

**DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT
DRI - REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

Instructions:

The project described below has been submitted to this Regional Commission for review as a Development of Regional Impact (DRI). A DRI is a development project of sufficient scale or importance that is likely to have impacts beyond the jurisdiction in which the project is actually located, such as adjoining cities or neighboring counties. We would like to consider your comments on this proposed development in our DRI review process. Therefore, please review the information about the project included on this form and give us your comments by completing the Comments from Affected Parties section of this form. The completed form should be returned to the Regional Commission on or before the indicated date.

PAULDING COUNTY – RICHLAND CREEK RESERVOIR (DRI # 2444) (9/29/14)

Preliminary Findings and Comments of the RC:

The proposed Paulding County Richland Creek Reservoir project is planned to fulfill the long-term water supply needs of the county through the year 2060. The Richland Creek Reservoir will be a 305 acre pumped storage reservoir located in northern Paulding County on the upper reaches of Richland Creek. Its primary water source will be pumped from the Etowah River at a site located four miles to the north in Bartow County. The Richland Creek Reservoir will supplement the existing water supply provided by the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority. The Richland Creek Reservoir is estimated to provide 35 MGD of the projected 50-year need of 53.2 MGD. The estimated value at build-out of the reservoir is \$106 million. The average daily traffic during construction is expected to be 100 vehicle trips per day. During operation, the project is expected to generate 25 vehicle trips per day. Paulding County indicates that watershed wetland and stream mitigation will be included in the overall scope of the project.

Comments from Affected Party (attach additional sheets as necessary):

After reviewing the information submitted for our review, the ThreeRivers Regional Commission (TRRC) recommends that the DRI is in the best interest of the Region, and therefore, of the State.

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Please Return This Form To:

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