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NEW TRAIL, OTHER AMENITIES OPEN AT RHODES JORDAN PARK

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Dec. 22, 2011) – Visitors to Rhodes Jordan Park on Friday will finally get to see the improvements from a major renovation project. The park now offers better lake access and enhanced recreational opportunities

One new feature is a 1.1-mile paved multi-purpose trail and boardwalk around the perimeter of the existing 23-acre lake that connects to the existing trail and sidewalks. Other new amenities include three picnic pavilions, outdoor basketball and horseshoe courts, a restroom building and parking area. The project also rerouted the main park drive and added lake irrigation for the sports fields.

Gwinnett County District 4 Commissioner John Heard said, “The past leaders of Lawrenceville were insightful when they transferred the operations and maintenance of the park to Gwinnett County. I am hopeful the future holds many opportunities for the cities and the county to share in services and facilities provided to our common citizens and taxpayers.”

The approximately \$7.37 million park renovation project began in 2010 and was funded by the Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST).

Commission Chairman Charlotte Nash said, “Gwinnett County continues to deliver SPLOST projects approved by our citizens. Rhodes Jordan Park’s central location in Gwinnett County provides recreational opportunities for people of all ages.”

The last phase of this renovation includes a new soccer complex scheduled to open in spring 2012.

Gwinnett County and the city of Lawrenceville entered into a long-term lease contract for Rhodes Jordan Park in 1991. Since then, the park land has expanded to 162 acres and also includes youth baseball, softball and football fields, a community center, outdoor aquatic center, tennis complex and senior center. Rhodes Jordan Park is located at 100 East Crogan Street in Lawrenceville.

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