

# Pacolet River Regional Park Development

Requesting Department/Division: Parks and Recreation Commission  
 Project Manager/Contact: Jeff Caton/Stan Tillotson

Estimated Start Date: July 2009  
 Est. Completion Date: June 2014

Project Category: Land Acquisition & New Construction

Project Status: New Project Request  
 Project Number: TBD

## Project Description, Justification and Location

Provide funding for a Pacolet River Regional Park Development in the Cowpens/Clifton/Pacolet region. The desired property would ideally be located on the Pacolet River, or at least have partial river frontage, south of SC 29 and north of the Town of Pacolet. This area would serve the entire eastern area of the County. Land acquisition will occur in FY 2009/10, with planning and development in FY 2011/12 and construction of the project completed in FY 2013/14 (beyond the five-year Capital Improvement Plan). Planned improvements include construction of an on-site maintenance compound, construction of two (2) picnic shelters, construction of approximately four thousand (4,000) linear feet of eight (8) feet wide paved walking trail, a six (6) baseball field complex, associated parking, and concession/restroom facilities. Total project cost is estimated at \$4.72 million, with \$903,896 scheduled for funding in FY 2013/14 (beyond the five-year Capital Improvement Plan).



## Benefits to Residents, Visitors, Businesses, or County Employees

This regional park site would benefit residents and visitors of Spartanburg County by providing additional athletic facilities for regional sporting events; and public green space, access to the Pacolet River, walking trails, and passive areas providing regional eco-tourism opportunities. It would also serve to help revitalize an area that has been largely absent of investment since the closing of the many mills located in this area.

## Impact on Annual Operating Budget

There would be no impact on the annual operating budget until completion of the project in FY 2013/14. During FY 2013/14, several pieces of capital equipment will need to be purchased including a truck, trailer, two mowers, and one utility vehicle. In FY 2013/14, two (2) turf grass technicians and one (1) park technician will be needed. Additional budgeted expenditures associated with upkeep of the park for supplies, utilities, minor capital equipment, etc. will be required.

## Project Status (as of June 1, 2008)

New project request.

### Project Expenditures and Funding Sources

| PROJECT  | TOTAL PROJECT COST | COMMITTED FUNDING | FY 2008/09 | FY 2009/10     | FY 2010/11 | FY 2011/12     | FY 2012/13       | FY 2009-13 TOTAL |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Pacolet River Regional Park Development</b> |                    |                   |            |                |            |                |                  |                  |
| <u>Expenditures</u>                            |                    |                   |            |                |            |                |                  |                  |
| Planning/Design/Engineering                    | 542,784            | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0          | 542,784        | 0                | 542,784          |
| Land Acquisition/Right-of-Way                  | 946,772            | 0                 | 0          | 946,772        | 0          | 0              | 0                | 946,772          |
| Construction/Improvements                      | 2,323,534          | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0          | 0              | 2,323,534        | 2,323,534        |
| Capital Materials/Equipment                    | 0                  | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0          | 0              | 0                | 0                |
| Technology Expenditures                        | 0                  | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0          | 0              | 0                | 0                |
| Other  | 0                  | 0                 | 0          | 0              | 0          | 0              | 0                | 0                |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>                      | <b>3,813,090</b>   | <b>0</b>          | <b>0</b>   | <b>946,772</b> | <b>0</b>   | <b>542,784</b> | <b>2,323,534</b> | <b>3,813,090</b> |
| <u>Revenues</u>                                |                    |                   |            |                |            |                |                  |                  |
| Hospitality Tax - COPs Issue                   | 3,813,090          | 0                 | 0          | 946,772        | 0          | 542,784        | 2,323,534        | 3,813,090        |
| <b>Total Revenues</b>                          | <b>3,813,090</b>   | <b>0</b>          | <b>0</b>   | <b>946,772</b> | <b>0</b>   | <b>542,784</b> | <b>2,323,534</b> | <b>3,813,090</b> |