LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Abandonment of a Portion of Boring Pond Lane

DATE OF MEETING: July 12, 2022

Work Session/Regular Session

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A FUNDING SOURCE:
() Annual

() Capital

(X) N/A

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COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Abandonment of a portion of Boring Pone Lane

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: In 2019, Lowndes County completed the paving of the Boring Pond Lane project. As part of the project, the new right-of-way was designed to remove two ninety degree turns. The portions of the former road right-of-way highlighted in yellow on the attached drawings are not part of the new right of way. For a section of a county road to be abandoned, Georgia statute requires an initial determination either (a) "that the section of the county road system has for any reason ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it" or (b) "that its removal from the county road system is otherwise in the best public interest," or both. If the Board makes either or both of these determinations, the statute provides for notice to adjoining property owners, notice to the public by newspaper publication, and a public hearing. After the public hearing, the Board "may declare that section of the county road system abandoned."

OPTIONS: 1. Determine (a) that the highlighted section of the county road system has for any reason ceased to be used by the public to the extent that no substantial public purpose is served by it, or (b) that its removal from the county road system is otherwise in the best public interest, or both.

2. Redirect.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option 1

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>: Engineering <u>DEPARTMENT HEAD</u>: Chad McLeod

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: