

A PROCLAMATION TO SUPPORT THE ETOWAH RIVER WATER TRAIL
FOR THE COUNTY OF PICKENS, GA

The citizens of Pickens County value its natural resources and outdoor recreation opportunities afforded by the Etowah River; and

The citizens value the Etowah River for water quality and habitat protection; and

The citizens of the County will greatly benefit from the recreational and natural experiences provided by the water trail and

Providing access to the river is a desired goal of the County; and

The citizens of Pickens County and visitors from throughout the State of Georgia and the United States have for more than twenty (20) years regularly and openly enjoyed and exercised a right of passage by boat on the Etowah River, thereby establishing a public easement of passage on the river; and

Pickens County has participated with Lumpkin, Dawson, Forsyth, Cherokee, Bartow Counties to study and evaluate this water trail; and

This water trail is consistent with the comprehensive land use plan of Pickens County for recreational facilities for its citizens; and

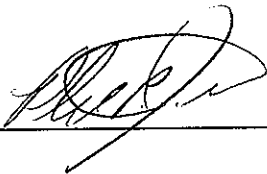
The County has previously supported activities that promote recreation on the river and has been a partner in the feasibility study for the water trail; and

The citizens of Pickens County have indicated their support for the water trail at (meetings or other events); and

Pickens County affirms and supports the water trail, beginning at the Chattahoochee National Forest in Lumpkin County and ending in Rome, to be of value and benefit to the citizens of Pickens County and its neighboring counties.

Signed this 26 day of February 2013.

By:



Attest: