road, until it ends at the Sawnee Mountain Preserve and Visitors Center.

Proposed Facility: The proposed path will generally consist of a 12-foot wide paved section with a minimum of 2-foot clear shoulders. Path materials include concrete pavement and boardwalks. Rest locations are located at approximate half-mile intervals along the length of the project. Proposed trailheads, which include vehicle parking and restroom facilities, are being evaluated. Possible locations include a site along Chamblee Gap Rd, the existing Forsyth County property located off Canton Highway, and the existing Sawnee Mountain Preserve and Visitors Center.

Proposed Easements: The greenway will generally be constructed on a minimum 20 wide right of way. Along portions of the trail that parallel existing roadways, the proposed trail will be located within the existing right of way. Additional Temporary Easements will be required for construction of the trail.

Funding Sources: Proposed project funding - $100 million Parks, Recreation and Green Space Bond & SPLOST.

Estimated Const. Cost: Phase 5 (Segment 1 & Segment 3) - $5,500,000

Begin R/W Acquisition: Summer 2016

Begin Construction: 2019

Estimated Const. Time: 12-18 months