Minutes Land Committee Jack Hill State Park Group Shelter 162 Park Lane Reidsville, GA 30453

> April 27, 2021 9:00 a.m.

Attendees:

Committee Members

Dwight Evans, Chair – Via Teleconference Dwight Davis, Vice Chair – Via Teleconference William Bagwell – Via Teleconference Randy Dellinger Patrick Denney Bill Jones Rob Leebern – Via Teleconference Tim Lowe Billy New Bodine Sinyard – Via Teleconference Miki Thomaston Dee Yancey, Board Chair, Ex-officio

Board Members

Nancy Addison Nick Ayers – Via Teleconference Joe Hatfield – Via Teleconference Duncan Johnson – Via Teleconference Ray Lambert – Via Teleconference Paul Shailendra – Via Teleconference

Staff Members

Kyle Pearson – Via Teleconference Kate Iannuzzi – Via Teleconference Josh Hildebrandt – Via Teleconference Cathy Barnette Artica Gaston Courtney Hall – Via Teleconference Thomas Barnard Jeff Cown Steve Friedman – Via Teleconference Doug Haymans Thom Litts Alan Isler

Richard Dunn, Director – Via Teleconference John Eunice – Via Teleconference Jac Capp – Via Teleconference Karen Hays – Via Teleconference Chuck Mueller – Via Teleconference Laura Williams – Via Teleconference Minutes – Land Committee April 27, 2021 Page 2

The April 27, 2021 meeting of the Land Committee was called to order by Dee Yancey, Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Yancey called on Dwight Evans, Chairman of the Land Committee. Mr. Evans called on Steve Friedman, Chief of Real Estate.

Mr. Friedman stated he is requesting approval of a revocable license agreement (RLA) and permanent easement (PE) of up to 0.966± acres be granted to Jefferson EMC. He further stated the purpose of the easement is to allow Jefferson EMC to install, operate, and maintain an underground power line that will provide service to ponds for supplemental aeration. He added that without supplemental aeration, the fish will die during periods of low dissolved oxygen, therefore the Department recommends the easements be granted at no cost.

Mr. Friedman stated the area is Heritage Preserve dedicated, but the new underground power line will provide needed support to a permitted use of the public fishing area, and therefore the change of use is not necessary. He further stated that because the power line is underground and the property is Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) designated, the easement will not require a conversion. He added that the easement to Jefferson EMC requires RLA be issued by the State Properties Commission and a permanent easement be granted by the General Assembly.

<u>A motion was made by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried unanimously that</u> the Committee recommend the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval of the granting of a Revocable License Agreement and Permanent Easement of up to 0.966± acres by the State Properties Commission and General Assembly to Jefferson EMC at McDuffie Public Fishing Area, McDuffie County, as presented.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.