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### **COUNTY ACQUIRES LAND FOR MAJOR PARK EXPANSION: PUBLIC MEETING FOR LENORA PARK MASTER PLAN SCHEDULED ON MARCH 6**

**(Lawrenceville, Feb. 4, 2002)** – Gwinnett County officials have announced the purchase of 66 acres of land across the road from the existing Lenora Park, located at 4515 Lenora Church Road in Snellville. The gently sloping tract, located in southern Gwinnett County, had been primarily used in the past for agricultural purposes. The expansion increases the size of Lenora Park from 112 acres to a total 178 acres.

The Parks & Recreation 2000 Capital Improvements Program identified the need for additional active park land. The land was purchased with funds from the 2001 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST). Gwinnett County closed on the property last month at a cost of approximately \$20,000 per acre.

“The citizens of Gwinnett County have allowed us to purchase both active and passive park land with their approval of the sales tax program,” said Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners Chairman F. Wayne Hill. “I am proud the county can continue to meet the citizens’ recreational needs.”

Lenora Park presently features a gymnasium, community room, pavilion, playground, fishing lake, pastoral fields, and six baseball/softball fields. One of the park’s most popular amenities is a scenic 1.5-mile, paved multi-purpose trail. The unique 18-hole Disc Golf Course offers fun for visitors of all ages.

District 3 Commissioner John Dunn said, “This expansion of Lenora Park will provide a great opportunity to add new recreational facilities to serve residents in the southern area of Gwinnett County.”

The Gwinnett County Department of Community Services will hold a public meeting on the expansion of Lenora Park at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6 in the Shiloh High School Auditorium/Theater, 4210 Shiloh Road, Snellville. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for citizen input as the county embarks on a new master plan to further develop the park. For more information about the meeting, call Rex Schuder, Gwinnett County Parks & Recreation, at 770-822-8864.

The mission of Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation is to provide quality parks and leisure activities to the citizens of Gwinnett County.

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