

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE SATILLA RIVER WATER TRAIL
FOR THE COUNTY OF BRANTLEY, GA

WHEREAS, the citizens of Brantley County value its natural resources and outdoor recreation opportunities afforded by the Satilla River; and

WHEREAS, the citizens value the Satilla River for water quality and habitat protection; and

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

WHEREAS, providing access to the river is a desired goal of the County; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Brantley 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 Satilla River as it travels through Brantley County, thereby establishing a public easement of passage on the river; and

WHEREAS, Brantley County has participated with Ware, Pierce, Camden, and Charlton County to study and evaluate this water trail; and

WHEREAS, this water trail is consistent with the comprehensive land use plan of Brantley County for recreational facilities for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously supported activities that promote recreation on the river; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Brantley County have indicated their support for the water trail at Satilla River Water Trail and/or Satilla Riverkeeper meetings and events; and

WHEREAS, Brantley County affirms and supports the water trail, beginning in Ware County and ending at Camden, to be of value and benefit to the citizens of Brantley County and its neighboring counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioner of Brantley County, Georgia;

Section 1: That the public easement of passage established by more than twenty (20) years of regular and open travel by boat on the Satilla River in Brantley County is hereby recognized and accepted by the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the citizens of Brantley County, and visitors from throughout the State of Georgia and the United States;

Section 2: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; and

Section 3: That we hereby direct each department in the County to support the water trail.

Section 4: This resolution pertains to travel on Satilla River waterways in Brantley County. The Brantley County Board of Commissioners does not recognize or imply any public right to the access of, the use of and/or the enjoyment of private property along the Satilla River.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSION OF BRANTLEY COUNTY, GEORGIA, this 4th day of February 2016.

By: 
Charlie Summerlin, Chairman

Attest: 
Renee T. Herrin, County Clerk