



# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS: Certain real property in Georgia, because it exhibits unique natural characteristics, special historical significance, or particular recreational value, constitutes a valuable heritage which should be available to all Georgians, now and in the future; and
- WHEREAS: Because of Georgia's rapid population growth in recent decades and resulting changes in land use, many such properties have been altered and their value as part of our heritage lost; and
- WHEREAS: Chickasawhatchee Wildlife Management Area, located in Baker, Calhoun and Dougherty Counties, described more precisely on the map and table attached as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" respectively, which are incorporated herein by reference, is owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources; and
- WHEREAS: The State purchased said real property to protect its significant natural, recreational and cultural resources, and to allow compatible forms of scientific research, public education, and recreation; and
- WHEREAS: The General Assembly recognizes the above needs and the public interest in the state's heritage and, therefore, has enacted the Heritage Trust Act of 1975 (Georgia Laws 1975, p. 962); and
- WHEREAS: Said Heritage Trust Act of 1975 provides that any real property owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources may be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve after written recommendation by the Board of Natural Resources and approval by the Governor; and
- WHEREAS: The Board of Natural Resources has made a written recommendation that Chickasawhatchee Wildlife Management Area be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve, and I, as Governor, concur in the Board's desire to protect said

real property in the most effective manner available, in order to confer the best and most important benefit to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

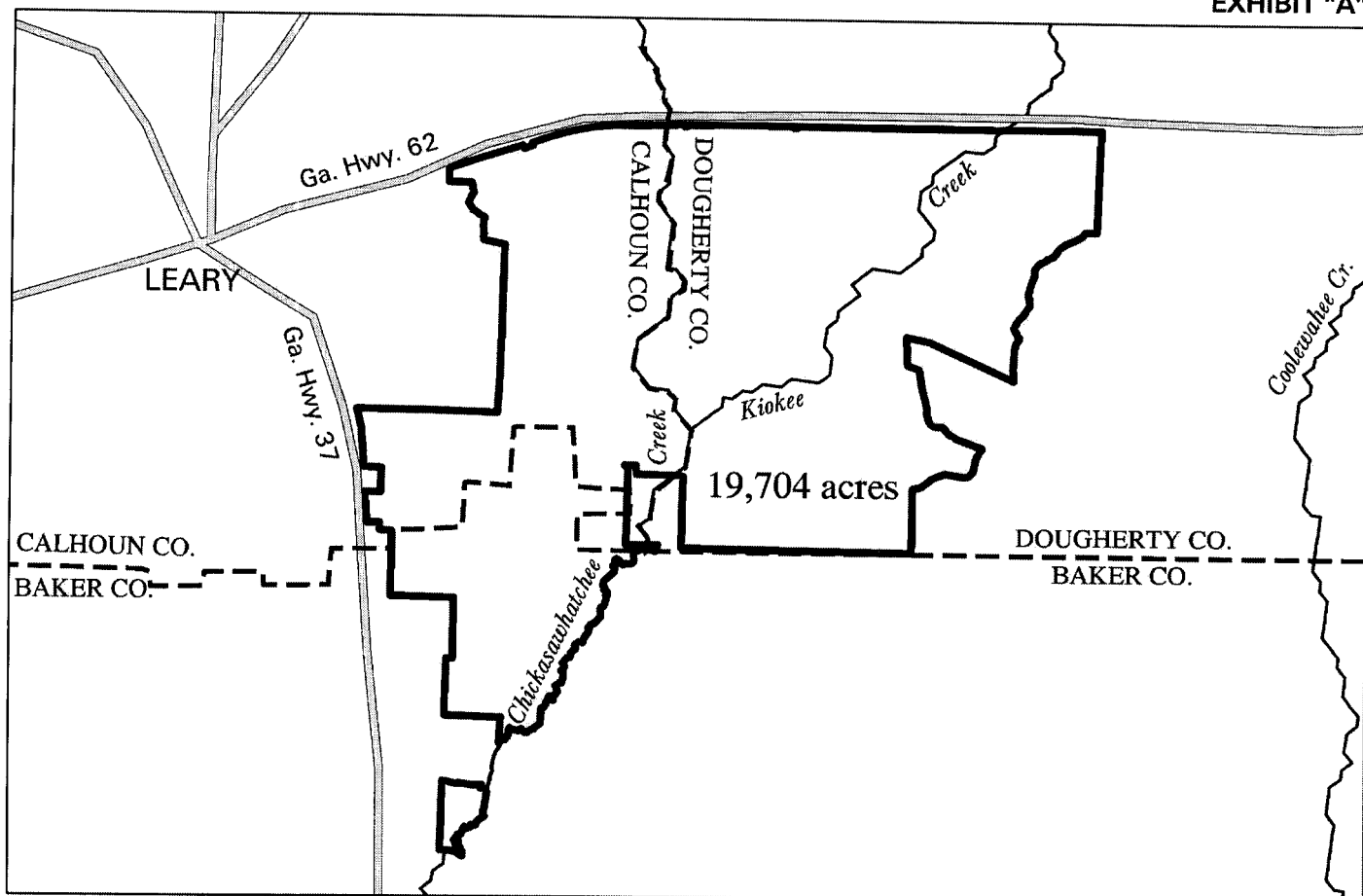
ORDERED: That Chickasawhatchee Wildlife Management Area be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve to protect, conserve and manage the natural, recreational and historic resources of said area for the benefit of present and future generations; that on said property the main emphasis will be the conservation of natural resources for the primary purposes of habitat management, hunting, fishing, birding, nature observation, education other wildlife-related activities, and the provision of facilities needed to support these and related activities; and that said lands also be used only for scientific research and recreational activities such as boating, hiking, biking, camping and picnicking, to the extent that these secondary uses can occur without conflicts with the aforementioned primary uses; all under conditions carefully monitored and controlled by the Department of Natural Resources.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That this Executive Order be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baker, Calhoun and Dougherty Counties and with the State Properties Commission.

This 21 day of January, 2004.

  
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GOVERNOR



# CHICKASAWHATCHEE W.M.A.

Baker, Calhoun and Dougherty Counties



**EXHIBIT "B"**

**CHICKASAWHATCHEE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**

**Locations of Deeds and Plats to State-owned Lands  
As of September 24, 2003**

<b>County</b>	<b>Conveyor</b>	<b>Deed Type and Interest<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Acreage<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Deed Book: Page(s)</b>	<b>Plat Book: Page(s)</b>
Baker	The Nature Conservancy	General Warranty	3,378	111: 751-771	6: 59-68
Calhoun	The Nature Conservancy	General Warranty	6,663	117: 345-365	6:82-92, & 6:120
Dougherty	The Nature Conservancy	General Warranty	4,183	2268: 175-195	1: C-76-F
	The Nature Conservancy	Limited Warranty	5,480	2485: 231-246	1: C79 A-E 1: C74 D-F
<b>Total Acreage</b>			<b>19,704</b>		

1. Unless otherwise stated, deed is warranty deed and interest is fee-simple.

2. Acreage figures are for illustrative purposes only.