



# DeKalb County Government

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## Legislation Text

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Public Hearing: YES  NO

Department: Public Works - Transportation

**SUBJECT:**

**Commission District(s):** 3, 5, and 7

Acceptance of Funds from the Atlanta Regional Commission for a Scoping Study for Extending the South River Trail from Waldrop Road to MLK High School

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**PURPOSE:**

To consider accepting and appropriating up to \$200,000 from the Atlanta Regional Commission for a scoping study for extending the South River Trail from Waldrop Road to MLK High School;  
To consider appropriating \$50,000 of SPLOST funds from line 1B - Federal and State Transportation Project Match Funds for Transportation Purposes; and  
To consider authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to execute all necessary documents for completion of this project.

**NEED/IMPACT:**

This section of trail will eliminate the gap between the existing trail end at Waldrop Road and the existing trail end at Martin Luther King High School which connects with the Arabia Mountain Trail and continues into Rockdale County. The trail is an important part of a bike-pedestrian corridor allowing for the future regional connection from the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Rockdale County to the Atlanta Beltline. The purpose of this study is to develop safe and cost-effective ways to connect the existing trail segments and to study the feasibility of alternatives. Project deliverables will include an implementation plan for recommended improvements and a GDOT concept report. The concept report will assist in seeking additional state and federal funding.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

SPLOST funds in the amount of \$50,000 will cover the matching cost for this project.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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