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COUNTY RESPONDS TO CORPS DECISION
REGARDING BETHEL PARK

FORSYTH COUNTY, Georgia – In response to the recent decision by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to award use of Bethel Park to the YMCA over Forsyth County, the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners has directed legal counsel to file a Freedom of Information Act request to determine the basis for this selection.

Additionally, the Board of Commissioners has directed legal counsel to begin preliminary steps toward the commencement of legal action against the Corps.

“It has always been the belief of the Board of Commissioners that the local government would be afforded the right of first refusal in the event that the Corps opted to lease their parks,” Forsyth County Board of Commissioners Chairman Charles Laughinghouse said. “We believe it is our obligation to act in the best interest of the citizens of this county. Our intent has and will continue to be preserving access to this park for the citizens of Forsyth County.”

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