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Henry County to Break Ground on Panola Mountain Greenway Trail PATH Project

Project will bring connectivity and quality of life benefits to the county

HENRY COUNTY, GA- January 8, 2020 – The Henry County Board of Commissioners are celebrating the much-anticipated Panola Mountain Greenway Trail PATH project and will hold a groundbreaking ceremony on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 11 a.m. The ceremony will be held at the edge of the construction site in Panola Mountain State Park, located at 2620 Highway 155 SW, Stockbridge, GA 30281.

The PATH project is the Henry County tie-in to the trail network located on the east side of S.R. 155 at Panola Mountain State Park. In October, Commissioners approved an award bid to Lewallen Construction in the amount of \$2,724, 673 to construct the project.

The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) approved the bid award in November and a final agreement between GDOT and the County was executed last month. The Notice to Proceed was given to the contractor on January 6.

District V Commissioner Bruce Holmes, in whose district the trail will be constructed, lauded the County and its partners for making the project a reality.

“I’m very excited that this partnership between the BOC and PATH is now in the construction phase. We’ve gone through a number of ups and downs with this project over the past 8 years. There have been times where I’ve had my doubts, however we’re finally here and this very important quality of life initiative is moving forward,” said Holmes. “Kudos to the BOC, staff, BOE and PATH Foundation on the coordinated effort to see this project through and bringing it into reality.”

The County will receive more than \$2.7 million in federal funding for this project and will provide a 20 percent match in the amount of \$544,935. Funding was made possible through a Transportation Enhancement Grant and a Transportation Alternatives Program Grant.

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