

Staff Report

Subject: Approval of Georgia Power Vegetation Management Easement Documents – Treutlen Trail

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Item Description: Consideration to approve easement documents requested by Georgia Power for vegetation maintenance along the Treutlen Trail Utility Line.

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the nine (9) Georgia Power Vegetation Management Easement documents for parcels along Treutlen Trail and Courthouse Road, and authorization to execute all forms as requested by Georgia Power to support their Vegetation Management Easement Program.

Executive Summary/Background:

Georgia Power Company ("GPC") is conducting a region-wide Vegetation Management Easement Program to improve system reliability, reduce outages, and ensure safe operation of power distribution equipment. As part of this effort, Georgia Power is requesting updated easement permissions for vegetation trimming, clearing, and maintenance along their distribution corridor on Treutlen Trail.

Each packet includes:

- A letter explaining the vegetation trimming/clearing project.
- Signature requirement instructions
- A distribution tree-trim/clearing easement document for execution
- An Exhibit A map showing the easement area and affected tax parcel
- A payment request form and W-9
- A checklist of required signatures and notarization

Georgia Power has requested that the County execute these easements to permit vegetation management necessary to maintain clearance around their distribution lines and associated equipment.

Parcels Included:

Parcel 23-375-023, Parcel 26-419-026, Parcel 27-419-027 Recloser, Parcel 27-419-027 Breaker, Parcel 29-419-029, Parcel 30-419-030, Parcel 13-443-013, Parcel 15-443-015, Parcel 19-443-019

Each easement includes the same scope:

- Granting Georgia Power permission to trim, cut, or remove vegetation within 20 feet of their distribution line
- Allowing equipment access for maintenance and reliability improvements
- Recording the easement in accordance with Georgia Power's required format
- Completing a payment request form acknowledging nominal compensation to the County

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the execution of all nine easements as requested.
2. Deny the request
3. Provide alternative directions to staff.

Recommended Alternative: 1

Other Alternatives: 2, 3

Department Review: Procurement and Engineering

Funding Source: No County matching funds or expenditures are required

Attachments: Georgia Power Easement Packets: Parcels 13, 15, 19, 23, 26, 27 (Recloser), 27 (Breaker), 29, and 30, Payment Request Forms and W-9 Forms, Exhibit A Easement Maps